

# Troop 10 Times

October 2001

## Scoutmaster Minute

By Mr. Ryan J., Scoutmaster

With newsletter deadlines being what they are, I am writing this before we leave on our first campout, our canoeing trip on the Fox River. While we have had a lot of rain, the weather reports for our Saturday trip look great. We will be going about 15 miles, starting in Burlington, Wisconsin and ending near our campsite at Camp Crown. It looks like it will be a great time!

In this coming year, we will be putting greater emphasis on the patrol method as a method of helping the scouts advance and learn. Each patrol will have its own flag and camping equipment (i.e. cook box, dining fly) this year. Additionally, each of our 4 "non-venture" patrols will have 2 or 3 specific venture scouts dedicated to "mentoring" that patrol and help its scouts succeed, grow and have fun.

With so many scouts at the first class, star and life levels, many of our boys will be needing "positions of responsibility" in order to advance: yes. We have begun assigning these positions already, but this year, in our scoutmaster's conferences for advancement, we will focus less on what title the boys had and focus more on what the boys have done for the troop. With this emphasis on "doing" I expect that there will be more opportunity for our senior scouts and even more help for our younger scouts from our senior scouts as they all work towards their advancement.

In the coming months, the pace will continue to pick up. We will have our Sparta to Elroy Bike trip (including a stay at the army barracks at Fort McCoy), the repeat of a favorite from last year. We will be kicking off our annual holiday wreath sale fundraiser in the coming weeks. We will also have a couple of key service projects on Oct. 27: the Rt. 59 cleanup for most of the troop and a few of the older scouts will assist at the Barrington United Methodist Church (our sponsor) rummage sale. On the 29th, we will recognize our scout's achievements at our Court of Honor.

With the help of all of our adult volunteers, and with all of the camping, advancement and service projects, our scouts will continue on the path of growing and having fun doing it. It's going to be a great year!

Yours in Scouting,  
Ryan J. Scoutmaster

## October

1	Class A Meeting
1	Wreath Sales Begin
4	Roundtable Meeting
15	Red Shirt Meeting
18	Committee Meeting
19-21	Campout – Bicycle Trip
22	PLC/BOR
26	Newsletter Submission Deadline
27	Rt. 59 Cleanup
27	Rummage Sale @ United Methodist Church
29	Wreath Sales End – Turn In Order Forms
29	Court of Honor

## November

1	Roundtable Meeting
5	Class A Meeting
12	Red Shirt Meeting
15	Committee Meeting
16-18	Family Campout – White Pines
19	PLC/BOR
23	Newsletter Submission Deadline
26	Red Shirt Meeting

## December

3	Class A Meeting
8	First Aid Meet
10	Red Shirt Meeting
13	Roundtable Meeting
14-16	Cabin Campout
17	Holiday Festival
20	Committee Meeting
21	Newsletter Submission Deadline
24-1/4	<b>HAPPY HOLIDAYS!</b>

## January

7	Class A Meeting
10	Roundtable Meeting
11-13	Winter Campout
14	PLC/BOR
17	Committee Meeting
25	Newsletter Submission Deadline
28	Red Shirt Meeting

\*SMC = Scout Master Conference  
BOR = Board of Review  
PLC = Patrol Leaders Conference

## Publicity for Troop 10!!!!

We want to publish a few pictures in the papers to show the community the wonderful experience our boys get from being a Boy Scout. Whether it's a Service Project, Camp Napowan, and camping or high adventure - we have a great troop! Please bring pictures to a meeting or give me a call and I can pick them up!

Sue M. 847-934-3934

## Service Project Mark Your Calendars!

**Saturday Oct. 27, 2001**

Meet at Barrington Hills Police Department at 8:00 AM. We will have Donuts and beverages, watch a safety video and then head out to clean up Route 59. This project should take approximately 4 hours. Bring your work gloves and wear boots.

Questions - call Sue M.

## Mike M. – Eagle Project

THANK YOU to everyone who helped me on Saturday, Sept. 15th at the Tyler Creek Forest Preserve. Scouts met very early on this Saturday morning and worked hard all day long. I had approximately 25 volunteers (Community volunteers / Troop 10 Scouts and Adult Leaders) who logged in approximately 140 hours of labor!

The project exceeded expectations and in just 24 hours deer and visitors are already using the paths. An additional acre is now accessible for the public to use! We also built 6 habitat piles for small animals, too.

Thank you to **Dr. Y., Mr. S., Ranger Tom S., and Troop 10's Adult Leadership** for all their support and guidance for my project.

Mike M.

## COURT OF HONOR

The first Court of Honor for this year will be held on Monday, October 29 at Grove School beginning at 7:00. This is a special occasion in which the Scouts will receive the many badges that they earned over the summer. The Scouts who have moved up a rank will also be recognized. This is a family event; parents and siblings are encouraged to come. Every one who is coming will be asked to bring a dessert or something related. Someone will be calling you shortly, so please think about what your family will be bringing. If someone leaves a message for you, please return that call as soon as possible as we have a large troop and we will be calling many families. Please remember that this is a Class A occasion, so dress accordingly. We are looking forward to seeing everyone there!

If you have any questions, please call me at 934-1987.

Robin B.

## Camping

By Mr. Bill T., Camping Chairman

With the temperatures turning cooler and the days getting shorter, you can certainly say that fall is in the air. Just as the leaves turn yellow and red, its time for our annual bike trip. This year we will be traveling to New Glarus, WI. Our Scouts will be pedaling the Sugar River State Bike Trail. This trail meanders through Central Wisconsin following the path of the Wisconsin-Central Railroad. The rails have long been removed, leaving behind a smooth and fairly flat bicycle trail. It Passes through gently rolling hills, quarries, woodlands, a covered bridge and the Albany Wildlife Refuge. After a day on the trail, its back to New Glarus Woods State Park for the night.

**Where:** New Glarus, WI  
**October, 19th - 21st, 2001**

**What:** Bike Trip along the Sugar River State Park Trail

**Next Month:** White Pines Family Campout  
**Date:** November 16-18, 2001

Everyone is invited to Erik A's Eagle project on Oct. 6th and 7th from 10 AM until 6 PM. We will be building a trail, doing some weed control, and collecting seeds. Everyone should bring a pair of work gloves. If you can bring a shovel, tree clippers, or a wheelbarrow, please contact me. If you have any questions, please call Erik at 381-8657. Hope to see you all there.

(P.S. Great opportunity for service hours!!!)



District is looking for volunteers for Whoop-O-Ree, which is Oct. 19-20th at Camp Lakota. You don't have to camp - you can just volunteer for the games (Saturday or Sunday mornings)!!!

Call Sue M. at  
847-934-3934.

## Troop 10 Training

By Mr. Tom K., Training Chairman

Several adults from Troop 10 are currently taking the Adult Basic Leader Training course that is underway during the months of September and October. To complete this course, there is an all day Saturday training session followed by a Wednesday night training session and then followed by a weekend camping trip. Once this course is completed, you are presented with a "Trained" patch, which you may wear on your scouting shirt left sleeve. This is the last time that this course will be taught in this manner. To accomplish this same level of training will now require you to complete two separate training courses. The first one will be a ground school session geared towards Committee Members and the second one, called Outdoor Leader Skills, is geared towards Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters. I will provide more information on these courses, as it becomes available to me.

**OKPIK, "High Adventure" Cold-Weather Camping:** Our Scoutmaster, Mr. Ryan Julian, will be looking for some Venture aged scouts to attend this upcoming winter training session. These scouts will need to be 14 years and older and at least in their first year of high school. The upcoming scheduled training sessions are as follows:

- **OUTDOOR LEADER SKILLS:** This course is designed to teach Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters the Outdoor Skills necessary for First Class Rank. This will be a "hands on" course and will cover the skills of Ropes, Knots, Lashings, Cooking, Wood Tools, First Aid and Nature.

**When:** Friday, October 5 at 6 p.m. thru  
Sunday, October 7 at 3 p.m.

**Where:** Camp Lakota, Woodstock, IL  
**Cost:** \$35

- **TROOP COMMITTEE TRAINING:** This program is designed to help all current and future troop committee members, ASM's and other leaders to better understand their roles and responsibilities within the troop. This training will also enable troop committee members to support the Troop, the Scoutmaster and Scouts.

**When:** Tuesday, October 30, 6:30- 9:00pm

**Where:** TBD

**Cost:** \$10 (includes manual)

## TRAINING Continued...

- **VENTURING ADULT LEADER TRAINING:** This course is open to anyone who would like to learn more about Venturing. Topics will include programs, crew organization and advancement.

When: Saturday, October 27, 9 AM – 4:30 PM  
Where: TBD  
Cost: \$8 (lunch will not be provided)

- **OKPIK: Cold Weather Camping:** To provide a “train the trainer” opportunity to scout leaders and experienced youth in the unique skills of winter camping.

When: 1<sup>st</sup> ground session, Sunday October 21, 1-5 p.m.  
2<sup>nd</sup> ground session, Sunday, November 4, 1-5 p.m.  
3<sup>rd</sup> ground session, Sunday, November 18, 1-5 p.m.  
4<sup>th</sup> ground session, Sunday, December 2, 1-5 p.m.  
Camping Trip, Saturday, January 5 thru Sunday, January 6  
Where: Ground training sessions will be held at the First Congregational Church,  
766 Graceland Avenue, Des Plaines, IL  
Camping trip will be held at Camp Lakota, Woodstock, IL  
Cost: \$50

If anyone has any questions, I can be reached during the day at 312-930-1322 or in the evening at 847-359-3011. I can also be contacted at my **E-mail id**.

### 2001 Wreath Sale

by Steve R.

Our holiday wreath sale program is one of the major fundraisers for our troop, with all of the net proceeds staying in the troop. The scouts receive credits in their individual "scout accounts" for about 40% of the selling price of each item they sell. The scouts can use these funds to pay for anything scout related, such as camping equipment and clothing, troop dues, campout fees, or high adventure costs. To "withdraw" these funds, the scout simply presents a receipt for a scouting-related item to the troop treasurer, and a reimbursement check will be issued. Or notify the camping coordinator, Mr. Bill T., that an outing will be paid from the scout account and the cost of the outing will be deducted from the account.

We will begin our selling season with the issuance of forms and sales material on October 1st, and all orders must be turned in on October 29th. As in previous years, the patrol with the greatest quantity of items sold will win gifts for all the participating members of that patrol.

Last year, over \$24,000 worth of holiday items were sold with \$10,000 going into the scout accounts! On average, each scout sold more than 18 items. All scouts are strongly urged to sell these items and help pay for their scouting experience.

If anyone has questions regarding this program, please see Mr. Craig H. or myself at a troop meeting, or call one of us at 304-4926 or 426-1101.

**POPCORN SALES TO BEGIN THIS MONTH!! KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN FOR MORE INFO SHORTLY...**

**MERIT BADGE COUNSELORS NEEDED ...**

Parent volunteers are in need for Merit Badge Counselors.

Please help out with this much-needed position!

See Joni R. for more details or call her at 381-4735.

**DON'T FORGET...**

All Scouts **MUST** remember to bring their Scout Book to ALL meetings and

**Flag Etiquette**

Submitted by Bill T., from the Boy Scout Handbook, 11<sup>th</sup> Edition

The flag of the United States is much more than just red, white, and blue cloth. As the symbol of America, it stands for the past, present, and future of our country. The flag of the USA may be flown every day and in any condition, as long as it is made of weather-resistant material. A flag is usually flown from sunrise to sunset. It may be displayed throughout the night as long as it is illuminated. Fly the flag at half-staff to show sorrow and mourning following a national tragedy, the death of a president or other national or state figure, or to honor those who have sacrificed their lives for their country. Hoist the flag to the top of the pole, hold it for an instant, then lower it to a point half the distance between the top and the bottom of the pole. To take it down, first raise the flag back to the top of the pole, then slowly lower it. On Memorial Day, fly the flag at half-staff until noon then hoist it to full-staff. **THE UNITED STATES FLAG SHOULD NEVER BE FLOWN UPSIDE DOWN EXCEPT AS A DISTRESS SIGNAL TO CALL FOR HELP.** It takes 2 people to hoist, lower, and fold the flag correctly. When you are wearing your Scout uniform, with or without a hat, greet the flag with a Scout salute anytime you pass it, it passes you, or you see it being hoisted or lowered. Give the Scout salute when you recite the Pledge of Allegiance, too. When not in uniform, greet the flag by placing your right hand over your heart. The flag may be carried on a staff in parades, Scout meetings, and during ceremonies and patriotic events. It's always carried aloft and free, never flat or horizontally. When the flag is carried by itself, there should be a person serving as an honor guard to its left, or one on each side. When carried with other flags, the US flag should be in front of the others or, if the flags are arranged in a row, the farthest to its own right. The flag of the United States is never dipped in salute to any person or thing. When flags are displayed at different heights, the US flag flies higher than all others and is hoisted first and lowered last; when displayed at equal heights, it is either out in front or farthest to its own right; to display against a wall, horizontally or vertically, the blue field should be at the top and at the flag's own right (at the observer's left).

**LET'S SHOW OUR PATRIOTISM BY DISPLAYING OUR AMERICAN FLAGS!**

**Newsletter Info**

**All Historians** are required to submit an article for the newsletter each month to fulfill their position of responsibility.

**Other Scouts**, especially those in troop leadership positions are also welcome to submit articles concerning their area of responsibility.

**Adult leaders and committee members** are asked to submit timely articles as well.

Articles can be e-mailed to Mrs. Carole Z.

**Deadline for the next issue is >>>October 26<sup>th</sup><<<**

## **An Eye on the Future**

Dear Troop 10,

As we all look forward to a new and exciting Scouting season filled with projects, meetings, campouts and service to our community, we must also reflect on how our world has changed since the morning of September 11<sup>th</sup>. It is interesting to watch as people search for ways to have an active hand in helping to recover from this tragedy. They have lined up to donate blood and some have gone so far as to travel to New York to offer their services. All of us know that we could make a difference if we could only be a part of the rescue effort. Our hearts and prayers go out to those who have been touched by these events and those who are working to help them.

I think this crisis has helped me focus on the primary goal of Troop 10 -- the development of strong leaders for the future who are trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent. Never has the Scout Oath's, "To help other people at all times", been more appropriate or had more meaning. I honestly believe that the scouts of Troop 10 will play an important role in our future. All of us have the opportunity to be a part of this process of developing leaders by being involved in leadership activities and projects. Our involvement in Troop 10 activities sends a clear message to our scouts as to how important we think it is. My experience has been that scouts, at all levels, are more successful and more involved when their parents participate in the Scouting program.

My goal is to continue to build upon the excellent work of committee members, scoutmasters, assistant scoutmasters, volunteers, parents, community members and scouts, to continue to improve and expand the support services needed for the quality program designed for this year. To meet this goal I ask that each parent become involved in Troop 10 activities at some level. Many parents have given several years of service to the Troop and continue to do so. Despite this service there are still several jobs left to fill. It is time we all pitch in and shoulder our fair share.

We may not be able to help remove the rubble in New York and Washington, D.C., but we can make a difference right here at home.

George F.  
Committee Chairman