

TROOP 75

Boys Scouts of America
Naperville IL



Merit Badge University

Would you like a great opportunity to earn merit badges next month? Go to the 2012 Merit Badge University, from 8 to 4:30 p.m., Saturday, **February 25**, at York Community High School, 355 W. St. Charles Rd., Elmhurst, IL.



A hot lunch will be provided.

Open Registration is from February 6-17 at \$30 per person and includes a hot lunch and the official 2012 MBU patch. If offered, there is an additional charge for SCUBA.



Classes available to all scouts include: American Heritage, Archery, Astronomy, Automotive Maintenance, Chess, Cinematography, Coin Collecting, Collections, Computers, Cooking, Crime Prevention, Disability Awareness, Dog Care, Electricity,

Electronics, Energy, Engineering, Fire Safety, Genealogy, Law, Music, Orienteering, Pets, Public Speaking, Reading, Robotics, Shooting Sports, Snow Sports, Soil and Water Conservation, Theater, Wood Carving, Woodworking.

For more information, visit <http://threefirescouncil.org/>.



February

- 7 Court of Honor
- 11-12 Ski Trip
- 14 2012 OA Elections
- 25 Merit Badge University
- 26 Scout Sunday
- 28-March 20 Spring Election Cycle

March

- 17-18 Caving Campout

April

- 13-15 Loons Basic Training

May

- 4-6 Whitewater rafting Campout

June

- 5 Court of Honor
- 15-20 High Adventure trip (Whitewater rafting at ACE in West Virginia)
- 22-24 Mother/Son Campout

July

- 8-14 Summer Camp at Camp Decorah near La Crosse, Wis.

August

- 26 Court of Honor



SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

Dear Troop 75:

On January 27-28, about 12 scouts participated in the Klondike Derby at Greene Valley Forest Preserve. While there hasn't been a lot of snow this winter, Mother Nature managed to give us a quick inch of snow Friday night. The scouts enjoyed the activities along the course and the trading post. I'd like to thank Mr. Schumann and Mr. Clements for running this successful trip.

On February 11-12, almost 40 scouts and parents will be traveling to Cascade Mountain, Wis., for snow sports and then to a water park. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Rustemeyer or me.

On February 14, the troop will be holding the 2012 OA Elections. Please try to be at that meeting to elect those that you believe deserve this recognition. We will also have a presentation on the National Scout Jamboree in 2013.

Our Spring elections will be held February 28-March 20. The newly elected PLC will take office April 1. Start thinking about what office you might like to hold. If you have any questions, please speak with a scoutmaster.

On March 17-18, 23 scouts and adults will spelunking at Eagle Cave in Wisconsin. We plan to camp outside the cave. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Clements or me.

On April 13-15, the troop will be holding our annual Loons Basic Training. We will be at the Greene Valley Forest Preserve. The older scouts will be camping on Friday and Saturday nights. The new Loons will join us on Saturday morning and camp on Saturday night. Mr. Clements and Mr. Scoles will be running this trip. Please see them with any questions.

On May 4-6, the troop is planning to go whitewater rafting, most likely in northern Wisconsin. Keep an eye out for more details. Mr. Trowbridge will be running this trip.

The older scouts have decided to go whitewater rafting for High Adventure in 2012. We will be traveling to Ace Resort in West Virginia, June 15-20. If you have any questions about this trip, please contact me.

Finally, on June 22-24, the troop will be holding our annual Mother-Son Campout at Cantigny. This is always a great opportunity for the moms to see what Boy Scout camping is about and to rekindle scouting friendships! Mr. Schumann and Mr. Adams will be planning this trip.

Yours in Scouting,
John Boyle
Scoutmaster Troop 75

Troop Historian Report

By Colin R.



We set up camp for Klondike at 7 p.m. on January 27 at Greene Valley.

We got our snack and went to bed. The next morning we got a fire going and had eggs in a bag for breakfast. We got our station and sled set up. We went from station to station. One station had to do with making a carrying way for someone who got hurt and then race over there. Another one had us pulling tires around in one circle. Our station was a balancing board. You had to balance your team and sled on it. There was also a fire building station. At every station we got some gold. then at the end of the day we got to go to the trading post and spend the gold. I spent every last gold I got. Everybody had a great time.



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