

TROOP 75

**Boys Scouts of America
Naperville IL**



Troop Parent Volunteers Needed



We have several job openings for the Committee (usually the first Monday of the month from 7-9 p.m.)!

If you are interested, please contact Committee Chair Donna W.

Committee Secretary--Immediate opening: Responsible for taking minutes at monthly meetings and distributing them to the committee and scoutmasters. The secretary also maintains an historical binder of all committee meeting minutes.

The following positions will be open within one year. Current position holders are willing to have a parent shadow them now:

Advancements: The Troopmaster recordkeeper maintains all advancement, camping, merit badge and attendance records. This person sends reports to the purchaser before Courts of Honor. The advancements purchaser verifies advancements (rank and merit badges) and purchases rank advancements, merit badges and leadership emblems for distribution at Courts of Honor and/or to new leadership. This person also ensures that all Eagle Scout ceremonies have the items needed.

Pancake Breakfast Coordinator: This volunteer organizes and coordinates the Troop's only required fundraiser--the annual pancake breakfast. Planning has begun for 2011 so sign up to mentor NOW!

August Court of Honor Coordinator: The position requires securing a location, inviting all families, ordering the chicken, verifying that a scout is writing the program (and reviewing the program before the event) and making sure that all goes well at this annual activity.

Wreath Sales Coordinator: This optional troop fundraiser needs someone to coordinate sales, maintain records, and pick up wreaths for distribution to the scouts. The job runs from September-November when the wreaths are picked up and scout accounts are credited.

Treasurer: The treasurer maintains all of the financial records for the troop and makes deposits, writes reimbursement checks, and reports to the committee monthly. The treasurer prepares an annual budget and works closely with the Pancake Breakfast and Wreath Coordinators for the collection and recordkeeping of fundraising activities. It is helpful to attend most of the weekly troop meetings to collect and disburse funds.



October

3 Committee Meeting, 7 p.m.

21-23 Wilderness Survival Campout

November

11-13 Climbing/Lock-in

December

3 Pancake Breakfast (not tentative)

9-11 Cabin camping campout

January 2012

27-29 Klondike?

February

10-12 Ski Trip

March

9-11 Campout

April

13-15 Loons Basic Training

May

4-6 Campout

June

15-17 Mother/Son Campout



SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

Dear Troop 75:

It is hard to believe that summer is over and school is back in session. The troop had a very busy summer.

On June 19, our Philmont crew left Naperville, via Amtrak, to travel to the Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico. Nine scouts and three adults backpacked over 100 miles in 10 days and climbed both the Tooth of Time and Mt. Baldy. I would like to thank Alex H. for leading the crew and Ed H., Mark K. and Mark H. for being the adult leaders of the trip.

On July 10, the troop took over 30 scouts to Camp Decorah in Wisconsin for summer camp. We had a great week at camp and our scouts earned over 100 merit badges. I would like to thank Chris M. for leading the scouts and Jeff R., Carl S., Donna W., Alan R., Jeff C. and York L. for being the adult leaders. I especially want to thank Aimee and Jeff C. for organizing and preparing everything for our week at summer camp.

On July 31, we met to celebrate Vimig S.'s Eagle Court of Honor. Many of his family and friends were able to attend the ceremony and enjoy the good food. Vimig is the 28th scout to earn the Eagle rank in Troop 75.

On August 28, we held our summer Court of Honor at Spring Lake. It was a beautiful day and everyone enjoyed seeing all of the scouts receive their rank advancements and merit badges. There was lots of good food and it was fun to get to visit with everyone to celebrate a very productive summer.

We have five scouts working on their eagle projects. Alex B. is finishing up his project. Kyle F. completed his project in August. Alex H. has gotten his project approved. Garrett S. and Nathan K. are in the process of developing their project write-ups for approval.

This summer marked my fourth year of being Scoutmaster of Troop 75. There have been many fun adventures and good friendships, for my son and myself, during our time in the troop. Troop 75 is in very good shape with a great bunch of scouts, and a strong group of adult scoutmasters and committee members. Therefore, I have asked the Committee to select my successor. I will be glad to remain as Scoutmaster through the transition period. I plan to stay active in the troop as an Asst. Scoutmaster. I sincerely want to thank everyone who has helped to make Troop 75 into a something that we can all be very proud of.

Yours in Scouting,

Vinton Trowbridge, Scoutmaster

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Troop Historian Report

By Alex B.



On September 16, we set out for Rainbow Council Scout Reservation. We set up camp and ate cheese and crackers. That morning, we packed up, ate oatmeal and set out on our hike. A fallen tree blocked our path, so we cut and broke the tree apart to clear the path for ourselves and others. We had a delicious lunch of a 4-lb. tuna can, 6 cans of spray cheese and crackers. The rest of the hike went smoothly. When we got to the shelters we inspected them...and decided to sleep outside. While playing 500, we learned how mean burs can be. We had a nice dinner of freeze-dried lasagna and freeze-dried berry pie. At 4 a.m., it started raining and we ran into the shelter and stayed there the rest of the night. That morning we hiked out and went home.



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