



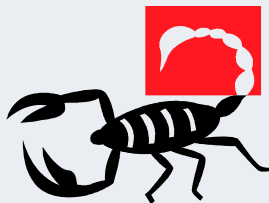
# Troop 81 E-Mail News

June 4, 2007

VOLUME 2, NUMBER 21

## Troop Meeting June 7<sup>th</sup>

1. Scorpion Patrol is on setup/take down. Please arrive early and be prepared to stay late.
2. Activities: Final Eco-Challenge & Duty Roster Prep.
3. Remember you can now wear your Class B Shirts until Labor Day!



### **REMINDER:**

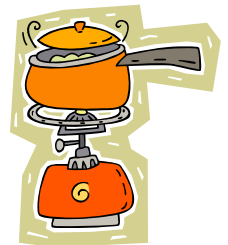
QuarterMaster's Meeting at 6 pm, Thurs June 7<sup>th</sup>. If you cannot attend, please find an alternate from your Patrol.

## CAMP SET-UP COMPETITION!



Our Meeting this Thursday will feature a camp set-up competition, with lanterns, tents, and stoves.

We'll also have final duty roster and prep for Owasippe Eco-Challenge & Service Project Weekend.



Wear your Class B's. Come with a healthy competitive spirit! (This night will be great practice for Owasippe and Summer Camp.)

## Summer Camp Update: <3 weeks!

ALL forms and additional activity fees were due 5/31.

- Does your Scout have a tent partner?
- Has your Scout laid out all gear he'll take?
- Does everything he's taking FIT?
- Did you complete your medication card?
- Did you turn in the necessary medical form to Sherri Nagy?
- Did you write June 18<sup>th</sup> on your calendar? This is the date you'll need to mail letters to Summer Camp.



**CLASS B SHIRT ORDERS ARE IN!** Be sure to stop by and see either Mrs. See or Mrs. Wycklendt for your Class B shirts – they are \$7 each, payable when you pick them up. Scouts may now wear Class B's to all Troop Meetings, until Labor Day.



## CALENDAR

June 7: Troop Mtg.  
(Scorpion on set-up)

June 8-10: Owasippe  
Service Campout

June 14: Troop Mtg.  
(Viking on set-up)

June 21: Troop Mtg.  
(Wolverine on set-up)

June 28: No mtg!  
(Summer Camp!)

July 5: NO MEETING!  
(We start meeting every  
2 weeks during summer.)

**NEW:** July 8 – Tentative  
Date for Troop Comm Mtg  
& Post Summer Camp  
Committee Social

July 12: Troop Mtg.  
(Blackhawk on set-up)

July 19: NO Mtg.

July 26: Troop Mtg.  
(Eagle on set-up)

Aug 2: NO Mtg.

**TROOP 81**  
**BOY SCOUTS**  
River Glen Church  
Naperville, IL

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



## TROOP EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

### THIS PAST WEEK'S Troop Meeting Announcements

- Scouts need to sign up for Summer Camp tent partners and decide if they will be in campaign tents or Troop tents. This is so we can figure out how many platforms to set up at the Service Project Weekend at Camp Blackhawk.
- If you did not attend the Court of Honor, please see your Patrol Mentor for any missing badges, service stars, awards, patches, etc.

### SPECIAL FLAG CEREMONY

Scouts may be interested in participating in a special flag ceremony for the Naperville Township's June 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. This event conflicts with our Troop meeting: Scouts will be asked to wear their Class A uniforms, and be prepared to miss the regular Troop meeting.

Sign up at front table, or see Mr. Paul Bainbridge for details.

### FUTURE Troop Events

- **June 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>:** Owasippe Service Project & Eco-Challenge!
- **June 14<sup>th</sup> mtg:** Patrol dessert competition & extra Summer Camp prep for Moose Scouts. Start thinking about pre-writing letters to your Scout....
- **June 21<sup>st</sup> mtg:** Final Summer Camp prep
- **June 23<sup>rd</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>:** **Summer Camp!**
- **After Summer Camp:** we meet every other Thurs., starting on July 12<sup>th</sup>.
- **July:** Troop & Patrol Elections!
- **August 26<sup>th</sup>:** Court of Honor at River Glen



All previous announcements are in our archived E-Mail News on: [www.troop81.org](http://www.troop81.org) .

### COMMITTEE NEWS

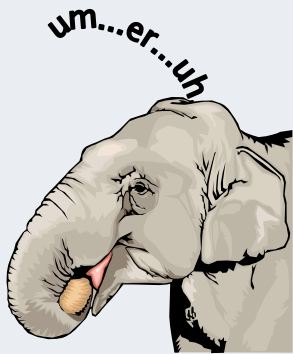
~ Mr. Dan Cronin



I'd like to thank the parents who came to our Pancake Breakfast Organizing Committee meeting this past Sunday. Mrs. Gorecki walked us through the successful recipe she and Mr. Steffek followed. We have a great crew of volunteers but there is always room for more help. For those of you who were not able make the meeting because it was on Sunday night, we will try to hold future meetings during our regular Thursday meetings. How much easier can it get?

After the Pancake Breakfast Meeting, we started our Monthly Troop Committee Meeting. I want to pass along a word of thanks to all of you who were kind enough to call Mr. McGrath to remind him we had a meeting. Along with the usual business, the focus of this meeting was planning for Summer Camp. Mr. & Mrs. Smith are doing a great job getting us ready. It is shaping up to be one of our biggest and best years. Thanks again to all of our dedicated committee members who attended. They were not disappointed because we had free food. This month's desert was my wife's famous pound cake.

~ continued on next page...



**Forget something...**

...you've read or heard about? Check out our archived newsletters on our Troop website: [www.troop81.org](http://www.troop81.org) !

Each weekly E-Mail Newsletter is conveniently archived there under "Troop Information."



The "Troop Documents" section is also very useful.

~ + ~ + ~

And if **YOU** have any contributions to our weekly E-Mail Newsletter, please contact **Lisa Schweitzer**. She lays out each week's news over the weekend for the following Thursday's mtg.

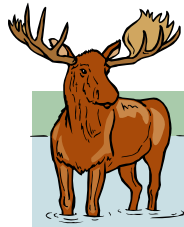
...continued:



We are looking to make our July meeting a social event to review the results from summer camp. We will probably wait a week or two after we return from camp so we have a chance to prepare the results and more importantly, improve our stories. Details will follow in an upcoming newsletter.

And as always, Mr. Maurer and I asked for help and you responded. The numbers are in and we have 20 adults attending Service Project Campout this weekend. Make sure you bring your fishing gear, trolling motor and battery. It should be a great weekend!

## NEWS MOOSE CAN USE



Each week we'll highlight something just for Moose Families. **BUT** – other families might find an antler tip or two in here, too!

SUMMER CAMP TIPS:

It's not too early to start assembling all of your Scout's gear. Here is the link again for our suggested gear list: [http://www.troop81.org/documents/2007\\_Owasippe.pdf](http://www.troop81.org/documents/2007_Owasippe.pdf) (see pg 2 of this document).



Be sure to also check out the diagram of how to assemble a mosquito net on top of a cot. This was in the Summer Camp 2007 packet you received from Mrs. Smith, entitled Parent/Scout Guide, on the first page after numbered pg 10 (so unnumbered pg 11!). Basically, you will need 4 pieces of PVC pipe (each approx. 4 ft long x 1 in diameter) – be sure to **PUT SCOUT'S NAME ON EACH OF THESE!** and then bind them together for transport on the bus. Mosquito netting can be bought at Dick's, Sports Authority, etc. It is sold pre-made – all ready to drape over the 4 poles, which will be lashed to the 4 corners of your Scout's cot inside the tent.

If you have questions about buying your mosquito netting and PVC piping, ask an Adult Mentor for help. You'll use these items year after year, and are worth the investment. Also, it is quite fun to sleep in this "cocoon"!



(If you have a specific question you'd like answered for the benefit of all Moose (and older) Scouts, please see/call Lisa Schweitzer, your weekly E-News Editor.) ☺

## A Reminder From ScoutMaster Maurer



For those scouts in the Troop who have elected to compete in the **Eco-Challenge** at Owasippe this weekend, the following is a list of items you will need to carry along with you as you will not be camping with the troop on Saturday night.

**IN YOUR BACKPACK:** Tent; Sleeping Bag; Clothes; Food; Stove and matches; Cookware; Bowl and utensils; Water bottle(s) with water for the day. **Basically everything you will need to survive in the Owasippe backcountry overnight.**

A water filter will be available at the campsite Sat night. Please be sure that your items are packed in **zip lock bags** as you will be traveling on the water and there is a chance things could get wet.