

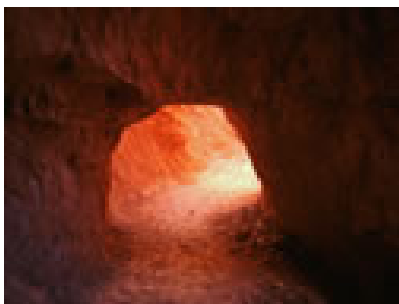
Troop 850 Newsletter

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COURT OF HONOR

Our next Court of Honor will take place on Tuesday, September 30. We will be distributing all of the merit badges and rank advancements that were earned over the summer and at summer camp. Parents and family members are encouraged to join their Scouts to celebrate their achievements.



Caving Trip Preparation

There is still time to sign up for the caving trip the weekend of September 19—21, but anyone wishing to go ***MUST*** attend the presentation by the Cincinnati Grotto of the Speliological Society (our caving guides) at the August 26 Troop meeting.

PETERLOON 2008
Dan Beard Council, BSA

A permission slip for the Peterloon camporee October 10 — 12 is enclosed. The \$20 cost does not include a t-shirt which is optional this year. Any adults or Scouts wishing to purchase a t-shirt for \$5 (\$7 for XXL and above) must get their orders in to Mr. Matthews (including requested size) by September 9, the deadline for signing up to attend. This biannual tradition of the Dan Beard Council is a “don’t miss” event!!

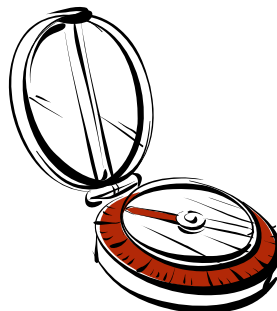


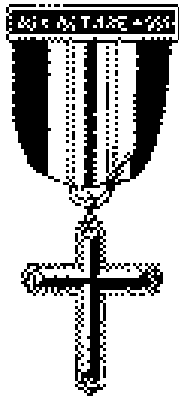
Swimming Requirements

We know that a number of Scouts need to do a few requirements in order to complete Swimming Merit Badge and/or to earn Second Class or First Class rank. Anyone wishing to finish up any swimming requirements will have the opportunity to do so Monday, September 15, at 7:30 PM at the Hertlein residence. To take advantage of this opportunity you must make arrangements in advance with Mr. Hertlein or Mr. Rottmueller.

Hiking Requirements

A few Scouts may not have taken advantage of the hiking opportunities built into the Troop’s established calendar in order to complete the Second Class 5-mile hike requirement or First Class orienteering. If there is sufficient interest we will try to schedule a hike this fall. If interested, please see Mr. Hertlein.





Religious Emblem

The BSA offers two religious awards for Catholic Scouts, the Ad Altare Dei award which is oriented to 7th graders and above, and the Pope Pius X award which is intended for high school students. We encourage all Scouts to earn one or more religious emblems. Kelly Reupert will be leading classes for both awards this fall and winter. If you wish to take advantage of this opportunity, please see Mrs. Reupert.

High Adventure Heads-Up

The 2009 High Adventure Trip will be a Rocky Mountain backpacking excursion. This time, we are aiming to explore one of the northerly ranges (Montana or Idaho) and are now investigating the possibilities. Exact dates remain to be set but will be sometime in the month of July after the first week. More information to come!!



Picture courtesy Ken Metz

BACK TO SCHOOL!!!

