

Troop 10 Times

June 2005

Last Scoutmaster Minute or The Last Minute Scoutmaster

Well, we are finally down to writing the final Scoutmaster minute. This is one of those articles that should write itself. Filling a page with thank yous to all of the young men and adults that have contributed so much over the past two-years to make my term as Scoutmaster a success would be easy, but we will save all of that for the court of honor. Instead let's focus on the future and that is much more interesting.

First, welcome to the new Scoutmaster, Mr. John B. The next two years will be very, very good for Troop 10. Mr. B brings extensive scouting experience, leadership, talent, charisma and heart to the position. Our young men will be spending their time well with Mr. B.

The second great development is an increase in the Venture activities for Crew 10. Following on the success of the X-Box tourney led by Mike R, Kevin J is leading the effort on a Saturday trip to the Chicago Bluesfest. As many of the crew have an interest in music this should be a very popular event. Stay tuned....

The Napowan attendees list was presented at the last committee meeting and this summer's group will be having a great time. We have a good number of boys representing all levels of scouting experience accompanied by a significant number of adult leaders. Adult scouters attending Napowan for the first time, please mark your calendars for next year because you will want to go back.

The Philmont cult's er' I mean crew's training is reaching crescendo with weekend trips to Devil's Lake in June and Starved Rock in early July. The training hikes have provided a great time for the crews to bond, while learning the skills necessary to make our adventure a success. We depart for New Mexico on July 10th.

Finally, I cannot close without expressing some heartfelt appreciation to the youth leadership of the troop. Jeff (deuce), Dan F, M.Ryan, Spencer, Mike (Foxey D), Dan (big willy), Mike N., Matt, Jared, Kevin, Brandon, the Guides, the Patrol Leaders, the unofficial Patrol Leaders and the Quartermasters for your friendship, your openness, your hardwork and the reminders to keep it fun.

More Cheeze Squeeze Pleeze,
Mike. L
Scoutmaster

PLEASE NOTE
EACH MEETING LOCATION
AS INDICATED
Any changes are communicated
through the patrol leaders

Troop 10 Court of Honor

WHEN: Sunday, June 5 at 5 pm
WHERE: BUMC

June

1	Keyes Eagle C of H
5	Troop Court of Honor
6	Napowan Orientation - BUMC
12	Brottman Eagle C of H
15	Napowan Shake Down
19-25	Napowan Week 1
22	Napowan Shake Down
26-2	Napowan Week 2

*Have a wonderful
summer!*

**SEE NEXT PAGE FOR
FALL 2005 CALENDAR
OF EVENTS**

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

Napowan Adventure Base

Napowan parent meeting – **June 6, 7:30 pm at BUMC**

-- Deadline for sign up and submission of medical forms on June 6

Shakedown for Week 1 campers – **June 15, 7:00 pm at BUMC**

Shakedown for Week 2 campers – **June 22, 7:00 pm at BUMC**

Week 1 = June 19 to 25

Week 2 = June 26 to July 2

Order of the Arrow REMINDER

Now it is time to complete the initial commitment by going through the ordeal.

The ordeal will be offered on 3 occasions this year

1 O.A. work weekend at Napowan 13-15 May 2005

2. During Napowan encampment during Troop 10 Napowan weeks (19 June-1 July). The ordeal is held on each Monday evening through Tuesday evening of each week (20-21 June and 27-28 June)

3. Lakota Lodge Fall Fellowship at Lakota, 16-18 September.

Also, brotherhood advancement for present ordeal members will be done.

Please contact me for additional information Brad E., Troop 10 OA Advisor

Troop 10 Fall 2005 Events

August 28th - Sunday pool party at So. Barrington Club

September 12 – First Scout meeting of the year at BUMC

September 22-24- Climbing camp-out at Devil's Lake

October 3 – Troop Court of Honor

October 14-16 - Family Camp-out at Rock Cut State Park

November 18-20 - Shooting Camp-out

December 2-4 - Cabin Camp-out at Big Timber

Route 59 Clean Up

A big "thank you" to all those Scouts & parents who showed up for the Route 59 clean up operation. We had a total of 16 helpers who did a great job & earned themselves Service hours.

Further important Service opportunities will be available later in the year...please watch out for them at troop meetings & in the newsletters.

Thank you. Mrs. Stella W.

SCOUT ADVICE

I would advice that all scouts purchase the scout's Requirement Handbook for either 2004 or 2005. The book lists out all of the requirements for each rank, and for all of the merit badges. The book also lists a lot of awards that I didn't even know existed, including religious awards and awards for contributions to society. The book is full of tons of information, and is a wise purchase for scouts once they start to work on merit badges outside of Napowan. New scouts should be aware that there are certain eagle required merit badges that can be obtained relatively easily at Napowan (Environmental Science, Camping, Swimming, and Lifesaving.) It is easiest to work on those merit badges at Napowan, and work with merit badge counselors from our troop on other eagle required badges.

By Nate H.

Plant Sale Wrap-up!from Fred Z.

A special thank you to Barrington Ace Hardware who, through their generosity, donated 45 bags of compost to our Troop Plant sale, which added to our total sales. When you shop at Ace, give Jim a thanks from Troop 10.

We received:	1,730 plants
We returned:	<u>25 plants</u>
Total Sales 2005:	1705 plants

Total Profit: \$4,741.25

This will be distributed to each Scout Account who participated in sales, advertising, clean up, and organizing.

I want to thank each Scout and their parents for their help at the sale. They assisted the buyers in picking plants, totaled the sales, and helped the buyers put them in their cars. We had a lot of good help that worked well with each other.

Have you been waiting for the right opportunity to volunteer? Now's your chance!!!!!!

These are the open positions for the 2005-2006 Troop calendar year:

- First Year Scout program – “herd” the first year Scouts to First Class by organizing activities to achieve advancement
- Web Master – manage and maintain the Troop's web site
- Publicity – make sure Troop events and accomplishments are publicized in the community
- Napowan coordinator – arrange sign-up for camp and the parents and scouts information sessions

If you're interested or would like more information, please see Tim G.

Committee Chairman's Report

By Tom K.

Time to pass the baton...

It's hard to believe that two years have passed since I took over the position of Troop Committee Chairman but here we are. I truly enjoyed doing this job and I certainly got a better understanding of what it takes to run a troop with approximately 100+ scouts and around 60+ registered adult leaders. I especially enjoyed working with the two adult leaders who I had the most interaction with during the past two years and that was with our **Scoutmaster Mr. Mike L.** and our **Charter Organization Rep. Mr. Rich R.**

Two of the hardest jobs in the troop, I feel, are that of **Quartermaster and Activities Chairman** and I would like to thank **Mr. Steve R. and Mr. Ron P.** who both served in those respective roles. Steve would say to me "I don't know how you guys (meaning Scoutmaster and Committee Chairman) can do that job". Quite frankly Steve, I don't know how you can do the job you do. You've done great! The trailer has always been flawlessly prepared, not only for every camping trip in the last two years but, for the entire five years that I have been in the troop. We have always been ready to go on our next trip. Thank you Steve!

I would also like to express appreciation to **Mr. Ryan J.** who served as trip leader for **Sea Base** in Florida and to **Mr. Jeff S.** who is the Expedition Leader for the upcoming **Philmont** trip in New Mexico. Jeff's Philmont training sessions surpasses any college course you could take in such a subject. Rounding out the list are **Mr. Ken L., Mr. Tim G., Mr. Craig H. and Mr. Tony C.,** who were our troops **Life to Eagle coordinators** and were an excellent team to help insure that our Life Scouts who desired to become an Eagle were on track to do so. Great job guys! Your efforts show with our recent Eagle completions.

I would also like to thank **Mr. Bill S.** for his generosity with equipment and supplies from Route 12 Rental and I would also like to thank **Ms. Alison Z.** who took on the role as Treasurer at a time when the scoutmaster just prior to Mike Lough had a need to resign from that position after being in it for only several months, then freeing Mike up to take on the position of Scoutmaster. Another one of those involved jobs in the troop is that of Advancements and I would like to thank **Ms. Teresa J.** for doing that job and graciously willing to train her replacement. And let's not forget our troop newsletter publisher, **Ms. Silvia G.,** who brought you our newsletter communication every month. Thank you Silvia!

During the next scout season, everyone should watch for a big push with expanded programs and activities for the relatively new Venture Crew who is headed by the Crew's new Advisor **Mr. Jeff T.** Lots of good things will be planned here.

This list of names and roles is not all inclusive for adults who have participated in some role or activity for our troop during the past two years and they too will be recognized at our upcoming event.

And finally, I would like welcome **Mr. John B.** who will be our new **Scoutmaster** and **Mr. Tim G.** will be the troop's new **Committee Chairman** beginning with the 2005-2006 scout season.

Please feel free to call me directly or via e-mail if you have any comments or questions. Best wishes to all and have a great summer!

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