



Troop 23 – Hot News

September 21, 2020

CALENDAR UPDATES: For the full calendar, visit <http://troop23wheaton.org/>

- 9/21–Monday – 6-7:00 p.m. Troop Meeting, Northside Park
- 9/28–Monday – 6-7:00 p.m. Troop Meeting, Northside Park
- 10/3–Saturday – all day Daytrip: Shooting Sports, Silver Springs, IL
- 10/5-Monday - 6-7:00 p.m. Troop Meeting, Northside Park

SHOOTING SPORTS & KAYAKING AT SILVER SPRINGS STATE PARK:

Due to Covid, all Illinois State and County properties have temporarily banned overnight camping. Instead of an overnight, the troop will have a Shooting Sports Daytrip at Silver Springs State Park in Yorkville on Saturday, Oct 3rd from 9 AM until around 4 PM. Canoes, kayaks, and fishing will be available. We will be offering shotgun shooting at clay pigeons, and archery with compound and re-curve bows for scouts and adults. There will be Advancement for outsidess skills including Totin' Chip and Firebuilding. Scouts needing to complete Cooking will be preparing lunch. Scouts who need to clean a rifle to complete the Shooting MB from summer camp will have that opportunity; sign up for both/either of these at a troop meeting. Also, scouts who took CAMPING MB at summer camp will have an opportunity to demonstrate they have earned that MB by reviewing ALL the requirements with Mr. Jeffers; bring your paperwork, including a list of your days and nights of camping, and BE PREPARED to demonstrate your knowledge and skills.

BOARD OF REVIEWS (BOR) REMINDER:

Prior to scheduling a BOR, Scouts must first obtain approval from the Advancements Coordinator (AC), Ms. Carlson-Noordhoek. To get to a BOR the steps are:

- 1) Get approval from the AC to request a Scout Master conference and BOR (you may be asked to forward pictures of your sign off sheets in your scout handbook). Email julie@burrittcarlson.com for this approval.
- 2) Report your Scout Master review to the AC, who will then add you to the BOR signup sheet and give you the go ahead to contact Mr. Lange about scheduling your BOR.

NEW SCHOOL YEAR -- TIME TO UPDATE/RECHARGE CYBER CHIP:

All Scouts in Troop 23 need a current Cyber Chip to participate in ANY online meetings. Cyber Chips expire annually with each new school year. There has understandably been confusion on Cyber Chip status and requirements. Steps to complete this vary, depending on a Scout's grade level, previous Cyber Chip work, and any Cyber Chip work completed as part of an advancement. To clarify, we reviewed data in TroopMaster for Cyber Chips, Recharges, Scout and Star Rank Requirement 6, and identified what's been completed. This is summarized here and includes each Scout's next steps needed. <https://troop23wheaton.org/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2020-09-13-CyberChipTracking.pdf>

These steps are one of four options:

-None means the Scout is current for this year. No further action is needed.

-Cyber Chip (Grades 6-8) Scouts need to complete pages 1 and 2 of the workbook found here:

<http://usscouts.org/advance/docs/ScoutsBSA-Cyber-Chip.pdf>

-Cyber Chip (Grades 9-12) Scouts need to complete pages 3 through 5 found here:

<http://usscouts.org/advance/docs/ScoutsBSA-Cyber-Chip.pdf>

-Recharge Scouts need to watch 2 videos found at <https://www.nsteens.org/Videos> OR

<https://www.missingkids.org/netsmartz/videos#middleandhighschool>

Once completed, Scouts should e-mail our AC, Ms. Carlson-Noordhoek, at julie@burrittcarlson.com with images of the completed workbook pages or the names of the two videos watched. Scouts, you must include two adults (the second can be your parent, another leader, etc) on this and all emails. Scouts will need parents/adult helper authorization to work on the Chip and use the internet. Please work with your Scout in completing his Cyber Chip. We encourage Scouts and parents/adult helpers to annually review/re-sign the Scout Law and Cyber-Safety/Cyber-Bullying Pledge found here:

https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/youthprotection/pdf/100-055_WB.pdf

GOOD NEWS! Congrats to Troop 23's newest Eagle, Gil Roshoir! And to our scouts that completed their Order of the Arrow Ordeal- Patrick Herr, Sam Noordhoek, Jacob Halter, and Collin McKay!

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS AND/OR FEEDBACK, PLEASE CONTACT:

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