



Troop 81 E-Mail News

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Troop Meeting October 25th

1. *Wolverine Patrol* is preparing this meeting.
2. *Activities*: Skating at Aurora Skate Center.
3. *Class B* dress + hat. Bring own skates OR rent: your choice.



REMINDER TO SCOUTS:

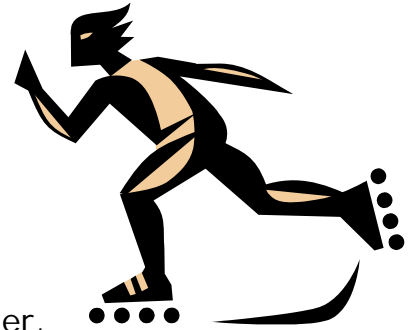
Meet at Aurora
Skate Center on
Thursday.

Details on this
location:

<http://www.skateaurora.com/>

SKATING PARTY!

OCT 25th



Please meet at the Aurora Skate Center, 34W113 Montgomery Road, Aurora, on Thursday – instead of the Church. Directions: <http://www.skateaurora.com/>

Who: Scouts and Parents.

What: We're having a fun meeting on wheels, organized by the Wolverine Patrol. The website says Frank Pellico, organist for the Chicago Blackhawks, will be playing the only triple-deck Hammond X-66 Pipe Organ (27-ranks) in the country!

Time: Arrive ~6.45 to check-in. Brief announcements at 7 pm...skating will go until 9.00 pm.

Wear: Wear your Class B shirt + hat. You may bring a helmet and knee/elbow/wrist pads if you want (not required). You may also bring your own skates (subject to inspection by ASC staff). Put name on everything!

Bring: A signed permission slip (if you haven't turned in). This is available here: <http://www.troop81.org/Permissionslips/RollerSkating.pdf> . Also bring extra \$\$\$ for concessions. Your skating + rental is paid for by the Troop – thank you, Committee!

Suggestions: Have your parent come inside to make sure that you are cleared to skate before leaving the premises. This is a public skating session – not a private party – so your behavior will be at its best: otherwise, your parents will be called to come pick you up. ☺



CALENDAR

Nov 1: Troop Mtg. **NOTE LOCATION at NNHS** – Pancake Training. **ALL Scouts + a Parent to attend.** (Blackhawk)

“BATTERDAY” Nov 3:
Pancake Breakfast Event
@ NNHS 7am-noon →

Nov 8: Troop Mtg.
(Eagle) Eagle Merit
Badge clinic begins.

Nov 9-11: Campout →

Nov 15: Troop Mtg.
(Moose)

NO Troop Mtg. Nov 22 –
Happy Thanksgiving! ☺

Nov29: Troop Mtg.
(Scorpion)

Dec 6: Troop Mtg.
(Viking)

Dec 7-9: Winter Survival
Campout →

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TROOP EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Troop announcements will now be made **ONLY** at the **BEGINNING** of Troop Meetings.

THIS PAST WEEK'S Troop Meeting Announcements

- We had visiting Webelos from Packs 84, 643, 101, and 82. Thank you all for making these prospective Scouts feel welcome.
- **IMPORTANT:** Bring signed permission slips to Oct 25th skating party (if you have not turned in already). Thanks to Wolverine for organizing this event!
- Your permission slip for the Nov 9-11 campout is due at the Nov 1 Troop Meeting. Because our Oct 25th meeting will not be held at the Church, look for your permission slip online and bring Nov 1st for duty roster & food prep.
- The Viking-sponsored Scavenger Hunt worked on your scouting skills, teamwork, and smarts. Eagle Patrol won this fun event.
- Week 5 Pancake Selling drawing winners: Alex K, Kevin A, Jason P, Brian C, Eric K. Week 6 Pancake Selling drawing winners: Jason P, Jason P, Austin J, Drew L, Tommy H. Each of these winners receives \$10 in his Scout Account. The more sessions you sell at, the more chances there are to win. Top Sellers for Week 5 & 6 were Jackson M. and Jason P, respectively.

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



FUTURE Troop Events

- **October 25:** Troop Outing at Aurora Skate Center,. See website for directions: <http://www.skateaurora.com> .
- * **November 1:** Troop Mtg at NNHS. Scout AND a parent must attend!
- **November 3:** Pancake Event, NNHS. We will have 2 shifts of workers.
- **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 overnighiter – 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!



Thanks to Andy Hayward for stepping in and driving this past weekend to cover a shortage of drivers. (Please double check the selling lists – cross off your name if you can't attend; write your name in if you intend to sell – so this doesn't happen again.)

Thanks to Christine LaGambina who stepped in to be the Parking Lot Parent this past weekend.

Thanks to Tim Maurer & Glen Piske for working with your contacts (and your own labor) to provide us with the printing and envelopes for our week-end \$\$\$ envelopes.

Thanks to Laurie Oleksy for working with your contacts to get the Tickets printed & re-printed.

Thanks to Audrey Clair for working with contacts and your own efforts to arrange our table placemats & added advertising \$\$\$.

Thanks to Marge Dunning & Jennifer Piske for working with and guiding our Rookie Parking Lot Parents.



ONLY ONE MORE SELLING WEEK!

Week 5's total was ~\$900 and Week 6's total was ~\$1950. Come find out your new totals at Troop Mtg Thurs. Each Scout is encouraged to sell over their required 4 selling sessions, to help your Troop.

We're counting on strong Friends & Family sales. Pick up your F&F envelope from Mrs. Laskey. You will receive a percentage of your F&F sales directly into your Scout Account, just like you do for door-to-door sales.

Here are some FINAL reminders:

(Check previous E-News for ALL Pancake-related announcements.)

- **Turning in Friends & Family \$\$\$:** Deadline is Thurs, Nov 1st.
- **Mrs. Demkoski** is our Parking Lot Parent THIS weekend (Oct 27-28). Call her (630-922-4296) if you signed up to sell but then can't attend, so we don't wait for you and keep other Scouts waiting– this waiting is stressful, so please be considerate!
- **High School Boys:** Contact Mrs. Laskey regarding your November 3rd shift schedule and when you need to be at NNHS.
- **PARENTS!** A job list will be emailed out soon. At least 1 parent from each family will be included on the job list. It is **YOUR** responsibility to make swapping arrangements with other parents, if the shift you have been given doesn't work for you. AFTER you have arranged your shift change, then contact Carol Laskey (claskey@wideopenwest.com) so she can update the job lists.
- **CHECK the selling sign-up sheets!** Make sure you and your Scout know what sessions they still might be signed up for. Many Scouts showed up this past weekend for different sessions than they had signed up for. This causes driver shortages!
- **One last time!** If your Scout signed up to sell...and needs to cancel...contact the parking lot parent.
- **Retail sales parents:** Pick up your packet on THIS Thurs from Mrs. Demkoski. Then return \$ to parking lot <4.20 pm Sat/Sun. Mrs. D will be at old Menard's waiting for you!
- **ADULTS ONLY:** Plan to join us for a Pizza Party the eve of Nov 3 – Beth & Dan Schwartz have offered to host this fun event. RSVP to Beth ASAP so we can get a headcount. \$7 p.p. for pizza & salad. Please B.Y.O.B. & a dessert to share. Time = 7-9 pm.
- **If your UNIFORM isn't up to snuff:** See details on last page...

Schedule Change

Remember on November 1st we will NOT meet at River Glen...we'll meet instead at the Naperville North High School cafeteria...for your "Pancake 4-1-1".

This night is critical for ALL Scouts and ALL Parents (at least 1 from each family, please) to understand how the breakfast actually operates.

Boys should still be in Class A uniform; we will have Patrol time.

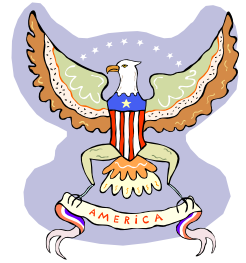
AGAIN: ALL Scouts and at least ONE of his parents are expected to attend this Nov 1st mtg.

Use the rear parking lot, and climb the steps to the Cafeteria. Please allow extra time to arrive promptly if you are unfamiliar with this location.

THANK YOU!

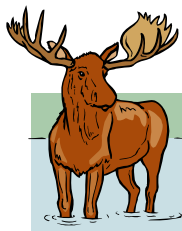
EAGLES' CORNER

On Thurs Nov 8th, we will be holding a Rank and Merit Badge Clinic. Each Scout will select one activity to work on: either one of the following merit badges OR any rank advancement he needs. The four merit badges available are: Citizenship in the Community, Citizenship in the World, Communications and First Aid. All of these are Eagle-Required!



- Scouts won't complete the merit badges on Nov 8th. Some additional work needs to be done outside of Troop Meetings. But Scouts should come prepared to start something on Nov 8.
- Scouts should decide NOW which merit badge/rank advancements they wish to work on. Get a copy of the applicable Merit Badge book NOW and start reading it. (Merit Badge books can be found in the Troop library, public library, Chalkboard Retail Store or the TFC Scout Shop.) Make sure you know the current rank requirements: visit MeritBadge.com for the latest updates.
- We need Merit Badge Counselors to help with the Nov 8th clinic. If you are interested, see Mr. Wycklendt, Mr. Maurer or Mr. Cronin.
- Future Merit Badge Counselors: this is a good opportunity to observe other MB Counselors at work and learn from them!

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!

A list of of parent jobs for Saturday Nov 3rd will be emailed to everyone shortly. Once you get that list, please locate your name and note the time of your shift. If you can't make the shift allocated to you, it is YOUR responsibility to contact ANOTHER family who might be able to swap with you. After you've arranged a swap, then contact Carol Laskey, so she can update the final job list. Carol cannot arrange swaps for you.

Make sure that at least 1 parent and EVERY Scout is available to attend the Pancake "training" meeting at NNHS on Thursday Nov 1st. (We will not meet at the Church.) Use the rear parking lot...climb the steps...and we'll be in the cafeteria. We'll start promptly at 7 pm – allow extra time to find this location.

All Scouts should be in FULL, CLEAN, COMPLETE Class A uniform. Parent working Nov 3rd should wear the Troop 81 t-shirt or similar RED top. (Leaders should wear Class A uniform.) This will signal that you're part of the Troop. If you're working in the kitchen or serving food/drinks, remember to tie back your hair and/or wear a cap (for health reasons). Aprons are not provided, so bring one if you have a messy job. Name tags will be available on the day. **This is our chance to SHINE as a Troop to our community!**



NEED UNIFORM ITEMS?

Mrs. Maureen Wycklendt will be at the November 1st Troop Meeting (at NNHS) with her bin of uniform items.

Scouts need to have a complete uniform for the Pancake Breakfast (Nov 3rd).

Sooooo...bring your checkbooks or cash in order to purchase anything you are missing: hats, neckerchiefs, and slides. There may be some extra Class B t-shirts if you need those too.

Please make sure your uniform is complete **PRIOR TO** the Saturday Pancake event!

HIGH ADVENTURE UPDATES

- **NEW DEADLINE:** Those on the Boundary Waters Canoe trip need to have their letter of intent signed...and their non-refundable \$100 deposit, to Mr. Bill Marineau **by Nov 1st** (45th).
- **POPCORN DEADLINE:** Those Scouts selling Trails End popcorn for H.A. fundraising, your orders are due to Mrs. Piske on Oct 25th. Contact her if you won't be at the skating meeting: you will still need to arrange to turn in your orders/\$\$\$ to her by that date.



trails-end.com