

Troop Plans for May 2016

- Monday, May 2 – [PLC](#) and Committee Meeting, 7 PM
- Tuesday, May 3 – TROOP MEETING: Scout led Leadership Training
- Tuesday, May 10 – TROOP MEETING: Court of Honor Practice & Games
- Tuesday, May 17 – COURT OF HONOR
- Tuesday, May 24 – TROOP MEETING: String Burn with New Patrols
- Tuesday, May 31 – TROOP MEETING: JSO Dive Team
- Monday, June 6 – [PLC](#) and Committee Meeting, 7 PM
- Tuesday, June 7 – TROOP MEETING: St. Augustine Clean Up

Scouts: Please suggest Troop meeting ideas to your Scout Leaders the last week of the month before the PLC meeting.

NEW SCOUT CAMPOUT

The New Scout Campout at Buck Lake is a troop favorite. The boys camp on property on the Intracoastal. Once they arrived they set up the dining fly and their tents. Saturday the new scouts went to stations to learn new skills for their rank with the assistance of older scouts. Gathering around the fire and eating dinner together rounds out a fun filled day. Sunday morning is the time for packing up and playing around before getting on the road. Once the scouts arrived back at the church, they unpacked the trailer and went home.

SPRING COURT OF HONOR

Troop 35's Spring Court of Honor will be Tuesday, May 17 at 7:00 pm in the Family Life Center. Bring the family and celebrate the accomplishments of our Scouts.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEW SCOUT LEADERSHIP

In April, troop elections were held. The scouts elected their new leadership that will serve for the next six months.

SPL- Grayson E

ASPL- Cecil D

Quartermaster- Cory V

Scribe - Will B

Librarian - Mason H

Chaplain's Aide - Sam D

Service Coordinator - Carson D

SCOUTMASTER REPORT

May finds Troop 35 coming back from the Buck Lake Campout (the New Scout Campout) where our newest members got up to speed with how our "Scout-led Troop" operates. The weather cooperated and , though we drove through some rain on our way down we couldn't have asked for a better weekend to camp. This is a truly primitive campsite with no potable water and any amenities could only be optimistically termed "rustic". The boys really rose to the challenge! All of our new Scouts learned Axe Yard protocol, earned their "Totin Chips" and also learned fire safety. The Scouts were also able to train with recovering canoes from being swamped, not an easy skill to master. Saturday nights campfire involved the Troop 35 retiring twenty six American Flags and two Florida state flags, enough for all Scouts to receive recovered grommets as a remembrance of this special

night. I couldn't be prouder of the great group of young men that we have in Troop 35 and the way that they interact and conduct themselves. The Troop recently held elections for the senior leadership positions and is now under the guidance of S.P.L. Grayson Eng, A.S.P.L. Cecil Dichiarra, Quartermaster Corey Vaughn, Chaplains Aid Sam Davis, Service Coordinator Carson DellAlba, Librarian Mason Hicks, and Scribe Will Brandler. Congratulations to our new leadership and a sincere thank you to those Scouts whose terms just ended!

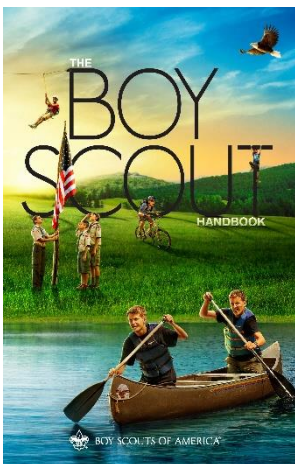
Be aware that the Spring Court of Honor is right around the corner and will be held at the Family Life Center at S.U.M.C. on Tuesday, May 17th. All family and friends of the Scouts are invited to attend this momentous event. Please come out and help recognize our Scouts as they progress through the ranks, relate what they have been doing with the Troop, and share their enthusiasm for Boy Scouts. We hope to see your there!

Yours In Scouting,
Adam McDonough, Scoutmaster Troop 35

TREASURER'S REPORT

The troop remains in good financial standing.
Bill McLaurine, Troop Treasurer

NEW SCOUT HANDBOOK



13th Edition Boy Scout Handbook

The rank requirements in this book are official as of Jan. 1, 2016. Scouts who joined the Boy Scouts of America on or after Jan. 1, 2016, MUST follow the rank requirements as printed in this Boy Scout Handbook or in the current year's Boy Scout

Requirements book.

Scouts who joined the BSA prior to Jan. 1, 2016:

- Who are working on the Tenderfoot through First Class ranks MAY continue to follow the old requirements, but MUST

convert to the current requirements upon attaining First Class.

- Who have completed the First Class rank MAY complete the rank they are currently working on in the old requirements, but MUST convert to the current requirements for subsequent ranks.

Beginning Jan. 1, 2017, all Scouts MUST use the current requirements regardless of rank.

The BSA has made it easy for you, providing [this PDF](#) straight from the new *Boy Scout Handbook*.

PARENT VOLUNTEER NEEDED

The Troop 35 Committee is dedicated to Boy Scout program and the success of the boys and the troop. We currently are in need of volunteers for the following positions:

- *Roundtable Representative*- attends one Council meeting a month and one Committee meeting a month

Please see David Price with any questions.

WHAT'S GOING ON IN YOUR COUNCIL?

- May 20-22 – [RiverQuest Water Sports Merit Badge Raft Weekend 2016](#)
- June 4 – [Coin Collection Merit Badge](#)
- June 13 – [Aquatics Camp](#) begins



If you have pictures of the troop please send to admin@troop35jax.org