

# Troop 850 News

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## Fairfield Sportsmen's Club

The Troop will be camping at the Fairfield Sportsmen's Club the weekend of September 14 - 16. A **GREEN** permission slip is enclosed. The cost will be \$16. This will be a great opportunity to complete Rifle Merit Badge or Shotgun Merit Badge for those boys who started them at Ransburg. Of course, everyone who plans to participate will start Saturday with a thorough safety course. Permission slips and money are due by September 10.



## SPECIAL CAVE RUN Fishing Trip

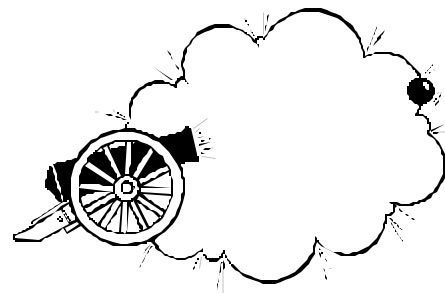
As most of the boys know, Jonathan Montagne, our Senior Patrol Leader and an avid fisherman, has personally planned a special fishing trip to Cave Run State Park in Kentucky. This is in addition to our regular program. One of the goals of Scouting is to teach young men to be responsible adults, and planning and leading outings such as this is an important skill. A letter from Jonathan is enclosed and we encourage you to respond.

## Court of Honor

Our annual end-of-summer Court of Honor takes place on Monday, September 10 in the Cafeteria. This is always our biggest Court of Honor of the year because of the many advancement opportunities at summer camp, high adventure, etc. All parents should plan to be there to help recognize their sons' achievements.

## Perryville, Kentucky

Two years ago the Troop participated in a district Camporee that was held at the Perryville, Kentucky Civil War battlefield. It was a great trip. This year at Perryville, the many groups of Civil War reenactors are planning a major event at Perryville. The Civil War battle will be reenacted with thousands of authentic soldiers, with numerous hands-on exhibits and acts, and a "ghost walk" Saturday evening. It promises to be both fun and educational! The dates are October 5 - 7. The cost is \$21. A **BLUE** permission slip is enclosed and must be returned by September 24.



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The 12th point of the Scout law is "A Scout is Reverent," and all Scouts promise in the oath to do their duty to "God and my country." Every other year, the Troop offers the Ad Altare Dei religious award program. Every Scout entering the 7th or 8th grade should participate. This year's program will be led by Dick and Mona Martin. Please see the enclosed insert.

## Venture Outing

Don Bosse is planning a night at the races with boys of high school age September 29 at the Lawrenceburg Speedway. A **YELLOW** permission slip is enclosed and is due September 24.



**BACK TO SCHOOL!!**

## PARENT NOTES

As you know, we plan our schedule on an annual basis. For reasons beyond our control,

the schedule sometimes changes. We try to advise you of changes in this newsletter, but often the boys are told about developments during the meetings. Mr. Montagne makes a point of **repeating** all such information at the end of each meeting. If you aren't always getting the message, please feel free to stop in for the last few minutes of every meeting to hear for yourselves as well.

Also, planning a weekend campout for 30 or 40 people is challenging, to say the least. We can always use your help. Here are some specific ways to help:

- Please turn in permission slips and money no later than the requested date. It's very difficult to buy food and make transportation arrangements when the numbers keep changing.
- Please join your sons on our trips. Dads and moms are encouraged to participate, and with our greater numbers their help in driving has become essential.
- Can you tow a trailer? We definitely need your help. We can't ask Dennis Peace to pull the trailer every campout! (By the way, we are certainly grateful for Dennis for all his help!!)
- Make sure your son packs all of his gear in a single duffle bag plus sleeping bag. Loose articles, and additional items in plastic garbage bags, are not permitted. Also, put your **NAME** on everything you can. It all tends to look alike, and we frequently have "lost and found" items nobody wants to claim!