



Troop 81 E-Mail News

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Troop Meeting October 23rd, 2008

*Flags will be done by **Wolverine Patrol**, who should arrive early and stay late for set-up/take-down duties.*

Full Class A Uniforms,
Gentlemen!



REMINDER!

Bring back ALL Troop Equipment CLEAN & DRY.
Also, check it in with your Patrol QM – do not leave it in a heap!



THE BENEFITS TO YOU!

Hard to believe that we only have about 3 weeks left before the big event on November 15th.

Sales are down quite a bit over previous years (after such a terrific, record-breaking start). There may be a variety of reasons for this.

We wanted to highlight the benefits of selling to you and your Scout, and to the entire Troop – to motivate you in these final weeks of selling.

Three major benefits to you parents, the bill-payers:

- If your son completes 4 selling sessions, his 2009 dues and registration fees will be entirely paid. On the other hand, if your son participates in less than 4 sessions, you will owe the Troop \$150 in fees in April 2009.
- Additionally, the Troop provides a deposit into every qualifying Scout's account after all the bills have been paid. In years past this has been between \$85-100. Again, this is \$ you don't have to find for summer camp, camping fees, etc.
- Finally, ANY seller receives 10% of his sales, as a deposit into his Scout Account. This \$ can be used for Summer Camp, any High Adventure, any campout fees, and qualifying scouting related expenses or equipment. See Mr. Jim Simnick for details on this great benefit!

Benefits to your Scout and the Troop:

- This is our Troop's only fundraiser. This is the single event where EVERYONE – scouts, leaders, parents alike – stands side by side together at the same time and location, to serve others.

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MTG. CALENDAR

NEW INFO IS IN RED

Oct 23: Troop Mtg.
(Wolverine) Pick merit
badges for campout +
Martial Arts demo

Oct 30: Troop Mtg.
(Blackhawk) Meal
Planning; Merit Badge
work; Surprise game.

Nov 6: Troop Mtg.
(Eagle) Duty Roster;
Pioneering skills night.

Nov 9: PLC + Troop
Committee Mtgs.

Nov 13: Troop Mtg.
(Moose) **Meet @ NNHS**
for Pancake Training

Nov 20: Troop Mtg.
(Musky)

Nov 27: **NO Mtg.**

Dec 4: Troop Mtg.
(Scorpion)

Dec 11: Troop Mtg.
(Viking)

Dec 18: Troop Mtg. (W)

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BOY SCOUTS**
River Glen Church
Naperville, IL

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Benefits to your Scout and the Troop continued...

- The money raised provides the great program you've come to expect from T81.
- Your Scout is gaining valuable skills (selling, negotiating, public speaking, communication, compromising) while selling to others and he is gaining self confidence in his abilities.
- Your Scout is gaining the most important skill of SERVING OTHERS at the Pancake Breakfast event itself.

So, please consider signing up to sell at 1 or 2 more door-to-door selling sessions...OR, pick up a Friends & Family ticket selling pack from Mr. Lupsha.

Together, we can raise the money needed to help our Scouts, help our Troop, and help others.

MISCELLANEOUS Troop Announcements



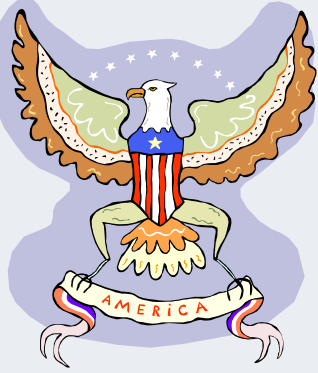
- Pancake Breakfast Band members – no instruments needed 10/23.
- Remember, everyone who completes a PBT selling session each week goes into a drawing. BUT, you must be present to win your \$10/candy bar! So many names are drawn and the Scouts are not present! So, this is another incentive to come to Scout meetings. ☺

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

FUTURE Troop Campout & Activity Info



- **Nov 7-9:** Indiana Dunes – Outdoor Merit Badges (Camping, Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation, Nature, & Hiking)
- **Nov 15:** Pancake Breakfast Saturday!
- **Dec 12-14:** Cabin Campout at Keil, WI. Info here:
<http://www.baylakesbsa.org/camping/rokilio.htm>
- **Jan 30-31 2009:** Klondike!
- **Feb 2009:** Cabin campout – winter sports, inc skiing.
- **Mar 2009:** Controlled burn or climbing/COPE
- **Apr 24-26 2009:** Lincoln Pilgrimage @ Springfield IL. Info here:
<http://www.alincolnbsa.org/pilgrimage/index.htm>
- **May 2009:** Caving or climbing/COPE
- **June 2009:** Service Project at Owasippe – yeah!



EAGLES CORNER

Dan B. is starting his Eagle Project!

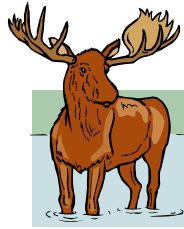
LISTEN for announcements and LOOK for a sign-up sheet at the Oct 23 and Oct 30 Troop Meetings.

Dan's project involves building a walkway between the River Glen Church playground and prayer garden.

Work involves digging up grass, laying down mulch, removing and replanting existing plants from the prayer garden, and adding landscaping to the new walkway.

USEFUL MOOSE & MUSKY NEWS

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



MISCELLANEOUS STUFF!

- Did you know that the hikes offered by Mrs. Janet Draper aren't just for those completing their Hiking Merit Badge? These hikes are open to anyone. Join in!
- It's turning cold – best find out now how much your Scout has grown out of his previous winter's gear.
- Hiking boots must be worn (on the feet) in the parking lot, in order for Scouts to attend our campouts. They will be sent home if they cannot put their boots on before departure.
- Your son will soon be deciding which of the "older" Patrols he would like to join. Talk with him about his decision.



PANCAKE BREAKFAST UPDATES

- Your Parking Lot Attendant (PLA) for Oct 25-26 is once again Christina LaGambina.
- We still need someone to cover the parking lot on November 8-9. If you can help, contact Charlie Lupsha, with our thanks!
- ANY Scout who participated in a selling session goes into a draw to win a \$10 deposit into his Scout Account (or a candy bar) each week.
- Friends & Family selling is available in several neighborhoods. Get your selling packet from Mr. Lupsha at Troop meetings.

SPECIFIC HELP IS STILL NEEDED:



- We need someone who can arrange the loan/procurement of several highchairs.
- Charlie's contact info is in the Troop Roster!

Here are the remaining Pancake Breakfast Selling Sessions for 2008!

Bring your calendar to Troop Meetings!

PANCAKE BREAKFAST '08 RETAIL SALES LOCATIONS

10/25/2008	Saturday	Dominic's Foods 3025 E. New York ST Aurora	8am - 12pm	12 pm - 4 pm	4 scouts per shift
10/26/2008	Sunday	Dominic's Food 3025 E. New York ST Aurora	12 pm - 4 pm		4 scouts per shift
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11/1/08	Saturday	Dominic's Foods Ogden / Raymond	8am - 12pm	12 pm - 4 pm	4 scouts per shift
		Jewel Foods 1759 Ogden	10am - 1pm	1pm - 4pm	4 scouts per shift
11/2/2008	Sunday	Jewel Foods 95 Street / RT 59	12 pm - 4 pm		4 scouts per shift
		Jewel Foods 1759 Ogden	12 pm - 4 pm		4 scouts per shift
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11/8/08	Saturday	Dominic's Foods 95 Street / RT 59	8am - 12pm	12 pm - 4 pm	4 scouts per shift
11/9/2008	Sunday				

We will need at least one parent for each location and shift

Sundays are available all day at retail sites.