NEWSLETTER #4 10/25/24

# SCOUT TROOP # 231 NEWSLETTER

### Newsletter #4!!! - Let's keep our Troop up to date!

Send us any infos you'd like us to include in our next Troop's Newsletter. Reach out to Indy, either in person, or via email (<a href="mailto:sarahvail1@yahoo.com">sarahvail1@yahoo.com</a>).

Thanks!

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## A Scout is Helpful & Thrifty:

If you have outgrown your scout uniform, please contact our Quartermasters to donate it to our Troop's inventory to help other Scouts.

We accept washed and gently used items. Thank you! Quartermasters Ben, Indy & Jax

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Scout Interview:

#### **Ben Clarke**

What's your name and how old are you? Benjamin Clarke and I'm almost 14 years old.

When did you join the Scouts and which troop? I joined our troop 2 years ago and I've always been in 231, even as a Cub Scout. In kindergarten, Harvey Larson recruited me.

What do you like most about being a scout?

Camping and being with friends. I do like going on camping trips and our summer camp trips for a week are really fun, traveling to a boy scout camp. I am definitely going next summer, my third time.

What don't you enjoy as much? I'm not really sure!

Your best memory from your Scouting time?

Highland was probably my favorite camping trip. The location and how we did it, the activities were really fun, and the biking was really great.

What would you like more from your scouting troop? I think our scouting troop is pretty good right now.

What do you suggest to younger scouts?

Pay attention and learn what you can from the older scouts. Sign up for summer camps as soon as possible!

"Scouting teaches a boy to take care of himself and stand on his own two feet."

-- Ezra Taft Benson

### **NEXT MEETINGS:**

\*Sunday,10/27/24 @ 3 PM

Parents Q&A meeting (adults only, thanks!)

Capitol House, Eagle

Please RSVP on our app, bring lots of questions & tips to improve our Troop!

\*Monday,10/28/24 @6:30 PM Regular Troop meeting

- focus on Summer Camps.

### Scouts!

Help your Patrol Leaders with ideas to make your learning <u>FUN!</u>

### **Next Events:**

<u>Citizenship in the Nation</u> <u>Merit Badge Clinic</u> (The CELL website) Saturday, 10/26/24

<u>Citizenship in the World</u> <u>Merit Badge Clinic</u> (The CELL website) Saturday, 10/26/24

<u>Grizzly Creek hike</u> Saturday, 11/3 (11 AM-2 PM)

Troop Committee meeting
Monday, 11/04 (5:30-6:30 PM)

Scouting for Food (Serv.Hrs)
Saturday, 11/09 (10-11 AM)

Merit Badge University
Saturday, 11/16/24
Carbondale

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### TIP for OUR SCOUTS: Upcoming Merit Badge virtual & in person classes!!!

# 1) CELL's Scouts BSA Crime Prevention & Safety Merit Badges Clinic: Saturdays, 11/02 & 11/09/24 (9:00 - 10:00 AM)

(https://thecell.org/cell-events/scouts-bsa-crime-prevention-safety-merit-badges-virtual-clinic-05-13-23-941-833-643-177-304-320-303-741/)

In this clinic, Scouts will learn about crime prevention and common safety techniques. They will also learn how to identify criminal activity in order to enhance community safety.

The \$1.50/person cost of each day of training has been generously underwritten by our sponsors.

# 2) CELL's Scouts BSA Emergency Preparedness Merit Badge Virtual Clinic: Saturdays, 11/02 & 11/09/24 (10:30 - 11:30 AM)

[https://thecell.org/cell-events/scouts-bsa-emergency-prep-merit-badge-virtual-

clinic-05-13-23-670-711-670-295-841-553-692/)

In this clinic, Scouts will learn the five aspects of emergency preparedness while increasing their awareness of manmade and natural disasters.

The \$1.50/person cost of each day of training has been generously underwritten by our sponsors.

Both clinics require attendance on both two days sessions.

### 3) Merit Badge University in person class in Carbondale on 11/16th!

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Winter is here (has anyone seen any snow yet? (a) and we'll be having more indoor meetings: take advantage of this time to learn as much as you can with your Leaders, Merit Badge Counselors, and your parents too!

Tell your Patrol Leader what you'd like to learn, as well as what you need to learn to get your new rank requirements —> eg.: Indy asked to have an Aquatics Search & Rescue class to learn about it, in order for him and you all to get the requirements needed for the Second and/or First Class ranks.

Thank you, Indy!

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### **TIP for OUR PARENTS:**

Merit Badge Counselors: Thank you to all the ones who are getting ready to become our new Merit Badge Counselors! We are proud of you & looking forward for our Scouts to learn new, amazing skills, which they'll be able to use for their lifetime. Thank you all again!!!

**I.O.L.S.** / Introduction in Outdoor Leader Skills: our own Scoutmaster, Nathan, will be leading this fun-filled program of hands-on skills training in the outdoors <u>THIS COMING SPRING - date and place TBD.</u> We wanted to give you a heads up so you can look into it, ask him questions, and perhaps sign up!

The instructors will help you learn how to: set up camp, cook, work with woods tools, ropes, planning campfire programs, map reading, compass skills, hiking, packing techniques, nature identification, and outdoor ethics. Each outdoor session is designed to help you master basic camp skills required tor Tenderfoot to First Class and will increase your comfort level to be a better Leader together with all the other Leaders already working for your sons to excel in Scouting and Life.

### Requirements:

- first three training sessions of the ASM / Assistant Scout Master training
- Hazardous Weather training

- Youth Protection training
- Medical forms (A + Bs)
- signing up and paying the required fee

#### THE SCOUT LAW

A Scout is:

TRUSTWORTHY, LOYAL, HELPFUL, FRIENDLY, COURTEOUS, KIND, OBEDIENT, CHEERFUL, THRIFTY, BRAVE, CLEAN, REVERENT.

What does this mean to you?

### **TRUSTWORTHY**

A Scout tells the truth and keeps promises. People can depend on you.

Scouting rises within you and inspires you to put forth your Best.

-Juliette Gordon Law