

Troop 10 Times

September 2006

Scoutmaster Minutes

Well everyone, **Welcome Back**. I hope everyone had a great summer, because I know our family did. When we left for summer break we talked about all the place and things we were going to do. We talked about going to Camp Napowan, to the Boundary Waters and going to Sea Base. Well guess what; we did all of that and more.

Troop 10 started off the summer by having one of the most fun Court of Honors of the year. We talked about how the troop is a family of many different people. We talked about the achievements and the advancement we had completed. We watched Mr. George F. cook more food than the 82nd Airborne could eat and listened to Mr. Bill T. explain how to fish for walleye and trout. We watched as the Adult leadership of the troop was recognized for all the little things they do to help run the Troop. We talked about the fact 12 Eagle Scouts would graduate from the troop this year and how much they would be missed. Lastly we watched as one of the most deserving scout of the troop was named the "Howard Davis Scout of the Year" - Tom Z. We left that meeting and looked forward to seeing each other at Camp Napowan

Camp Napowan started with a bang. Mr. Ken S. and Ken set up and cleaned up camp before everyone else arrived. They set up 11 tents for the arriving Scouts only to find that the Saturday night storms flattened and broke four tents. Not to be dismayed, they reassembled and conquered. By the next morning repairs had been made and the arriving Scouts never knew what happened. Week one went without a hitch and the leadership of Mr. Tim G., Mrs. Jill H., Dr. Jeff B., Mr. Fred S., Mrs. Sharon W., Mrs. Luann M., (and myself) made the week seem like it was only hours long. We needed the special help of Mr. David K. for the in-between weekend. Without his help and the help of Mr. Thomas K., our "two-weekers" would never have been able to get to the Kalahari for the pizza and the pool party - Thank you Mr. K. and Mr. K. Week two was more fun than I could imagine. We had nine scouts who had never been to camp Napowan before. But with their great attitude and the help of ten experienced scouts, we not only had fun, but we did an exceptional job. Our Troop once again was named the Baden Powell Patrol winners. We collectively received over a hundred completed merit badges and over forty partials. This was after National had revised and improved (some say - made tougher) the merit badge requirements. The only regrettable thing I could think of was some boneheaded Scoutmaster burned a hole in a dining fly. **Somebody should dock his pay.**

We left camp and the next event was the arrival of the 72nd of Glasgow. Our Scottish scout friends once again visited from Scotland. This time 30 different scouts and 6 Adult Leaders stopped by to spend a couple of days with us. We met at the church for a pizza party and for a chance to get to meet each other. After a couple of hours we all went home to our respective families. The next day the Scottish scouts went to the Cubs game, unfortunately they didn't get to see a winning home team, maybe next time we'll try to talk them into going to a Sox game. The host families took our visitors to go shopping or to a pool or whatever the Scottish Scouts requested. Lastly we sent our visitors off to see another Troop from Wisconsin before they left for Scotland seven days later. Look for a new type of neckerchief worn by the Troop 10 Scouts this year.

Troop 10 Calendar

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Scoutmaster Minute cont.

With the help of our super hostess, Mrs. Beverly R., our Troop awarded the Scouts of the 72nd of Glasgow and the scouts from Troop 10 who hosted their visit, a commemorative neckerchief. If you see a Troop 10 scout wearing a new type of neckerchief, ask him how he was awarded that.

The 72nd of Glasgow promised to come back in two years. If anyone is interested in visiting Glasgow and the United Kingdom, let me know, we have a great relationship with the 72nd of Glasgow and they have begged us to come back.

In less than two week after the Scottish Scouts left we headed off to the wilds of Ely, Minnesota, for a high adventure canoe trip to the Quetico Provincial Park. This year we took 33 Venture, Boy Scouts and Adult Leaders to one of the last true Wilderness area in the lower forty-eight. Our troop set out on four different courses all planned by the scouts. Each "crew" was responsible for the selection of their own food, the gear they packed, their duty rosters and the safety and well being of each member of the crew. Some crews were made up of Troop 10 scouts and some were made up of Venture Scouts and troop Scouts. This was once again a ground breaking event for our Troop, as we had a co-ed crew of mixed Scouts and Venture members. As is the case with our Troop, none of this would be possible with out the outstanding leadership of Jeff R., Mrs. Paula B., Mr. and Mrs. R., Dr. Vern K., Mr. Jeff T., Mr. Steve J., and Mrs. K.. At Quetico and the Boundary Waters Canoe Wilderness Area (BWCAW) a scout learns a lot about himself and his ability to develop a real crew. Crew members spend their day's crossing some of the most pristine and beautiful waters in North America. You pack every thing you need for the week and place it on your back and "portage" over sections of land that link you to the next body of water and a little closer to what Heaven must look like. If you are lucky you will see Bald Eagles, Loons, Moose, Beaver, Otters, Bass, Walleye, Pike and four legged Squirrels. During your time in the wilderness you will find a new appreciation for dessert and the amount of time it takes to boil water. You will learn the simple things like filtering your water and the pleasure of a pool of water cast off from a waterfall. We learned about a new thing to do with crayfish. Our crews learned the value of hanging "bear bags" and helping another crew member if their packs were too heavy. We also learned how to camp without the convenience of a trailer. Every Scout I have ever been with has a new value of the night time sky in the wilderness because of the star show that arrives every night. If you are a hardy bunch, Mother Nature will reward you with a special star show - the Northern Lights, but only if you can wake up really early.

Our last but not least trip took a crew of eight to Boy Scout's Sea Base station in the Florida Keys. Troop 10 Venture Scouts learned the secrets of the old mariners and sailors. Mr. Michael L. and Mr. Robert H. directed the trip and maintained the proper adult guidance for an exceptional group of scouts. If I had a wish, I would wish every Scout would go on at least one high adventure trip in his scout career. For those that would like to go that extra distance and be like Jeff R., try to do all the high adventure sites, all three of them. And then remember, Jeff did at least four high adventure trips, the BWCAW and Philmont twice. The lessons learned at these sites will be with you forever. The memories from these high adventure trips will contain thoughts of old and new friends, beautiful scenery, difficult situations and the simple things you never thought of. You will have a new appreciation of your life in Barrington.

As we look forward to this year, we will miss the twelve members of our Troop as they are off to College. Please think of the Scouts who have gone on to difficult positions in life. Eagle Scout Nate H. ('06) has entered West Point and is starting his first and probably most difficult year. Say a prayer for Eagle Scout John M. ('01), he was shipped out to Baghdad, in July with the 101st Infantry Division. We will welcome our new Senior Patrol Leader Ryan F. and the two newly elected Assistant Senior Patrol Leaders Zach B. and Daniel B., Our trips this year will take us back to some old familiar places and some new exciting trips. We will modify our schedule to help with school and church. We will try some new ideas and we will prepare even harder for summer camp next year. Please remember none of this is possible with out everyone working together. We need experienced scouts as well as Adult Leaders. Please help where you can, don't wait to be asked, remember **"A Scout is Helpful, Friendly, Courteous, and Kind"**.

Call me, write me emails, and let me know what you are thinking. Let us know how to get better.

Welcome Back

Troop 10 To Start the School Year Off Strong

Troop 10 knows how to put the "outing in Scouting!" We'll be starting the new school year off with a campout **September 15 - 17**. Grab your bikes and join us as we bike the I & M Canal. Currently 61 miles in length, this crushed limestone trail offers scenic hiking and bicycling opportunities. The trail follows the historic route of the I & M Canal. The canal became the final link in an all-water route between the east coast and the Gulf of Mexico. Built between 1836 and 1848, the canal helped transform Illinois from a sparsely settled wilderness to a prosperous, populous state. While we won't bike the entire length, Scouts should plan on biking at least 10 miles for the Second Class rank requirement.

A few Reminders from the Camping Committee...

- Permission slips are due to the camping committee on the Monday just prior to the campout.
- Cancellations will be fully refunded up until the Monday night just prior to the campout. No refunds will be given after that time, due to Troop expenses already incurred.
- Camping fees are to be paid by check made out to Troop 10, unless the Treasurer has signed your permission slip allowing the fees to be deducted from your Scout Account.
- When shopping for Patrol groceries, budget \$3.50 per meal per camper. There is a \$2.00 allowance per camper for Cracker Barrel.
- Grocery receipts are to be submitted to the Treasurer within 2 weeks after the campout. Please attach receipts to the requisition form found on the backside of the patrol shopping list. Receipts turned in after 2 weeks will be considered a donation. Any expenses beyond the budgeted allowance will also be considered a donation.

If you have any questions, please call Mr. Sean McC., Mrs. Jill H., or Mr. Dave K.

Troop Brochure Contest

We need an information brochure about Troop 10 for the Webelos II Scouts and their parents. To accomplish that, there will be a contest for designing the best brochure. The winner will receive a prize to be announced at the first regular Scout meeting. All contestants that create a brochure can count it as part of the Communications merit badge requirement 7c. After the contest, the troop scribe will take the winning brochure as a starting point and make a final brochure to be used as a recruitment tool.

The contest starts now and ends at the Scout meeting on Monday 16 October. The winner will be announced at the Court of Honor. Please give your brochure (with your name on it) to Mr. Tim G.

To get ideas on what should be in the brochure, check out a couple of examples from other troops on our website.

Service hours for scouts and school

Troop 10 will be helping out at the Art In the Barn on September 24th. Art in the Barn is a fund raising art show held in the barn next to the Good Shepherd Hospital.

We need volunteers to help with parking direction. No drivers License required. We need 8 volunteers to help out from 9:30 AM to noon.

Please contact Mr. Jeff T.

Call soon there are only 8 slots available.

Needed: An assistant for the Advancement Chair (Mrs. Susan V.). This person would likely take over as Advancement Chair for 2007-2009. If interested and/or for more information please call Mrs V.

Needed: Recording secretary – take the minutes of the monthly committee meetings. Please let Mr. Tim G. know if you can help in these positions or can recommend one of your fellow parents.

Order of the Arrow News

Welcome back Scouts!

Until our OA Troop 10 scout Rep takes over this column, I will fill in with Order of the Arrow news. The Order of the Arrow is the Honor Society of the Boy Scouts of America. The Order is focused on camping promotion, developing leadership skills and offering cheerful service and volunteerism to others.

This year the particular focus will be in promoting exciting high adventure scouting opportunities. The latest information packet is on its way to our Scoutmaster Mr. B. There will be 5 extraordinary service opportunities at 5 different national parks in the summer of 2008 spanning from northern California to Wyoming to Utah all the way to Virginia. The program is called ArrowCorps5, details at the national OA site of oa-bsa.org.

The immediate past lodge chief, Mr. Don H., will be heading up camp promotion.

I recently returned from the National Order of the Arrow Conference at Michigan State University; over 8,000 Arrowmen attended. Our Lakota Lodge sent a record 35 delegates. The new Lakota Lodge Chief, Mr. Ritchie F., has made it his charge to encourage greater participation of Troop 10 (largest troop in the council) in Lodge activities. Look for lodge officers to come to some of our troop meetings in the near future.

Recently, we had a fun opening pool party in which Scoutmaster Mr. B. presented several 'positions of responsibility' within the troop. OA Troop Rep is one of these positions. It will be fun and Lodge officers pledge to train any and all who apply and are chosen. It is a great opportunity. Check out the position's description on the web site. Added bonus, you get to do a monthly column in our newsletter. Congratulations to our new Arrowmen!

Yours in Brotherhood: Mr. Brad E.

Thanks to all the special volunteer leaders this summer!

The events of this summer (as described in the Scoutmaster minute above) would not have gone so smoothly without the hard work and dedication of a few parents who stepped up to help out.

- Mrs. Luann M. and Mrs. Sharon W. did a great job in preparing us for Napowan. Getting the Scouts and parents prepared and organizing all the paperwork made the Scoutmasters' job so much easier.
- Mrs. Paula B. and Mr. Thomas R. planned and made sure all of the gear and training was set to make the Quetico trip a success.
- Mr. Michael L. led the Seabase trip and worked through all of the details.

Parents, if you're interested in leading a high adventure trip (backpacking, white water rafting, scuba diving, etc.), please let Mr. John B. or Mr. Tim G. know.

You'll have a great time.

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October 2006

Hello Everyone,

Troop 10 has started the year off with a bang. We camped at the Illini State Park last weekend and biked the I&M Canal Trail through the central part of the State. We found the weather just perfect and the companionship even better. Our lunch was catered at the Big Rock State Park by Dr. B. We found plenty of Gatorade, water and sandwich fixin's for a great meal and a beautiful site. Thanks Dr. B., we couldn't have done it without you. **A Scout is Courteous.**

In October we will try some new things and keep some things the same. We are going to have our annual Family Campout, and we are going to a familiar site, the Warren Dunes in Sawyer, Michigan. The troop moved the Family Camp-out to October last year because we wanted more families of our Scouts to participate and the idea was that October's weather would help facilitate that idea. In the past we have camped at the Warren Dunes, however we usually went there in May for our end of the year campout. Last year we had to try and schedule around High School Prom, Mothers Day, and Graduation and Memorial Day all in the same month. So, we elected to have the troop visit Warren Dunes at a time of the year that was new to us. **A Scout is cheerful.**

Our Scouts have decided to use this campout to show off their Scout skills. There will be a flag pole lashed together by one of our patrols. We will have a "camp gadget" built by another patrol. In addition we will have patrol set up a number of beach type games, such as volleyball, bean bag toss and the always competitive chess and checkers matches. Your sons have chosen to host your evening with a camp fire program that would make Mr. G. feel like he is still at camp Tomo-chi-chi Knolls in the eighth grade. If you need any help with camp type equipment please feel free to contact me or Mr. Steve R. (Quartermaster of the Year 1996 -2006), because this is an event you don't want to pass up. **A Scout is Helpful.**

In addition to all the scout type activities we have found that the area around Warren Dunes is a special place to be in the fall. We know that some of our families travel to Michigan and Wisconsin to view the changing colors of the season. Well we took that into consideration when we schedule this trip. This part of the state will have a number of fall-type events for you to participate in while you are there. Mrs. H. has found a number of these sites and you may be interested viewing the Yahoo site for more information, we know you won't be disappointed. However I wouldn't leave camp for too long, we are a busy Troop. Don't forget Sunday morning our Scouts will present a Scout Service for all to participate in, don't miss it. **A Scout is Reverent.**

Starting in October our two ASPL's, Daniel B. and Zach B. will work with Mrs. W. to develop multiple numbers of service projects to help accomplish the "Community Service" portion of the Scout's advancement. In the past the troop participated in the Highway 59 cleanup project, and while that helped in the scheme of community service it presented a few headaches of its own. We would like the scouts to help with program near to their home and their hearts. The Barrington United Methodist Church our sponsor has compiled a list and we will start to help in the completion of their needs. BUMC has never asked us for a dime and has given us every thing we could imagine, it's our turn to help out. **A Scout is Loyal.**

Lastly, I would like to appeal to our parents. The Troop would like to start and end our Scout meetings on time. If you could please have your son in uniform and at the meeting no later than 7:25pm, it would help us start on time. The Scouts chose who does the flag ceremony at the PLC meeting a month in advance so they know ahead of time which patrol will be doing the opening Flag ceremony. In addition, I remind the Patrol Leaders when I send them the meeting agenda. The patrol that does the flag ceremony should be there no later than 7:20pm. The patrol that does the flag ceremony is also asked to put away the flags and they should be able to leave a few minutes after everyone else. If we start on time, get our announcements completed at the beginning, and finish on time, our program will benefit all of us. **A Scout is Trustworthy.**

See you at the Dunes! Scoutmaster Mr. John B.

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Fall Family Campout October 6th – 8th

Families are invited to join Troop 10 on our October Campout at Warren Dunes State Park. This is a favorite campout location for all ages. Hike through the woods, stroll along Lake Michigan, climb the huge sand dunes, slide down the slippery sandy slopes. We'll enjoy a BBQ cookout on Saturday night followed by an entertaining campfire. Harbor Country Harvest Days are occurring that weekend, along with lots of other local activities. See the link on the Troop 10 web site for the Harvest Days schedule of events and information on U-Pick farms and museums. With no school on Monday, October 9th, you can stay and play longer in beautiful Michigan. Campout information and permission forms are available on the Troop 10 web site and at the Monday night Troop meetings. Forms and fees are due to Mrs. H. by **Monday, October 2, 2006**.

Scouts- go out and sell popcorn!

Remember that the orders and the money are due on **Monday October 16th**. The popcorn pick up is on **Sunday November 19th** at Mrs. McC's house.

THANK YOU

Eddie T. wishes to thank everyone who showed up to help him with his Eagle project on August 27th. Over 40 people participated. The project included, removal of invasive species of trees, improving drainage and rerouting a portion of the J trail in the Deer Grove Forest Preserve. This improvement and maintenance will help the trail be useful for skiers, hikers, horseback riders and bikers for years to come.

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Service hours for scouts

BUMC is holding their **Fall rummage sale** in October & are looking for help in setting up & taking down.

Saturday 7th October 9am onwards to help set up.

Monday 9th October (no school) 9am onwards to set up & take in donations

Saturday 14th October 11:45am until finished (usually no more than 2 hours)...to box up any unsold items & take down clothes racks, etc

It is important that everyone tries to give some of their time (parents welcome too)

Please contact Zach B. or Daniel B. to sign up.

Needed: First Class to Life advisor – encourages the Scouts during the middle portion of their rank advancement. Works better for a parent of an older Scout.

Needed: Recording secretary – takes the minutes of the monthly committee meetings.

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Order of the Arrow News

The recently completed Lakota Lodge Fall Fellowship @ Camp Lakota saw ASM Jared E. complete his Brotherhood and his Dad complete the repair on the new Kybo.

Past Lodge Chief Don H. is now head of Camp Promotions. Mr. John B. is setting up a visit from the OA team to speak to our Troop about new camping opportunities.

Once again the OA is hosting the **HAUNTED HIKE on Methodist Camp Grounds in Des Plaines on the 27 & 28 of October**. Our medical team will sponsor the medical tent/morgue; please bring any spare body parts.

The OA Winter Banquet is set for Wednesday, December 28, 2006. Annual awards and entertainment is available.

Yours in Brotherhood: Mr. E.

SAVE THE DATE

Life to Eagle Seminar

Monday, October 30 at 7:30 pm

For Whom:

- **Scouts with Life Rank**
- **Venture Scouts**
- **Parents of Life Scouts**

Topics to be covered:

- **Milestones that need to be completed by the Scout's 18th birthday**
- **Eagle project process - from project selection to write-up**
- **The "Potholes on the Road to Eagle" - making sure everything gets done right**

Where:

- **BUMC at the regular Scout meeting**

Eagle is a journey, not just a destination!

Wanted High Adventure Leaders!!

Ever wonder how the Philmont, Sea Base, or Boundary Waters trips get organized? Parents just like YOU say, "Hey that would be fun!"

And then it's all down hill from there. Think about what your son would like to do in the summer of 2007. And get ready to make it happen. We're here to help; just ask.

A gentle reminder to parents about Boards of Review, again.

On the night that your son is having a BOR, we need YOUR help on other Scout's BOR. This makes the BoR evening run smoothly (we're not looking around for adults to help) and quickly (we can get more done at the same time). So next time, come on in with your son (in his Class A uniform of course) and have a great discussion with another Scout during his BOR.

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Hello Everyone,

Last month we camped at the Warren Dunes in the Fall for the first time in the Troop's history. This Troop has been going to the Dunes since May of 1995 and this is the first time we traveled to Michigan in October. Our Scouts and their families enjoyed a beautiful weekend in the countryside. We played games, camped in the sunshine, watched a couple of the adult leaders take naps, played on the dunes, enjoyed a great meal, and had a fantastic campfire. All of this was made possible by the Scout Leadership of Ryan and Zach. We would be remiss if we didn't thank Mr. and Mrs. F. for a great lunch and in addition if it wasn't for Mr. and Mrs. S., I wouldn't have been able to gain three pounds on this campout. We all enjoyed grilled chicken and burgers cooked to perfection along with the side dishes prepared by the patrol members. It should be against the law to have that much fun on a weekend.

Well, this month we are off to our annual trap and skeet shooting campout at Bristol Gun Club. Our Scouts will be at the range to shoot at the 16 yard trap range the same type of range that the Olympics athlete's compete at. If any of the older scouts would like a challenge I will take a group over to the skeet range to test their skills on a different set of targets. If our Scouts believe they can hold their own, we will shoot a course that requires both high and low house targets in addition to doubles targets sent from two different sides. I will personally help all Scouts and parents (Moms included) who wish to shoot, in any way possible. We would like everyone to have opportunity to try this sport at least once, and after you see how much fun this can be maybe you will try this on your own. Or you could call me any time and that will be the excuse I need to get out of "honey do" chores.

Unfortunately I have some bad news regarding shooting at Bristol Gun Range. The state of Wisconsin passed a law in February of 2006 restricting the use, or handling of firearms by youth. The state now requires all youth from the ages of 12 until the age of 16 to have their parent or guardian to be in their **immediate** vicinity while using or possessing a firearm. In addition the law also went so far as to prohibit the use or handling of a firearm by a youth under the age of 12. The restriction for youth under 12, will not allow a youth to use a firearm even with a parent in their immediate reach. We are in the process of setting up times at the range for each patrol; this will allow the parents that need to be there for their son's, to have an arranged time. After your Scout has completed shooting we may need some drivers to deliver the Scouts back to camp, and then if you are not joining us, you are free to go back home. However, you will miss a great campout and campfire ceremony if you don't stay!!!

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December

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I apologized at the Court of Honor in October when I explained this new law to the Troop. I did not know of this law prior to requesting the shooting date with the club, and after the club called to inform me, I looked into making other arrangements for the outing. We considered trying a new club in Illinois; however what we found was almost a two hour drive away. We considered changing the weekend, but Mrs. H. had paid a deposit on the campsite and everyone had that weekend on their calendars. I am truly sorry for the Scouts that are not over twelve years old. I have taken my sons and daughters shooting before they were twelve and I truly do not understand this law. I have promised to make up this injustice with our younger scouts and I will find a way to right this wrong, I promise.

This new law has many leaders of youth groups totally confused. If we are to instruct youth in the proper use of a firearm, we must trust them. We, as Scout leaders, have instructed Scouts and other youths in the safety of firearms for years. We will continue to stress safety as the number one art form in this sport and I know our Scouts will do their part to maintain that. I was asked at the Court of Honor how this will affect Camp Napowan's shooting sport merit badge studies. We are still working on trying to resolve this however; everyone at Council is working on this. I am sure that by summer, we will have a workable solution. If you have any questions please call or email me. Until then we look forward to having fun and busting some clay next weekend.

See you there. Scoutmaster Mr. John B.

Campout November 10-12th

The next Troop 10 Campout will be November 10th – 12th at **BSA Camp Crown, near Bristol, Wisconsin**. We'll spend Saturday at the Bristol Shooting Ranges practicing our rifle, shotgun, skeet, black powder and archery skills.

NOTE TO PARENTS: Due to a new Wisconsin State law, scouts must be 12 years or older to participate. In addition, a parent must be present during the time a scout who is 12 – 16 years old is shooting.

Please plan on joining us Saturday at the ranges and enjoy lunch and scout fellowship. If you'd like to bring a gun or bow and arrows, you must get approval from Scoutmaster John B. prior to November 10th.

In addition, please note that we will be meeting and departing from Station Middle School, near the center of Barrington, at 5:45 p.m. Scouts will also need to bring along extra funds for ammunition. \$15 is recommended.

Are you ready to go the Boundary Waters?

Williams and Hall, the outfitters which we used for this past summer's trip, is having an information session for all potential crew leaders. The meeting is at the Park Ridge Park District on **6 November at 7PM**. It is in the South Park Building at 833 Talcott in Park Ridge. If you want to go, RSVP to canoe@williamsandhall.com

Thanks for your help!

Thanks to the Mr. and Mrs. S. for the great food at the family camp-out! It tasted great, especially after burning up all that energy on the dunes!

Thanks to Mrs. Sue O. and Mrs. Bev R. for coordinating all the food for the Court of Honor.

Want to go to Philmont in 2007!

If 2007 is your year to experience Philmont, you can go with the Council contingent. They leave Chicago on **6 July and return on 21 July**. Spaces open for both youth and adult. All participants must be older than 14 by 1 January 2007 OR be 13 years old and have completed the 8th grade.

Cost is \$1300. This includes the Philmont fee, transportation, meals, shakedown training hikes, Philmont picture, T-shirt, side trips, and touring.

Sign up through Council as soon as you know you want to go.

Thanks from BUMC!

Thanks to all of the Scouts that helped out at BUMC's rummage sale and the work day.

Rummage sale: Graeme W., Jon C., Kevin J., Zach B.

Work day: Ed T., Myles McC., Daniel H., Jordan I., Peter Scott S., David B., Adam P., Kurt J., Mr. Steve R., Robert C., Phillip G., Mr. Tim G.

Our help was very much appreciated on both of these activities.

Boundary Water Canoe Trip By: Joey S.

This summer our high adventure group traveled to the boundary waters in Canada and enjoyed a week of camping and canoeing. Three adventures crews departed on Saturday, July 29 for Ely, Minnesota. Most of us returned on Sunday, August 6. But Mrs. B's group of high adventure girls out lasted the guys and stayed on until Tuesday, August 8.

We motor boated up Moose Lake and portaged at Prairie Portage to the Canadian Customs Station. Next we canoed up Bayley Bay and portaged to Burke Lake. A portage is a hike through the swamp/land while carrying your canoe and equipment to the next lake. We camped on Burke Lake the first night. Throughout the week we canoed and portaged through out the Canadian territory. On our last night we stayed on Sunday Lake and saw the waterfall and made one of our longest portage, 134 rods. A rod is a unit of measurement which equals 16 and ½ feet, much longer than you think when you are carrying a canoe. We finished the trip canoeing back down Bayley Bay. During the week we fished and swam every day. It was a great trip.

I can't wait to hear about the adventure trips for this summer. Remember to sell those wreaths, popcorn and plants to earn money for the camping trips!

Where will Boy Scouts take you?

The following is an excerpt from a CNN interview with Steve Fossett.

<http://www.cnn.com/2006/TECH/10/31/fossett/index.html>

Adventurer Steve Fossett doesn't mind going it alone -- in fact going solo has helped him break and set records in sailing, aviation and ballooning. In 2002, he achieved the first solo balloon flight around the world, traveling 20,626 miles in 14 days. In 2005, he completed the first solo, non-stop, non-refueled airplane trip around-the-world in the Virgin Atlantic GlobalFlyer. A year later he used GlobalFlyer again to break the world's flight distance record, traveling more than 26,000 miles in 76 hours.

INTERVIEWER: Where does your adventurous spirit come from?

FOSSETT: The Boy Scouts. When I was 12 years old I climbed my first mountain, and I just kept going, taking on more diverse and grander projects.

Now, you have to ask yourself, if Steve Fossett went around the world in a balloon, where will I go?

Troop Committee Specifics training at BUMC

Troop Committee Specifics training is being offered at the **BUMC on December 4th @ 6:30 p.m.** This will be a great opportunity for those who have taken New Leader Essentials training last May to be fully "trained" as a Committee Member. Please mark your calendars for this event.

This ONE SESSION training program is designed to help ALL CURRENT AND FUTURE TROOP COMMITTEE MEMBER better understand their roles and responsibilities. This training will also enable Troop Committee Members to support the troop, the Scoutmaster, and the Scouts. Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters are also welcome.

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED THROUGH COUNCIL.

Needed: Recording secretary – takes the minutes of the monthly committee meetings.

Please let Mr. Tim G. know if you can help in these positions or can recommend one of your fellow parents.

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Troop 10 Times

December 2006

Troop 10 Calendar

December

4	Class A meeting
7	District Roundtable
9	Signal Hill First Aid mtg
11	Red Shirt meeting
13	Committee Meeting
16	Patrol led event
16	Hanukkah
18	PLC/BOR
21	Winter break starts
25	Christmas
28	OA banquet

January

4	District Roundtable
8	Class A meeting
10	Committee Meeting
15	Red Shirt Meeting
19-21	Klondike
22	PLC/BOR
23	Newsletter deadline
29	Red Shirt meeting

Check our website for
further information –
<http://troop10.nwsc.org/>

SMC = Scout Master Conference
BOR = Board of Review
PLC = Patrol Leaders Conference
BUMC= Barrington United Methodist
Church

Happy Hanukkah

Merry Christmas

First Aid meet

December 9 -- 9:45 am to 2:00 pm at BMS-Station.

For more information refer to the Troop 10 Web site

Court of Honor Monday, February 26

Scouts, get all your advancement and merit badges up to date with Mrs. V.

Order of the Arrow NEWS by Phillip G. – Order of the Arrow Scout Rep

The 2006 Lakota Lodge Winter Banquet is going to be on **Thursday, December 28th from 6 pm to 11 pm**. This year it's going to be at **The Cotillion Banquet Facility, in Palatine**, which is right by Northwest Highway and Route 53. Circus Boy will be providing entertainment at the winter banquet. For more about Circus Boy, visit his website at www.circusboy.com. The Lakota Lodge Winter Banquet "Ghost" patch was unveiled, and it's really, *really* cool. You can only get this limited edition of the Ghost patch if you come to the banquet.

So Come and Join the Fun!

New Feature – Alex G. - historian

This is a new feature in the monthly newsletter. This article reflects what the troop was doing five years ago to what it's doing today.

5 years ago Troop 10 was planning its **first** December Campout. They were really excited about it. Mr. Ryan J. was the scout master. At their November Family campout they had 14 turkeys and fried at least 7 of them. Congratulations to both Andy J. and Paul O. who had their Eagle board of reviews in November, 2001.

Want to go to Philmont in 2007!

If 2007 is your year to experience Philmont, you can go with the Council contingent.

They leave Chicago on **6 July and return on 21 July**. Spaces open for both youth and adult. All participants must be older than 14 by 1 January 2007 OR be 13 years old and have completed the 8th grade.

Cost is \$1300. This includes the Philmont fee, transportation, meals, shakedown training hikes, Philmont picture, T-shirt, side trips, and touring.

Sign up through Council as soon as you know you want to go.

The Shooting Campout By Joey S.

The November Shooting Campout was very cold and very wet, but that didn't stop us from having a great time. We set up our tents in the rain on Friday night. We woke to clear, crisp weather on Saturday morning and traveled to the Bristol Shotgun Range. We shot rifles, shot guns and Mr. Jeff T.'s pistol. Mr. T. also had an old family rifle that was Eddie's great grandfathers. It was a great shot. The most popular gun of all was Mr. T's 9mm pistol. After a fun and cold day at the range we went back to camp and made dinner. We cooked bratwurst and made a huge campfire. Later that night, Eddie T. and I were the Masters of Ceremony for the campfire. Despite the rain and cold weather every one had fun and enjoyed themselves.

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