

## Scoutmaster Update - April 7, 2010

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Be Prepared!

Monday, April 12

- 6 pm Merit Badge Completion (see this and that)
- 7 pm Troop Meeting - Money Monday&trade;
- Bring a signed permission form
- Bring \$10 (not \$17) for food

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Hello Scouts and Scouters,

This week's meeting included a very important class on gun safety. Thanks go to Mr. Raney and Mr. Breaux for taking time to visit us and help make sure we are ready to safely shoot shoguns at the next campout. I hope you all know what the most dangerous gun in the world is.

### Advancement

There are only Six weeks left before Court of Honor. We want to see each of you complete your current rank before then. Don't wait until the last minute as each of you will have to schedule a Scoutmaster Conference and Board of Review.

There will be lots of opportunities for advancement, especially at Mr. Raney's ranch. Make sure you bring your handbook to the troop meetings and work with your Patrol leader to get requirements signed off.

Patrol Leaders &ndash; Make sure you know what each of your scouts needs to advance and make sure they have the opportunity to complete their requirements.

## Trash Bash

Thanks to all the boys who attended Trash Bash. Fifteen boys and several adults spent the morning cleaning up Prairie Creek Park and then headed over to CiCis for pizza. Pitching in and being an active part of our community is the foundation of good citizenship. We ALL should try to be active citizens whether or not we need service hours. It&rsquo;s up to you to make your troop and your community all they can be.

Next Campout &ndash; Mr. Raney&rsquo;s Ranch!

April 16-18 is our annual event at Mr. Raney&rsquo;s Ranch. This is a fun-filled weekend of fishing, archery, BB guns, water rocketry, shotgun shooting, dessert cook-off, a special campfire, and more. Everyone is encouraged to attend. This is a great time for Webelos to visit as well.

Next regular Troop meeting is Monday, 04/12 &ndash; Money Monday

Mr. Watts will demonstrate some ideas for creative camp cooking during our next meeting. This meeting is Money Monday. Please bring your signed permission form and money for food. It is important that each patrol create an accurate campout attendance list for this campout. The cost is \$10 per Scout. We originally discussed charging \$17 per Scout to further defray the cost of dinner and activities but have decided to stick with the usual cost of \$10.

Yours in Scouting,

Scoutmaster Payette