

TROOP 75

**Boys Scouts of America
Naperville IL**



Pancake Breakfast news

Thank you for your outstanding efforts in pancake ticket sales! Our troop raised more than \$14,000 this year, which is a new record. More than \$4,000 will be going into the scouts' accounts. Congratulations to Kevin W., for being the highest seller for the second year in a row. He raised \$1,404 this year.



We are estimating serving 900-1,000 customers, which is our largest breakfast ever! It is now time to prepare for the actual breakfast, and we need "all hands on deck."

Scouts will be trained for the breakfast tonight during the regular meeting. Adult training is taking place tonight at 8 p.m. at the gym in the church. All scouts and one adult per scout family are **required** to work at the breakfast from 6 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, December 4. Scouts who have earned the 8 a.m. late start have been notified by e-mail. If the scout has earned the 8 a.m. late start, so has the parent! Mrs. Hurst sent out an adult duty roster by e-mail. Please make sure the adult is signed up. Contact Joan at 630-898-7257 or swamppeople@sbcglobal.net.

Fundraising and scout accounts

Thank you to the scouts who participated in the optional fundraiser of selling wreaths. Over 80 wreaths were sold and were delivered to scouts last weekend for delivery to purchasers. Scouts who participated will receive 70% of the profits back to their scout accounts.

With all of the great fundraising that has now been completed, scout accounts are being updated. You will receive an e-mail showing your new scout account balance in December. Remember: Scout account funds may be used for outings or to purchase any scout related items. (Just get approval from the scoutmaster.)

Troop Calendar

December

- 4 Pancake Breakfast
- 6 Committee Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 11-12 Cabin Camping
- 21 Troop Christmas Party
- 28 No Troop meeting

January

- 4 No Troop meeting
- 28 Klondike, Greene Valley

February

- 8 Court of Honor
- 11-13 Ski Trip/Water Park

March

- 11-13 Starved Rock

April

- 15-17 Loons Basic Training, Blackwell

May

- 20-22 Canoe Trip

June

- 10-12 Mother/Son Campout
- 19-July 3 Philmont High Adventure

Sponsor a Family in Need

The Troop Committee suggested that the troop give back to the community this holiday season. We will be sponsoring two families who each have two young children. A donation list will be e-mailed to everyone soon. Please help as you are able by signing up to purchase something. We will also be having the scouts wrap the gifts and asking for help with delivery before Christmas.



SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

Dear Troop 75:

On November 12-14, the troop traveled to the Kettle Moraine State Forest in Wisconsin for a weekend of backpacking and camping. This was our second training hike for the Philmont crew. They spent two nights on the Ice Age Trail and hiked 15 miles while the other scouts camped at a regular campground and hiked over 6 miles and worked on rank advancements. The weather could have been better, but we all got to test our rain gear to see how well it works.

On December 11-12, we will be cabin camping at the Kendall County Outdoor Education Center (formerly known as Hoover Scout Ranch), in Yorkville, Ill. This trip will start Saturday morning and go until mid-day Sunday. The scouts will play board games and explore the woods near the cabin. Hopefully we will get some snow by then. Permission slips are due December 7.

On January 28, we will test our cold weather camping skills at the Indian Prairie District Klondike Derby at Green Valley Forest Preserve. If you have any questions, please let me know.

On February 12-13, the troop will travel to Wisconsin for our annual Ski/Splash trip. We will spend the day skiing at Cascade Mountain and the night at the Wilderness Resort in the Wisconsin Dells. The scouts will get to splash their way through the three indoor water parks at the resort.

Our scouts have done a fantastic job selling pancake breakfast tickets this year. They have set a new sales record, which means that we will be flipping and serving a lot of pancakes on December 4. This should be our busiest pancake breakfast ever! I am looking forward to seeing everyone there.

We have had several Webelos dens visit our troop with more to come in the next two months. If you know of any Webelos that would like to visit our troop, have their leader e-mail me to coordinate their visit and tell them to check out the troop website.

Yours in Scouting,

Vinton Trowbridge, Scoutmaster

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Troop Historian Report

By Alex B.



On November 12-14, 2010, we went to Kettle Moraine State

Park. The main focus of this trip was hiking. The scouts training to go on high adventure did a two-night backpacking trip. The first night they slept in a shelter. They hiked all day Saturday, slept in another shelter and hiked half of the day on Sunday. They hiked about 15 miles total carrying packs loaded with gear. The scouts ate meals from Philmont Scout Ranch. The other group of scouts went on about a 6-mile hike on Saturday in the rain. Both groups got a lot of exercise over the weekend.



For more information on Scouting, please visit these sites:

Troop 75:

www.napervilletroop75.org

Indian Prairie District:

www.indianprairie.org

Three Fires Council:

www.threefirescouncil.org