

The Red Lantern

May 2010

Boy Scout Troop 294

Sponsored by the St. Pascal Men's Club

<http://www.troop294.net>

UPCOMING TROOP CALENDAR

May 24	6:00-8:30 pm	Court of Honor – Pot luck dinner and award ceremony
June 7	7:00-8:30 pm	2010-2011 Youth Planning meeting – At the Aeling's
June 14 – 19		Troop 294 Black Hills High Adventure trip
June 21	6:00-8:30 pm	2010-2011 Adult Planning meeting with potluck dinner at the Aeling's
July 3-10	meet 9 am	Summer Camp at Tomahawk Scout Reservation
July 11	1:30 – 3 pm	<i>Summer Camp Tent and Equipment Clean-up at the Aeling's</i>
July 14	6:30 – 8:30 pm	<i>Summer Camp Tent and Equipment Clean-up at the Aeling's</i>
July 16- Aug 1		Philmont High Adventure Backpacking trip
Sept 13	7:00-8:30 pm	First Scout meeting of 2010-2011 year

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This is our last Red Lantern of the 2009-2010 year. Here's to a fun summer!

Youth planning 2010-2011 meeting Monday, June 7th – please see attached flier. The youth planning meeting is Monday, June 7 at 7 pm at the Aeling's house. **All youth leadership** and any other interested scouts please attend. At this meeting we will pick the Merit badges, activities, pick new camping sites, and talk about high adventures trips.

Adult leader and parent 2010 2011 planning meeting is Monday, June 21 – After the youth plan the year and figure out what they want to do in 2010-2011 - all the adult leadership and all interested scout parents and volunteers will meet and line up resources. The Adult leaders and all parents will meet on Monday June 21 at 6 pm *at the Aeling's house* - to recruit volunteers, split up jobs and get going on 2010 - 2011 scout year. We will have pot luck dinner then a meeting.

Adults needed to help with summer Camp. Summer camp is July 3rd to July 10th, 2010. We need 5 – 10 adults to run summer camp. Ama has volunteered to run the kitchen and feed 40 some people for 7 days but she needs a couple of adults to help in the kitchen and we would really like to have an adult take the responsibility for clean up after meals. Adults, If you are planning to be at summer camp for all or part of the week, please email Mike Aeling at maeling@troop294.net with what dates you will be there and if you want to work in a specific area – kitchen, 1st year scouts, merit badges or others.

New youth Leadership elections will be at summer camp – Scouts needing leadership positions start thinking about positions you would like to have, elections will be at summer camp.

Scouts and scout families please help - Clean up of equipment after summer camp – On Sunday, July 11 at 1:30 – 3 pm and Wednesday, July 14 6:30 to 8:30 pm we will clean all the equipment used at summer camp. This is a big job please come and help out at one or the other. We will clean the equipment at the Aeling’s House.

Anne R. is the editor of the Red Lantern and Mark M. is the webmaster of the Troop web site – If you have information like patrol activities, youth leadership reports, Eagle project fliers, Pack 294 activities – including the troop, Crew 294 activities, troop fundraiser information or other troop related news please give this info to them. The Red Lantern is usually published the second week of the month, although this can vary a bit. Anne’s email address is randazzo4@earthlink.net and Mark’s email address is webmaster@troop294.net.

Troop 294 Patrol News

Leadership

Senior Patrol Leader	Charles P.
Assistant Senior Patrol Leader	Darius M.
Quartermaster	Matt S.
Historian	Anthony M.
Scribe	Eliot W.
Patrol Leader	Joseph K.
Patrol Leader	Spud B.
Patrol Leader	Ben P.
Patrol Leader	Andrew H.
Patrol Leader	Jonathon K.

Den Chiefs:

Galen D.: Pack 217 Lions II Den Chief
Caleb Bu.: Pack 217 Wolf Den Chief
Jonas Bu.: Pack 217 Tiger Den Chief

ASPL: No report submitted

Leroy Jenkins Patrol: *In April scouts of troop 294 went to camp at Phillipso. At this camp I put an activity together. I taught them to make “zinzin” and to balance on their heads. “Zinzin” is an African toy where you put two holes in the middle of a metal cap and slip a string through in. The balance game was when scouts had to balance a gallon of water on their heads. Joseph K.*

DX Army Patrol: No report submitted

Black Dragons Patrol: this month our patrol did the graphic arts, and aviation merit badges. We had a good time. star camp is on may 21-23. We're looking forward to the black hills and tomahawk. Submitted by Spud

The Papayas Patrol: No report submitted

Atomic Bombs: This is the Atomic Bombs signing on. We have been learning our knots. A lot of us are going to Star Camp. That camp will be awesome. We can't for Tomahawk! For my planned activity, the Atomic Bombs will go to a park and play baseball. Look for a flier handout coming soon. And this is the Atomic Bombs signing off.

Attention Parents: Responsibility for Advancement: *Leadership positions are required for advancement. Your sons have signed a contract addressing what each youth needs to do to get credit for their leadership position. Discuss these commitments with them*

Campouts

Troop294 Black Hills high Adventure trip – flier and more information go to troop web site - <http://www.troop294.net/flierBucket/HighAdventureSD.pdf> the contact person is Paula M.

Summer Camp at Tomahawk Scout Reservation, Rice Lake, Wisconsin. July 3-10. This campout is the most awesome campout of the year - don't miss it. For another successful camp many Adult Volunteers are needed as cooks, guides, merit badge record keepers and drivers to/from camp.

Electronics on Campouts - At the last parents meeting, we discussed electronic devices on campout and decided that they should be prohibited. This is a reminder that parents will need to make sure scouts do not bring video games, IPOD's, cell phones, etc. Let's try and get all the scouts to interact with each other and enjoy the outdoors instead of playing video games or texting their friends. Please encourage the kids to bring board games and cards to play in the cabin. We will have a football, frisbees, etc. for use outdoors.

Merit Badges and Religious Award

Merit Badges: Check the Scout Handbook for MB requirements for advancement to Eagle Scout or check the troop website at www.troop294.net for more information on specific merit badges and requirements.

Merit badges opportunities: Carpentry, Pathfinder, Signaller, and Tracking. The links for these merit badges and others are on the troop web site www.troop294.net.

Additional Merit Badge Options: Youth have the opportunity to pursue other merit badges through the Northern Star Council and the Northstar Museum of Scouting. Check out these websites through links from the Troop 294 website. Scouts pursuing Merit Badges outside of Troop 294 should talk to Mike or Ellen first to confirm need and approval.

Venture Crew News

Venturing is a youth development program of the Boy Scouts of America for young men and women, 14 (and have completed 8th grade) through 20 years old.

MEETING SCHEDULE: Questions - call or email Amy Bu. (thebucks@usfamily.net)

Meetings are held on the following days at the Mounds Park UMC (Earl & Euclid) at from 7:00 pm

Friday, June 4th

Bring a friend!

Troop 294 Website <http://www.troop294.net>

Check it out this is where all the latest information is! Mark M. does a fantastic job of keeping the website updated daily so everyone can keep current on all Troop 294 activities. The yearly calendar, the latest issue of the Red Lantern, pictures, and lots of information and links can be found. You can email your pictures, ideas, Eagle Scout projects, etc to: webmaster@troop294.net.