



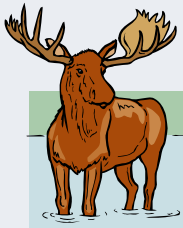
Troop 81 E-Mail News

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Troop Meeting October 4th

1. *Moose Patrol* is on setup/take down. Please arrive early and be prepared to stay late.
2. *Activities: First Aid Quiz Night!*
3. *Full Class A dress, gentlemen.*



REMINDER TO ALL QMs:

October 4th is
our monthly QM
meeting

– come at 6 pm –

if YOU can't
come, find and
send an
alternate.

BIKING CAMPOUT: October 6-7



Here are reminders about
our upcoming Biking Campout this weekend:

- Bring your bike to Troop Meeting THIS Thurs for an inspection!
- All riders must have (and wear) helmets!
- Bring: spare inner tube; water bottles/Camelbaks; \$\$\$; rain gear and a snack.
- Drop all other overnight gear at Hill Middle School parking lot by 8 am, on Sat 10/6.
- We'll then ride together up to Blackwell.
- Trailers and our gear will meet us at Blackwell – we are camping at Sites 9 & 10.
- Be sure to pack hiking boots & your hats for around camp.
- Did I mention rain gear? (Sun weather = ?-able)
- Expect to pick up boys/gear/bikes at Hill Middle School ~ 10 am on Sunday 10/7.

URGENT!

We need a Parking Lot Parent for **THIS** weekend. Contact Natalie Storey @ 416-8296 if you can help. (We also need one for Oct 27-28.)





CALENDAR

Oct 4: Monthly QM Mtg,
@ 6 pm. Then Troop Mtg.
(Moose) 1stAid Quiz Nite.

Oct 11: Troop Mtg.
(Scorpion) GPS & Geo-
Caching.

* Oct 14: PLC Mtg, 4
pm, & Troop Committee
Mtg, River Glen @ 7 pm.

Oct 18: Troop Mtg.
(Viking) McDowell Woods
Scavenger Hunt.

Oct 20: Troop Work Day
at River Glen Church
(instead of 10/6)

Oct 25: Troop Mtg.
(Wolverine) Skating?!

* Nov 1: Troop Mtg. at
NNHS – Pancake Training

* Nov 3: Pancake
Breakfast Event @ NNHS
7am-noon

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River Glen Church
Naperville, IL

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TROOP EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

REMINDER: Troop announcements will now be made ONLY at the END of Troop Meetings, ~8.20 pm.

THIS PAST WEEK'S Troop Meeting Announcements

- Your permission slip for October 6 & 7 biking campout was due 9/27.
- The cooking competition was a big hit. Patrols were judged on the taste, appearance, and originality of their dishes. Winners announced next week.
- Jacob H. was the top seller of the week, with \$195 in ticket sales & donations. No drawing this week –we'll catch up next week.
- Scouts, did you pick up your Friends & Family ticket packet(s)? Each packet contains 5 single and 5 family tickets. Remember, a Scout is: Trustworthy and Honest. Also, only sell in neighborhoods which are "sold out" – check the map, posted at Troop Meetings. See Mr. Lupsha for your packet and instructions.
- High Adventurers: we have an additional fundraising opportunity for your trip(s): selling Boy Scout Popcorn! Scouts to see/contact Mrs. Piske for details. Last day to turn in popcorn orders to her will be Oct 25th. Delivery will be ~Nov 17th.
- Speaking of High Adventure: Mr. Marineau has dates set for Boundary Waters – July 19-26, inclusive. \$100 deposit due by Nov. 1st. Short meeting to follow.
- We celebrated Mr. Maurer's and Mr. Bainbridge's birthdays. Thanks to all who contributed. The photos, quotes, and stories were great. *Speech!*

All previous announcements are in archived E-Mail Newsletters:
<http://www.troop81.org/information.htm> .

FUTURE Troop Events

- **October 20:** Fall Work Day, River Glen Church, 8 am – noon.
- **November 9-11:** Camp Lowden, Oregon, IL. "Late-Night" campout w/ 10pm-2am activities.
- **December 7-9:** Winter Wilderness Survival campout, Rainbow Council, Morris, IL .
- **January 25-26:** Klondike overnighter – only 1 night of camping.
- **February 29-March 2:** Skiing & Snow Sports; cabin camping.
- March: Caving in Iowa.
- April: Horseback riding & backpacking combo.
- May: Indianapolis Time Trials.
- June: Owasippe Service Project.
- **Summer Camp – June 28-July 5!** **HELP:** We need a shadow for Stan & Kathy Smith – this will be their final year organizing S.C. Learn from the best!



It's the 3rd down with 5 to go!



Thanks to Bill Marineau for organizing (over many a lunch hour) a thoroughly entertaining slide show highlighting the history, wise words, myriad photogenic poses, and Top 10 quotes from Lord Baden Maurer's many adventures with T81.

Thanks to Sherri Nagy and her merry band of helpers for coordinating the behind-the-scenes prep for Mr. Maurer's many "surprises."

Thanks to Jennifer Piske for stepping forward to coordinate our additional High Adventure fundraising efforts: selling Boy Scout Popcorn!

Thanks to everyone who participated in the 4th week of Pancake Selling. We're now 1/2-way there!

Thanks, John Freck for being our Parking Lot Attendant last weekend.
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Mtg Thurs.

(See previous E-Newsletters for all announcements about the Pancake selling process.)

NEW Reminders for PARENTS...Please READ:

If you have not signed up to drive or sell, time is running out. Do not delay as the weather is starting to change. The forecast for this Sunday does not look promising. Scouts will not get credit for selling if their session is cancelled due to weather. Prepare and schedule ahead as much as you can. Please go to Menards if you have not heard from the parking lot parent cancelling the session. Parents should also stay close to a number their child can reach them at should their session get cancelled in the middle due to weather changes while out selling. Tell your child exactly what number they should call you at. The parking lot parent does have a cell phone for your child to use should this situation arise.

If you have driven your "two" but could drive more, please add your name as an "emergency fill in". The weekend parking lot parent will call you in advance if they see that there are not enough drivers scheduled. You would be the first excused if more drivers volunteer or sign up. Remember, for your scout to get credit for the re-chartering **and** the distribution, one parent for each scout must drive at least 2 sessions, work as a parking lot parent, OR supervise a retail location for 2 sessions. Thanks to those who have stepped up and gone above the "minimum".

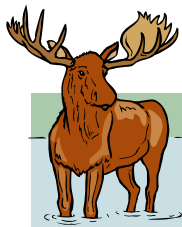
Please be 5 to 10 minutes early if you are driving as being late causes much stress for the parking lot parent and the scouts who are waiting to go sell.

Finally, we still need a parking lot parent for Oct 6/7 and Oct 26/27.

~ Carol Laskey & Charlie Lupsha

MOOSE NEWS TO USE

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



Fall and its cooler weather has finally come. Time to get out the cold-weather camping gear...and see if it all still fits/works. Boys are growing so much, so have them check that the following still are comfortable for the months ahead: hiking boots; warm jackets; gloves; and rain gear.

Time to find hats, gloves, and warm socks – and these should now start to be packed in your son's weekend gear.

Wearing a hat and DRY warm socks to bed on cold nights in a tent keeps boys safe. Look for inexpensive, thin, polypropylene or fleece caps that should fit over the ears, and could even fit under the Boy Scout cap. Baseball caps without flaps are not warm.

You can read on our website: <http://troop81.org/documents.htm>
There are two documents – a camping list/checklist, and a separate explanation of each of the items needed. The explanation pgs are especially worth reading.