

TROOP 93 **BUGLE** NEWSLETTER



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Upcoming Events:

Fall Fest on Nov. 23-25,

Pancake Breakfast on Oct. 9,

Camporee on Oct. 14-16,

Scare Trail on October 28-30th,

Rocket Campout November 18-20th

Troop Swim on Dec. 9th,

Ski-Trip on Dec. 16th-18th,

CHRISTMAS PARTY Dec. 20th

Northwinds Campout on Jan 20-22nd.

Dalton Pauly's Eagle Project

My name is Dalton Pauly and I have been a Life Scout in the troop for quite some time. So I talked with the principal of St. Johns, Mrs. Clausen, and asked if I could do my eagle project at St. John's. Then, after working a lot with Mrs. Spiess and Mr. Martin on July 7th I started the painting for the two seventh, eighth, and kindergarten hallways at the school. My project involved the washing, priming and painting of the walls in the two hallways along with their metal doorframes. I also had scouts wash all the doors and doorframes around the entire school. I would like to thank the 41 volunteers that helped with my project especially my parents, Mathew and Larry Justin, and Mrs. Spiess. Everyone made it such a huge success and I encourage all younger scouts to work towards eagle also. It was such a great experience.

Trip to Sea Base

Andrew Metz

This past June, six of the older boys in our troop, along with two adults, took a weeklong trip to the high adventure camp Sea Base in the Florida Keys. The trip started with our plane ride to Miami. We spent that night in a hotel. The next day we were picked up by a bus that drove us the three hour ride to Sea Base. We arrived at Sea Base and met our 'mate', Hank, who was our guide for the week. We spent that night on Base in an air conditioned room, a thing you learn to appreciate in Florida. The next morning, we ate a quick breakfast, got our gear together, and started the seven and a half mile war canoe ride out to Big Munson Island. A 'War Canoe' is two long canoes, each that can hold 4 people, held together by wooden beams. The island is privately owned by the Boy Scouts, and was donated to them 1982. We arrived at Big Munson Island after taking a stop to snorkel off of its shore. We got on land, set up camp, and had an opening campfire that introduced the staff. For the next five days, we slept on the island. Many of the activities we participated in on this campout were once in a life time opportunities. During our first full day on the island, we took an island tour, and took kayak rides in the waterways that wove through the island itself. It was that night when things really started to become different from your 'normal campout'. Just as the sun started to set, we waded out to floating docks half a mile off shore to go shark fishing. We chummed the water, cut up some fish for bait, and threw our lines in the water. We caught some normal fish, and had quite a few bites from other fish, but there were two main attractions that night. David Stagg hooked a sting ray, and after a fifteen minute battle with it, finally pulled it in next to the dock to take pictures with. Also, after losing my bait several times to it, I caught a 4 foot nurse shark. Our counselor and I pulled it out of the water, but the line broke before we could get it on the dock. We decided to call it quits around 12:30 that night and then waded, in the dark, back through the chummed water towards shore. The next morning, we woke up, ate a quick breakfast, and went off to go deep sea fishing. We caught lots of fish, including yellow tail snapper, red mangrove snapper, and dolphin fish, also known as mahi mahi. We fished into the afternoon, and then headed back into shore, where our amazing chef for the week, Ben Hanson, prepared the fish and gave us one of the best fish meals we have ever had. We went to bed with full stomachs that night, and woke up the next morning ready to go snorkeling at the third most snorkeled spot in the world, Looe Key. After a couple hours there, we went back to the island to do a service project, and then enjoy our last full day there on the island. From sitting in the Gumbo Limbo trees to walking across the rocks dotting the shoreline, it was great to be on that island. That night we had a closing meal with the other troops on the island with us, which included a cobbler cook off. Ben made a delicious cobbler that won the competition. We then ended the night with a closing campfire. The next morning we cleaned up camp and started our canoe ride back to Base camp. We returned to base camp, had a closing luau, and spent our last night on base. The next morning we got on our bus and headed back to our hotel. We spent that night in the hotel



The Many Point Activities of Troop 93

Emmet Morris

We did many things at Many Point. We took a tour of the campground and learned where the dining hall, merit badge activities, and trading post were located and how to get there. That night we had an opening campfire where we met the Merit Badge Counselors. The rest of the week, we had fun playing games like greased watermelon and water polo. We also had fun being blobbed off the aqua tramp, snorkeling, and doing the Polar Bear Plunge. The older scouts were able to go to Flintlock where they could do C.O.P.E., High Adventure, International Target Sports, and sleep on the Huck Finn raft. During the week, Troop 93 also survived experiencing the highest dew point on Planet Earth! We had fun at Many Point and look forward to next year.

Fred C. Anderson Canoe Trip

Brady Thompson

In August the troop went to Fred C. Anderson Scout Camp in Wisconsin. As usual every one unpacked, had Cracker Barrel (dessert) and went to bed on Friday. On Saturday morning everyone got up and ready to go for a day of canoeing on the St. Croix River for a day. Every one unloaded the canoes, brought them down to the river and Mr. Else and Mr. Pauly went over some basic strokes. And off we went going down the St. Croix. Some Scout's had water battles splashing each other while going down river, some canoes capsized and had to go to shore and get the water dumped out of them. While the troop stopped on an island for lunch, some boys swam across the river crossing from Wisconsin to Minnesota and back. The troop went six or seven miles downriver in three to four hours. All the boys who went on the trip completed or almost completed the Canoeing Merit Badge. The troop after completing the trip down river returned to camp. We had a camp fire led by Ryan Sully where we told ghost stories and had each patrol give a skit. Then after the camp fire everyone went to sleep and woke up the next morning anxious to get a good night sleep in a bed.



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Stearns Campout

Ryan Sully

On the weekend of September 9th through 11th the boy scouts of Troop 93 went camping at Stearns. We started the action with half of the boys making an orienteering course and the other half making a lashing tower. In the orienteering course one of the sheets of paper had a small dot on the number changing the answer from 314159265 to 3.14159265 or the start of pi. The cool looking lashing tower was able to hold Mr. Geary for a bit before it collapsed. After lunch was a fire building contest. After a heated contest the prize for longest lasting fire was declared a tie. Dinner included everything from chicken fried rice to acorn stew. A game of capture the flag ended the awesome weekend. This was a very fun camp out and we can't wait for the next one.

OA Conclave

Brady Geary



"This fall, just at the time when Indian summer is approaching, the legend has it, the ghosts of brave warriors will be assembling for the spirit council fires. The Order will have a reunion."

As predicted by Meteuat Troop 93's Order of the Arrow Callout ceremony, the OA Conclave approached and passed just this previous weekend of 9-16 through 9-18. Once again, the members and candidates of the OA came to the conclave.

What is the Order of the Arrow?

The OA is referred to as Scouting's National Honor Society, but it is much more than that. Boys that are elected into the OA are expected to show Friendship, or Brotherhood, to every boy in camp; Cheerfulness, in the midst of irksome tasks and weighty responsibilities, and to be unselfish in service and devotion to the welfare of others. In this way, the OA could be described as "The Brotherhood of Cheerful Service."

What ranks are there in the OA?

Every member of the OA starts out as a candidate. Troop 93 has one candidate at the moment, Mathew Justin. The OA candidate has yet to meet the demands of the Ordeal, to take the Obligation, or to learn the Admonition.

When the candidate has met the challenges of the Ordeal, has pledged to the Obligation, and has learned the Admonition, they are an Ordeal Member. Their insignia is the most basic of all the OA, a white sash with a red arrow. Troop 93 has 6 Ordeal Members in the OA, Jack Hoyer, Max Puffer, Abe Kroening, Jon Pfeiffer, Ben Hanson, and Andrew Metz.

After ten months, the Ordeal Member has the choice to further advance in their understanding of the OA and return to the Conclave where they first joined the Order, and attempt to achieve Brotherhood Membership, whose insignia is a white sash, this a red arrow and two red bars. Troop 93 has 6 Brotherhood members, who now know their Obligation, and have taken the Admonition to heart. These boys are Charlie Egberg, Dalton Pauly, Zachary Kroening, Brady Geary, Micheal Bugoyne, and Tanner Else.

After two years, a Brotherhood member feels what they learned, not only in their head, but in their hearts. This is when they are ready for possible nomination for the highest OA rank, Vigil Honor, the insignia of which is the same as Brotherhood, but with a triangle in the middle of the arrow, the three points of which signify the three ideals of the OA, Brotherhood, Cheerfulness And Service.

Above all, the OA is a secret society, so I am afraid that I can not tell you much about the conclave. If your son is elected, he will be able to tell you. But not every boy gets elected in their first opportunity. Some wait for years to be able to partake in the Ordeal Membership. But that doesn't mean that what they are doing isn't noticed. The more boys that take place in the OA, the more boys will notice acts of Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service. I can say this, If you are elected in, do your Ordeal. It is the best time you ever will have.

Troop Picnic

Cameron Johnson

On July 12, The Troop Ditched the idea of having a boring old meeting at St. Johns and Decided to Go And Have a Good time at Long Lake Beach..... WE ate Hot Dogs and Drank Kool-aid AND Chris Yanish Gave A GREAT Leave No Trace Presentation. All in All We Had a Great Time





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Survivor Campout

Jack Harris

When the troop went up to Phillipso scout camp for the "Survivor" themed campout we were split into 4 different tribes and were given different colored bands to wear. All of the boys in the tribes thought of a tribe name. The green band tribe (the one that I was in) was the Radio Active Hamsters. The blue band tribe was the Shadow Ninjas. The red band tribe was KGB. And last, but not the least the yellow band tribe was the Ganjas (gangsters mixed with ninjas). After the new (but temporary) tribes named themselves they had to make a tribe flag and who ever made the best flag got an advantage in the next challenge. And the Radioactive Hamsters won. After that all the boys got their personal gear and brought it down to their campsites. We didn't pitch the tents yet because it was time for the second challenge. The second challenge was one the troop had already done before. It was pitching tents with blindfolds on or in this case our colored bands but it was ten times harder because it was getting dark out. Some of the boys found a loop hole to cheat by not rolling up the bands, so the fabric was thin enough that they could see through their bands. The Radioactive Hamsters ended up winning that challenge and they earned brownies for cracker barrel.

After each challenge the tribes earned points based on what place they got. So far the standings were: Radioactive Hamsters, Shadow Ninjas, KGB, and Ganjas. After the second challenge the boys put up rain flies over their cooking area and then they finally got to put up their tents. After tents were set up the boys fooled around and played football and then had cracker barrel. The Radioactive Hamsters had a pretty "sweet" cracker barrel. After cracker barrel everyone had to get in their tents and go to bed. The next day all the patrols were up and having breakfast. Since most of the Ravens were in the Radioactive Hamsters their meals were pretty much gourmet since they cooked them in a dutch oven. And breakfast was a surprise challenge, so who ever had the best tasting breakfast won and the Radioactive Hamsters won. After breakfast we all got ready for the next challenge which was tying a bunch of sticks together and trying to get a small hoop made of robe and bring back. The Shadow Ninjas won that challenge and KGB came in close second and then the Radioactive Hamsters and last came the Ganjas. Since this paper is taking longer than expected I'm just going to say what the last challenges were. After the stick challenge we had an orienteering challenge and after that we had soccer challenge played with a football and finally we had a memory challenge were we had to memorize the order of some dominoes. We also had a campfire the night before we left. The final standings were: Shadow Ninjas, KGB, Radioactive Hamsters, and finally the Ganjas.

PATROL REPORTS

By the Patrol Leaders

COBRAS

This summer the Cobras have been very busy doing activities and having lots of fun.

We went to the twins game in June. They lost but we still had fun at the game.

In July we went to Feed My Starving children and we packed enough meals to feed thousands of kids.

In August we went to Lilli Putt and went mini golfing and had a lot of fun and we played a couple of arcade games after the mini golfing.

Sometime this fall we are planning to start the dentistry merit badge for the cobras patrol

Michael Burgoyne

HAWKS

Hi, I'm William Newhouse, patrol leader for the Hawk Patrol. The Hawks have been very busy over the summer. We've shot archery, gone to Feed My Starving Children, played football against the Roadrunners, and more. What will we do next?

RAVENS

By Sebastian

Our patrol has done a lot since the last Court of Honor. We have worked on our Canoeing merit badge, and planned for Many Point during Troop Meetings. We have had patrol meetings where we played disc-golf and volunteered at plant sales. At Many Point we learned a lot of things together, including how to be better friends. We have also worked on our Communications merit badge, last troop meeting we helped teach the troop about Dutch Ovens. As a patrol we have had a busy, yet fun summer.

ROADRUNNERS

Hi, my name is Ben Stagg and I am the Patrol Leader for the Roadrunner Patrol. The members of my Patrol are Mathew Justin, Nick Worms, Tanner Else, Alec Burgoyne, Teddy Cruz, Charlie Haik, Joey Hatten, and Jack Bina. In the past 3 months we have played kickball, picked up garbage, cleaned St. John's Church and helped fellow patrol members advance. We have been working hard on the requirements for National Honor Patrol and we hope to have it completed soon. We have been very busy and we hope to continue to be.

SHARKS

Jack

As a patrol the Sharks had a very busy summer. Some of the Sharks went on the Canadian fishing trip. We had a very large turnout for Many Point where we earned a lot of merit badges. One member of our patrol, me, spent 5 weeks at Many Point as a CIT, Councilor in training. Six members of the Shark patrol also spent a week at Sea Base, a high adventure camp in the Florida Keys. There they kayaked, snorkeled, and went deep sea fishing. We are currently planning a patrol activity to make a new fog tunnel for this years scare trail