



TROOP 850 NEWSLETTER



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February Campout

The Troop's annual weekend in the rustic Camp Oyo cabins will be February 8 — 10 (permission slip enclosed). Camp Oyo is near Portsmouth, Ohio. This is a great rank advancement opportunity in the wintertime, with a number of Tenderfoot, Second Class and First Class requirements available. This year we plan to go into town for Mass Saturday night after which we'll take Father Ted out to dinner — Father Ted has graciously come out to Camp Oyo to say Mass just for us the past four years, so this year we want to thank him.

Spaghetti Dinner Update

Our sincere thanks to Greg Stitzel for stepping up to be the Spaghetti Dinner Chairman!! Greg will need everyone's help to make the dinner a success. Remember that 100% of the profits from ticket pre-sales go to the Scouts' personal accounts, so please encourage your Scouts to actively participate in the pre-sale — details will follow. The date of the Spaghetti Dinner in April 5.



Website Upgraded!!

We hope you've noticed the new and improved www.troop850.org that went live January 1. We welcome any and all suggestions for additional content, as well as error corrections. Contact Chas Hertlein.



Summer Camp

Troop 850 will be returning to Camp Davey Crockett for its annual BSA Summer Camp experience. Summer camp is the best opportunity for continued advancement, especially some of the required merit badges such as Environmental Science, and it's great fun as well. Parents are also welcome to attend — in fact, we depend on parent volunteers to make summer camp possible each year. The dates this year are July 6 — 12. The cost per Scout is \$210 for the week, with a \$75 deposit due by February 19. Please see Mr. Matthews with any questions.

High Adventure Update

We have a full complement planning to visit the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness in June. There will be **MANDATORY** meetings for all BWCA crew members on April 8 and June 10, so please mark your calendars.

UPCOMING CALENDAR ITEMS

- February 3 — Scout Sunday Mass (12:15) — Class A Uniforms
- February 5 — Webelos and parents to attend meeting
- February 12 — Patrol Leader's Council meeting (pizza provided!) at 5:45PM, just before the Troop meeting.
- March 3 — 7 — Backpacking trip — perfect for beginners and veteran backpackers alike.



