



# Troop 1094's Aerie

God Bless America!

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## Calendar & Reminders

Troop 1094's 2004-2005 Calendar is on the Troop Webpage ([www.troop1094bsa.com](http://www.troop1094bsa.com)). Highlights are included in this newsletter.

Sep 24-26	Mtn Biking (Addison Oaks)
Oct 22-24	Backpacking / Hiking (D-Bar-A)
Nov 5-7	Webelos Campout (CCB)
Dec 17-19	Wright Patterson AFB (Miami Valley, Ohio)
Jan 14-16	Caving Overnighter
Feb 25-27	Ski Trip (Homestead / Lake Ann Baptist Camp)
Mar 18-20	Rank-o-ree / Wildgame / Orienteering
Apr 22-24	Backpacking / Hiking (D-Bar-A)
May 13-15	NR Dist Camporee
Jun 10-12	South Manitou Island or Canoe Trip
Jul 31-Aug 6	Summer Camp (2005 - CCB)

## September 24 – 26 Campout Mountain Biking

The Troop will be going mountain biking for the September Campout. Currently, we will be going to Addison Oaks. We will leave the church on Friday night at 6:00 pm and return on Sunday at noon. Each scout will need a bike and helmet. We will be going to church as a Troop on Sunday.

## Eagle Pre-class

The Adult Leadership of the Troop has decided that we need to educate the scouts that are Star and higher on the Eagle process. We will be holding a special meeting later this Fall or Winter!



## Boards of Review

To better serve all the Scouts, Leaders and Committee in the Troop, Boards of Review and Scoutmaster Conference will be held after the 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of each month. There will be a sign-up sheet at the 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting of each month. This will allow the leaders to better plan the Troop Meetings and their personal time. A Board must consist of three to four Committee Members along with the Advancement Coordinator. We need to make sure we can get Committee Members to attend. If you are not a registered Committee Member, please see Mr. Maskill about getting a form.

## **Summer Camp SUCCESS!**

Summer Camp at Ockanickon Scout Reservation was a **huge success!** 12 Scouts and 4 adults participated in the weeklong event. Our troop had a great week with over many awards, merit badges, and rank advancement. The troop would like to thank the four adults for their time, guidance and leadership during this summer camp experience. Our tally is as follows:

Rank Advancements  
Eagle Required Merit Badges  
Regular Merit Badges  
BSA Scuba (Aaron, Alex, Tom, Zach S)  
BSA Polar Bear  
Clean Camp Award  
Honor Troop  
Honor Patrol (s)

Next Year's summer camp will be from Sunday, July 31, 2005 to Saturday, August 6, 2005 at BSA Cole Canoe Base (CCB) in Alger, Michigan. Mark your calendars!

## **Fundraiser**

It was mentioned at the Committee Meeting that we would try to have an Egg Roll Sale at the upcoming Craft Show. If you are interested in helping plan and set-up this event, please contact Carol Barch.

## **Parent Volunteers**

To keep the Troop running and even make it better, we need more parents to help out. There are several positions that we need filled. These are very small activities; some are only once a year. Please consider signing up for a position. We do not want to assign positions to parents. Here is a list of the positions: Fundraising Chairperson, Camping Coordinator, Picnic Coordinator, Christmas Party Coordinator, Court of Honor Coordinator, Community Service Coordinator, and Committee Member.

## **Dues**

Dues are the responsibility of each scout. The Troop has dues of \$.50 for each Troop Meeting. This is whether you attend or not. If you cannot attend a Troop Meeting, then it is the scouts responsibility to call either their PL, SPL, ASPL or Adult Leaders to let them know they will not be there. If this is done, then the scout has an excused absence, but still owes \$.50 in dues. If the Scout does not get excused, then they owe \$1.00. **ALL DUES MUST BE PAID IN FULL BEFORE ATTENDING A BOARD OF REVIEW, CAMPOUT OR TROOP ACTIVITY.**

There is now a SPECIAL form / envelope each scout should use when paying their dues. This speeds up the process and helps reduce problems at each meeting. Dues should be turned in at the beginning of each Troop Meeting to the Patrol Leader. The Patrol Leader will take attendance and then turn this over to the Troop Scribe.

## **Patrol Points**

Trying to get into the Scout Spirit of scouting, we are going to start awarding Patrol Points. These will be award to patrols for attending meetings, wearing uniforms correctly, going on campouts, rank advancement, earning merit badges, community service, and patrol spirit.

## **Troop Meeting Themes**

Our Troop Meetings will now follow themes that will support our Monthly Campouts and Activities. We will always work on Rank Advancement for Tenderfoot, Second Class and First Class.