



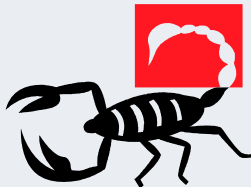
Troop 81 E-Mail News

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Troop Meeting October 7th

1. *Scorpion Patrol* is on setup/take down. Please arrive early and be prepared to stay late.
2. *Activities*: GPS demo & Geo-Caching. Bring a GPS if you have one for your Patrol!
3. Full Class A dress, gentlemen.



REMINDER TO ALL SCOUTS:

Please bring
back your
camping
equipment

- clean & dry-

and check it in
with your Patrol
QM.



PANCAKE UPDATES:

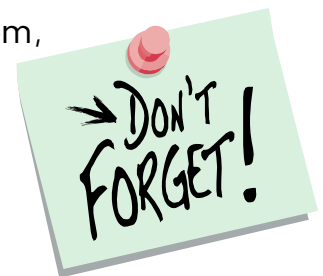
Scout.

- Drivers: please be 5 to 10 minutes early. Being late causes much stress for the parking lot parent and the Scouts who are waiting to go sell. Call Lot Attendant Jennifer Piske (cell 630-854-7458) this weekend if your Scout is signed up, but unable to attend to sell, so she doesn't hold back drivers, waiting for your Scout.
- If you have not signed up to drive or sell, time is running out. Scouts will not get credit for selling if their session is cancelled due to weather. Only 3 weekends left!
- Retail sales parents: Pick up your packet on Thurs from Charlie Lupsha. Then return \$ to parking lot <4.20 pm Sat.
- Anyone interested in providing musical entertainment for the Pancake Breakfast event, please see Mr. Chris Pappas.
- Most importantly: if you have NOT yet completed your parent obligation of driving/attending 2 selling sessions for EACH Scout in your family please step forward. (Contact Carol Laskey if you are unsure.)
- Thanks to those who have stepped up and gone above the "minimum"!

~ Carol Laskey & Charlie Lupsha

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

Troop Committee Mtg will be held at 7 pm, River Glen Church basement, October 14th (Sun). All parents welcome. (PLC Mtg also that day at 4 pm; see Lucas F. for details. Any Scout with a leadership badge on their left sleeve should attend the PLC Mtg.)





CALENDAR

IMPORTANT Oct 14: PLC Mtg. @ 4 pm, & Troop Committee Mtg. @ 7 pm.

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

Oct 20: Troop Work Day at River Glen Church

NEW! Oct 25: Troop Mtg. (Wolverine) Skating Party @ Aurora Skate Center

NOTE LOCATION Nov 1: Troop Mtg. at NNHS – Pancake Training

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

Nov 8: Troop Mtg. (Blackhawk)

Nov 9-11: Campout →

Nov 15: Troop Mtg. (Eagle)

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BOY SCOUTS**
River Glen Church
Naperville, IL

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TROOP EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Just like Daylight Savings time, we're FALLIN' BACK to the old way: Troop announcements will now be made ONLY at the **BEGINNING** of Troop Meetings.

THIS PAST WEEK'S Troop Meeting Announcements

- Winner of campout cooking competition was the Moose Patrol (with Moose Moms as the judges?!) Winner of the no-dutch-oven cooking competition was Viking Patrol. And, winners of the 1st aide competition were 3rd place Viking...2nd place Blackhawk ... and 1st place Wolverine.
- Patrick F. was the top seller of the week, with \$175 in ticket sales & donations. Drawing winners from last week were: Peter E., Alex P., Charles H., Matt O'B., and Cody S. Drawing winners this week were: Chris D., Calvin K., Kevin S., Jason P., and Greg C. Congrats, everyone!
- Please send all of your Troop pictures to Nick N. - he is now our Troop Historian.
- If you do not have the current (2007) Quality Unit badge (black with silver trim) sewn on your RIGHT sleeve...you need to see Mr. Maurer to update your uniform. Extra 2007 Quality Unit badges were handed out.
- 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.
- Boundary Waters folk met afterwards to discuss the commitment letter. \$100 deposit + signed letter of intent due to Mr. Marineau by 11/1. Dates set are July 19-26, inclusive. Total cost may be ~\$500, including food, lodging, transport, mosquitoes, and an awesome time.
- Moose met after the Troop Meeting.

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.
- **NEW! October 25:** Troop Outing at Aurora Skate Center, 34W113 Montgomery Road, Aurora. Pick up waiver & permission slip at 10/11 Mtg or check on-line...no helmet required...can bring own skates or use rentals...wear Class B uniform shirt...arrive EARLY, directly at the center to arrange skate rental...announcements will be made at 7pm sharp...skating from 7.15 till 9 pm. The \$7 fee is being picked up by the Troop funds – thank you Troop Committee! – but you should bring extra \$\$\$ for concessions. Website for directions is: <http://www.skateaurora.com> . The Blackhawk's organist (hockey, not Patrol) will be featured this night! **GO!!!**
- **November 3:** Pancake Event, NNHS & **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 .





Thanks to Paul Bainbridge for organizing a great Biking Campout last weekend, and to all who came out as well to help.

Thanks to all of the marvelous parent drivers who are stepping up to fill in as required – our boys couldn't sell without you!

Thanks to Carol Laskey who stepped in and went over and beyond the call of duty to be the Saturday Parking Lot Parent because no one else would. This, on top of all the other things she is doing....

Thanks to Jennifer Piske who stepped up and filled our Parking Lot Attendant position on Sunday. This allowed Carol to join her family at the baseball season finale.

Thanks to everyone who participated in the 5th week of Pancake Selling. We're on the downhill slope now!

Thanks to Mr. Chris Pappas who stepped forward and is the contact for our Pancake Breakfast entertainment.

News this good

Important Words About Lost and Found



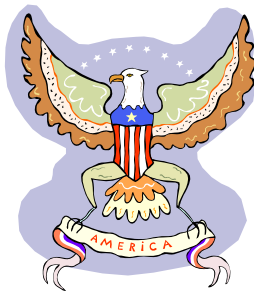
For months now we have been asking the boys and parents at the meeting to look through the lost and found articles. While many of the items have been returned to their rightful owners many things remain unclaimed. We will, for the last time, display all of the lost and found items at the meeting this week. Any items not retrieved will be donated to a worthy charity or thrown away. Please have your Scout take a moment to look at the lost and found at the meeting this week.

~ Tim Maurer

OVER HALF-WAY THERE NOW!



Week 4's total was \$2785.95. So, after 4 weeks, we're at ~ \$13,600. Great work, everyone! Scouts did well again this past 5th weekend. Come find out your new totals at Troop Meeting Thursday. We're counting on strong Friends & Family sales.



EAGLES' CORNER

Congratulations to Russ M., our latest Eagle from Troop 81, who passed his Eagle Board of Review two weekends ago.

ORDER OF THE ARROW

The following Scouts completed their OA Ordeal recently...and will have their names decaled on our Troop Trailer: Joe M., Kyle S., Aaron M., Andy H., Derek K., Chris D., Jeremy S., Daniel C. Jr., Drew LeB., and Rich LeB.



Thanks, Mrs. Nagy, for organizing the signage.

Congrats OA inductees!

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repeating!

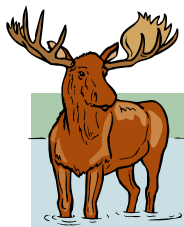


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USEFUL MOOSE NEWS

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



When was the last time your Scout photocopied his rank advancement pages from his Scouting Handbook, so he has a back-up copy in case the book is "lost"?

Missing an item from your Scouting uniform? Mesdames See and Wycklendt manager our uniform exchange program. Perhaps there is something gently used in their stash you can buy – nominal fee of \$1 per item. They also have for sale new hats, scarfs, slides, and a very few Class B shirts. Check them out.

Plan ahead for Summer Camp?! If you or your Scout is going to a doctor soon for a physical, don't forget to take your BSA forms with you. Download them from our website:

<http://www.troop81.org/information.htm>

WHY DID THAT CHICKEN CROSS THE ROAD?

- Shrek: Urrrp – what chicken?
- Darwin: It was the logical next step after coming down from the trees.
- Bob Dylan: How many roads must one chicken cross?
- Robert Frost: To cross the road less traveled by.
- Gilligan: The traffic started getting rough; the chicken had to cross. If not for the plumage of its peerless tail the chicken would be lost, the chicken would be lost!
- Colonel Sanders: I missed one?
- Martin Luther King: It had a dream.
- James T. Kirk: To boldly go where no chicken has gone before.
- Darth Vader: It could not resist the power of the Dark Side of the road.
- Sir Isaac Newton: Chickens at rest tend to stay at rest. Chickens in motion tend to cross the road.
- Albert Einstein: Whether the chicken crossed the road or the road crossed the chicken depends upon your frame of reference.
- Scoutmaster Maurer: To earn his Road Crossing merit badge.

