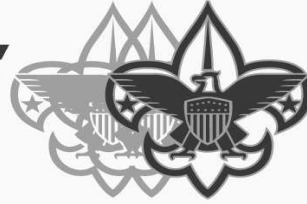




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## Senior Patrol Leader Report

Upcoming events for Troop 75 were recently presented to the Troop Committee by SPL Tyler Rotche. The PLC has planned the following events for the summer:

### Eric L's Eagle project

6/9 - prep work; most work appropriate for older Scouts as we will be using power tools. 10 am - 1 pm @ his home

6/16 - assembly; everyone welcome 10 am - 2:30 pm @ Good Shepherd

6/23 - assembly; everyone welcome 9:30 am - 3:30 pm @ Good Shepherd

Blackwell orienteering - date TBD in June

### Summer meetings

6/5 - baseball/carwash posters

6/19 - football

7/17 - speedball

7/31 - dodgeball/football

Please note that we will not be meeting on July 3rd and have added July 31st to the calendar.

## Troop Meeting Uniform Policy For Summer

On Tuesday June 5th, we will have our first Troop meeting of the summer. At this time, our uniform policy changes from the normally required Class A uniform to our Summer Time Class B uniform. The summer uniform consists of the Troop 75 Class B t-shirt and the Troop 75 hat. You may wear any type of comfortable shorts/jeans and socks of your choice. Same rules apply in the summer as the school year, if you are not in proper uniform, you will receive a warning. If you attend again without the proper uniform, you will be sent home. Please see Mr. Thomas or your Patrol leader with any questions.

## Workin' At the Carwash!

On Sunday June 10th Troop 75 will hold their first car wash fundraiser! Funds raised from the car wash will be used to purchase decals for the new Troop trailer. The car wash will start at 9 am and we'll be washing cars until 3 pm. We'll be at the Walmart Supercenter located at 12690 South Route 59, Plainfield. Scouts should plan to bring two old towels (that have not been washed with fabric softener), a few dollars for lunch, and should wear swim trunks, their Troop 75 class B t-shirt and water shoes (we will be in the parking lot and the asphalt may be hot).

Parents and siblings are welcome too! Tell all your friends to come and get their car washed!

## Travel Uniform Policy

Any time we travel to and from a Troop campout, the Scouts of Troop 75 are required to wear their Class A shirt, Troop 75 hat, and a neckerchief or bolo (First Class and above may wear a bolo). It is to the scout's discretion as to what type of pants and socks he wears on a campout. Please keep weather conditions in mind and be appropriately prepared.



Setting up camp at mother/son 2007

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### Upcoming Troop 75 Events:

- June 5th-Troop Meeting
- June 9th - Eric L's Eagle project
- June 10th-Troop Carwash 9 am until 3 pm
- June 16th - Eric L's Eagle Project
- June 19th-Troop Meeting
- June 22nd - 24th High Adventure Hike at Forest Glen
- June 23rd - Eric L's Eagle Project
- June 30th - tentative date for Danny M's Eagle project



## 2007 Troop Calendar

Please keep in mind that no matter how hard we try to plan, sometimes unexpected conflicts arise. If any of these dates should change, we will communicate that to you as soon as possible. Please check this section of the newsletter each month for new activities added and any possible changes. The Troop calendar can also be found on the Troop website at:  
www.napervilletroop75.org.

### 2007 Troop Dates:

**June 5th** Troop Meeting & June newsletter published  
**June 10th** Troop Carwash 9 a.m.-3 p.m.  
**June 19th** Troop Meeting  
**June 22nd - 23rd** High Adventure Training Hike  
**July 3rd** newsletter published via email - NO TROOP MEETING  
**July 7th-14th** Summer Camp @ Owasippe Scout Reservation in White Hall, Michigan.  
**July 17th** Troop Meeting  
**July 28th** High Adventure Hike - location to be determined

**July 31st** Troop Meeting (Newly Added!)  
**August 5th-11th** High Adventure Backpacking on the Current River Section of the Ozark Trail in Missouri.  
**August 7th** Troop Meeting & August newsletter published; final Board of Reviews held for August 26th Court of Honor  
**August 21st** Troop Meeting  
**August 26th** Court of Honor/Picnic at Von Oven Scout Camp  
**August 28th** Troop Meeting

## 2nd Annual Mother/Son Campout

The 2nd annual mother/son campout was a huge success. After a delayed start because of rain, the moms of Troop 75 got to see our scouts in action as they set up camp. We all have a better understanding and appreciation of just how hard the scouts work to set up camp, make delicious meals, entertain at the campfire, and then tear down camp and leave the campsite looking better than we found it! Along the way, there is also a lot of fun and some learning.

The highlight of the campout was the mother/son rowboat race. Congratulations to Mrs. O. and her scout Mike who came in 1st place and Mrs. P. and her scout Remo who came in a very close 2nd!

THANK YOU! To all our scouts - we had a great time and can hardly wait for the 3rd annual mother/son campout next year!



Fun on the water after the races!

## Wanted: Troop Activity Chair

The Troop Committee would like to ask you to consider filling a Troop Committee need. Mr. Trowbridge has served as our Troop Activity Chair for quite some time - and he has served us well! The time has come for Mr. Trowbridge to move into a new role (Co-Mentor for the Dragon Patrol) and we need your help. The Troop Activity Chair has the following tasks to complete: hand out and collect permission slips for our monthly outings; collect camping fees for each outing; arrange for drivers to/from campouts; provide directions to each campout; help to secure reservations, and permits for each campout; and provide an Activity Report at the monthly Committee meetings. Mr. Trowbridge will train and mentor who ever fills this role. Please call him at (630) 357-8194 if you'd like to help. Thank you!

**Dankschen! Mahalo! Grazie! Thank You!**

**Thank you goes out to...**

- To Mrs. Aske for coordinating our Troop carwash fundraiser
- To all the mothers who ventured into the woods and participated in the row boat race
- To the PLC for the great job at the Mother & Son campout
- To Mrs. Hurst, Mrs. Madamba for volunteering to chair the Pancake Breakfast
- To Mr. Aske for donating electrical supplies to Owasippe



## Scoutmaster Corner

Troop 75,

I have to tell you all that I had a great time at the Mother & Son campout. Our campout started on a strange note but it ended on a very sweet chord. I want to personally thank all of the Moms who took their time to take the swim test, they all did such a great job. I also want to thank the Moms who were able to attend the campout, I think that they had a good time too. For the Moms who could not attend I hope that you will be able to go to next year's event.

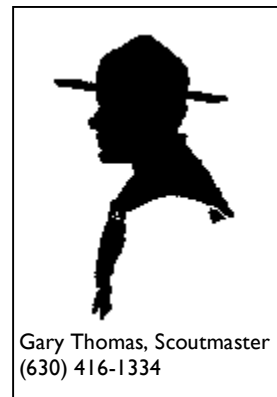
I believe that our Moms have a better idea of what kinds of things that their sons do on campouts. I have to congratulate all of the young men who went on the campout. You all did a great job. You all should be proud of the job you did. I want to thank the PLC on the great job of planning and execution of that plan. I can only hope that next year the Mother & Son campout will be this much fun! Thank you all for a great weekend.

Looking ahead to our Eagle scouts. Mike W. has finished his project and we are starting to receive his reference letters. Nathan O. has held one of his project work dates, and is working on his additional dates. Eric L. has put out flyers, with dates for his project. Dan M. is in the approval stage of his project.

I am asking our other scouts to please give these young men a hand on their projects. The time will come when you yourself will need the help from your fellow scouts. For all of our scouts, keep working on your goals. That next rank is another step closer on your Eagle trail.

Let's all start getting ready for summer camp, it will be here before we know it. So let's all "Be Prepared". Thanks again for being such a great Troop.

Your Scoutmaster,  
Gary Thomas



Gary Thomas, Scoutmaster  
(630) 416-1334



Mother/Son race photo finish!

## Mother/Son Reference Guide

Here are the web sites and other references that were mentioned at the mother/son campout last weekend:

[www.alpsmountaineering.com](http://www.alpsmountaineering.com) for camping equipment

[www.meritbadge.com](http://www.meritbadge.com) for most current merit badge info

REI Members Only Garage Sale: 6/23/07 9 am - 3 pm.

At the Oakbrook Terrace employee parking lot. Members save big on slightly used or lightly damaged items. Items are marked down 40% to 80%. You need to be a member to buy, but don't worry if you are not, you can sign up to become an REI member that day for a one time fee of \$15. Call 630-574-7700 with questions.



Mom Meeting at mother/son campout

## Troop 75 Scouts Receive Award

Congratulations to Sean K. and Alex H. who were both honored at Still Middle School on May 31st. Sean and Alex were two of six students who were selected to receive the "Golden AFOOFA" (All For One and One For All) Award.

Each quarter, students who exhibit one of the "BIGMS" showcased for that quarter are selected by their teachers. The 4 BIGMS are Belonging, Independence, Generosity, and Mastery. At a special breakfast on May 31st, one boy and one girl from each grade level were honored as the recipient of the "Golden AFOOFA" Award. This is a very special honor and a well-kept secret until the day of the breakfast.

How exciting that two of our scouts were chosen to receive this award. We are all very proud of both Sean and Alex!



The trailer is all dressed up!



## Loon Patrol News

The Loon Patrol is in the process of earning the National Honor Patrol Award. The patrol has already held three of the required meetings.

For one of their service projects, the patrol has decided to participate in the Feed My Starving Children program at Naperville Evangelical Free Church (1551 E. Hobson Rd., Naperville). The patrol will attend the program on one of the following dates and times:

Thursday, June 21, from 4 to 6 p.m.

Thursday, June 21, from 7 to 9 p.m.

Friday, June 22, from 4 to 6 p.m.

Friday, June 22, from 7 to 9 p.m.

Saturday, June 23, from 8:30 to 10 a.m.

Saturday, June 23, from 10:30 a.m. to noon.

Please let Matthew know what your 1st and 2nd choices are so that a date can be picked when the majority of the patrol can attend this service project.

The patrol's 2nd service project will be cleaning up around Lake Waubonsie sometime in June. More information will follow when the patrol decides on a date. It is possible to do this service project during the day after school ends if there is adult supervision.

Also, the patrol will be going to a demolition derby at Chicagoland Speedway on Saturday, June 30, at 7 p.m. The Loon families are also invited to attend this event. Hopefully, the patrol will be part of the flag ceremony at the event. Mr. Thomas will need a head count on attendees soon. More information to follow.

The next Loon Patrol meeting will be on Tuesday, June 19, at 6 p.m. at Good Shepherd. At that meeting, the patrol will be working on Tenderfoot Rank requirement 10a.

Two more meetings will be scheduled at Summer Camp for the Loon Patrol.

## Owasippe Wish List

It was with great happiness that our Summer Camp Committee learned that Owasippe Summer Camp will be operated at least through 2008. With at least 2 more summers of operation, the Staff at Owasippe would like to spruce up buildings and obtain new equipment for Scoutcraft in camps Blackhawk (GO!), and Wolverine. To do this, they need our help. If you or anyone you know has and is willing to donate items from the following list, the Staff (and our Scouts) would be very appreciative.

Please let Ana know if you are able to contribute:

### Scoutcraft

Compasses; GPS receiver; demonstration tent (dome, backpacking, wall, ridge); cast iron dutch ovens; 1/4" manila rope (1000 ft each camp); 1/2" manila rope (500 ft each camp); back packing stove; water purification pump; frame back packs (internal & external); binders twine; burlap sandbags; cooking kits (pots, pans, plates, frying pans); cooking grates; new Patrol boxes (at least 3 per camp); picnic tables; fire guard tools; wood tools (3 3/4 axes, 2 new bow saws, blades, hatches & camp saw); sharpening tools (bastard file, sharpening stones); plastic tarps; storage shed; crosscut saws.

### Maintenance

Shingles (100 squares); 9V batteries (50); AA batteries (100); rope throw bags (3); plastic canoe paddles (10); outside doors w/out windows (6 24x78; 1 36x78); 50kw generator; 2.5 lb ABC fire extinguisher; white exterior latex paint (50 gal); gray exterior latex paint (25 gal); redwood exterior latex paint (100 gal); small air conditioner; 80 gal. LP water heaters (2); Bosch instant on water heaters (2); toilet (1); shower (1); bathroom sink (1); 42" to 50" riding lawn mower; wall furnace 20,000 BTU propane (2); LP apartment stove (1).

**Blackhawk Shower Addition** (for an addition that will be added to the staff washroom to accommodate the female staff)

2x4x8 treated (48); 2x8x8 (1); 2x4x12 treated (12); 4x8x3/8

T-111 8 inch groves (6); 4x8x3/4 roofing sheets (5); 4x8x1/4 fiberglass paneling (8); shower (1); 36" steel door (1); interior lights (2); GFI power outlets (2); 1 1/2 - 2 yards concrete; toilet base (1); 4" drain elbows (1); 4"x10' drain pipe (2); 4" drain YI sink faucet (1); sink connecting line (2); sink trap (1); 1/2"x10' PVC pipe (4); 1/2" PVC elbows (8); 1/2" PVC T's (4); toilet connecting line (1); frosted skylight (1).

## September Troop Outing

On September 8th we will be attending the NIU football game and campout. This event will be open to all of our Scouts and their families. We will be registering for this event as a Troop, please watch for a permission slip/sign up sheet to come home soon!



Closing Flag Ceremony at Mother/Son