

Troop 10 Times

May 2006

I have thought about what I would like to say for this month's article and I remembered this story. I would like to share this with you because of that one special person in your life. Enjoy ---

When God Created Mothers by Erma Bombeck

When the good Lord was creating mothers He was into His sixth day of "overtime" when the angel appeared and said, "You're doing a lot of fiddling around this one."

And the Lord said, "Have you read the specs on this order? She has to be completely washable, but not plastic; Have 180 moveable parts... all replaceable; Run on black coffee and leftovers; Have a lap that disappears when she stands up; A kiss that can cure anything from a broken leg to a disappointed love affair; And six pairs of hands."

The angel shook her head slowly and said, "Six pairs of hands... no way." "It's not the hands that are causing me problems," said the Lord. "It's the three pairs of eyes that mothers have to have."

"That's on the standard model?" asked the angel.

The Lord nodded. "One pair that sees through closed doors when she asks, "What are you kids doing in there?" when she already knows. Another here in the back of her head that sees what she shouldn't but what she has to know, and of course the ones here in front that can look at a child when he goofs up and say, "I understand and I Love You" without so much as uttering a word."

"Lord", said the angel, touching His sleeve gently, "Come to bed. Tomorrow..."

"I can't," said the Lord, "I'm so close to creating something so close to myself. Already I have one who heals herself when she is sick... can feed a family of six on one pound of hamburger... and can get a nine-year-old to stand under a shower."

The angel circled the model of a mother very slowly. "It's too soft," she sighed.

"But tough!" said the Lord excitedly. "You cannot imagine what this mother can do or endure."

"Can it think?"

"Not only think, but it can reason and compromise," said the Creator. Finally, the angel bent over and ran her finger across the cheek. "There's a leak," she pronounced. "I told You. You were trying to put too much into this model."

"It's not a leak," said the Lord, "it's a tear."

"What's it for?"

"It's for joy, sadness, disappointment, pain, loneliness and pride."

"You are a genius," said the angel.

The Lord looked somber. "I didn't put it there."

(Happy Mother's Day)

Troop 10 Calendar

May

1	Class A meeting
4	District Roundtable
5-7	Plant Sale
8	Red Shirt Meeting
10	Committee Meeting
12-14	Camp out
15	PLC/Board of Review
22	Red Shirt Meeting
23	Newsletter Deadline
29	Memorial Day Parade

Help the veterans at the Memorial Day Parade

All Scouts are requested to be an honor guard at the Evergreen Cemetery for the completion of the Memorial Day Parade. Please come to the cemetery at 10AM dressed in FULL Class A uniform. The cemetery is located in Barrington at Dundee Ave. and Monument Ave.

June

1	District Roundtable
4	Court of Honor
7	Committee Meeting
18-24	Napowan summer camp week 1
25-1	Napowan summer camp week 2

July

12-14	Scottish Scout Visit
29 onwards	Sea Base High Adventure
29 onwards	Canoeing High Adventure

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

White Water Rafting Campout

May 12-14, 2006

Gardner Dam Scout Camp

You've asked for it, you've got it! Our May campout will be a white water rafting trip on the beautiful **Wolf River**. We'll be floating down the river in 2 man rafts for a three-hour tour along the scenic river banks. Back at camp, enjoy 400 acres of pristine nature at Gardner Dam Scout Camp, situated along the Wolf River. This will be an excellent weekend to work on rank advancement and merit badges.

The May campout will be the last campout of the school year. It's a great opportunity to train for the summer high adventure trips, get ready for Napowan, and for new scout families to get to know Troop 10. The popular Dunes campout will be scheduled for the Family Campout in the Fall.

June Court of Honor

The June Court of Honor will be held at **Hickory Grove Highlands #2 at 3PM**. You can Mapquest it at 700 Hickory Nut Grove Lane, Cary Specific shelter location can be found at http://www.mccdistrict.org/Maps/Hickory_BlueW.pdf

More details will be forthcoming.

Lakota Lodge 30th Anniversary 2006 Spring Fellowship

The OA Lodge Spring Fellowship will be held on **May 19th - 21 2006 at Camp Napowan**. Come for the fellowship, food and fun! The annual fellowship is co-hosted by the OA and the Wilderness Engineers (the volunteers that build stuff for NWSC).

New Ordeal candidates may go through their Ordeal at this event. And attention all current Ordeal members! Come to this fellowship and seal your membership in the Order of the Arrow, by becoming a Brotherhood member. More info on the Lakota Lodge website. Get there through www.nwsc.org

Thanks from BUMC!

Thanks to the Scouts for directing parking at BUMC on Easter Sunday: Phil G., Chris J., Ryan F., Ryan K., Spenser W., Dan W. Thanks to Mr. Jeff T. for organizing the scouts as well as to Mr. George F. for his help.

Also thanks to the Scouts and parents that helped on the BUMC Work Day on Saturday the 29th: Nolan W., Graeme W., Clay H., Alex K., Vince H., Myles McC., Kurt J., Alex G., Art B., Dan H., Tim M., David B., Ms. Stella W., Mr. Rich R., Mr. Ryan J., Mr. Erik B., Mr. Tim G., Ms. Irene B., Mr. George F., and Linda and John M. We cleaned up the back entrance of the church and the area around the "Worship in the Woods". And we learned about the proper care and feeding of large chippers. If many hands make light work, why am I so tired and sore?

The Scottish are coming!

We are looking for a parent to help coordinate the Scottish Scout visit this July. A number of families have already volunteered their houses to host many of the Scouts. We need someone to make sure that the visitors are matched up with appropriate households (number, allergies, etc.) Please let Mr. John B. or Mr. Tim G. know if you can help us out with these logistics.

Congratulations to our newest OA Ordeal Candidates

Congratulations to our newest Ordeal candidates: Daniel B., Zach B., Mr. Ken S, and Mrs. Paula B. They were "tapped out" at the Spring Camp-o-ree at Camp Lowden. This is the first time in many years we have participated in the district tap-out. We all got a new and refreshed perspective on this solemn ceremony.

NAPOWAN SUMMER CAMP 2006

Don't miss out on the fun!! Join us in the beautiful woods of central Wisconsin for 1 or 2 weeks of outdoor fun doing water sports, crafts, scout skills, shooting sports and more. Scouts, this is your best opportunity all year long to easily earn several merit badges at once. Parents, this is not only a great opportunity for you to spend time with your scout, but to get to know their friends and other parents, all in an *amazing* environment.

Important dates coming up:

Monday, May 8- Napowan Information Meeting (during the troop meeting) for parents and scouts attending Napowan or those with questions about it. We'll be going over everything you need to know, answer questions, and explain the **new** system for choosing and signing up for your merit badges **ahead of time**.

Monday, May 22- Merit Badge sign-ups due

Sunday, June 4- Last date to register for Camp Napowan, all forms due, final information meeting.

Camp Napowan Week #1- June 18-June 24

Camp Napowan Week #2- June 25-July 1

Scouts-\$260/week, Adults-\$100/week or \$17/day

(any adults staying over 2 nights must be registered and trained with Troop 10- it's simple, contact Troop 10 Chairman, Mr. Tim G. for details)

All Napowan information, registration materials and merit badges available are available on our Troop 10 website: <http://troop10.nwsc.org>

Mrs. Sharon W., Mrs. Luann M.

GREETINGS ALL YOU PLANT LOVERS,

(JUST A FRIENDLY REMINDER, MOTHER'S DAY IS ON MAY 14TH)

IT'S TIME TO GET READY TO ROLL UP YOUR SLEEVES FOR THAT SPECIAL SOMEONE, AND SPRUCE UP THAT OLD GARDEN!

AND HOW MIGHT I DO THAT, YOU ASK?

COME ON DOWN TO THE ANNUAL TROOP 10 PERENNIAL PLANT SALE AND LET THOSE KIND, HELPFUL SCOUTS LOAD UP YOUR VEHICLE WITH SOME OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL PERENNIAL PLANTS UPON WHICH YOU HAVE EVER LAID YOUR EYES!

WHEN: MAY 5TH FROM 3PM - 7PM

MAY 6TH FROM 9AM - 4PM

MAY 7TH FROM 9AM - WHEN PLANTS ARE ALL GONE

WHERE: ROUTE 59 & JAMES STREET (BY THE EJ&E RR TRACKS)

HAPPY PLANTING AND SEE YOU THERE.....

High Adventure - Quetico 2006

Troop 10's summer canoe high adventure trip has metamorphized into an even more challenging trip by taking the trip to [Quetico Provincial Park](#) in Ontario, Canada. Quetico is a protected, pristine wilderness retreat of international acclaim west of Lake Superior on the Canada-U.S. border. The park's tangled network of lakes once formed water routes traveled by Ojibway and fur traders. Now it is primarily the destination of experienced canoeists seeking solitude and rare glimpses of wildlife by cascading waterfalls, glassy lakes and endless forests.

Our participants have been busy with training including first aid and wilderness first aid. April includes equipment review, and in May we will be doing on-the-water canoeing review and training, as well as lightweight cooking techniques.

Currently we have four crews scheduled to leave Barrington on July 29th, 2006. Two crews will enjoy a 5 night / 6 day trip and return August 6th. Two crews will enjoy a 7 night / 8 day trip and return August 8th. There may still be spaces available. The age requirement is 13 years old by trip date accompanied by a parent with Scoutmaster and trip leader approval, or 14 years old by trip date with Scoutmaster and trip leader approval. Not including personal spending, the approximate cost of the 5 night trip is \$535 (Youth) and \$580 (Adult); the approximate cost of the 7 night trip is \$611 (Youth) and 676 (Adult). Any interested scouts or adults should contact Mrs. Paula B. or Mr. Tom R. for more information.

Friends of Scouting – Thanks a lot!

So far the parents of Troop 10 have donated or pledged \$5,140 through the Friends of Scouting program. Thank you so much for your contributions. And special “thank you” to Mrs. Paula B. for coordinating all of this. Her enthusiasm encourages all of us.

Open Positions – please help us out

We are still in need of some help in the following positions.

- Scottish Scout visit coordinator – help coordinate the visit of the Scottish Scouts in mid-July
- Webelos transition – facilitate the Webelos II visits, create the info packets, and help coordinate the registration of the new Scouts and orientation of the new parents.
- 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.