



## Meet our new Scoutmaster, John Lindell



I'd like to thank John Boyle for the great job he has done for the past two years. I will aspire to keep building off the solid foundation I'm inheriting from previous Scoutmasters and adult volunteers.

As Scoutmaster, my focus will be working with the Scouts and adult leaders to:

1. Work on Patrol methodology, an approach where the Senior Patrol Leader and his Patrol Leaders have the responsibility and privilege to lead planning and execution of all troop activities with adult leaders providing more coaching in the background.
2. Continue to work on leadership with the scouts and scout skills at all levels.
3. Keep fun a big part of the equation so scouts enjoy being part of the troop.

We have an exciting year of scouting ahead of us., with some new campouts that the boys wanted to try. We are starting to put together High Adventure trips for the next two summers.

We are at a point where many adult volunteers are transitioning out of the troop as their sons approach 18. We must continue to replenish adult volunteers as Assistant Scoutmasters and Committee members so we can support the strong scout program that your scouts deserve. To find out more, please contact myself or Donna Wandke.

If you have any questions, concerns or complaints, I'm available to talk and/or meet. My approach will always be to put the scouts at the center of the discussion and use Scouting Principles and approaches. Please feel free to email me at [buddyboopotato@yahoo.com](mailto:buddyboopotato@yahoo.com) or call me at 402-599-3824.



- August**  
**27** PLC, 7 p.m.
- September**  
**3** SPL/PL nominations (weekly meetings resume)  
**9** Committee Meeting, 7 p.m.  
**10** SPL/PL elections  
**17** PLC nominations  
**20-22** Canoeing campout  
**24** PLC elections  
**29** Von Oven
- October**  
**18-20** Wilderness Survival
- November**  
**15-17** Ziplining Campout
- December**  
**7** Pancake Breakfast  
**13-15** Cabin Camping
- January**  
**10-22** Indoor Silo Climbing
- February**  
**8-9** Ski and Splash
- March**  
**14-16** TBD
- April**  
**11-13** Loons Basic Training
- May**  
**2-4** Bike Camping



## SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

Dear Troop 75:

It has been a fantastic summer of scouting for Troop 75! On June 7-9, the troop headed back to Cantigny for our annual Mother/Son campout. This year we had great weather and used campsites 1 and 2 for some added elbow room. While the moms toured the McCormick house and gardens, the scouts explored the tanks and had a game of ultimate Frisbee. I'd like to thank Mr. Trowbridge, Mr. Hurst and Mr. Keith Meyers for helping me to run this campout.

On June 16, eight scouts and four adults headed on the trails of Philmont for our long-awaited adventure. Due to forest fires, we were given a different trek than expected. We enjoyed all of the camps on our new trek and overcame challenges of terrain, elevation, heat, dryness and injuries to finish strong. It was the trip of a lifetime! I'd like to thank Mr. Clements, Mr. Avery and Mrs. Wandke for helping me with this trip. Special Thanks to Kevin W. for leading the crew safely on our trek, Alex B. for being our Crew Wilderness Pledge Guide and Troy C. for being our Crew Chaplain's Aide.

Four scouts from Troop 75 attended the National Jamboree this year at the brand new Bechtel Summit Scout Reserve in West Virginia. They reported that they really enjoyed the Jamboree and the new Scouting High Adventure base. We may try to attend it as a high adventure base.

Our second annual Raging Waves Water Park family outing on July 20 was fun! The weather was perfect, and 36 people attended and about 18 of us took to the air for ziplining above the park.

From July 28-August 3, the troop traveled to Camp Ransburg near Bloomington, Ind., for the first time. It is a beautiful camp nestled along the shoreline of Lake Monroe. This year 33 scouts attended and earned a whopping 84 merit badges + partials....Way to Go! Thanks to Mr. Meyer for leading the boys at camp.

I'd like to thank Andrew S. for organizing today's Court of Honor. He did a great job handling all of the rank advancements and merit badges.

Finally, I am stepping down as Scoutmaster after today's Court of Honor. I've been honored to have had the privilege of leading the troop over the past two years. John Lindell will be taking my place as Scoutmaster. I know he will do a great job leading our boys in the future. I plan to continue on as one of the assistant scoutmasters for the troop.

Yours In Scouting,  
John Boyle

### Troop 75's Newest Eagle Scouts

Kyle H. passed his Eagle Board of Review in May had his Court of Honor in July.



Mark K. passed his Eagle Board of Review in July and will have his Court of Honor soon.



Both Kyle and Mark built bird houses for their projects this spring.

Congratulations to both Kyle and Mark on a job well done with their projects and leading our troop over the years.

For more information on Scouting, please visit these sites:  
Troop 75:  
[www.napervilletroop75.org](http://www.napervilletroop75.org)  
Indian Prairie District:  
[www.indianprairie.org](http://www.indianprairie.org)  
Three Fires Council:  
[www.threefirescouncil.org](http://www.threefirescouncil.org)