

# Troop 7 News

April 2008

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## Calendar of events:

April 2008

- 4<sup>th</sup> / 6<sup>th</sup> – April Campout  
Camp Miakonda
- 7<sup>th</sup> – Troop Meeting 7:00 to 8:30 PM
- 10<sup>th</sup> – Dist Roundtable / OA Meeting
- 14<sup>th</sup> – Troop Meeting 7:00 to 8:30 PM
- 21<sup>st</sup> – Troop Meeting 7:00 to 8:30 PM  
Committee Meeting 8:30 PM
- 28<sup>th</sup> – Bay View Cleanup  
6:30 to 8:00 PM

May 2008

- 2<sup>nd</sup> / 4<sup>th</sup> – May Campout  
Camp Firelands – District Fishing
- 5<sup>th</sup> – Troop Meeting 7:00 to 8:30 PM
- 8<sup>th</sup> – Dist Roundtable / OA Meeting
- 12<sup>th</sup> – Troop Meeting 7:00 to 8:30 PM  
Committee Meeting 8:30 PM
- 19<sup>th</sup> – Troop Meeting 7:00 to 8:30 PM
- 26<sup>th</sup> – Memorial Day Parade

## OA News.

This months OA meeting will be April 10, 2008 at 7:00 PM at Ebove. Call Mrs. Mehling 627-1929 or Mr. Fox 627-8453 if you need a ride. We need good attendance from our OA members.

## New Eagle Scout.

Mike Ricci became the troops 87<sup>th</sup> Eagle Scout on March 20, 2008!

CONGRATULATIONS MIKE!



## YMCA Sleepover.

Our YMCA sleepover was held Friday Night March 14. 13 scouts and 4 leaders had a great time playing water volleyball, eating pizza and watching movies. Some even learned some rescue skills in the pool. Most even got some sleep!

## Elk's Pancake Breakfast

The annual Elk's / Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast was held Sunday March 16, 2008. Attendance was kind of slow but steady. It was a great opportunity for service time of our boys. We have not heard back from the Elk's on any profits yet.

## April Campout.

Our April Campout will be held at Camp Miakonda in Toledo April 4<sup>th</sup> / 6<sup>th</sup>, 2007. This will be our annual **Chili Cook off**. Anyone that has a great chili recipe should share it with his patrol.

## New Scouts.

We have three new scouts that joined the troop from Pack 7. Please welcome Mike Dee, Keegan Murray, and Don Seder. They have joined the Flaming Arrow Patrol. Welcome to the Troop 7 family guys!

## Memorial Day Parade.

Again this year, we will participate in the Sandusky Memorial Day Parade on Monday May 26, 2008. Look for more info in next month's newsletter.

## **Bay View Cleanup.**

Our spring 'Adopt-A-Waterway' cleanup of the old Bay View Bridge is scheduled for Monday April 28, 2008. We will meet in the parking lot across from the Bay View Village Hall at 6:30 PM and should be finished by 8:00 PM. **NOTE DIFFERENT TIME.** Let's have a great turnout! Permission form is attached.

## **May Campout / District Fishing Day.**

Troop 7 is again chairing the annual District Fishing Day at Camp Firelands May 3, 2008. This will also be our May Campout weekend – Camping near lake, canoeing, etc. There are still many plans in the works – more information to follow. Permission form attached. **Parents – we will need your help – signing people in, cooking lunch, and helping in the program areas. Please contact Mr. Fox if you can help!**

## **Aluminum Can Collection.**

Camp Firelands 'Over the Hill Gang' is collecting aluminum cans to help raise money to continue their work in improving our camp. Please bring your clean aluminum cans to any Monday meeting and give them to Mr. Fox. He will deliver them to camp. Please be sure the cans are in a tied plastic bag.



## **Summer Camp Info....**

The \$50.00 deposit was sent in for 15 boys this week! A great turnout for this years Summer Camp! Summer Camp at **Camp Berry** in Findlay is scheduled for **July 6 – 12, 2008**. That week is full at camp with 251 scouts and 48 leaders registered. We will be staying at the '**Clark**' campsite. This year Camp Berry will host Summer Camp for 5 weeks with 1132 scouts and 205 leaders attending. **Swim Test** will be taken before we go to camp – probably at the YMCA – so check-in should go fairly quickly. **Parents Night** is Friday night, so we will probably not have one this year – we can discuss this at our parents meeting in June. **Merit Badges:** Canoeing, Rowing, Swimming, Climbing, Horsemanship, Personal Fitness, Skating, Animal Science, Environmental Science, Fish & Wildlife Management, Fishing, Fly Fishing, Forestry, Geology, Mammal Study, Nature, Home Repairs, Soil & Water Conservation, Art, Indian Lore, Leatherwork, Model Design & Building, Painting, Textile, Wood Carving, Safety, Woodwork, First Aid, Public Health, Auto Mechanics, Cinematography, Citizenship in the Nation, Citizenship in the World, Communications, Public Speaking, Computers, Photography, Traffic Safety, Camping, Emergency Preparedness, Orienteering, Pioneering, Wilderness Survival, Archery, Rifle Shooting, and Shotgun Shooting. There may be some additions to the list in the next couple of weeks. **Merit badge signup** is on-line and will be done by Mr. Fox a few weeks before camp. Some merit badges require **additional fees** – Horsemanship for one is \$75 extra and is held at the U. of Findlay.