



Attention Summer Campers

Final payments for summer camp are due by May 5, 2009. The amount due is \$125 per scout. There is a one week grace period, as no late payments can be made after May 12, and we will not be able to include you in the final roster that we have to submit to Camp Decorah no later than by May 15. If you have any questions, please contact Assistant Scoutmaster Scott Keeve immediately.

Eagle Project Helpers Needed



Stephen W. will be starting his Eagle Scout project very soon. His project is a continuation of the landscape beautification project that Kyle M. did last year. Before Stephen begins he needs to raise money for the project. On Saturday, April 18th Stephen has planned a car wash to be held at Bethany of Fox Valley United Methodist Church from 9am to 1pm. Please note: there will be snacks

there for all volunteers! Please consider helping Stephen and sign up to help him.

Troop Calender

April

24-26 Loons Basic Training
Cantigny Park

May

29-31 Canoeing outing

June

2 Court of Honor

12-14 Mother/Son Campout

July

5-11 Summer Camp,
Camp Decorah

August

23 Court of Honor

November

7 Pancake Breakfast

Merit Badges Are Fun....Consider Becoming A Badge Counselor!



Merit badge Counselors are an integral part of a Scout's successful navigation through advancement. Whatever your area of expertise or interest—whether it is a special craft or hobby (basketry, leatherwork, coin collecting), a profession (veterinary medicine, aviation, engineering), or perhaps a life skill (cooking, personal management, communications)—as a merit badge counselor, you can play a vital role in stirring a Scout's curiosity about that particular topic. By serving as a merit badge counselor, you offer your time, knowledge, and other resources so that Scouts can explore a topic of interest. If you would like more information on becoming a Merit Badge Counselor for the Scout's of Troop 75, please contact Eugene Keitzer at ekeitzer@yahoo.com. For a list of all merit badges, go to <http://meritbadge.org/wiki/index.php/Merit-Badges>.



Scoutmaster's Corner

Dear Troop 75:

On March 21-22, the Troop travelled to Eagle Cave in Wisconsin. We spent most of the day exploring the cave, getting very dirty. Spending the night in the cave was an experience that most of us will not soon forget. Thanks to Mr. Seaton for organizing this trip. I think that everyone had a great time.

On April 11 and 25th, some of our scouts will be attending the spring Merit Badge Clinic being run by the Indian Prairie District. I want to thank Lisa Fortsch for helping to organize our Troop's participation in this event.

On April 24-26, we will be camping at Cantigny Park in Wheaton. This will be the first campout for our new Scouts and they will receive training in the basics of camping. This should be a fun outing at an interesting location that is new for our Troop. This outing is being organized by Mr. Klimek.

On May 29-31, we will be going on a two-day canoe trip on the Wisconsin River. We will start out Saturday morning and spend the night camping on a sandbar on the river. This should be a fun trip and a good opportunity for our Scouts to experience an overnight canoe trip. If anyone has questions about this trip, please contact Kyle M. or myself.

Steve W. will be starting his Eagle project very soon. Steve's project will be to complete the second half of the landscape plan for St. John's Church in Aurora. The first half of the plan was Kyle M.'s Eagle project last summer. This will be a good opportunity for Scouts to earn service project hours while helping to improve our local community.

Lastly, I want to remind all of the Scouts that sign-ups and deposits for summer camp are due. If you plan to attend but have not already signed up, please contact Mr. Keeve. We will be returning to Camp Decorah near La Crosse, WI this summer. The camp is lots of fun and gives you a opportunity to earn many of your advancement requirements in one week. The dates for our week at camp are July 5 through July 11.

Yours in Scouting,
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**For more information on Scouting, please visit
these helpful websites:**

Troop 75: www.napervilletroop75.org

Indian Prairie District: www.indianprairie.org

Three Fires Council: www.threefirescouncil.org