



# Troop 311 Monthly Newsletter

## March, 2004

### Upcoming Events:

*These events are tentative and subject to change.*

### March

#### Program theme: First Aid

- 3/1 Regular Troop meeting  
PLC meeting
- 3/2 District Roundtable
- 3/4 Troop Committee meeting
- 3/5-7 Campout Scout Show
- 3/8 Regular Troop meeting
- 3/15 Regular Troop meeting
- 3/19-21 OA Fun Weekend
- 3/22 Regular Troop meeting
- 3/29 Regular Troop meeting

### April

#### Program theme: Space Exploration

- 4/1 Troop Committee meeting
- 4/2-4 Campout
- 4/5 Regular Troop meeting  
PLC meeting
- 4/6 Flags  
District Roundtable
- 4/12 No Troop meeting Easter Monday
- 4/16-18 OA Spring Reunion
- 4/19 Regular Troop meeting
- 4/23-25 Basic Leader Training
- 4/26 Regular Troop meeting
- 4/29 Troop Committee meeting
- 4/30-5/2 Spring Camporee

### May

#### Program Theme: Aquatics

- 5/3 Regular Troop meeting  
PLC meeting
- 5/4 District Roundtable

- 5/8 CPR Training American Legion Hall
- 5/10 Regular Troop meeting
- 5/13 Committee Meeting
- 5/17 Regular Troop meeting  
Flags
- 5/24 Regular Troop meeting
- 5/31 No Troop meeting-Memorial Day  
Flags

### Welcome to all Webelos that have joined Troop 311

Lee Blessing  
Bayne Farmer  
Trent Friedrich  
Landon Goodson  
Alex Hodges  
Austin Koenig  
R. J. Peel  
Phillip Reed  
Stetson Sander  
Joe Schneider  
Jacob Scholl  
Kyle Schloss  
Coleman Schott  
Josh Sellers  
Billy Spiecker  
Tyler Tuschhoff  
Alex Collier  
Bob Overmann  
Brandon McArthur  
Andrew Reed

### We now have another bus driver

**Mr. Ed Carroll**  
**Thank you!!!**

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## **Congratulations to Eagle Scout Cory Seabaugh**

Troop 311, Boy Scouts of America, proudly announces that Cory Seabaugh has earned Scouting's highest rank, Eagle Scout.

Cory would like to thank all those who helped him during his Scouting career, including his parents, Randy and Dee Seabaugh, the adult leaders and fellow Scouts.

Cory said his most memorable Scouting experience was when he and his father hiked at the Philmont Scout Ranch with others from the Troop. He also has many other fun memories of Scouting, such as the time he helped fellow scout Gjerstad dig his truck out of the sand at Camp Lewellan. He also practiced his Scouting skills by "hog tying" another Scout at Baker Lodge. Cory said, "No memory was more important than any other but it seems I was always getting in trouble for starting something on fire."

When asked about his future he is unsure but said it will involve SEMO and Mizzou and "something in engineering".

## **Congratulations to Eagle Scout Will Lindman**

Troop 311, Boy Scouts of America, proudly announces that Will Lindman has earned Scouting's highest rank, Eagle Scout.

Will said he had many family members encouraging him to reach the rank of Eagle Scout. He mentioned encouragement from aunts, uncles and especially his parents, Marlene and Kevin Lindman. For this he will forever be grateful.

He would also like to thank Mr. John Voss and Mr. Stan Latimer for their positive influence during his scouting career.

Will said his most memorable experience was when he and his father hiked at the Philmont Scout Ranch. "Philmont was full of fun everyday and night. I really want to go back and experience it again."

Will's Eagle Scout project can be seen in the entrance of St Paul's Lutheran Church in Jackson. He made a pamphlet/brochure display case which includes a special offering box and attendance record display.

As for Will's plan for the future he says he will stay active in Scouting and earn some Eagle Palms. He feels he will be involved in Boy Scouts his whole life. When he has children he would like them to experience the benefits of the Boy Scouts.

When Will graduates from Notre Dame High School next year he plans to go to college but is unsure which one he will choose.

## **Trail to Eagle**

Advancements from the most recent Court of Honor are as follows:

Scout:

Lee Blessing  
Landon Goodson  
Alex Hodges  
Richard Joseph  
Austin Koenig  
Bob Overmann  
Phillip Reed  
Stetson Sander  
Kyle Schloss  
Joseph Schneider  
Jacob Scholl  
Coleman Schott  
Josh Seller  
William Spiecker  
Tyler Tuschoff

First Class:

Chris Farris

Star:  
James Dale  
Life:  
Brandon Blaylock  
Eagle:  
Will Lindman  
Cory Seabaugh

In addition 66 merit badges were awarded and 5 special awards were presented.

## February Webelos Invitational

In the summer of 03 the PLC stated February 04 was Troop 311 Sports month. With those instructions 51 Scouts and invited Webelos set out to do just that.

First target was the Jackson Roller Rink. The early going was uneventful. But a caution flag went up for a few laps after Andrew Graham spun out and cracked a wrist bone.

During pit stops Brandon Blaylock established his claim as the King of Air Hockey. He may go Professional. Meanwhile some adults were toying with the idea of hosting pool tourneys as a way to raise Philmont cash. But after going against the Roller Rink Regulars it was decided we should stick to cutting wood, baking cookies and taking in wash.

The Scouts returned to the Methodist Church Fellowship Room for the night. The Cracker Barrel was ice cream, soda and cookies. The boys were on that like a hobo on a ham sandwich.

A little after midnight lights were doused and sleep was almost in view. In the leaders den things were quite for a bit. But ever so quietly a 1/8" band mill came to life and purred along without much notice and then another and another. Soon a Detroit diesel running a 1/4" circle saw roared into life. Before long Johnny Poppers were heard in the hollows to the south and west. By 4 AM all were running at full tilt, though they all sounded like they were badly aligned,

missing some teeth and sawing knotty oak. The wake call at 5:30 was a sublime relief.

At 7:00 AM we swarmed on the Jackson Bowling Lanes like the Huns on a village. For two hours the Scouts enjoyed bowling while demonstrating some unorthodox styles.

By 10:00 AM we were at the Show-Me Center Recreation for 3 hours of round ball and wall climbing and just hanging around.

Around 1:00 PM Brian Sievers showed up with chili, soda, crackers, PB sandwiches and cookies. The chili was much appreciated. Brian says he got his famous recipe after spending all night in a steam and smoke filled sweat lodge, having been sworn to eternal secrecy by an old Indian Chief.

This may account for the smoky nature of what is written here.

After the chili tailgate party all hands attended the B'Ball game. It was barn burner between Murray State and SEMO. The local 5 fought hard but wilted in the last 90 seconds after facing a full press the whole game.

After the game all returned home and hopefully attended Scout Sunday in their respective churches.

A BIG THANKS and a tip of the old campaign hat to the following people who helped make this weekend work: the Grahams for securing permission to use the Fellowship Room, Mark Blaylock who called & confirmed the Roller Skating, Bowling and the SEMO Rec Center, Mr. Friedrich who donated the ice cream and sodas for the Cracker Barrel, Brian Sievers for going the extra mile to make chili and bring it to the Rec-Center and to Jim Dale who got "Annie Oakley" tickets for the Scouts and \$6 duckets for the Adults to the SEMO game. And that's the way was, February 2004.

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