

Troop 997 Committee/Parent Meeting Agenda
May 8, 2025

Attendees: Kasey King, Terry Martin, Doug Webster, Jennifer Roth, Todd Anthony, Michelle Dunajcik, Cheryl McCrary

Motion to convene meeting: Doug motioned; Terry seconded.

Last Meeting Minutes: Terry motioned to accept the last meeting minutes; Michelle seconded.

Old Business: N/A

Scoutmaster Reports:

Cheryl McCrary – We have had tough time scheduling youth leadership training all in one session. So, we had ILST module 1 on April 7 before the troop meeting. And module 2 on April 21 before the troop meeting. We will squeeze module 3 in the May PLC. We had regular troop meetings on April 7 and 14. For April 21, we used the Weldon Spring Site as an alternate location. We also have ILST module 2 and PLC before the troop meeting on the 21st. April 22 & 29 I conducted the swim test for Summit Bechtel participants. Everyone passed. April 25-27, we attended the GSLAC Summit Adventure @ Rhodes France. Our campsite, Prairie Village, was swampy, but everyone stayed dry overnight. At the April 28 meeting, Mr. Grant Krull conducted our annual Red Card. And we held the New Scout Induction ceremony at the end of the meeting. On May 5, we held Court of Honor. We were supposed to have a council representative present for Annual Giving (prior Friends of Scouting program), but they did not show up.

Life to Eagle - Ron Krull – Josh completed his district proposal review on April 14th. He continues to (slowly) work on his plan as time is rapidly ticking by. He has looked at the calendar and the only days that he has available for his workdays are May 31st and June 1st. This gives him just 3 weeks to get his plan approved and most scouts in the past have taken multiple reviews to get it completed. He is basically out of time if he wants to do his workdays by the end of the month. I know that he has asked Doug a lot of questions recently. Maybe Doug can provide a more recent status. No significant changes this month for Brody, Jack or Max. I know that they are all working with their mentors, but I haven't heard that any of them are ready for a troop proposal review. Even though he is still working to complete the requirements for Life, I am trying to schedule a discussion with Vedu to help him understand all the steps to becoming an Eagle Scout. We are currently scheduled to meet before the troop meeting on June 2nd.

NYLT – We have one scout, Josh Hughes, who is attending NYLT in the summer.

New Scouts – Jason Hughes – N/A

Order of the Arrow – Doug Webster – The OA Spring Conclave was held April 4th-6th with 5 youth and 3 adults attending. It was a very rainy weekend, 3 ½ inches, which led to us not leaving until 7:00 AM Saturday morning. OA members worked on a service project and had various activities to attend. Seth King completed all of his requirements for Brotherhood. The OA One Day of Service was May 3rd with no attendance from the Troop. There will be a chapter meeting and service project at the Cottleville KoC on May 20th. The committee holds an adult OA election each year, when there is an adult that has met the requirements and we have at least one scout that is eligible for OA selection.

Activity Report: Brad Dickinson – May--Rotary Campsite at Warren Levis booked. So far 4 Scouts (Jack Waechter, Jackson Anthony, Landon Hall, Ryan Dickinson) and 2 Adults (Hall, Anthony) have signed up. Next Monday is last day to sign-up and grub money is due as well. Reminder this weekend Webster and I will be at 2nd weekend of Woodbadge and unable to attend. June--Has the PLC decided on a location?

IOLS: 6 from troop are going this weekend (Dickinson, Webster, Smith, Anthony, Ren, Hughes). We are a single patrol, should be a good time and will bring back lots of learnings.

May – Water Sports

- May 3 OA One Day of Service
- May 4 **Summit Bechtel prep outing Canceled**
- May 5 7:15 Troop Court of Honor / Gear Swap
- May 6 7 BT Roundtable @ Cottleville KoC
- May 8 7:15 Troop Committee meeting @ **O'Fallon YMCA Conference Room**
- May 12 7:15 Troop meeting @ **O'Fallon YMCA**, Grub \$12 due for May campout
- May 15 7:15 PLC @ **O'Fallon YMCA**
- May 16-18 Troop Campout @ WL - 6:00 meet @ Ostmann, 6:30 depart Ostmann
- May 19 7:15 Troop meeting @ **O'Fallon YMCA**
CAMP CARD \$ DUE, LAST DAY TO SIGN UP FOR MEMORIAL DAY GOOD TURN
- May 20 OA BT Chapter meeting
- May 22 Philmont '26 Gear Discussion @ **O'Fallon YMCA**
- May 25 Memorial Day Good Turn - 9:00 meet @ Ostmann, 9:30 depart Ostmann
- May 26 **No meeting - Memorial Day Holiday**
- June 2 7:15 Troop meeting @ **O'Fallon YMCA**

Advancement: Jeff Veenstra – COH was May 5th. All went well. The next COH is in August at Quail Ridge Park 8/24/25. I will start announcing date and deadline at 7/28/25 troop meeting.

Adult Training: Todd Anthony – YPT training is all up to date except for Luke, who is now 18 and needs to complete the training. We now need to reclassify adult roles to see what training needs to be completed. There will be a specialty training worksheet setup to track our training needs. IOLS training is being held this weekend. There is a chance that ASM training can be completed at summer camp, but it is dependent on the number of adult leaders there is in attendance.

Committee Chair: Kasey King – We have not found someone to replace the Scoutmaster position. However, since we had communicated a timeline in the past, I thought it was appropriate to mention that Cheryl McCrary has graciously agreed to continue serving as scoutmaster. May District Roundtable was focused on program items this month. Brad Dickinson joined me to find out more about advancement, activities, and camps.

Equipment Report: Jeremy Pionke – All of the tents worked at the last campout. We are now down to one bag charcoal.

Membership: Robert Contreras – No updates.

Medical: Robert Contreras – We are missing health forms for two of the new scouts. We are still collecting health forms for some of the new parents. We have one scout whose medical form expired in April. He will need to turn in an updated form for the May campout. All other adults and scouts are current as of the May report run.

Treasurer Report: Scott Madden –

Troop 997 Treasurer Report April 1, 2025	
Beginning Balance:	\$25,353.45
Ending Balance:	\$26,283.11
Account Breakdown:	
Troop 997 General Fund:	\$10,020.54
Scout's Accounts:	\$7,721.13
Sea Base 2023	\$0.00
Northern Tier 2024	\$0.00
Philmont 2026	\$5,350.00
Summit 2025	\$3,158.56
Shiloh 2025	\$168.88
Summer Camp 2025	(\$136.00)
Canoe Float Trip	\$0.00
Total Breakdown	\$26,283.11
Scout Dues in Arrears:	(\$36.14)
Comments	
Will need to pay:	
Scott Madden	
Treasurer of Troop 997	

Fundraising: Erin Madden – Camp card money and any remaining camp cards is due on May 19th. We are looking at the next fundraiser to be Shakespeare’s Pizza.

Service/Good Turn: Sunday May 25 will be the Jefferson Barracks Good Turn. Registration will be from 10:30 am until 11:30 am with the procession into the cemetery beginning at 11:30 am. Doug Webster will coordinate. The Anthony family has agreed to reach out to Ostmann Elementary on a give-back service project day. We’ve discussed some cleanup and mulching of the outdoor classroom and flowerbeds, but details need to be worked out with the principal Cary Jennings.

Summit Bechtel 2025: Jeremy Pionke – The prep outing was canceled due to the weather, and we will try to reschedule it. Taking May activities into consideration, it may be hard to reschedule but we will see what happens. We received our hats and shirts. Everyone has passed their swim test, and we do need to schedule a gear meeting.

Philmont 2026: Ron Krull – Philmont 2026: OA Contingent costs are \$2900 per person. Troop costs are \$60 for troop crew shirts and \$450 for summer camp 2026. Payment plan is nearing completion and will start June 1, 2025 through March 1, 2026. Maya Pionke has found a buddy, and I have been in contact with her mom regarding payments and forms, etc. Finally, we are planning to have a gear discussion / show & tell at the YMCA on Thursday, May 22nd.

Summer-Camp 2025: Michelle Dunajcik – The Dunajcik family will handle the food pickup and delivery for family night (Thursday Night) of summer camp. We will probably have some class changes due to the Philmont High Adventure needs. We still have one scout who needs to sign up for summer camp. We will set up a swim test with Mrs. McCrary soon.

New Business: We are looking for the following coordinators: Memorial Day Good Turn Coordinator – Doug Webster. **76th Annual Memorial Day Good Turn** on May 25, 2025, hosted by Gravois Trail District. Registration will be from 10:30 am until 11:30 am at the VA Hospital Orange Lot with the procession into the cemetery beginning at 11:30 am. Summer Camp Family Night Coordinator – Michelle Dunajcik. Medical Binder Coordinator – Jennifer Roth. Sea Base High Adventure 2027 will have a participant sign off sheet and coordinator requirements. We will also hold a parent meeting in the fall to get more parent participation to fill in our missing leadership roles.

End of Committee Meeting motion: Michelle motioned; Doug seconded.