



# Troop 81 E-Mail News

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## Troop Meeting October 5th:

1. *Eagle Patrol is on set up and take down – arrive early and stay late this night, please.*
2. *Pancake Sales Update.*
3. *Starting to prepare for October Camporee.*

## GOT RHYTHM?

*Anyone interested in performing with the jazz band at Pancake Breakfast? See Shaun C. at Troop Meeting.*



## WEEKEND 3 of 8: You're Doin' Great!

It was announced last Troop meeting that our Scouts received over \$4300 from ticket sales and donations for our 3<sup>rd</sup> full week of Pancake Breakfast Ticket Sales, bringing the total so far to \$9346.47. This is about \$1000 short of last year's total at this time, BUT we are still on track to achieve our financial goals. Thank you everyone!



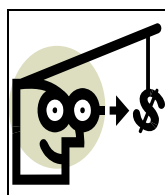
## Pancake NEW-Z:

1. **NEW:** If High School Scouts wish to work the ENTIRE Nov 4<sup>th</sup> Pancake Breakfast, this can count as an alternate selling session for you. Sign up at Troop Mtg.
2. **NEW:** Colin McG. is putting together the slide show entertainment for Pancake Breakfast. If you have photos, please see him.
3. **NEW:** Leave-Behinds should be given to those people who don't buy a ticket from you on-the-spot, but seem interested. Don't leave them on every door where someone is not home. Remember to write your name on L-B's.
4. **REMINDER:** If you would like to remove or add your name to the sign-up sheets, and it's between meetings, please contact the parking lot parent. This is also the person to call if you are wondering about whether the session will take place because of weather.
5. AND, your Parking Lot Parent this coming weekend (Oct 7-8) is Mrs. Dorothy Cronin (Eagle). Thank you, Attendants! ☺
6. **REMINDER:** Store-front sellers: you must turn in your \$\$\$ to Mrs. Marineau by the Sun eve after your storefront session. Please call her first at 355-4078.
7. Family & Friends ticket sales are starting soon. Mr. Steffek will announce details at Thursday's Troop Meeting.



## Patrol Ticket Sales Targets

Each Patrol has a weekly sales target. Work together to achieve your Patrol Goal!



Well done Blackhawk, Moose, Muskie, Scorpion, and Wolverine Patrols! You met your 3<sup>rd</sup> week's selling goal. You may wear your Class B uniform for Oct 5<sup>th</sup> meeting instead of Class A's.



## CALENDAR

Oct 5 Troop Mtg

Oct 12 Troop Mtg

Oct 14 Church Work Day, 8am-noon

Oct 14 & 28 Merit Badge Clinic, 8.30am

Oct 19 Troop Mtg

Oct 20-22 Camporee, Green Valley FP, Lisle

Oct 26 Troop Mtg

Nov 2 Troop Mtg (a.k.a. Pancake 101) at NNHS.

Nov 4 Pancake Breakfast is here!

Nov 9 Troop Mtg

Nov 10-12 Backpacking Weekend, Glen Forest

**NEW:** Nov 12: PLC Mtg 4.30pm & Troop Committee Meeting 7pm

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BOY SCOUTS**  
River Glen Church  
Naperville, IL  
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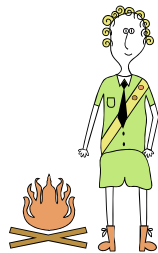
## TROOP EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

### RECENT Troop Meeting Announcements

- **NEW:** Sign up at Troop Meeting for Emergency Preparedness and/or Fire Safety. Mr. Dunning is the Merit Badge Counselor for these.
- The Mason Creek Fossil Dig/Hike is being rescheduled. Details soon.
- During the Sept 28<sup>th</sup> Troop Meeting, boys worked on Scout Skills. Eagle Patrol won the competition and the sweet candy prize.
- Last chance: See Mr. Marineau if you didn't receive your Illini Jamboree patch. It's a very cool one.

### FUTURE Troop Events

- **REMINDER:** There will be a River Glen Church WORK DAY on October 14<sup>th</sup> (Sat), 8 am - noon. Please give back to our Troop sponsor, by donating an hour or two of your time and effort. Sign up sheet is at Troop meeting or contact SPL. You CAN work this in with Merit Badges and Ticket Selling!
- Merit Badge Clinic October 14 & 28 – **REMINDER:** Scouts should be working on those requirements needing to be completed prior to this event.
- October 20-22 Camporee at Green Valley Forest Preserve, Lisle, IL. The District theme is "Are Scouts Pirates?" There will be instruction in: orienteering, first aid, fire building, team building, lashings, and compass skills. Plus a Treasure Hunt! Our Troop will construct a rope bridge.
- November 10-12 is our Troop Backpacking weekend. We're heading to Vermillion County, Glen Forest Preserve. This is a great weekend to work on hiking, backpacking, camping, first aid and/or cooking requirements.



### A GOOD TURN

The following Scouts were recognized by the Troop for assisting with the Webelos' Open House (Sept 24<sup>th</sup> at Von Oven): Kevin D., Russ M., Garrett B., Patrick O., Jordon S., Shaun S., and Matt N. Thank you, Scouts, for representing T81!

## NEWS From Our Troop Committee Chair, MR. CRONIN

### PARENT DUTY ROSTER



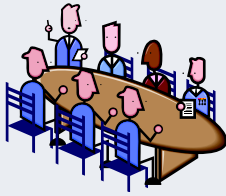
If you have ever been on a camp-out with the troop, you'll recognize this scene: The meal is complete and the boys start to hide. Why? They are all hoping it isn't their turn for clean up and even if it is maybe nobody will notice. I'm sure some of the boys hope another Scout, a Leader or even Mom or Dad will appear and clean up the mess. To solve the problem, the boys create a duty roster before each camp-out. There is usually an adult around who finds the duty roster and reminds the boys of their duties and they reluctantly come out of hiding to fulfill their duty.

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Committee  
Chair's Report,  
Continues:

### Board Of Review



If you need a B-of-R, please contact Mrs. Julie Ensinger. She holds these usually during the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Troop Meetings of each month.

Adults are always needed for these Boards of Review – so please consider volunteering a very short amount of time after announcements.



### Photos From Tailgate Party?

If you have any photos, from the Illini Tailgate Party, please send them to Austin J., and also to Alex T., our Troop Historian.

Considering how large our troop is and how active we are, Troop 81 does not ask for much volunteer time from parents. If we had a duty roster for parents for our Fundraising Project each year, the minimum requirements would be to drive for two selling sessions during Pancake Breakfast sales and work one shift at the Pancake Breakfast. It comes down to less than 12 hours of volunteer service back to the troop.

To put your 12 hours into perspective, many of the Scoutmasters and Committee Members give 12 hours per month and still some give 12 hours every week. The adults who attend summer camp give another full week. Is 12 hours a year too much to ask from you? I ask all parents to set a good example for the Scouts and make sure you fulfill your duties.

## A FEW WORDS From Our Scoutmaster, MR. MAURER

### A LIVING GIFT



I had the honor of attending an Eagle Ceremony recently for one of our former scouts, Doug H., formerly of Scorpion Patrol. Doug moved away from us a few years back, but he and his family always kept in touch with us. In recognition of Troop 81's part in helping Doug achieve his goal, Doug's family has donated, in our name, 10 Lodgepole and Douglas Fir pine trees, which will be planted on Arbor Day, in the Gallatin National Forest. I accepted a framed certificate honoring this event, and I'd like to share with you the words written on that certificate:

"The trees planted for you are an act of optimism and kindness, a labor of love, and a commitment to stewardship."



### E-News Is On Our Website

Troop 81 E-News is accessible on our Troop website homepage: [www.troop81.org](http://www.troop81.org) .

If you wish to receive your E-News at more than one email address, send your additions to Mr. Dave Rypka or Mr. Bill Marineau, and they will sign you up.

How Do I Contribute To E-News?: Details of upcoming events are always discussed at our regular Troop Meetings, as well as in this e-mail newsletter. Our goal is to send this e-mail newsletter as often as information comes to hand, so if YOU have info for the Troop, please send it to Mrs. Lisa Schweitzer, [JLJM@wideopenwest.com](mailto:JLJM@wideopenwest.com) . She aims to have each week's newsletter out on Tuesdays.

How Do I Post Something On Our Website?: Information to be posted on the website should be directed to WebMaster Lucas or WebMentor Marineau – see website homepage for details on how to contact them.