

Troop 219 Summer Wrap-up

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• Summer Merit Badges and Rank Advancements

The table below shows the merit badges earned and the rank advancements completed at and since our last regular meeting, during all of our summer activities: Trail to Eagle, Summer Camp, Hi-Adventure and individual activities on the boys' parts. Some of the rank advancements shown may still require a Scoutmaster conference and/or a Board of Review to be completed – they are listed for completeness and in anticipation of these conferences being completed shortly. We apologize for any errors or omissions.

R J Beers <i>(2nd class scout)</i>	Ken Pigott <i>(tenderfoot scout)</i>	John Murray <i>(tenderfoot scout)</i>	Oceanography, Rifle, Woodcarving
Jeff Bencheck	Archery, Camping, Small Boat Sailing, Wilderness Survival	Tim Roberts <i>(star scout)</i>	Leatherwork, Lifesaving, Rifle
Chad Brandon	Pioneering	Brandon Rose <i>(tenderfoot scout)</i>	Archery
Nick Burden <i>(life scout)</i>	Cit in Community, Cit in Nation, Cit in World, Family Life, Personal Management, Public Speaking	Matt Rybar <i>(tenderfoot scout)</i>	Swimming, Woodcarving
Chris Brown	Archery, Art, Basketry, Citizenship in the World, Mammal Study	Billy Sarosy	Art Cit in Community, Cit in Nation, Cit in World, Collections, Communications, Energy, Farm Mechanics, Mammal Study, Motorboating, Photography, Public Speaking, Rifle, Space Exploration
Steve Congdon	Citizenship in the World, Emergency Prep, Environmental Science, Indian Lore	Austin Shaw <i>(tenderfoot scout)</i>	Art
Jacob Chalut	Fish & Wildlife Mgmt, Photography	Adam Smith <i>(tenderfoot scout)</i>	Rifle
Eli Davis	Art, Citizenship in the World	Garrett Stewart <i>(tenderfoot scout)</i>	Oceanography, Rifle, Woodcarving
Kyle Draheim <i>(star scout)</i>	Archery, Citizenship in the World, Lifesaving	Nick Stewart <i>(life scout)</i>	Citizenship in the World, Camping, Environmental Sci, Woodcarving, Indian Lore, Stamp Collecting, Weather
Ken Foley <i>(1st class scout)</i>	Emergency Prep, Small Boat Sailing, Wilderness Survival	Joe Sulfaro <i>(tenderfoot scout)</i>	Swimming, Woodcarving
Matt Foley	Personal Management	Devon Vaughn <i>(star scout)</i>	Cit in Community, Cit in Nation, Cit in World, Communications, Environmental Sci, Family Life, Fish & Wildlife Mgmt, Forestry, Leatherwork, Personal Mgmt, Public Speaking, <i>World Conservation Award</i>
Kyle Hanson <i>(tenderfoot scout)</i>	Archery, Canoeing, Rifle	Anthony Vig <i>(star scout)</i>	Cit in Community, Cit in Nation, Cit in World, Communications, Emergency Prep, Public Speaking
Mike Holcomb	Cooking, Fish & Wildlife Mgmt, Mammal Study, Weather	J T Waters III <i>(star scout)</i>	Camping, Citizenship in the Nation, Emergency Prep, Farm Mechanics, Hiking, Home Repair, Leatherwork, Woodcarving
Kevin Humphries <i>(star scout)</i>	Cit in World, Environmental Science, Fish & Wildlife Mgmt, Geology, Nature, Space Exploration, <i>Eco-Con Einstein Award</i> , <i>World Conservation Award</i>	Andy Weston <i>(tenderfoot scout)</i>	Archery, Canoeing, Rifle
Mark Humphries	Emergency Prep, Small Boat Sailing, Wilderness Survival	Blair Williams <i>(life scout)</i>	Cit in Community, Cit in Nation, Cit in World, Collections, Communications, Environmental Sci, Family Life, Fingerprinting, Personal Mgmt, Public Speaking, Pulp & Paper, Reptile & Amphibians, Rowing, Space Exploration
Jon King <i>(tenderfoot scout)</i>	Swimming, Wood Carving	Joe Winiarski <i>(star scout)</i>	Leatherwork, Lifesaving, Rifle
Pat Mc Kay	Archery, Basketry, Citizenship in the World, Mammal Study	Zach Wisniewski	Art, Astronomy, Cit in Community, Cit in Nation, Cit in World, Collections, Communications, Forestry, Family Life, Geology, Motorboating, Oceanography, Personal Mgmt, Public Speaking, Space Exploration
Chris Miller	Cit in Community, Cit in Nation, Cit in World, Communications, Environmental Sci, Fish & Wildlife Mgmt, Forestry, Geology, Personal Mgmt, Public Speaking, Sports, Weather		

● Trail to Eagle

Eight Scouts from Troop 219 attended this year's eighth annual session of a very special camp, conducted by the Detroit Area Council at their D bar A Scout Ranch in Metamora, Michigan (about 10 miles from Camp Holaka). Our troop constituted almost 5% of the scouts attending. Scoutmaster Larry Zimble again served on staff. At this camp, Scouts work hard on merit badges in classes run by adult experts in the respective merit badge field. During the evenings, there are competitions and games. Our eight scouts earned 59 merit badges at this camp. Speak to one of the boys who attended to find out about what it's like. Applications for next year's camp will be distributed early in September – and should be submitted before the end of this year as the camp is usually full by February.

● Summer Camp

Summer camp came a week later than usual for us this year, as last year, Tall Pine Council re-arranged the way the summer camp weeks fall this year. Additional changes were made since then that will cause our "regular" summer camp week to fall on this same [later] calendar week in all future years as well. This year, 34 boys attended and earned 98 merit badges plus 25 partials. Our troop won the Tapico Elite Award for the second year but missed on a three-pete at the water carnival.

Scouts can complete partial merit badges at any time until their 18th birthday – but don't wait to finish them!

Also spending time during the week were the following adults (*in no particular order*): Mr. Hussar, Mr. Miller, Mr. Pigott, Mrs. Wisniewski, Mr. Brown, Dr. Congdon, Dr. Waters, Mr. Rybar, and Mr. Sulfaro. My sincere thanks go to these adult leaders for their commitment. Summer camp simply would not be possible without them. Congratulations to Mr. Brown, Mr. Pigott, and Mr. Rybar for participating in Adult Leader Training classes during the week.

● Adult Leader Training

An adult leader training class is scheduled for Saturday, September 28th, with outdoor training October 12 & 13. This is a good opportunity for adults who started training at summer camp to finish, or for adults willing to help with troop activities. See the Scoutmaster for additional details. We need more parents taking an active part in troop activities – you don't have to be trained but it really does help – even if only to help understand why we do what we do, or just to increase your confidence level.

● Court of Honor

The next troop Court of Honor is Monday, September 23, 2002 at 7:00PM at the church. Parents, siblings and all family members are encouraged to attend. Refreshments will follow the ceremonies.

● Troop Program Calendar

The troop program calendar is distributed with this handout. You should review it and make sure that you note important events. NEW this year, we've included signup forms for all activities. Some of these need your immediate attention, especially the troop trips to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, and our trip to Bluespring Caverns in Indiana. Even though these events are somewhat in the future, we must know right away what the probable attendance will be.

● September 11 Recognition

It is suggested that Scouts wear their uniforms on Wednesday, September 11th as a show of patriotism and solidarity.

● Troop Committee Meeting

The next troop committee meeting is Wednesday, September 18, 2002 at 7:00PM at the church.

Larry Zimble
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