

TROOP 75

**Boys Scouts of America
Naperville IL**



Get ready now for Decorah!

Camp Decorah has an Explore SCUBA program that will be held on Wednesday evening during camp this summer. You must file a special permission form prior to participating. Camp Decorah also has an exciting new Aviation merit badge. It will be taught in the afternoon and scouts and adults will have a chance to fly over the camp in a Cessna 172 airplane from the LaCrosse airport. The fee is \$25 and sign-up will be at the camp on Sunday.

Decide which merit badges you would like to take at Decorah and use this as a reference if you are considering attending the Merit Badge University (MBU) at York High School in March.

Lifesaving
Climbing
COPE
Leatherworking
Sculpture
Fingerprinting

Art
Sculpture
Woodcarving
Basketry
Mammal Studies
Nature
Soil & Water Conservation
Bird Study
Geology
Oceanography
Space Exploration
Pioneering
American Heritage
Backpacking
Geocaching
Fishing
Engineering
Wilderness Survival
Archery
Shotgun
Rifle
Canoeing
Rowing

Eagle Trail:
Personal Management
Communications
Personal Fitness
Citizenship in the Community
Emergency Preparedness
Citizenship in the World
Citizenship in the Nation
First Aid
Swimming
Environmental Science

Troop Calendar

January

28 Klondike, Greene Valley

February

7 Committee Meeting, 7 p.m.

8 Court of Honor

12-13 Ski Trip/Water Park

March

5 Merit Badge University

11-13 Starved Rock

April

15-17 Loons Basic Training,
Blackwell

May

20-22 Canoe Trip

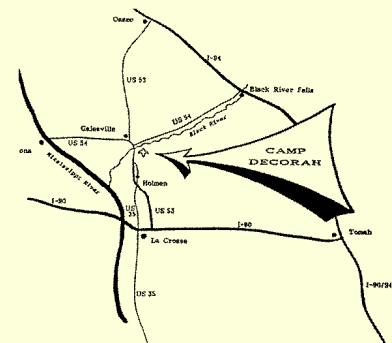
June

10-12 Mother/Son Campout

19-July 3 Philmont High
Adventure

July

11-17 (tent.) Camp Decorah!





SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

Dear Troop 75:

On December 11-12 we went cabin camping at the Kendall County Outdoor Education Center (formerly known as Hoover Scout Ranch), in Yorkville, Ill. About 20 scouts enjoyed playing board games and exploring the woods near the cabin. We found a good sledding hill and got to enjoy the snow before it started to rain.

On January 9 Sean Keeve held his Eagle Court of Honor. Sean is the 25th Eagle for Troop 75.

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

On February 8 the troop will hold its winter Court of Honor.

On February 12-13 the troop will travel to Wisconsin for our annual Ski/Splash trip. We'll spend the day skiing at Cascade Mountain and the night at the Wilderness Resort.

On March 11-13 we will be camping at Illini State Park and hiking at Starved Rock State Park. This will be another training hike for our Philmont crew.

We will be welcoming a new group of scouts into our troop. In March we will be holding our troop elections for the scout leadership positions. Both events are important to the future of our troop. I am looking forward to another fun-filled year in 2011.

I would like to introduce Carl Schumann as a new Assistant Scoutmaster. Carl's son Andrew will be crossing over into the troop in March.

Lastly, I would like to congratulate Jake Berger on passing his Eagle Board of Review on December 12. Jake is the 26th Eagle for Troop 75. Jake's Eagle Scout Court of Honor will be on February 27. I hope many of you will be able to attend.

Yours in Scouting,

Vinton Trowbridge, Scoutmaster

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New Eagle Scouts!



Please join us in congratulating Sean Keeve and Jake Berger as Troop 75's 25th and 26th Eagle Scouts.

"My project was successful on many levels. The bird garden at Red Oak Nature Center has been totally renovated with new plants and bird feeders, and it looks really great," writes Jake. "I am very proud of what we have accomplished there. I learned that preparation is crucial. I also learned how to lead and direct others, as well as how to adapt to changes and setbacks. Thank you to everyone who helped."

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