

**UPDATE****TROOP MEETING CALENDAR**

(7:00 pm at Seneca unless specified otherwise)

(SPL, ASPL, PL, CG to be there 10 minutes early for prep)

<b>4/14/2008</b>	Tenderfoot requirement #5, safe hiking FOS presentation FPG-9 game
<b>4/21/2008</b>	COH, SENECA 7:00PM Bring a dessert & 2 liter pop to pass Thomas Parker to Emcee
<b>4/28/2008</b>	Tenderfoot requirement #6 How to display, raise, lower, fold the flag Beach ball game
<b>5/5/2008</b>	Program TBD by PLC Dorchester prep
<b>5/12/2008</b>	Road cleanup video, required to participate
<b>5/19/2008</b>	Road cleanup Community service hours NO SMC OR BOR
<b>5/26/2008</b>	NO SCHOOL – NO MEETING
<b>6/2/2008</b>	Troop Meeting @ Seneca T-2-1 campout prep
<b>6/9/2008</b>	Troop Meeting @ Seneca
<b>6/16/2008</b>	Troop Meeting @ Budd Park
<b>6/23/2008</b>	Troop Meeting @ Budd Park
<b>6/30/2008</b>	Troop Meeting @ Budd Park
<b>7/7/2008</b>	Troop Meeting @ Budd Park
<b>7/14/2008</b>	Troop Meeting @ Budd Park Lost Lake prep
<b>7/21/2008</b>	NO TROOP MEETING @ Lost Lake
<b>7/28/2008</b>	Troop Meeting @ Budd Park

**TROOP 248 SPRING COH**

The Troop 248 Spring Court Of Honor will be Monday April 21<sup>st</sup> at Seneca. The program will start promptly at 7:00pm. This will be a formal recognition for any awards the scouts have received since the last COH. Scouts and leaders should wear their full class A uniform with MB or OA sash. Mothers are reminded to wear their necklace displaying the rank of their son(s), scouts getting their first rank in Troop 248 will present their mother with a necklace. Bring a dessert and 2 liter bottle of pop to celebrate afterward. Please get any award or program information to Thomas Parker who will be the emcee for the event.

**OUTINGS/ACTIVITIES CALENDAR**

<b>4/11-13/2008</b>	D-A early spring camping Dave Carbery & Ken Zdral
<b>4/17/2008</b>	Parent Committee Meeting Seneca teachers lounge 7:00pm
<b>4/18/2008</b>	Kurt Fiebelkorn EAGLE COURT OF HONOR, MISD building Southbound Garfield, south of M-59 Gather at 6:30, program starts at 7:00pm
<b>4/19/2008</b>	Junior Leader Training, Main Library 9:30am -1:00pm, includes lunch
<b>4/19/2008</b>	Bottle Drive Meet in the Dakota HS parking lot 9:30am
<b>4/25/2008</b>	Swim Checks & T21 swim items L'Anse Creuse North HS 7:00pm – 9:00pm Admission to open swim: \$3.00
<b>5/2/2008</b>	Stephen Dishman EAGLE COURT OF HONOR, Tenniswood Elementary School 23450 Glenwood, Clinton Twp. MI Gather at 6:30, program starts at 7:00pm
<b>5/9-11/2008</b>	DORCHESTER Camporee Trek leader: Stan Cross <a href="http://www.bsatroop248.org/Dorchester.htm">http://www.bsatroop248.org/Dorchester.htm</a>
<b>5/15/2008</b>	Parent Committee Meeting Seneca teachers lounge 7:00pm
<b>5/16or30/2008</b>	Swim Checks & T21 swim items L'Anse Creuse North HS 7:00pm – 9:00pm Admission to open swim: \$3.00
<b>5/17-18/2008</b>	RELAY FOR LIFE Overnight community fundraiser @ Seneca
<b>6/6-8/2008</b>	T21 CAMPOUT, Cole Canoe Base New scouts: T21 first aid items Older scouts: Day canoe trip Camping MB 9b4
<b>7/19-26/2008</b>	LOST LAKE SUMMER CAMP Dennis Foss & Jeff Coates <a href="http://www.bsatroop248.org/lost_lake.htm">http://www.bsatroop248.org/lost_lake.htm</a>

**LOST LAKE**

It's not to early to start working on those Lost Lake MB forms!

# UPDATE

## RELAY FOR LIFE – SIGNUP

Each scout and parent that wish to participate need to join the team separately. The registration web site also includes an opportunity to make donations.  
 All Troop 248 parents should plan on attending the information presentation during the March 10<sup>th</sup> troop meeting.  
 Our leaders for this community fundraiser are: Bob Towner, Chuck Armaly, Jeff Brown.  
<http://main.acsevents.org/goto/troop248relay>

## RELAY FOR LIFE –LUMINARY BAGS

By Chuck Armaly  
 Please remember to start selling the luminary bags that were handed out 2 weeks ago for \$10.00 each, each scout who can sell \$100.00 (10 bags) will receive a relay for life t-shirt for free!!  
 This is our troops only charitable fundraiser this year and we hope to make it a very successful one!  
 We will ask each patrol to come up with it's own fundraiser idea to see which patrol can make the most money to help the fight to cure cancer!

## RELAY FOR LIFE – PIZZA HUT

By Chuck Armaly  
 I set up fund raiser nights for the Pizza Hut on 19 1/2 & Schoenherr on the next 3 Wednesday's (4/16, 4/23 & 4/30), we will receive 20% of all the sales by our group or anyone else who can fill out the form, including businesses during those days!  
 I will pass out discount coupons and fundraiser sheets at the meeting on Monday.  
 We will also have a sign up sheet for camping out and service hours at the relay for life event. This will count as a camp night.

## SCOUT ACCOUNT PAYMENT PLAN

A year consists of about 40 troop meetings. A \$10 deposit to the scout account at each troop meeting would add \$400 to the account over 1 year.

		EXPENSE	DEPOSIT
Jan	\$10/per Troop Meeting		\$40
Jan	<b>T248 semi annual dues</b>	\$25	
Feb	\$10/per Troop Meeting		\$30
Mar	\$10/per Troop Meeting		\$40
April	\$10/per Troop Meeting		\$30
April	Fundraiser		\$25
April	<b>D-A</b>	\$40	
May	\$10/per Troop Meeting		\$30
May	Fundraiser		\$25
May	<b>Dorchester</b>	\$40	
June	\$10/per Troop Meeting		\$40
June	T21	\$40	
July	\$10/per Troop Meeting		\$30
July	<b>Lost Lake</b>	\$200	
Aug	\$10/per Troop Meeting		\$40
Sept	\$10/per Troop Meeting		\$30
Oct	\$10/per Troop Meeting		\$40
Oct	<b>Camporee</b>	\$40	
Oct	<b>T248 semi annual dues</b>	\$25	
Nov	\$10/per Troop Meeting		\$40
Nov	<b>D-A</b>	\$40	
Dec	\$10/per Troop Meeting		\$10
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<b>TOTAL</b>		\$450	\$450

Actual costs will vary, additional campouts, gear, and parent participation are not included. Scout accounts must remain positive at all times.

## BOTTLE DRIVE

We are holding a bottle drive to give your scout account a boost. All money from this fundraiser goes into the scout accounts of the scouts that participate. We need adults to help with this activity too.

Meet in the Dakota High School parking lot on Saturday April 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 to assign routes.

See Ken Zdral for more information.

## ATTENTION EAGLE SCOUTS OF ALL AGES

The National Eagle Scout Association (NESA) as part of the 100th Anniversary of Scouting celebration has launched the first ever National Eagle Search. The goal is to identify all Eagle Scouts and to create a National Eagle Scout Registry. If you are an Eagle Scout you should receive a letter of post card from NESA directing you to call 1-800-917-2001 to confirm your current address (this Eagle Search is being coordinated by Harris Connect, Inc.).

If you do not receive a letter or post card by mid April you will have an opportunity to participate in the Eagle Search via the NESA website.

There are no fees associated with confirming your current address. You will be given an opportunity to place an order for "Roll Call" and a publication that will capture "100 Years of Eagle Scout History Tradition & Service".

## TROOP 248 EMAIL LIST

To sign up for the troop email list please use the following link. All scouts and scouters of Troop 248 should subscribe to receive the UPDATE and any other last minute information.  
<http://www.bsatroop248.org/forms/E-mailPermissionSlip.pdf>

# UPDATE

## TROOP 248 WEARABLES

The order has been placed for the Troop 248 Class B tee shirts, hoodies, and jackets. Your order should be in by Dorchester. Contact Kristi Fortunato for more information.

## JUNIOR LEADERSHIP ELECTION



Thanks again for all the help from the outgoing junior leadership. The new patrol leaders should let me know who they want from their patrol as Assistant Patrol Leader at the next troop meeting. Look for the first PLC of the new term soon.

## DORCHESTER

By Stan Cross

This trek is moving closer and closer and so far the turnout is pretty slim. If you have signed up for Dorchester, you want to think about the following items...

1. Who do you want to tent with??
2. Can you leave early and help putting up the dining flies and the tents??
3. Can you be a grubmaster?

## FLY FISHING MERIT BADGE

By Stan Cross

Parents how are your scouts doing on the requirements for the badge??? April 19th is less than 2 weeks away. That is the day we are heading for Independence Oaks Parks up in Clarkston. Next week we will figure out the details for getting all scouts to this merit badge outing.

Parents - Please check on your scout's progress on this merit badge. Let them know you are interested in how they are doing.

## TRAIL TO EAGLE

For those scouts close that need a little help, please consider this upcoming program at D-A June 29<sup>th</sup> through July 5, 2008. [http://www.dacbsa.org/CC\\_Camp/Boy%20Scout%20Camping/Trail\\_to\\_Eagle.htm](http://www.dacbsa.org/CC_Camp/Boy%20Scout%20Camping/Trail_to_Eagle.htm)

## CRANBROOK SOIL & WATER MB



**CANCELLED**

The Soil & Water Merit Badge scheduled for May 31, 2008 at Cranbrook has been cancelled. There will be no charge for those that signed up. See Janet Parker if you have any questions.

## BACKGROUND CHECKS

Since April 2003, the BSA has conducted a criminal background check on all new adult volunteers. There are BSA adult volunteers who have been consistently registered since April 2003 in the same position. These dedicated volunteers have not had a criminal background check (CBC) conducted by the BSA. [Read this bulletin to learn what is planned by the National Council.](#)

## APRIL D-A TREK



We meet at McDonalds on Friday and hope to depart at 5:00pm. It takes about an hour to drive to D-A and after a brief stop to register we can proceed to the HILL TOP camp site. New scouts should remember to bring a compass and put their pocket knife in a zip lock bag with their name on it. Travel to and from camp is done in Class A uniforms. We expect to have the camp site packed by 9am Sunday and after a brief stop at the camp store, be back to McDonalds around 11:00am. When we return to McDonalds remember to split up the left over grub and pickup leftover medications.

## CONTACTS

SPL	Alex C.
ASPL	Michael P.
ASPL	Nick T.
TROOP GUIDE	Robert B.
PL – A TEAM PATROL	Thomas P.
PL – FRIED SPAM PATROL	Blake F.
PL – TWINKIES PATROL	Ryan H.
PL – HABENARO PATROL	Joey H..
PL – INDIANA JONES PATROL	Dylan H.
SCOUTMASTER	David Carbery
COMMITTEE CHAIR	Cindy Ozment
VENTURE CREW ADVISOR	Tony Wesenberg
CHARTER ORG. REP.	Dean Billbury
TREASURER	Terry Fiebelkorn
FUNDRAISING CHAIR	Jeff Brown
QUARTERMASTER1	Dwane Schumate
QUARTERMASTER2	Rich Bialowas
ADVANCEMENT CHAIR	Robin Foss
MERIT BADGES	Janet Parker
SMC	Rick Slowiczek
BOR & SECRETARY	Laura Dimmer
WEBMASTER	Stan Cross
12 <sup>TH</sup> POINT	Don Soulard
T248 WEARABLES	Kristi Fortunato
WEBELOS CROSSOVER	Rod Ellis