



# Troop 81 E-Mail News

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*"Remember to wear your complete Class A uniform to Troop Meetings!"*

## Troop Meeting Sept 14th:

1. *Scorpion Patrol is on set up and take down – arrive early this night, please.*
2. *We'll complete FINAL planning for Illini weekend (Sept 15-17).*
3. *Weather forecast for weekend looks great – fingers crossed!*

## New Troop Roster Available Soon

Mr. Dave Rypka is printing out a new Troop Roster – this will be handed out at our Troop meeting this week or next. If you're unable to attend, the roster will be mailed to your family instead.

## Troop 81's FANTastic FUNdraiser!

They're selling like, well, like "hotcakes"! The boys who participated in this first weekend's Pancake Breakfast sales sessions did a super great job. How super great? You'll have to come to this Thursday's meeting to find out the week's tallies, which included 3 door-to-door sessions and 1 storefront session at Casey's Foods. Scouts work together to achieve their Patrol Goal.



## Ticket Sales SIGN-UPS Continue

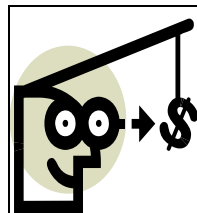
Sign-up sheets for Pancake Breakfast Ticket sales sessions are at the side tables at regular Troop 81 meetings. Each scout needs to complete 4 selling sessions (and/or alternate selling sessions for high school scouts) in order to have his annual \$150 troop registration paid. Parents are required to sign up as a driver for at least 2 of the 4 selling sessions.

## New This Week

1. We have added 2 new storefront sessions on Sept 16 (Sat 2-5 pm) and Sept 17 (Sun 1-4 pm) at the Jewel on Ogden near Washington. Details are on the sign-up table. At least 1 parent must stay with the boys – and this counts as a driving session for the parent.
2. Scouts selling at storefronts need to pick up their ticket packets from Mr. Steffek or Mrs. Gorecki at the Troop Meeting BEFORE the sales date. Packets will NOT be waiting for you at the storefront!
3. Any scout selling to family and friends may pick up his ticket packet from Mr. Steffek, AFTER the Troop has canvassed ALL neighborhoods where our Scouts live. We anticipate this to be by Oct 5<sup>th</sup> or Oct 12<sup>th</sup>.

## Pancake Questions?

Be sure to address any questions you have to either Mr. Steffek or Mrs. Gorecki.



Details of the Troop incentives for Patrols will be announced at Thursday's Troop Meeting, 7 pm September 14<sup>th</sup>.

## CALENDAR

*Sept 14: Troop Mtg*

*Sept 15-17 Illini  
Campout*

*Sept 21 Troop Mtg*

*Sept 28 Troop Mtg*

*Oct 1 Troop Comm Mtg*

*Oct 5 Troop Mtg*

*Oct 12 Troop Mtg*

*Oct 14 & 28 Merit  
Badge Clinic*

*Oct 19 Troop Mtg*

*Oct 20-22 Camporee,  
Rochelle*

*Oct 26 Troop Mtg*

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

*Nov 4 Pancake  
Breakfast is here!*

## **TROOP 81 BOY SCOUTS**

**River Glen Church**

**Naperville, IL**

[WWW.TROOP81.ORG](http://WWW.TROOP81.ORG)

## **TROOP EVENTS & ACTIVITIES**

### **RECENT Troop Meetings**

- Look sharp! See Mr. Maurer's comments about your uniform, below. Remember to wear your COMPLETE Class A uniform: belt, hat, neckerchief & slide or bolo, shirt, AND Scout Handbook WITH pen or pencil. SPL & PL's will be making inspections! Are your badges sewn on correctly?
- Scouts participating in the Union Station emergency evac drill were presented with a special patch AND pin. See our SPL if you missed the 9/7 mtg.
- Mr. Maurer has information about a sailing trip for High Adventure in 2007. Details will be announced at our Troop Meetings.
- Merit Badge Clinic October 14 & 28 – Thunderbird District is hosting its annual Merit Badge Clinic. If you missed signing up, please contact Mr. Maurer asap. Scouts must attend both dates, AND complete any necessary requirements prior to the clinic. You can work this in with selling sessions!

### **FUTURE Troop Events**

- After this weekend's Illini campout, each Scout will be asked to bring home equipment to clean. If you're unsure how to clean equipment, check under Troop Documents on our website: [www.TROOP81.org](http://www.TROOP81.org) .
- October 20-22 Camporee at Rochelle, IL, at the TFC Scout Ranch.
- We'll have November's backpacking date and info within a week.

### **E-News Is On The Website**

Troop 81 E-News is now accessible on our Troop website. 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.

### **NEWS From Your Troop Committee Chair Mr. Cronin**



**Our next Troop Committee meeting is Sunday,  
October 1 at 7:00 PM at the church.**

## A FEW WORDS From Your Troop Scout Master Mr. Maurer

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### Why Do Boy Scouts Wear Uniforms?

The Boy Scouts of America has always been a uniformed body. There are many reasons for this. One reason stands out above all the rest. We wear the uniform because it is a means of identifying ourselves openly with the principles to which we are committed: character development, citizenship, and physical and mental fitness.

The fact that youth and adult members of Scouting wear a uniform doesn't mean that we're all alike. We are each individuals with our own family traditions and loyalties. So the uniform is not intended to hide our individuality. But it is a way we give each other strength and support. It is a bond that ties us together in spite of our differences. It is a way of making visible our commitment to a belief in God, loyalty to country, and to helping other people. Boys and adults alike should take pride in belonging to such a movement and wear the uniform as it is intended.

### Our Troop Uniform Policy:

Our Troop requires a uniform from the waist up only (Hat, neckerchief or bolo, Khaki Shirt and belt). Uniforms should be worn by Scouts and Adult leaders at all Troop Meetings, and on any outings. Parents, please make sure your scout is in complete uniform when bringing them to the meeting or other outings. Hats and neckerchiefs will be available for purchase at the next meeting.

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). Information to be posted on the website should be directed to WebMaster Lucas – see website for details on how to contact him.