

TROOP 227 NEWSLETTER



WELCOME PHOENIX PATROL!

On February 28th, we welcomed six WEBELOS II scouts who crossed over from Pack 227 to Troop 227 and formed a new patrol—the Phoenix Patrol. The six new members of our troop our **Nick Clevenger**, **Ryan Long** (Assistant Patrol Leader), **Michael Moreno** (Patrol Leader), **Kobe Myers**, **Kasey Smithers**, and **Dominic Twardowski**.

All of these guys have worked hard since crossing over. They will all receive the rank of Tenderfoot at the May Court of Honor.



Not only did we receive six new scouts into our troop this year, we also received two new Assistant Scoutmasters, who crossed over with their WEBELOS II den. Welcome **Mark Moreno** and **Walt Henriks!!**

Troop 227 Leadership:

- Scoutmaster: Mark Riley (phone 859-9701)
- Committee Chair: Debby Leonard
- Secretary: David Roush
- Assistant Scoutmasters: Ed Aldridge, Glenn Kyle II, Jack Adams, John Bennett, Mark Moreno, Walt Henriks
- Committee Member: Suzie Adams
- SPL: Drew Baker

PATHFINDER DISTRICT LOCK-IN

We had thirteen boys attend the annual Pathfinder District Merit Badge Lock-in. The boys took classes in Emergency Preparedness, Swimming, Auto Mechanics, Citizenship of the World, Coin Collecting, Collections, American Heritage, Disability Awareness, Crime Prevention, Golf,

Leatherwork, Aviation, and Medicine.

Phoenix patrol members earned Fireman Chits and Totin' Chips.

Thank you to Mr. Roush and Mr. Moreno for teaching the Environmental Sci-

ence Merit Badge at the lock-in. Check out their photos on the Pathfinder website (www.pathfinderbsa.org).



Eagle's
Nest



CODY MAGAR AND KEVIN RILEY HAVE EAGLE COURTS OF HONOR

Congratulations to **Cody Magar** and **Kevin Riley**, who both earned the rank of Eagle Scout on 10/16/08!!

Cody's Eagle project involved the refurbishing of a shelter house at Hopewell Baptist Church, including the installation of new windows and a new paint job. The project took over 500 hours of volunteer labor!

Kevin's Eagle project was a book bag and school supplies drive for children of need in Franklin. Kevin's project provided 156 book bags filled with school supplies.

Cody's Eagle Court of Honor was held in February, while Kevin's Eagle Court of Honor was held in March. Both events were very well attended, and all were impressed with the ceremonies.



CURRENT EAGLE PROJECTS

- **Brady Aldridge:** Last Fall, Brady led fellow scouts and scouters in placing sod around the new shelter at St. Rose. He next plans to build benches and picnic tables to include with the shelter.
- **James Brummett:** On 5/14, the Eagle Board approved James' Eagle Project!! His project involves building signs for the Parish, as well as adding benches, kneelers, and a stone walk to the Marian Grotto. Congratulations, James!!

LIFE SCOUTS

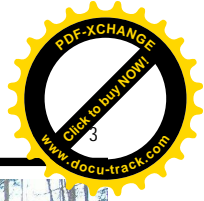
Life Scout **Drew Baker** continues to plan his Eagle Project. He wants to build a Football/Soccer field, complete with bleachers and scoreboard at St. Rose.

Life Scout **William Roush** is currently exploring ideas for his Eagle Project.

NEW LIFE SCOUTS:

Brian Adams
William Torrance
Glenn Kyle II

There'll be no shortage of Eagle Projects this year and next!!!



CAMPING NEWS

Our first campout of the year was in April. We camped at Ransburg Scout Reservation, and the boys completed workshops. The workshops helped pay for part of their summer camp fees, and provided much needed help to the camp. Under the direction of the Ranger, we raked leaves and pine needles from around the buildings, and spruced up some of the gardens. The

weather was beautiful (until Sunday morning at least). The boys got to cook and work on rank advancements, too.



Our next campout is summer camp at Ransburg. We have boys taking all sorts of classes, from Shotgun Shooting to Nature to Water Sports.

We will hold a special meeting on 6/9, at the St. Rose PLC, to discuss and plan for Ransburg. ALL PARENTS ARE ASKED TO ATTEND THIS MEETING, PLEASE!



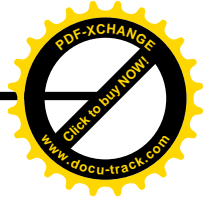
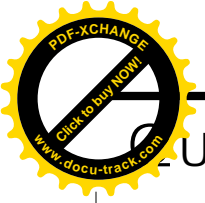
COMMUNITY SERVICE & ACTIVITIES

In **February**, several members of the troop participated in Scout Sunday, presenting the colors at the 11 AM Mass at St. Rose. This allowed us to be a little more visible in the Parish and community!

In **May**, three of our scouts, along with four leaders/scouters, helped out at the 175th Anniversary Mass at Lucas Oil Stadium by distributing programs to those attending. We even got to join in the

celebration Mass. We were one of only three troops represented there, and represented over half of the scouts in attendance!





QUARTER 1 NEWS

Election Results:

- Senior Patrol Leader: Drew Baker
- Assistant Senior Patrol Leader: William Roush
- Scorpion Patrol - Leader: Kevin Riley
Assistant Leader: James Brummett
- Eagle Patrol - Leader: William Torrance
Assistant Leader: Brady Aldridge
- Hawk Patrol - Leader: Glenn Kyle II
Assistant Leader: Austin Brummett
- Phoenix Patrol - Leader: Michael Moreno
Assistant Leader: Ryan Long

CONGRATULATIONS, GUYS!!

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO BE A BOY SCOUT?

Do you know a boy, between the ages of 11 and 18 years, who loves to have fun, enjoys the outdoors, wants to help his community, or just wants to know how to tie knots? Please contact our Scoutmaster, Mr. Riley, at 859-9701. As you can see from this newsletter, we do a lot of cool things! We learn **scouting skills** (how to tie knots, how to safely make a campfire, how to identify wildlife), we help others with **community service**, we learn what it takes to be **good leaders and citizens** in our community, and most importantly, we have **FUN** while we're doing all of this!!!

Recharter fees (to join our troop) are **\$20** for the boys, and **\$15** for adults who want to be leaders.

Calendar of Events:

5/19: Court of Honor

6/9: Summer Camp Parent Meeting & Campfire Program Practice (Pay class fees and photo money to Mr. Roush)

6/14–6/20: Summer Camp at Ransburg

8/14–8/16: St. Rose Festival