

The Red Lantern

Troop 294's Newsletter September 2010

To: The Boy Scouts of Troop 294 and their Families
Date: Sept 19, 2010
Web Page: <http://www.troop294.net>

Upcoming Troop 294 Calendar

Sept 20	7 - 8:00 pm	Fall Court of Honor at St Pascal's - bring the family
Sept 24-26	meet at 6 pm	Order of the Arrow Fall Conclave – see below
Sept 25	10 am – noon	Set up for Fall Festival – Volunteers needed to help
Sept 26	noon – 5 pm	St Pascal's Fall Festival
Sept 27	7 - 8:30 pm	Scout Meeting at St Pascal's - merit badges and rank advancement
Oct 4	7 - 8:30 pm	Scout Meeting at St Pascal's - merit badges and rank advancement
Oct 7	7 - 8:30 pm	Adult Leader and OA Roundtable – Church of Jesus Christ LDS (Please volunteer to go to OA – it can be rotating between adults)
Oct 8-10	meet at 6 pm	District Camporee and Troop 294 October campout
Oct 11	7 - 8:30 pm	Scout Meeting at St Pascal's - merit badges and rank advancement
Oct 18	7 - 8:30 pm	Scout Meeting at St Pascal's - merit badges and rank advancement

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scout Meetings of the 2010-2011 - will be Monday's in the St Pascal's school cafeteria.

TROOP 294 NEW YOUTH LEADERSHIP

Darius M.	Senior Patrol Leader
Tristen L.	Asst Senior Patrol Leader
Austin H.	Quartermaster
Andy M.	Historian
Ben P.	Scribe
Ben L.	Patrol leader
Eliot W.	Patrol leader
Galen D.	Patrol leader
Lucas M.	Patrol leader

Troop 294 Merit Badges – Everyone should have signed up for either Physical Fitness or Nuclear Science. Physical Fitness and the Historical Trekking badges will be offered the next set of badges. Physical Fitness is an Eagle Required Badge.

Troop 294 Adult leadership – As you all know Lucy Microburst has agreed to take on the Scoutmaster position for the upcoming year. Mike Aeling will be an assistant scoutmaster. There are several other changes in adult leadership - please review the attached list of all the adult leaders' positions in the troop. We will go over these positions at the court of honor on September 20th. There are a few volunteer jobs that we need people to sign up for. Please consider volunteering. Questions please call or e-mail Ellen Aeling 651 307 8241 or ellen@troop294.net

Tina L. 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. Tina's email address is lorsung@umn.edu and Mark's email address is webmaster@troop294.net.

2010 Eagle Expo – All Star and Life Scouts, their parents and Leaders, Scoutmasters are invited to the Eagle expo on Tuesday October 26, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. This will be at 1st Lutheran Church of White Bear Lake, 4000 Linden Street, White Bear Lake. This is to train and inform scouts, leaders and parents of information for the Eagle Scout rank. Topics will include: Why earn an Eagle, How to get started, Eagle service projects, Service projects approval procedure, Application Procedures and Requirements, What the Board of Review is all about and Eagle Court of Honor. Further information please e-mail or call NW District Advancement Chair John Hanson @ hansonfo@aol.com or 651-6339408.

Order of the Arrow (OA) Fall Conclave September 25-27 All OA members of the troop are invited – Congratulations to the scouts called out (nominated) to the Order of the Arrow at summer camp. All OA members of Troop 294 are invited to the Fall Conclave. Registration and fees should be sent directly to the Council office. Fellowship and service begins Friday at 6:00 pm and goes to Sunday morning. These are not a troop campout, but please advise if you are going and scouts need a ride. We will be leaving for Fred C A. at 6 pm from the Aeling's house. If you would like to ride with Mr. Aeling call and verify there is space for you. Ms. L. is also driving & will meet at the Aeling's house. All ordeal candidates and members of OA should have received information about the conclave in the mail. Questions call - Chapter Adviser Michael Westfall at 651 738 6020.

The Order of the Arrow is Scouting's National Honor Society, Its purpose is to: To recognize those Scout campers who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives, to develop and maintain camping traditions and spirit, to promote Scout camping, to crystallize the Scout habit of helpfulness into a life purpose of leadership in cheerful service to others.

Den Chiefs:

Caleb Bu.: Pack 217 Bears Den Chief

Jonas Bu.: Pack 217 Wolves Den Chief

ASPL: Mostly everybody went to Tomahawk. That was awesome; we worked on badges, there with the slushies under the stars and even fireworks for two nights. I heard that some of the older guys went to Philmont, really cool. While pretty much everyone else went to South Dakota. When we were there we saw Mt. Rushmore, Crazy Horse, Wall Drug and the Corn Palace. We also went to the Badlands and climbed. At the Wild life loop were we saw Buffalo, Prairie dogs, Moose, Donkeys, Antelope and tons of other wildlife. Actually a bunch of buffalo crossed the road in front of the Mulkewitz's car and we even got in the danger zone of a buffalo. Oh yea, one more thing when we saw the donkeys we gave them crackers and they ate them and once Ben L. had a cracker box and ran , 3 donkeys followed him: 1 from the right, 1 behind him and 1 from the left. They trapped him. It was a great trip to be on with my scout buddies

Prey Lions Patrol: Leader: Eliot W. Leader. Members: Andrew H., Andy Mulkewitz, Peter M., Gideon J. K.

Empire Patrol: Leader Galen. Members: Matt, Ian, Ricky, Darius, Jonas, Ignatius, Caleb, Desmond, Submitted by Darius McRoberts

Gangster Bob the Builder on a Pony Patrol: Leader: Luke M.. Members: Jonathan K., Fernando K., Jonah R., Taylor M., Austin F., Charles H., Jake M.

The Lethal Rebellion: Patrol Leader Ben L. reporting for duty. My comrades are: Keivan S., Tristen L., Austin H., Ryan J., Joseph K. , Andrew "SPUD" B., Anthony M., Ben B, Ben P., Andrew H.. Lethal Rebellion over and out.

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

October Campout the our district Camporee - October 8 -10 – This will be the first Camporee ever at Northernstar Council brand new base camp at Fort Snelling - The October campout is the weekend of the 8th-10th, this is the district's fall Camporee, and information should be coming by mail from the district to each family. We will have our next troop campout in November. This camporee will include Historic merit badge stations and the retiring of the Bugling merit badge will be offered for ½ day. There will be many program areas which will include Archery, Indoor Climbing Walls, indoor COPE course, and Carnival activities/games. Only the COPE course has a minimum requirement of age 14.

There will be more information and dates on future campouts follow in future newsletters. Rita S.

VENTURE CREW 294 NEWS

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

Upcoming Venture Activities:

Please call or email Amy Bu, if you are interested in the venture crew.

Please check out these websites also for Venture Crew News

Facebook group: <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=94569938535>

Google Calendar:

<http://www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=7eftqnvfcnu5k6hlfk2qhnbc0%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America/Chicago>

TROOP 294 WEBSITE www.troop294.net

Check it out! Mark M. does a wonderful 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.