## **Upcoming Events**

Summer Court of Honor: August 26,12:00 p.m. at Okauchee Lion's Park

**Devil's Lake Campout: September 28-30** 

### Delafield National Night Out August 7, 2018





Troop 49 Scouts helped with Delafield's National Night out. Scouts worked at the dunking booth and at the bounce house. It was a fun event with food, games, information and demonstrations.

The City of Delafield Police, other law enforcement agencies, fire and rescue, local/county organizations and local businesses all participated in this

Fire Department, demonstrating a rescue from a car accident.

Troop 49 Website

event.

www.t49.scoutlander.com

### **Charter Organization Website**

Delafield American Legion Post 196 www.delafieldlegion.com



# Troop 49 Boy Scout Newsletter August 2018

Scoutmaster's Corner

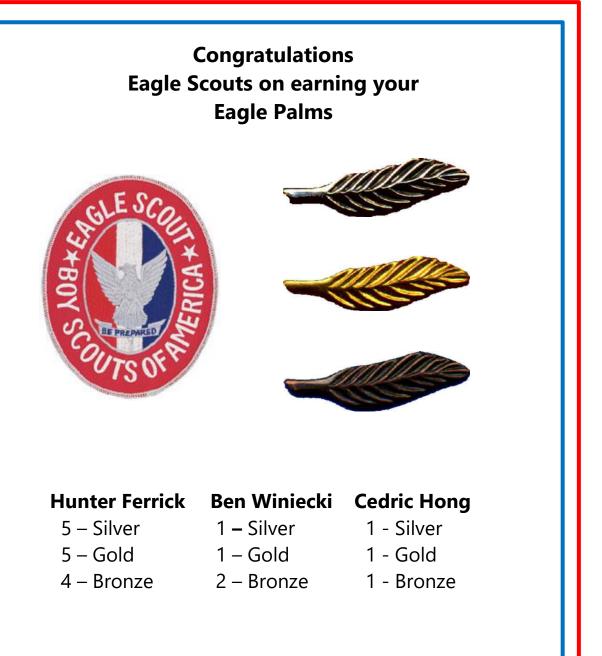
By Mr. Neimon, Scoutmaster

### Why Wear the Uniform Properly?

There is this mindset that it does not matter that I don't dress nice or proper, it does not mean that I am not smart or kind. This is true, except for the reality "that image does matter." Why would you want to place that kind of doubt into someone? If you boarded a plane and you saw the Captain standing there partially wearing his uniform, un-tucked shirt and work out shorts would you be confident of his skills? If the waiter that serves you looks sloppy, are you confident of the food the restaurant serves?

A uniform is a symbol of efficiency and effectiveness. As an Air Force commander said, "If you can't wear your uniform properly, how can we trust you to do your tasks properly." It also is your identity within an organization that creates a sense of belonging. A scout becomes comfortable in that uniform because others are wearing it as well. Another good thing about a properly worn uniform is that it fosters competition within an organization. When scouts see others and what they have accomplished, it drives them to do the same or better!

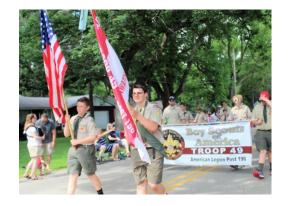
Finally, a uniform is a symbol of pride, mostly in yourself, for the commitment you have to something greater than yourself. It identifies you. It shows the level of spirit you have in yourself and for the organization you are representing. When you don't wear it or when you don't wear it properly, it has a negative effect to those around you. As a Boy Scout you are part of a unique group. There are very few in this group and fewer will take it to its highest honor. Society recognizes what scouting represents. It reaffirms their belief when they see a scout in uniform. If you are not wearing the uniform properly and completely, you cast doubt in those that not only see you but how they feel about scouting in general.



Troop 49 Scouts participate in the Fourth of July Parade and Flag Retirement Ceremony with their Charter Organization, the Delafield American Legion Post 196











# New Scout Camp June 8-10, 2018 Lunch time at

Lunch time at New Scout Camp



Square Knot tying contest with the 10 new Scouts



New Scouts exploring the trailer

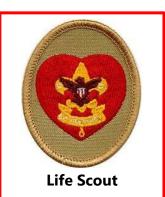


RC Fly-In July 28, 2018





Thank you scouts for volunteering to serve food and park cars at the RC Fly-In. Recent Rank Advancements Congratulations to the following Scouts on receiving their rank advancement.







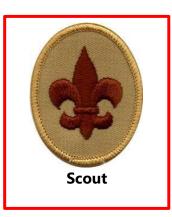
Brett Kowal Nathan Doughty

David Arnott

Nathan Williams Spencer Ishizaki



Sean Tippery



JJ Huber Toby Hayden

### Boys Scout Troop 49 – Oconomowoc





# **Congratulations on becoming Order of the Arrow Ordeal Members**

Mr. Townsend and Jonathan Zeihen





# Cyber Chip Requirement By Alexander Stillman

I wanted to finish my Cyber Chip requirement, so I could advance to Scout. We found the website when my mom and I were reading through the child abuse information at the beginning of the scout book. I found the cyber chip requirements for my grade level. There are 5 steps:

Step 1: I got a BSA Cyber Chip green card, read through it and signed it.

Step 2: I wrote a personalized contract with my mom that outlined the rules for using electronic devices. This talks about being safe, not giving out personal information and not having too much screen time every day.

Step 3: I watched the video "Friend or Fake" and two other videos (I picked "Altitude Overdrive" and "Mike-Tosis"). The videos taught me to be safe when posting and not to get too angry when playing video games.

Step 4: I wrote this article so my troop and everyone would have an easier time getting their Cyber Chip. This step says that you must teach internet rules to your troop or a different troop.

Step 5: I plan to discuss with the Scoutmaster about where and how I am allowed to use electronic devices at meetings and scouting events.

#### August 2018 Issue



### My Eagle Scout Project ~ Michael Keefe

It has been an interesting year and a half. My Eagle Scout Project would have never been completed without the help of all the volunteers and people who were willing to sacrifice their time to do something good for the community. Without all of the help and support my project would never have been able to be completed. It was a very large project to put it simply. Originally, things started simple with the intended goal of moving the play set from where it was located, in the weeds and poison ivy.

After meeting with the church, the goal turned into moving the play set and building a fence. I was thirteen when this meeting took place. It was agreed upon that I would then have to meet with the City of Delafield at a planning commission meeting to obtain an amendment to a conditional use permit, so that the fence could be constructed. I went on the trip to Yellowstone National Park, so I was not able to meet with the City until the meeting at the end of the month in August. I had to construct a landscape plan which took a few hours to draw by hand to show at the meeting. It just a simple sketch of the property details such as a few trees, bushes, the church and the parking lot, etc.

On August 30th, 2017, I met and obtained approval to put in the fence. From there I worked on my project proposal and assembled a materials list. Unfortunately, I was not able to get all of my signatures until late in the fall. By this time, it would be months before construction could be able to happen.

I got most of the wood and supplies in April and stored the wood, first in the Neimon's garage and then in the McCarthy's shop until I was able to put it in the parking lot outside of the church. The late snow storm in April caused delay in removing the ground to lay wood chips because the ground was too wet. Eventually, the ground was able to be dug and then the construction portion of the project could finally be started on.

With all of the misfortunes and bad timing that came with this project including rainouts, I would like to thank everyone who helped out. This project was far too big for me to have done all by myself. There were so many tasks and conversations that needed to be had throughout this project. With the size of the project, I was almost surprised it is finished. You realize while doing your Eagle Scout Project how many people are willing to sacrifice their time, effort, and labor to help others. One last time, I really thought I should say thank you to all those who helped through blood, a lot of sweat, and tears. Thank you for helping me get this done!



Congratulations Andy Townsend, Aaron Maloney and Jacob Looman on completing National Youth Leadership Training.

## National Youth Leadership Training - NYLT By Jacob Looman

My experience at NYLT was great. It was a long week, but in the end, I don't regret it at all. We were put into patrols on the first day and I was really lucky with getting into a good patrol. We even started a group chat the day we got back from camp. Some of the best moments at camp were when we were cooking. It was always fun, always a laugh. One morning it took us around an hour and a half to get our fire started so we ended up skipping breakfast and making bacon for a snack. I also learned a lot during all the different classes that we were put in. If you are ever given the opportunity, I would suggest attending NYLT.







### Civil War Reenacting – The Battle of Gettysburg By Mr. Ed Marek



I recently returned from a national reenactment in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. There were over 7,000 people, over 150 Calvary and 54 artillery pieces between both the Union and Confederate sides. The experience was amazing to be able to participate in battle scenarios that happened there. I had some time to go through the historical locations of those battles in the National Park. Having the opportunity to not only see where the battles took place but to walk around those sites was a great experience.

Six years ago, I joined a Civil War artillery reenacting group by the name of Cushing's Battery,  $4^{th}$  US Light Artillery Battery "A". This battery singles out a prominent figure from the Battle of Gettysburg. 1<sup>st</sup> *Lt. Alonzo* H. *Cushing carries on a living history of the US Civil War from 1861 – 1865. Alonzo Cushing was born on* January 19, 1841 in Delafield Wisconsin. He later moved with his family to New York. It is said that he always considered his home in Delafield. His families original homestead in Delafield is now known as Cushing Park, when you visit the park there is a monument as a memorial to his family.

### Civil War Reenacting – The Battle of Gettysburg Continued...

Some history, the Battle of Gettysburg took place from July 1-3, 1863 and it's estimated to have had over 82,000 Union Soldiers and over 75,000 Confederate Soldiers. During the 3-day battle both sides had victories and losses but on July 3<sup>rd</sup> the famous battle known as "Pickets Charge" took place and 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Alonzo Cushing along with the battery he commanded held a key point known as "The Angle" in repelling Confederate forces, this is where 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Cushing lost his life. The overall victory in Gettysburg is considered one of the key turning points in the Civil War. In Nov. 2014 it was announced that 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Cushing was to receive the Medal of Honor, our nation's highest military award for his role in that battle.

My time in the battery has given me a unique experience. In part reenactors do this to preserve the history of our nation by sharing it with others and the other part is, it's fun. In our battery I served 3 years as a Non-Commissioned Officer, NCO. First step is Jr. Corporal whose main role was commanding of a single artillery piece, our gun. After that as Sr. Corporal my role was expanded to safety officer and ammunition. Finally, as Battery Sergeant I was the overall safety, training and battle coordinator of the gun. I found many times where my training and experience in Boy Scouts played an important role; in leadership, responsibility, training of others, mentoring and interacting with officers, even my knot tying and lashing skills were used.

We are a regular army battery in that our uniform, command structure and artillery piece are all 1861 authentic. The artillery piece we use is a 3-inch Ordnance Rifle. This gun, though it looks like a cannon is uniquely different in that it doesn't use a ball projectile, it uses an elongated bullet shape projectile that weighs 11 pounds. In 1861 this piece was the state-of-the-art in field artillery weighing in at 2,000 lbs. and having an effective range of 2 1/8 miles.