

Ice Age Trail - May 30, 2017

By: Cedric Hong

On May 30th, our troop, along with other boy scout troops helped the Ice Age Trail Alliance prepare to replace old boardwalks along the Ice Age Trail. We helped them by moving lumber to the location where they were replacing the old boardwalks. It took us about 2 hours to move the lumber. Overall it was fun and I enjoyed helping the Ice Age Alliance.

Old Boardwalk



New Boardwalk



**July and August newsletter will be combined.
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Boy Scout Troop 49 Newsletter June 2017

Scoutmaster's Corner

When you're not there you are missed!

By Mr. Neimon, Scoutmaster

I want you to know that when you are not at a troop meeting you are missed. Each and every one of you brings something positive to the meetings. It might be that you need help on a rank advancement, which helps another scout gain valuable experience being the teacher. It might be that you have questions that are scout related, merit badges, eagle projects, etc. and that is great because that is the reason we as adults show up. Another reason is that when you show up we as adults get to see your growth. We see you as young scouts growing into young men. We get the chance to share experiences with you that not only make you a better person but us as well. Lastly, your presence may simply show others that the troop is worth your time and that being the case it is worth **their** time. I look forward to seeing each and every one of you - again.

**Alex Neimon
Delafield American Legion Post 196
Eagle Scout of the Year**



The Eagle Scout of the Year award was presented to Alex by American Legion Post 196 Commander Terry Frazier on March 20, 2017.

Interview questions for Alex
By Spencer Hong

How did you feel when you were named eagle scout of the year, for the Delafield American legion post 196?

When it was first announced to me that I had received the title Eagle Scout of the Year, my reaction was very, well, self-debatable. To describe this, I put myself at very high standards when I represent myself to the community, but I make so many mistakes. Becoming the Eagle Scout of the year puts me in very high standards, I need to be more active, which means making more mistakes. I don't want to reflect badly upon the community. Despite this, I still try to apply myself in the community as best as possible, carrying this title with pride and the courage to still be serving. I felt doubt, responsibility and courage when I heard I became Eagle Scout of the Year.

What are some of the requirements for this award?

You need to be an Eagle Scout of course and in order for the Legion to represent me, I need to prove my service to their Legion Post. I needed to attend meetings to negotiate the details of the Coon Feed and be the Boy Scout coordinator for the event. I needed to serve the Legion substantially and express the interest of becoming their Eagle Scout of the Year.

How did they present you with the award?

The Legion Council presented me with this award at one of their meetings. The speaker called me to the stand to receive my award. I was handed my award, I shook the Commander's hand, and I thanked him very much.

2017 Upcoming Events

- June 17:** Lad Lake Flag Ceremony
- June 23-25:** New Scout Camp
- June 23-July 2:** Boundary Waters
- July 3:** Legion Post Dining Fly Set Up
- July 4:** Legion Post Parade and Flag Retirement
- July 9-15:** Long Lake Summer Camp
- July 23-30:** Yellow Stone National Park Camp
- July 29:** R/C Fly In
- August 20:** Summer Court of Honor - 12:00 P.M.
- August 26:** Piggly Wiggly Brat Shack
- September 29 – October 1:** Devil's Lake

Legion Post - July 3rd & 4th Set Up and Ceremony

July 3rd we are setting up both dining flies at the legion, time will be 6:30 p.m. since some people work on the 3rd.

July 4th scouts and any parents/leaders need to be at the legion at 8:00 a.m. to complete setup and for instructions on the flag retirement ceremony. We then walk up to the staging area by the city parking lot where we will walk in the parade. We need our 2 flags and flag belts for our color guard.

Eagle Scout Project Update

By Raymond Menting

My original Eagle Scout Project was to build three bat houses and put them on galvanized steel poles in the field near my church. Unfortunately, this plan did not work. All of the poles broke at the same spot and came down with the bat houses attached. One bat house was completely destroyed while the other two were slightly damaged. I then decided to remake the two bat houses that had been slightly damaged and put them up in trees at my church. The bat houses were in rough shape but still fixable. I then went to the store to pick up what I would fasten the bat houses to the trees with. I decided on getting one 2x10 board that I would use to mount one bat house onto one of the trees with. I also looked at my house to see if I had any extra wood lying around and I found two 2x6 boards that fit what I needed to fasten the other bat house with. I am very thankful for the help that I got from the Neimons and the Ferricks in putting the houses back into the trees. What I learned is that no matter how much you plan something could always go wrong in the end. Even though there were problems along the way, we hope the new bat house construction is better long-term. If you do encounter problems along the way with your Eagle Scout Project, there are always ways to solve them.



Troop 49 Order of the Arrow Call out ceremony – May 18, 2017

The Order of the Arrow is the National Honor Society in scouting. All youth members are voted in by their fellow scouts. Congratulations to the following boy scouts on being tapped out to become a member in the Order of the Arrow:

Gene Fontaine and Spencer Hong



**Spring Court of Honor
May 18th, 2017**



Congratulations to our scouts on all the merit badges and advancements they worked hard to earn! Keep it up boys!!

Mrs. Valentine

We welcomed our guest Mrs. Valentine to the Spring Court of Honor on May 18.

Thank you Mrs Valentine and the Valentine family for your donations to the Matt Valentine Campership Fund.

Troop 49's Matt Valentine Camp Scholarship Fund is available to help Troop 49 scouts with limited resources pay for camp.



Congratulations Mrs. McCarthy

on receiving the District Award of Merit, the highest award our District grants a registered adult leader for their dedication and service.

See the February 2017 edition of the newsletter for more information about the award.

