



# Troop 81 E-Mail News

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## Troop Meeting February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2008

*Blackhawk Patrol should arrive early and stay late this evening.*

*Full Class A uniform, gentlemen.*

*Your shirts should be tucked in...*

*...pants should have belts...*

*...and remember your scarves/bolos and hats.*



## **IMPORTANT REMINDER:**

**QuarterMasters'**  
**Meeting at 6 pm,**  
**THIS Thurs,**  
**Feb 7<sup>th</sup>.**



## **RESCHEDULED TROOP MEETING**

Our January 31<sup>st</sup> Troop Meeting was cancelled due to the snow...but we're picking up right where we left off two weeks ago.

- QuarterMasters meet at 6 pm.  
(find an alternate if you cannot make this obligation)
- Blackhawk Patrol comes early/stays late.
- Group activity will involve preparing first aid for backpacking.

## **DID YOU FORGET? Part 1**

Did you forget to bring your non-perishable food item(s) to the Winter Court of Honor? Yeah, me too. I understand that we can bring these to our next Troop Meeting THIS Thursday. This is part of our annual **Scouting For Food Drive**. And since our last Troop Meeting was cancelled, I KNOW you have these items in your car, ready to bring with you. Right?!



## **DID YOU FORGET? Part 2**

Did you forget to sign your **Friends of Scouting Pledge card** at the Winter Court of Honor? Our Troop is looking for 100% participation again this year (even if you cannot donate at this time, please sign your card). Seek out a member of our FOS Committee: Mary Jane Gloudeman, Laura Bednar, Cindy Frech, or Dean Bergquist. They will be happy to help find your card and receive any pledges that you have at this time. THANK YOU!



## CALENDAR

**Feb 7:** Troop Mtg.  
(Blackhawk) Backpack  
planning for 1<sup>st</sup> Aid.  
**PLUS:** Quartermasters'  
Mtg at 6 pm this night.

**\* \* \* Feb 10:** SPL Mtg  
& Troop Committee Mtg.

**Feb 14:** Troop Mtg.  
(Eagle) Cabin Camping  
Permission Slips **DUE!**

**Feb 21:** Troop Mtg.  
(Scorpion)

**Feb 28:** Troop Mtg.  
(Viking) Skiing demo.

**Mar 6:** Troop Mtg.  
(Wolverine)

**Mar 13:** Troop Mtg.  
(Blackhawk)

**Mar 14-16:** Caving!

**Mar 20:** Troop Mtg.  
(Eagle)

## **TROOP 81 BOY SCOUTS**

River Glen Church  
Naperville, IL

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

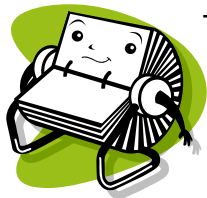


## FORGOT TO MENTION...

- At the Court of Honor, the Krusteaz Cup was awarded to **Garrett G.** for his great effort with Pancake Sales. Yeah! Garrett completed more than his 4 required sales sessions, and he sought opportunity wherever he could, making him the top seller for 2007. He will receive a **\$250 bonus into his Scout Account** for his efforts.
- We failed to mention the other top sellers, so here they are, as well as the bonus amounts that will go into their Scout Accounts: **Jackson M. (\$150); Bradley F. (\$100); Jason P. (\$75); and Tom H. (\$50).** Each of these Scouts completed more than his 4 sessions required, often competing with good friends, and each overcame obstacles by working hard selling door-to-door and/or selling to Friends & Family. (The 6<sup>th</sup> Scout was only \$50 behind the top 5 list, and he only worked 4 sessions, so working an extra sales session and seeking opportunity wherever you can really does pay off.)
- Together, Troop 81 Scouts recorded \$26,800 in ticket sales and donations in 2007 – that is a phenomenal number! We believe the net proceeds are around \$22,000. What a great job by all! Thanks to those who worked so hard.
- The Budget Committee is working to determine the contributions which will go into each Scout's Account (those who qualified) resulting from these sales. Stay tuned.

All previous announcements are in archived E-Mail Newsletters:

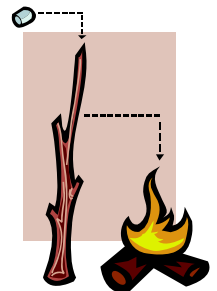
<http://www.troop81.org/information.htm>



**THANKS** to Mr. Dave Rypka, we have **NEW Troop Rosters!** These were passed out at the Winter Court of Honor. If you missed this event...or didn't know to pick up this important document...please see Dave at our next Troop Meeting. This will save us \$\$\$ on postage...and will keep you in touch.

## FUTURE Troop Campouts

- **February 29-March 2:** Skiing & Snow Sports + cabin camping, Chestnut Mountain, near Galena. Look for permission slips on-line soon, because they will be due before you know it!
- **March 14-16:** Caving-aving-aving, in Iowa-owa-owa...
- **April:** Horseback riding & backpacking combo.
- **May:** Indianapolis Time Trials.
- **June:** Owasippe Service Project.
- **June 28-July 5 = Summer Camp**





**THANKS IN ADVANCE to ALL of you who will complete your Medical Forms without being asked to do so several times!**



It's a new "Scout" year, and that means everyone needs to turn in your 2008 Class 1 Medical Form.

It is important to have up-to-date contact, insurance, & allergy info, etc.

We also need Class 2 Medical Forms, signed by your doctor, that are less than 3 years old. If you aren't sure how old your Class 2 is, have Sherri Nagy look it up.

You can download the medical forms from the troop website.

**SPECIAL NOTE:** if you are attending a High Adventure, you **MUST** have a doctor-signed Class 3 medical form.

## **FREE NEWS From Your COMMITTEE CHAIR, Mr. Dan Cronin**



As I mentioned at the Winter Court of Honor, our Troop could sure use some adult help on either our Troop Committee (next meeting is **Feb 10<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm**, River Glen Church...and FREE food is always provided)...**OR...** why not become a Merit Badge Counselor? We especially need 1 or 2 more MB Counselors for each of the following Eagle-required Badges:

- \* First Aid
- \* Citizenship in the Community
- \* Citizenship in the Nation
- \* Citizenship in the World
- \* Communications
- \* Personal Fitness
- \* Family Life
- \* Emergency Preparedness OR Lifesaving
- \* Environmental Science
- \* Personal Management
- \* Swimming OR Hiking OR Cycling
- \* Camping

We also need more counselors for Summer Camp and High Adventure Badges. If you're a camper, please consider assisting our boys while you camp, especially in the areas of Astronomy, Fishing, Fly Fishing, Fish & Wildlife Management, Reptile & Amphibian Study, Soil & Water Conservation, Photography, Archery, Rifle Shooting, Shotgun Shooting, Cooking, Orienteering, Pioneering, Wilderness Survival, Space Exploration, and Whitewater.

Some easy ones that anyone can do (and no camping required) include: Scholarship, Reading, Coin Collection, Collections, Gardening, Home Repairs, Painting, Pets, etc.

Come see me if anything mentioned here strikes your fancy – no experience is necessary. Our Troop and Scouts and I thank you!



## **EAGLE'S CORNER**

**Why should you and your Scout attend an Eagle Court of Honor?**

- You and/or your Scout helped a fellow Scout complete an Eagle Project.**
- You and/or your Scout helped Ian W. on *his* Eagle Project!**
- Your Scout wants to become an Eagle Scout someday.**
- You both want to support your fellow Scouts in the Troop.**
- Your Scout is already an Eagle Scout and you both want to support others on the path to Eagle.**

**Ian W.** has sent out invitations to his Eagle Court of Honor, to be held 4 pm **February 9<sup>th</sup> 2008**, at our River Glen Presbyterian Church. These were mailed to you. **RSVP by Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>**. Contact information is in your new Troop Roster.