

Last week Troop 123 Troop Meeting we went over one of the requirements for our newer Scouts to complete their Tenderfoot Requirements concentrating on requirement 4B: **Describe common poisonous or hazardous plants, identify any that grow in your local area or campsite location. Tell how to treat for exposure to them.**

We focused on issues that could have been found in the drier areas like BTRSR BUT more importantly in areas we normally camp like Camp Karankawa and east Texas.

Our Scouts are very knowledgeable about some of the issues and are even more so now that we had the chance to go over specifics for our area.

We also discussed some of the problems and concerns that may be found for insects and wildlife life too.

Also last week the Scouts under the guidance of Scoutmaster Burchfield cleaned up our locker and stowed camping gear.

Over the next several weeks we will look at a few of the remaining Second Class requirements to get these items done by our upcoming October Court of Honor.

For our Troop Meeting this week is Class A uniforms – Scouts **PLEASE** be in your Class A uniforms and as complete as you can for the uniform inspection – scouts with merit badges **THIS** includes your Merit Badge sashes – thanks.



Scoutmaster Tirpak spent some time with Tommy Anglin checking on his status as he works towards finishing up all the requirements for his Eagle Rank. Tommy must have all his merit badges completed, project completed and all the signatures on his Eagle Paperwork by Sunday September 22<sup>nd</sup> 2019 at midnight. Keep in mind that and signatures from the Council office WILL need to be obtained by close of business Friday September 20<sup>th</sup> 2019. Approximately 46 days and counting.



## **ON THE VERY NEAR HORIZON:**

1 - Flag Ceremony Tuesday August 13 2019 at 9:00 AM in Exposition Hall A of the Moody Gardens Convention Center.

The following Scouts will be attending:

### **Scouts T123:**

Jessie Bailey  
Tate Burchfield  
David Darensburg  
Roy Essex  
Jackson Glenn  
Preston Greene  
Logan Leimer  
Jonathan Moran  
Tanner Osterhout

### **Scouts T177**

Zantonio Twohatchet

### **Scouters:**

Andy Tirpak  
Tim Burchfield

2 - Fun Night on Wednesday August 21<sup>st</sup> 2019 at the Glenn's House. The Glenn's house is located at 3101 Beluche Drive and Fun Night activities will be starting at 6:00 PM and ending at 8:00 PM. The Glenn's have a pool so be sure to bring swim suit and towels.

Troop 123 will be providing hot dogs/hamburgers and all the fixin's so come on out and have some fun with T123.

3 - Scouts we have the opportunity to earn two merit badges and they are:



**Art**



**Kayaking**

We need 25 Scouts to make this happen and I will be reaching out to other Troops on the Island to see if we can get the 25 Scouts needed for the class. If we get the 25 Scouts the cost of these merit badge are: \$48.00 for both merit badges.

This will be done over two days the first day will be during our Troop Meeting on Wednesday September 18<sup>th</sup> 2019 and the outdoor portion on Saturday September 21<sup>st</sup>2019.

PLEASE let me know your availability for these merit badges – thanks.

### **On the NOT SO FAR Horizon**

Order of the Arrow elections for 2019. To be eligible to be elected into the Order of the Arrow the following requirements need to be met: <https://oa-bsa.org/article/2018-membership-update>.

Scouts who are eligible to be elected into the Order of the Arrow for 2019 are:

Tate Burchfield  
Mack Jobe  
Douglas Lang

Scoutmaster – Seth Riley

T123 Fall Court of Honor will be Wednesday October 9<sup>th</sup> 2019 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall at First Lutheran Church.

We be electing a new Senior Patrol Leader and will be looking to fill all of our Troop Leadership roles for our Scouts.

These are the positions we have and will need to be filled for T123:

Information about the positions for the Scouts in T123 can be found on the links below:

- Senior Patrol Leader - <https://troopleader.org/senior-patrol-leader/> - Will be elected – Scouts to be considered for this position need to be First Class rank or higher
- Assistant Senior Patrol Leader - <https://troopleader.org/assistant-senior-patrol-leader/> - Scouts to be considered for this position need to be First Class rank or higher
- Patrol Leader - <https://troopleader.org/patrol-leader/>
- Troop Guide - <https://troopleader.org/troop-guide/>
- Quartermaster - <https://troopleader.org/quartermaster/>
- Scribe - <https://troopleader.org/scribe/>
- Den Chief - <https://troopleader.org/den-chief/>
- Chaplain Aide - <https://troopleader.org/chaplain-aid/>
- Historian - <https://troopleader.org/historian/>
- Librarian - <https://troopleader.org/librarian/>
- Order of the Arrow representative - <https://troopleader.org/oa-representative/> - Scoutmaster Tirpak
- Bugler - The Bugler should be able to make appropriate bugle calls, as requested, at troop activities. (Appointed by the SPL) Serving as Bugler can apply towards **Positions of Responsibility** requirements for Star and Life but **not** Eagle.

Currently these Scouts are in the following positions:

Senior Patrol Leader - Tate Burchfield  
Assistant Senior Patrol Leader - is Zach Dean  
Patrol Leader - Tommy Anglin  
Troop Guide - Jackson Glenn – Eagled Out 😊  
Quartermaster - Preston Green  
Scribe - Roy Essex  
Den Chief - Douglas Lang  
Chaplain Aide - Carson Smith  
Historian - Trent Burchfield – Eagled Out 😊  
Librarian - Seth Johnson  
Bugler – Zach Markello

**Scouts who will be earning their Eagle Rank NEED to have a leadership position SOOOO Plan Accordingly!!!!**

Please talk with your Scouts and see which positions they may be interested in for the next cycle.

Troop 123 will be camping the weekend of October 19<sup>th</sup> 2019 – at Brazos Bend State Park. Scouts who were in Astronomy at BTRSR will meet one of their requirements by going to the planetarium.

The camping fee for this trip is \$60.00 per Scout.

Scouts please let me know if you will be attending this campout – we will need drivers to get Scouts to and from this event.

**Just as an FYI for those who may/will ask the fee is charged once the Troop funds fall below \$10,000 and with BTRSR costs and other troop costs this year we are below that cap now so we now will be paying fees until the Troop Account exceeds \$10,000.**

**T123 will be going to Native American Weekend and camping the Weekend of November 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> 2019.**

**SCOUTS** you need camping days for rank advancement and also to be eligible to join the Order Of The Arrow.

We will need to know which Scouts and which adults will be available to attend this event.

The camping fee for this trip is approximately \$25.00 per Scout – this will cover their meals that weekend

Please start thinking about this and letting us know if you will be attending:

**Scouts from T123:**

Tate Burchfield - ?  
David Darensburg - ?  
Eli Dean - ?  
Zach Dean - ?  
Roy Essex - ?  
Preston Greene - ?  
Mack Jobe - ?  
Seth Johnson - ?  
Douglas Lang - ?  
Logan Leimer - ?  
Zach Markello - ?  
Jonathan Moran - ?  
Tanner Osterhout - ?  
Jessie Bailey - ?

**Adults:**

We will need at least 2 adults with Youth Protection Training and help getting Scouts to and from Camp Karankawa.

## ON THE FAR HORIZON

### FUND RAISER OPPORTUNITY

At our last Committee meeting I mentioned that Pack 120 will be doing Christmas Wreaths and greenery for their fundraiser this year and suggested that T123 may want to do this as well. Currently we are working details within Pack 120 and IF T123 wants to join in we will need to work details as a Troop. IF T123 chooses not to do this please let me know so Pack 120 does not have to worry about T123's involvement.

More information can be found at this Website:

[http://www.mickman.com/fundraising/wreath-products/?gclid=Cj0KCQjwp5\\_qBRDBARIsANxdcin9FXuiMTGDCAfFuv85zM2M8IFqmv6H-R4OQrAiZAo2CPwpa92oyPwaAi9oEALw\\_wcB](http://www.mickman.com/fundraising/wreath-products/?gclid=Cj0KCQjwp5_qBRDBARIsANxdcin9FXuiMTGDCAfFuv85zM2M8IFqmv6H-R4OQrAiZAo2CPwpa92oyPwaAi9oEALw_wcB)

Plans discussed by Pack 120 is to offer the 4 wreaths, 4 door sprays and the candle centerpiece.

These wreaths/sprays and center piece start at a base rate and we add on whatever profit we are looking to make. The profit per item could range from \$10.00 to \$12.00 per wreath and about \$10.00 per spray and about \$8.00 for the centerpiece.

One nice thing about this company is all the items can be prepaid and sent to locations in the United States so its NOT just a local thing which would make it nice and easy for family and friends from out of town to Support Troop 123!

If we are interested in doing this I need to know by Monday September 2<sup>nd</sup> 2019 and we will then start selling shortly afterwards with a deliver date set for Thanksgiving week 2019.

### Our primary fundraiser is the Lone Star Biker Rally:

Lone Star Biker  
Rally Fund Raiser  
Friday November  
1<sup>st</sup> – Sunday  
November  
3<sup>rd</sup> 2019. **Troop 123**  
**Class B tee**  
**shirts** ALL SCOUTS  
needs to be wearing  
the green Class B



Friday November 1<sup>st</sup> –  
Sunday November 3<sup>rd</sup> 2019

shirts – if you need a new one as you have out grown your old one see me during our Troop meetings on Wednesday evening for a new shirt . . . I believe these shirts are \$12.00 each for the short sleeved shirts and \$15.00 each for the long sleeve shirts.

As for food/drinks you may want to bring a small ice chest to keep food, snacks and drinks in while you are working this weekend. Typically we have at least 2 boys and 2 adults per shift.

As in the past time slots will be established and Scouts and adults will need to fill those slots – THIS is our big fund raiser for the year and Scouts earn monies that go into their Scout Accounts based on the percentage of time they work the

event. This can be used to help defray costs of Summer Camps and other events where a Troop fee is charged.

**We need more than one fundraising event per year if we want to keep Troop 123 Account over \$10,000 to enable many of our Troop events and activities to be paid for by the Troop as per designated T123 Committee guidelines.**



**National Adoption Day** - Saturday November 23<sup>rd</sup> 2019 – Time to be determined BUT most likely will be 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

**OTHER Fall camping dates and locations will be discussed soon, locked in and shared out with the Troop – one of these events will be the Mother's Camp Out.**

Shooting Day at Texas City Range on **Saturday December 14<sup>th</sup> 2019**. We need a head count for this event and we need to find out who has .22 rifles and shotguns they can bring. For each scout shooting we need to have an adult by them on the range so we need adults to turn out for this event too. Lunch will be provided sandwiches, chips, snacks and water. The time for this event will be from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

**ON THE FAR FAR HORIZON**





Enchanted Rock Camping MLK Weekend January 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> 2020



SUMMER CAMP 2020 ---- WHERE WILL it be for T123?

**It has been suggested that T123 go to Kerr Scout Ranch to the Slippery Falls Camp in Oklahoma UNLESS we hear otherwise this will be where T123 goes for Summer Camp 2020 SOOOOOO Scouts get your thoughts in for Summer of 2020 ASAP!**

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Philmont 2020 – must be 14 years of age prior to arriving at Philmont

Philmont 2021– must be 14 years of age prior to arriving at Philmont



These Scouts will be eligible to go:

Mack Jobe  
Douglas Lang  
Tate Burchfield  
Zach Dean

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Tate Burchfield  
Zach Dean  
Roy Essex  
Preston Greene  
Zack Markello  
Carson Smith

# National Jamboree 2021



**Dates are typically mid to late July**

MUST be a First Class Scout to attend the Jamboree.

More details will be provide about Jamboree 2021 as the Council shares them out to us.

Thanks so much all and have a great week!

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