

Troop 123

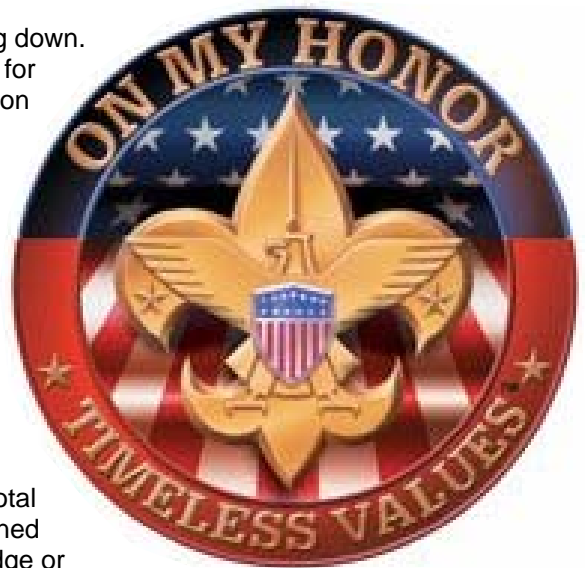
August 2008

WINDING UP THE YEAR, AND PREPARING FOR THE NEW ONE.

August is here and that means that summer, unfortunately, is winding down. At Troop 123 we are also winding down our Scout year and planning for the next one. We start having weekly Troop meetings again starting on Monday, August 4th, so plan on attending every Monday, at 7:00 pm. All of you who have Troop positions should have received your Planning Conference Information by now. Please look it over and fill it out. It will make planning our Troop calendar much easier. If you didn't get an invitation, please see me. If you have suggestions or ideas for the Troop, write them down and give them to someone who is going to the Planning Conference. The 2007 Planning Conference is August 2nd at Selby Park. *If you have a Troop position, You Must Attend!!* I can not emphasize enough the importance of your participation in the Planning Conference. This is your chance to put your stamp on our Troop and do the things you want to do. Don't pass it up. Your Troop is depending on **YOU**.

We have had a very successful summer camp this year. We had a total of 26 Scouts attend summer camp. We had lots of merit badges earned and couple of you advanced in rank. If you need to finish a merit badge or rank advancement, please make sure that you complete them in August. We had 3 Scouts go through Nagatamen training and they should be helping our Troop with their new knowledge. The September Court of Honor and Troop Dinner will be on September 14th and will be held at Marion Hall at St. Michael's. This is our largest Court of Honor and serves as the Kickoff for the new Scout year. It is also Troop 123's annual "Troop Dinner" for all of our Scouts and their families. We will be giving out many merit badges, rank advancements, special awards, and recognitions to our Scouts and adult leaders. We will also end this year's Court with our famous slide presentation of Troop 123's summer activities. Plan on attending NOW, you don't want to miss this. You can reserve your spot by going to the Troop Web site and registering. For you adult leaders out there, this year's first Roundtable is on Thursday, August 7th and our first committee meeting will be on Tuesday, August 19th. We have a campout planned on the 15th through the 17th of August. We will be going to the Loudonville area for camping, canoeing, go-kart riding, and mini golf. This is always a great trip and is just a blast. Finishing up the month of August on the 25th is St. Michael's Festival Setup and Troop elections. We will again be helping remove all of the Festival gear from the garages. Troop 123 will also be helping at the festival on August 29th to 31st and doing clean up on Saturday and Sunday mornings. There's quite a lot going on, so check your calendars and we will see all of you in August.

Steve Canini



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AUGUST CAMPOUT

Troop 123 will be going to Loudonville, OH on August 15th → 17th for this month's campout. We will be camping at the canoe liveries' campgrounds and canoeing about 12 miles on the Mohican River Saturday morning. We will be using the same outfitter we have used in the past, which means that we will also get to play mini golf and drive go-karts on Saturday afternoon and evening. We will be leaving at 6:00 pm from the Whitehouse, across the street from St. Michael's. The canoeing trip will cost \$62.00 and includes food, camping, canoeing, 2 rounds in the go-karts, and a round of mini golf. We will be returning to the Whitehouse by 12:00 noon on Sunday the 17th. This trip is a huge amount of fun and shouldn't be missed.

SUMMER SCHEDULE

Summer's almost gone, but we still have a lot going on. In August we go back to weekly meetings so don't miss them. We also have the Troop Planning Meeting, canoeing, and other fun events. You don't want to miss out on any of these. *If your Scout has a Troop leadership position he **MUST ATTEND THE PLANNING MEETING on Saturday, August 2nd**. It's vital to the Troop. The Scouts will be planning next year's Troop events and need his input. To the right is a list of the dates and Troop events. Mark your calendars.*

Date	Troop Event
8/2	PLC Planning Meeting
8/4	Troop Meeting
8/11	Troop Meeting
8/15–8/17	Canoeing
8/18	Troop Meeting
8/25	St. Michael's Festival Setup
8/29–8/31	St. Michael's Festival

COURT of HONOR

On September 14th, Troop 123 will be having a Court of Honor. It will be at Marion Hall at St. Michael's from 5:00 pm to about 9. We will be having dinner for everyone before the Court. Cost will be about \$6.00 / person. You will be receiving an info / signup sheet soon and you will be able to register on the Troop web site. This is our largest Court of the year with lots of awards and special honors. Plan on attending. **DON'T MISS OUT!**

AUGUST TROOP EVENTS

- AUG 2** **PLC PLANNING MEETING...**
PLC Planning Meeting for 2008-2009.
- AUG 7** **ROUNDTABLE...** Church of Christ, Fishinger Rd. 7:00 pm
- AUG 15→17** **CAMPOUT...** Canoeing of the Mohican River.
- AUG 19** **COMMITTEE MEETING...** The monthly committee meeting, 7:30 PM. Call Randy Domer for info 760-0640.
- AUG 25** **FESTIVAL SETUP...** Help move festival gear out of storage. 6:00
- AUG 25** **TROOP ELECTIONS...** After festival setup.
- AUG 29, 30, 31** **ST. MICHAEL'S FESTIVAL**
- SEPT 14** **COURT of HONOR...** Marion Hall, St. Michael's. 5:00 pm

THIS MONTH'S TROOP MEETINGS

August 4, 11, 18, 25

ST. MICHAEL'S FESTIVAL

Troop 123 will be helping out, as always, at this year's St. Michael's Festival. This is a Troop service project and you **must** help out. We will be cleaning the festival grounds on Saturday, the 30th, and Sunday, the 31st, in the mornings from 8:00 am till we finish (about 2 hrs). **You need to attend one of these clean ups.** If you are interested in manning the "Froggy" booth at the festival on Friday, Saturday, or Sunday, you can sign up at a Troop meeting. The Festival is August 29th, 30th, and 31st, and we need your help. Please sign up for clean up and booth duty. Remember, you **MUST** help on one of the morning clean up days.

TROOP ELECTIONS

At the August 25th Troop meeting we will be holding our Troop elections. This is festival setup night and we will hold elections when we are done helping with setup. Plan on attending and participate in your Troop.