



Troop 81 E-Mail News

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Troop Meeting **March 5th, 2009**

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

Full Class A Uniforms,
Gentlemen!



REMINDER!

All Scouts should refresh themselves with the Youth Protection "Child's Bill Of Rights". You covered this with your parents as a prerequisite to receiving your "Scout" rank.

PARENTS: PLEASE ATTEND IMPORTANT **TROOP MEETING THIS THURSDAY**



Mr. Maurer will send out a separate email message about this meeting.

WAIT, WAIT,



DON'T TELL ME!

It's Skit night on Thurs!

- Each patrol will perform an ORIGINAL 5-min skit, as time allows.
- Come prepared...or NOT! Your choice.
- Because sometimes creating the skit at the last minute with your Patrol is the most fun. Random props can help.

AVIATION MERIT BADGE

First, thanks to Mr. Swanson for starting 20 scouts on their aviation merit badge work. He was impressed with the high level of interest from the scouts, and he will have another session starting later in the year if you missed this one. NEXT STEPS:



- Mr. Swanson will contact scouts soon regarding dates to visit a local airport to complete your work.
- Construct your FPG (foam plate glider). We'll have a fly-off sometime!
- Go online to obtain a current list of the MB requirements if you have not yet done so.



MTG. CALENDAR

NEW INFO IS IN RED

Mar 5: Troop Meeting (Viking) Wait, wait, don't tell me...it's...it's...it's... Skit Night!

Mar 12: Troop Meeting (Wolverine) TBD.

Mar 19: Troop Meeting (Blackhawk) Campout Procedures + Pack Inspection; Duty Roster

Mar 26: Troop Meeting (Eagle) Advancements! **Tentatively:** New Parent meeting night.

SUN April 5: Troop Committee Mtg, River Glen 7 pm.

Tentatively May 28: Spring Court of Honor.

Tentatively Aug 7-8: Troop 81 75th Anniversary Celebrations!

**TROOP 81
BOY SCOUTS**
River Glen Church
Naperville, IL

WWW.TROOP81.ORG



LAST WEEK'S Troop Announcements

- **Summer Camp:** Mrs. Fosler handed out green "Count Me In" forms. It is important she get these back whether you are going to summer camp or not so she has an approximate headcount. Please ask/remind scouts about this.
- **Scout Account letters** are available! Parents to see Mr. Simnick to get your scout's, please. (We do not give them directly to scouts.)
- **New Scouts:** We had 3 more new scouts from Pack 521 attend their first T81 meeting. Note that a "new parent" meeting is scheduled (tentatively) for March 26th during our troop meeting.
- **Advancement Night:** Thanks to all scouts who were actively involved with this. We try to reserve the last Thursday of each month for this.
- **Model Design & Building Merit Badge:** Mr. Nagy will once again (after several years) present this merit badge for interested scouts. Sign up sheet is available, or contact him for more info.
- **Gifts:** Mr. Maurer presented Messrs Bainbridge and Marineau with gifts for their patrols – backpacking stoves!

All previous newsletters are archived here:
<http://www.troop81.org/information.htm>

REMINDERS FROM MR. BAINBRIDGE

Scouts should remember to let Mr. Bainbridge know if they come across broken equipment. We don't want you to get in trouble – we just need to know when items need repair or replacement BEFORE we go on our next campout!



FUTURE Troop Campout & Activity Info

- **Mar 20-22 2009:** Controlled burn at the Novak's Farm, Savanna, IL.
- **April 17-18 2009:** Moose/Musky Basic Training, at Blackwell.
- **Apr 24-26 2009:** Lincoln Pilgrimage @ Springfield IL. Info here: <http://www.alincolnbsa.org/pilgrimage/index.htm>
- **May 2 2009:** River Glen Workday + Webelos overnighiter
- **TENTATIVE DATE May 8-10 2009:** Caving-aving-aving
- **June 5-7 2009:** New info to be confirmed soon!
- **June 27-July 4 2009:** Summer Camp at Owasippe!



Forget something you have read or heard about?



Check out our Troop website:
www.troop81.org.
Each weekly E-Mail Newsletter is conveniently archived.

If you have any contributions to our weekly E-Mail Newsletter, please contact **Lisa Schweitzer** (look for contact details in our Troop Roster!).

NOT SIGNED UP YET?!

Horrors!

If you aren't receiving my weekly emails with a direct link to our weekly Troop E-News...then you're not on our mailing list! Look on our website's Homepage. Instructions are there to join our Yahoo Groups mailing list.

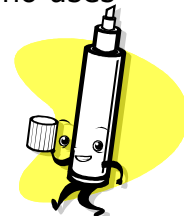
A SCOUT IS: RESPONSIBLE!

It is the **SCOUT'S** responsibility to:

- Notify an adult or his Quartermaster if troop equipment is missing, broken, or damaged.
- Step up and take responsibility if something inadvertently goes missing or becomes damaged or broken.
- Never tape the handle of a striking tool – it can cover up cracks or weak points which may endanger the next person who uses that tool.

AND AGAIN!...

- get a Sharpie marker and label **everything** you own!



KEEP CURRENT WITH YOUR COMMITTEE



Our **next Troop Committee Meeting** will be **Sun, April 5th, 7 pm** at River Glen Church. All adults are welcome...and there's always **FREE FOOD** served.

OWASIPPE COUNTDOWN:

16 weeks until departure



NEW: Green **Count Me In!** forms were already distributed last week. Ask your Scout if he picked up a copy – it is a green sheet – These are due back to Mrs. Fosler on **Thurs March 26th**.

NEW MOOSE SCOUTS: See Mrs. Fosler for a special packet explaining our Summer Camp plans – these are in a large manila folder, with a "MOOSE SCOUT" label on them. Ask your Moose Scout if they picked up their copy!

Questions? Contact Mrs. Lisa Fosler – contact info is in your **new** Troop Roster!