



Troop 23 – Hot News

December 20, 2020

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

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT:

Hi everyone, I am Patrick Herr and I am currently working on completing my Eagle Project. For said project, I will be collecting the supplies for and assembling reusable face masks for the Wyndemere Senior Care nursing home and possibly the Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans. As such I'm turning to you for donations for my project and volunteers to help with the assembly.

The materials I need are any tightly woven cotton fabric and 1/4 inch fabric elastic. I am also looking for volunteers who are willing to assist with the assembly. Even if you can't sew or don't have materials to donate, I will also be collecting other cleaning items such as hand sanitizer or wipes.

If you are interested in contributing to my project you can contact me at pherreagleproject@gmail.com or call me at 1(630)923-4218.

TAKE ONLY PICTURES, KILL ONLY TIME, LEAVE ONLY BUBBLES!

SCUBA Open Water Diver Certification - Several Scouts and Adults indicated that they would like to obtain their SCUBA Open Water Diver Certification. For Scouts, this could include a SCUBA Merit Badge. I would like to determine how many people would be interested in doing this along with those going to Sea Base. The estimated cost for the course is between \$400-\$500 per person, but you may need to buy a mask, snorkel, dive watch, and dive booties (wet suit for your feet). For the certifications, it will take about 16 hours of class time along with weekends doing the 4 open water dives in a local lake or quarry, which also has daily fees. Total cost is expected to be between no more than \$700 per person. If you are interested in obtaining a SCUBA Open Water Diver Certification and a Merit Badge, please send an email me, Mr. Herr at TPHERR@YAHOO.COM. A meeting will be setup with those interested to discuss the details. Till then... Stay Salty!!

TROOP MEETINGS:

As of now we will not be regularly meeting as a whole Troop; however Scouts need to be in communication with their Patrol Leaders to stay up to date with the way that their Patrol will be staying in contact.

SOME GOOD NEWS!

Despite these challenging times Troop 23 Scouts continue to find ways to both move forward and take part in community events.

On 12/5/20, Scouts from our Troop participated in the Fallen Heros Wreath Laying Ceremony at Wheaton Cemetery. Wreaths from the Troop's sales were dedicated at this ceremony in order to honor veterans.



Joe Monticello had his Board of Review last week and is now at Star Rank! Feedback from the BOR said that Joe has a thorough understanding of Scout Leadership and has been proactive in completing service hours. Congratulations Joe!



Kevin Lange passed his BOR and is now First Class Rank! The BOR said that Kevin aced his fundamentals and talked about his scout role models as well as some of his accomplishments. Well Done Kevin!



And thanks to the Board for finding ways to keep Scouts moving up in Rank at this time!

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

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