



# Troop 23 – Hot News

## March 17, 2025

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### TROOP CALENDAR:

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

- 03/17- Monday, 7:00-8:30 pm Troop Meeting
  - 03/24- Monday, 6:30-8:30 pm Court of Honor/Potluck Dinner/Summer Camp Forms & Deposit Due
  - 03/31- Monday NO Troop Meeting
  - 04/07- Monday, 7:00-8:30 pm Planning Meeting (No Troop Meeting)
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### COURT OF HONOR AND POTLUCK DINNER:

All Troop 23 Scout families are invited to attend the Court of Honor and Potluck Dinner on March 24 at 6:30 pm. Troop 23 will provide the main course, plates and utensils, as well as lemonade and water; attendees are asked to bring sides/desserts to share. To RSVP and see what type of dish to bring, please see the evite link below. During the Troop Court of Honor, we will recognize the recent advancements of our existing scouts. **Please RSVP by Noon on 3/17** so that food, etc planning can be done in advance.

<https://evite.me/25v6b9xuqw>

### SERVICE OPPORTUNITY:

The Troop's Scouting For Food campaign is underway. The next/final step is:

- Mon., March 17: Scouts bring collected food to the scout meeting. Food will be sorted and counted. Numbers need to be shared with Three Fires Council. Then food will be loaded into Mrs. MacKinnon's vehicle and brought to Milton Township Food Pantry.

Scouts will receive 1 hour of service. Please contact Mrs. MacKinnon if you have any questions.

### SUMMER CAMP 2025 – DEPOSIT AND REGISTRATION FORMS DUE 3/24:

Summer Camp 2025 is right around the corner! Summer Camp is the culmination of Troop 23's Scout Year where Scouts get to utilize all of their skills that they have learned throughout the year. The registration form has been distributed, contact Kyle Allred if you still need one. The 2025 Program Guide can be found at Tomahawk's Planning website here: <https://camptomahawk.org/planning>. Please download the Guide and have your Scout start looking at merit badges and/or programs they may be interested in. Please note some age requirements for some of the advanced activities. Feel free to contact T23 Summer Camp Coordinator Kyle Allred (630-723-8661; [kyallred@gmail.com](mailto:kyallred@gmail.com)) with any questions. Registration forms and deposit are due Monday 3/24.

### UNIFORM EXCHANGE:

As Scouts begin planning for Summer Camp 2025, don't forget about Troop 23's Uniform Exchange. At each Monday Troop meeting, the Uniform Exchange is open for business. If your Scout needs anything from socks, to shirts, to shorts/pants, or even gear like boots, a backpack, or a sleeping bag, consider checking out the Uniform Exchange before buying new! If you have items that have been outgrown but are still usable, consider bringing those items for exchange/trade-in or donation. Generally, items are available for a low cost and/or a trade-in of a similar item. The Uniform Exchange is set up on a large rack in the hallway each Monday, you can't miss it, so come check it out!

### SCOUT NANO DAY:

Attention science-enthused Girl Scouts and Scouts BSA: 2025 All Scout Nanotechnology Day is on Saturday, April 12, 2025 (note the date changed!) from 8:30am - 2pm on Northwestern University's Evanston campus. This is a great opportunity for any Scout in the 6th grade who is (or may be!) interested in science. Most activities are in small groups to facilitate lots of Q&A with the scientists. Space is limited to 70 Scouts and advance registration is required, so sign up soon. Cost is \$15 per person. See <https://www.iinano.org/education/scoutnanoday/> for info and to register.

### HOT NEWS INFO:

Got some information for the weekly Hot News? Please forward the details of your news item to [ruthlange@yahoo.com](mailto:ruthlange@yahoo.com) by Noon on Sundays and it will be included in that week's issue.

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

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