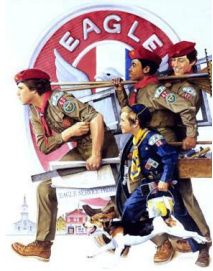




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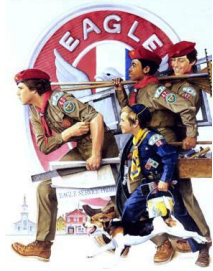
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GARRETT C'S EAGLE PROJECT APRIL 30TH – CAMPOUT TONIGHT

This is up at PICACHO PEAK – Tonight, and the project is on April 30th. We will be CAMPING OUT so we can get an UBER Early Start.

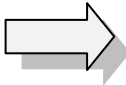
Garret's project is building some Trail the campgrounds to the Trail Head for West Picacho Peak Trail. We can from this because we ALWAYS hike on trail when we camp there and have to the dangerous road for a ways. This will avoid the road passage.



from the benefit this hike on trail

TROOP MEETING – RANK ADVANCEMENT!!!

Bring your book, your class "A" and Merit Badge sash to finish your rank advancement. EVERY NEW SCOUT SHOULD BE Scout rank for the Court of Honor. If you are having trouble remembering the Scout Oath, Law, Motto or Slogan, see your Patrol Leader



PARENTS- We need help with Boards of Review – Please stick around



T-SHIRTS AND SWEATSHIRTS ARE IN!!!

T-shirts and sweatshirts are in! They will be distributed at the May 2nd, Scout meeting. Please be prepared to pay for your order by check or cash. (small bills if needed)



MERIT BADGE CONTEST!

Last fall we had a RANK Advancement Contest. This Spring, we'll do another contest by Patrol, with MERIT BADGES Earned being the counter. HURRY HURRY earn as many as you can and your Patrol can be the VICTORS!

Prize TBD – But it will be GOOD.

SEVERAL MORE BADGES have been ADDED.

AND there is a SPANISH TRAILS Merit Badge Day on May 7th!

[CLICK HERE for INFO](#)

NEW SCOUT CAMPOUT

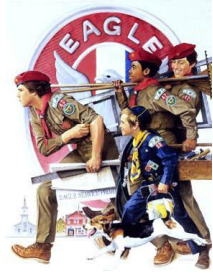
Is May 7th.

Parents, Scouts that have crossed over since September 2010, you are STRONGLY encouraged to attend this meeting. Scouts will learn skills for camping – Troop 141 style – earn Totin chip, Fireman Chit, etc. Parents, you will be spending time with Mr. Long reviewing the Parent Guide and Troop Handbook.



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This is the LAST official campout of the Scout year and is run at Camp Lawton on Mt. Lemmon. Mr. Long says It's a MUST attend for all new scouts.

PACHY'S EAGLE PROJECT, - MAY 21, 2011

The project will remove buffelgrass from Coronado National Forest along the Pontatoc Trail near Finger Rock Trail. We will meet at the Tanque Verde Lutheran Church and then move over to the trail head to prepare. Before we start we will go over a safety briefing. Then we will hike about a ½ mile to the location of the buffelgrass and remove it with digging bars and shovels. Then we will put it into piles and put rocks on top of them to keep them from blowing away. There will be doughnuts and juice at the trailhead before we start and lunch afterwards. Buffelgrass is highly flammable and when it is on fire it can burn through almost any plants including the saguaros. It steals water from native plants.



UPCOMING MERIT BADGES

Space Exploration: Rocket Shoot off May 15th Mr. Obrien is conducting the Rocket shoot off at Udall Park in the back. He gave out some rockets at the meeting on April 5th. You should be making your rocket now and finishing your home work up.



PETS: Mrs. Toering hopes everyone is keeping track of their Pets for the May 3rd log turn in.



Badge *Eagle required	Date
Pets MB Turn In	05/03/2011
Family Life MB Turn In	05/10/2011
American Labor Part 2 (Visit Labor hall)	05/10/2011
Space Exploration Shoot Off	05/15/2011

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: U.S. MILITARY ACADEMY DAY COMING UP!

Our office will host the congresswoman's fifth annual Academy Day on May 7. This event is an information session for high school students seeking nomination to a United States service academy.

Students and parents will have the opportunity to meet with the members of the congresswoman's staff and representatives of the University of Arizona ROTC and academic institutions charged with training the next generation of military officers.

Every member of Congress has the privilege of nominating a select group of students for admission to our country's prestigious service academies, which provide undergraduate education for commissioned officers in the United States armed forces.

Interested students must apply for nomination in the congressional district where they reside. To fill out the application or for more information please [click here](#).

WHAT: U.S. Rep. Gabrielle Giffords' Academy Day

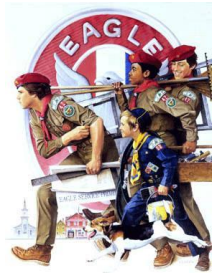
WHEN: 1 to 3 p.m., Saturday, May 7, 2011





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WHERE: Little Theater, Canyon del Oro High School,
25 W. Calle Concordia, Oro Valley

UPCOMING EVENTS (Color Coding RED TEXT is an event that has changed, Color coding /Shading other colors indicates a new event since the last email). As you can see we are getting a full schedule already. Additional details are available by viewing the Troop Calendar. As you can see we have a FULL month once again!

4/29/2011	Garrett C's Eagle Project – Picacho Peak
4/29/2011	Order of the Arrow Ordeal Camp Lawton
5/02/2011	TROOP MEETING – RANK ADVANCEMENT
5/03/2011	Pets MB Home work turn in
5/03/2011	Scoutmaster Roundtable
5/07/2011	NEW SCOUT CAMPOUT
5/07/2011	Spanish Trails MB Day
5/07/2011	Military Academy Day - Gabby Giffords
5/09/2011	TROOP MEETING – Rank Advancement
5/10/2011	Committee Meeting
5/10/2011	American Labor MB – Union Hall Visit
5/10/2011	Family Life MB Turn In
5/11/2011	Spanish Trails Eagle Board of Review
5/12/2011	O/A Meeting
5/14/2011	Quarter Master Work Day (Summerizing our gear)
5/15/2011	Space Exploration MB Rocket Shoot off
5/16/2011	SPRING COURT OF HONOR
5/21/2011	Pachy B's Eagle Project – Buffle Grass Pontotoc trail
5/21/2011	Catalina Council Backpack trip
5/21/2011	Scoutmaster Training Day
5/23/2011	Geronimo Planning Meeting
5/30/2011	National Youth Leadership Training

SCOUT ACCOUNTS:

Mr. Winston keeps track of what scouts have in their accounts from scholarship to popcorn money. If you are curious what your balance of the individual fund is, please drop him an email at treasurer@scoutroop141.org.



The Check for Scout-o-Rama Sales has been deposited and is available for use NOW.

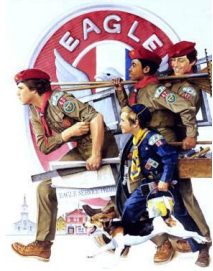
PHYSICAL FORMS 2011 – DUE NOW

If your form is expired, you are NOT eligible to participate in any OUTDOOR events. WE WILL NEED TWO COPIES OF YOUR FORMS IF YOU ARE GOING TO GERONIMO –



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We have to have these forms in our POSSESSION on any OUTING.

SO WE ARE AT THE POINT IF YOU DON'T HAVE A CURRENT MEDICAL FORM ON FILE – YOU ARE NOT ALLOWED TO GO ON OUTINGS

If they are on paper in the box, you can go – troop master entry is behind

GERONIMO 2011



THREE SLOTS OPEN - 25 Scouts signed up.

Camp Geronimo 2011 (June 11-18)

There are currently 2 openings for Camp Geronimo. If you are interested in attending Camp Geronimo, please contact Mr. Winston via email. For those who have already signed up you should have paid half (\$185) by now. The remaining payment is due by May 9. Checks should be made to "Troop 141" and given to Mr. Winston. In the interim, please make arrangements to get your son's physical. You can turn in your physical forms (http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/34605_Letter.pdf) to Mr. Winston (but check with Mr. Long to make sure parts A&B are entered into Troopmaster). Please do not forget to include a copy (front and back) of your insurance card. Scouts should also turn in their merit badge choices to Ms. Philips if they have not done so already.

A final meeting for Camp Geronimo will be held on Monday May 23 at 7 PM (room TBD). At this meeting we will elect the senior patrol leader and patrol leaders and make sure all paperwork is in order (permission slips, physical forms and scout behavior forms) as well as discuss packing and other details such as transportation (we will need drivers for both Saturdays).

EVENT HELP 2011

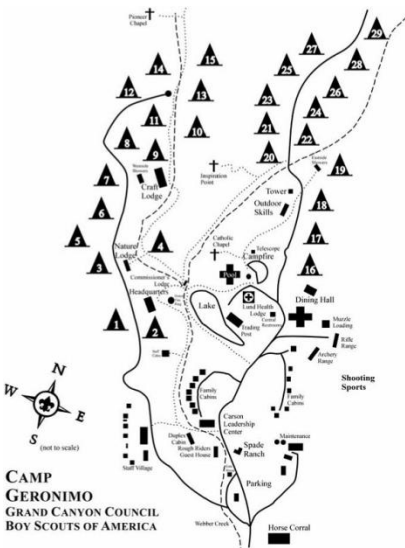
LAST TRIP OF THE YEAR – NEW SCOUT CAMPOUT

I'll need at least two more adults to camp out - and ALL PARENTS OF scouts that joined since Sept 2010 to STAY FOR THE SATURDAY SESSION

As you can see there is a HUGE amount of FUN planned for this year. We'll not exactly PLANNED yet, but simply identified. Mr. LONG NEEDS YOUR HELP. I need a parent to be the lead on every trip/outing or event. What does this mean?

- Promote (Via Web page, PowerPoint, personal experience, etc).
- Arranging Permits/Reservations, etc.
- Setting the Sign Up sheets out
- Collecting money and giving it out to the patrol Grub Master
- Designating an Adult Grub master –

These kinds of things are very tough to do when acting the part of Scoutmaster. (I would much rather be the target of a dodge ball ☺) So I need your help. If everyone would choose just ONE event / outing to help with, it would make the year go so much more smoothly. So Look over the list at the top of this Blast, and see what outing might interest you. Any one of the bullets above you could help out with would be very appreciated as well.

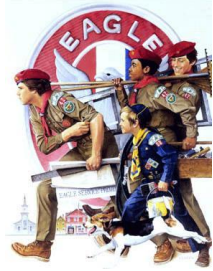


CAMP GERONIMO GRAND CANYON COUNCIL BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA



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LONG TERM EVENTS

PHILMONT 2012 – SIGN UP IS NOW

Cost for Philmont and Important Milestones

This year is important for the 2012 Philmont outing – the Cost for Philmont next year is \$740 – We HAVE to make payments by certain milestones or we will not be going. \e (Meaning Mr. Long) missed an important deadline to pay \$100 for every scout that is signed up as a down payment by February 25th, 2011. Well, we begged and Pleaded with Philmont and the Re-instated our 12 day trek for June 14th 2012. The Troop committee voted on Tuesday to FUND the reservation to the tune of \$1,400 out of our Savings account. BUT NOW IS THE TIME TO BEGIN THE SIGN UP PROCESS.

If you are 14 NOW or will be 14 by June 1 2012, you are Eligible

If you are going to be 13 and finished with the 8th Grade by June 1, 2012, you are Eligible

Mr. Long will be providing a List of WHO is eligible



Mr. Jeeperz is now in charge of coordinating Philmont

DUE DATES:

⇒ February 25th - \$100 down payment. **The Down Payment from YOU**

is Due June 1st, 2011

⇒ Signups are happening NOW

⇒ October 1, 2011 – first ½ Due \$320

⇒ March 1, 2012 – Second ½ due \$220

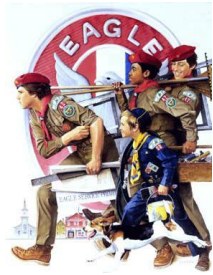
WE WANT YOU!

Don't miss this opportunity of a Lifetime! - Philmont is WORLD Famous as a life changing experience for many many hundreds of thousands of scouts. Mr. Long and Mr. J, possibly Mr. Hein and Mrs. Scully will be going. HOW ABOUT YOU?



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YELLOWSTONE JULY 2011!

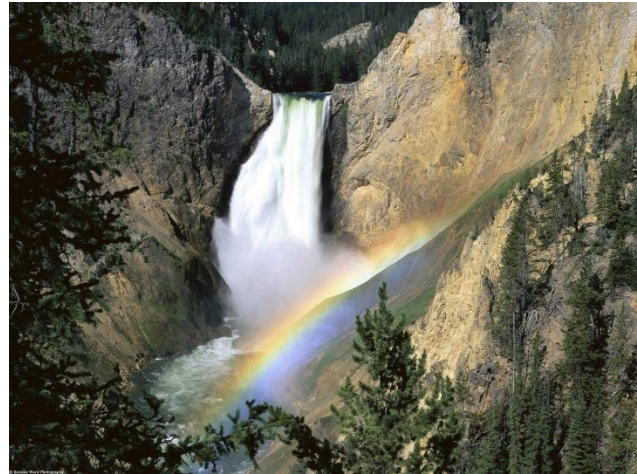
UPDATE 4/29/11

Planning Meeting outlined the Itinerary for this trip. [Click Here for DRAFT Schedule](#)



THERE ARE STILL SPOTS FOR 5 PEOPLE – ABSOLUTE CUT OFF FOR REGISTERING IS MAY 16TH COURT OF HONOR – AFTER THAT HOTEL ROOMS WILL BE RELEASED.

The base cost for Yellowstone 2011 is **\$225/person** and includes 2 nights in a hotel, gas, camping, entrance fees and food while at Yellowstone. If you signed up for white water rafting or mountain biking the additional costs are \$45 and \$25, respectively. Please make arrangements to pay these fees by the end of April. Checks should be made payable to "Troop 141" and given to Mr. Winston. Additional costs will include food money while traveling and souvenir money. This money is to be carried by the scout. Physical forms (http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/34605_Letter.pdf) and permission slips (troop, white water rafting and mountain biking) are required for all scouts, siblings and adults attending Yellowstone. In addition, all adults should be trained for Youth Leader Protection, Safety Afloat, Safe Swim Defense and Hazardous Weather as well as getting your vehicles registered with the troop (<http://www.scouttroop141.org/parents/DriverInfo.html>). The training sessions are all available on-line (<http://www.scouting.org/Training/Adult.aspx>).



If you are interested in Yellowstone and have not signed up yet, there are several openings for camping and whitewater rafting but only one opening for mountain biking. Please contact Mr. Winston ASAP as deposit deadlines are approaching.

COUNCIL-WIDE BACKPACK OUTING, MAY 21-22, 2011

The High Adventure Subcommittee of the Catalina Council Program and Activities Committee has organized a backpacking outing on **May 21-22**.

This event is open to any Scout or Scouter in Catalina Council. Scouts must be accompanied by one adult leader or parent from their troop. BSA tour plan must be filed if scouts are not accompanied by their parent/guardian.



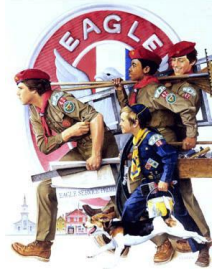
We will meet in the Camp Lawton parking lot at 10:00 am on Saturday morning and backpack to a destination on Mount Bigelow. The exact destination will depend on the number and enthusiasm of the crew. Possible destinations include Incinerator Ridge (approximately 1 mile each way) or a site down-mountain beyond Mud Springs. The lower site offers fantastic views of the city.

Water sources will not be conveniently located at the campsite so bring adequate water carrying capacity. We will be camping at an elevation where overnight lows are 15-20 degrees cooler than those in Tucson. Plan accordingly. Saturday afternoon will be open for day hiking, geo caching, and exploration. Sunday morning we will return to the trailhead and drive home.



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Passenger cars can easily reach Camp Lawton which is off of Organization Ridge Road behind the Palisades Ranger Station on the Catalina Highway.

Contact Roger Dahlgran, Chair, Catalina Council High Adventure Subcommittee 575-1292 or dahlgran@u.arizona.edu if you would like to participate. This advanced notice will allow us to give you an update on trailhead parking and destination issues.

CAMP LAWTON SUMMER CAMP

Tired of the Tucson heat? Camp Lawton Summer Camp offers exciting new programs, cooler weather and home cooked meals located in the beautiful Catalina Mountains! Camp Lawton offers a variety of merit badges, programs, and has the only pool on the mountain. It is located only 30 minutes from Tucson, so come enjoy a fun filled week of camping and fellowship. Get your [Claimstake form](#) and sign up now! Space is limited, check [HERE](#) for availability.

PIMA-REE JULY 24 – 30

Pima Ree is kind of like Summer camp. It lasts a week, and only 175 Scouts can go. This is the same week as Yellowstone, so if you were not going to Yellowstone, and were looking for something to do ---There you have it. Mr Travers is running this one and it's in honor of "Dick Hughes" who so graciously opens his Realty Executives office every month for Eagle board of review.

LIFE TO EAGLE:

Some of you had asked where the application and Eagle packet are – So I re-posted them here:

- Ideas for Eagle Projects

<http://home.flash.net/~smithrc/eagleprj.htm>

<http://www.usscouts.org/usscouts/eagle/eagleproj1.html>

<http://www.eaglescout.org/project/select.html>

CLASSIFIED ADS:

Wanted – Old stuff

If you have any shoes, uniform shirts, pants, etc, please consider donating these to the troop inventory for those scouts less fortunate. Thanks!

A special THANKS to the GIFT GIVER of the Historic Uniforms!

Lost n. Found

If you are missing any gear, it's probably in the troop shed. .

I STILL HAVE:

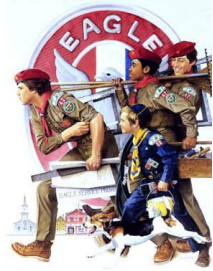
- One Whistle w/compass (What color is it?) left in Mr. Long's truck after Cochise Stronghold blizzard campout.
- One Black Hoodie

The Lost and found box will be emptied on may 2nd.



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WEEKLY THOUGHT



Rank Advancement

It's that time of Year again – The madness that is a run up to the court of honor sometimes reminds me of the frantic spawning of salmon up a running river. Everyone waits until the last moment to ask for a Scoutmaster conference, board of review, or blue card signing. If you don't see your rank below, relax, the date get's stamped when it's presented, not when you finish your board of review.

The goal is for EVERY SCOUT to have at least 1 Rank badge presentation during the May

Troop 141 Rank Badge Matrix

A-Rolling Amadillo	Scout	Tenderfoot	2nd Class	1st Class	Star	Life	Eagle
Bailey, R	05/16/09	12/07/09	04/26/10	11/30/10			
Chapman, B	03/04/07	10/22/07	06/13/08	11/17/08	06/18/10		←
Chapman, P		←					
Cuevas, G	03/01/10	04/11/11					
Dodge, R		←					
Evans, J	01/17/11						
Jones, M	02/07/11						
Joyce, P	04/19/10	08/30/10	11/30/10				
Siepkor, D	05/01/06	06/15/06	10/09/06	01/30/07	09/10/07	09/08/08	←
Van Hook, M		←					
Volkman, E	02/13/06	05/01/06	06/16/06	04/16/07	02/04/08	12/01/08	←
Average Time To Rank (months)	N/A	6.0	9.5	15.5	26.5	37.2	

Court of Honor on the 16th. So Let's see how hard it will be for us to get there:



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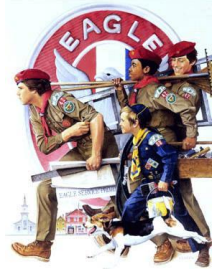


B-Flaming Waffles	Scout	Tenderfoot	2nd Class	1st Class	Star	Life	Eagle
Clabourne, A	05/01/06	06/16/06	09/04/07	06/10/08	03/09/09	11/24/09	←
Di Anna, C	04/12/10	11/16/10		←			
Duffy, L		←					
Elingsberg, C	04/28/08	12/01/08	02/02/09	09/08/09	05/11/10	11/22/10	
Findysz, J	08/18/08	01/26/09	09/08/09	09/15/09		←	
Harris, R	02/09/09	06/09/09	10/19/09	10/26/09	08/23/10		←
Joyce, M	04/22/08	09/29/08	04/20/09	11/30/09		←	
Long, L	05/01/06	08/21/06	05/01/07	09/10/07	04/29/08	12/01/08	←
Miller, S	03/21/11	03/21/11					
Morrisett, E		←					
Staab, K							
Winston, S	04/06/10	06/17/10	09/20/10	12/13/10			
Average Time To Rank (months)	N/A	4.0	11.0	15.3	28.2	35.2	



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C-Orangutans	Scout	Tenderfoot	2nd Class	1st Class	Star	Life	Eagle
Anderson, G	08/27/07	04/27/09	11/24/09	12/07/09	04/11/11		
Baca, A		←					
Cuevas, N	09/27/10	12/13/10					
Farrel, P	02/01/08	04/09/09					
Harkins, Z	09/15/09		←				
McCormick, N	03/23/07	08/19/08	11/03/08	12/01/08	09/15/09	11/30/10	
Obrien, E	08/27/07	08/12/08	08/25/08	12/08/09	11/08/10		
Race, F	01/17/11						
Rodriguez, M	11/09/09	11/15/10	12/13/10	04/04/11			
Toering, C	04/27/09	05/17/09	12/22/09	06/18/10	12/16/10		
Vita, J	05/01/06	06/11/06	06/16/06	06/14/07	09/15/09		
Average Time To Rank (months)	N/A	11.0	17.4	22.5	35.1	52.1	

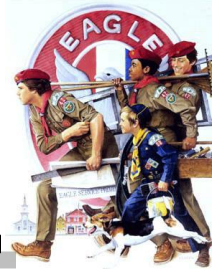
D-Donkeys	Scout	Tenderfoot	2nd Class	1st Class	Star	Life	Eagle
Anderson, J	05/11/10		←				
Barone, A	08/27/07	12/01/08	11/24/09	12/07/09	05/11/10	03/21/11	
Drexler, B		←					
Foss, K	03/09/09	04/27/10	09/27/10	12/13/10			
Harris, A	03/21/11						
Hart, J		←					
McCormick, J	11/01/10	12/13/10					
Morisset, I	05/02/09	05/16/10	11/16/10				
Relich, A	12/08/09	12/08/09	11/16/10	12/13/10			
Weisel, W	04/27/10		←				
Average Time To Rank (months)	N/A	9.4	18.8	21.1	32.4	42.8	

Unassigned	Scout	Tenderfoot	2nd Class	1st Class	Star	Life	Eagle
Besich, M	02/27/07	05/01/07	06/15/07	10/23/07			
Brock, P	03/01/05	06/15/05	11/21/05	06/16/06	01/29/07	10/08/07	
Dougherty, Z		←					
Hocker, T		←					
Langlais, R	04/18/11						
Average Time To Rank (months)	N/A	2.7	6.1	11.6	36.5	40.6	



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Leadership	Scout	Tenderfoot	2nd Class	1st Class	Star	Life	Ea
Blaine, K	06/17/04	11/15/04	06/17/05	04/17/06	04/26/10		
Hen, J	02/09/09	05/02/09	06/09/09	08/30/09	04/27/10	11/16/10	
Hen, P	05/01/06	08/28/06	10/02/06	02/19/07	10/08/07	04/28/08	12/0
Hussey, J	04/15/06	12/04/06	04/30/07	04/30/07	07/19/08	04/20/09	12/0
Jones, T	04/29/08	09/29/08	04/27/09	09/08/09	08/30/10		
Jusasz, N	04/21/08	06/10/08	06/12/08	08/23/08	04/27/09	11/23/09	12/0
Reed, D	03/18/07	03/19/07	06/14/07	04/22/08	03/09/09		
Rencken, G	04/17/08	06/11/08	06/13/08	08/23/08	06/13/09	12/22/09	11/1
Steinke, J	01/21/03	09/08/03	04/27/04	06/16/04	05/31/05	03/20/06	
Average Time To Rank (months)	N/A	3.9	7.4	11.7	26.1	36.2	50

LEADERS – LET’S GET ON THE BALL HERE – help these guys get RANK

So, if you see Blank Cells, help these Young scouts get MOTIVATED. WE HAVE AT LEAST 10 SCOUTS THAT can earn their SCOUT badge. . Mom and Dad, ask your scout why he hasn’t ranked up in a Year.

Ask them what it will take to move up a notch.

