

Troop 10 Times

September 2005

Scoutmaster minute - Welcome back Everyone.

I hope everybody had a great summer. I know the time went by quickly and some of you Scouts may not enjoy going back to school, but trust me your parents want to see your education resume. They also enjoy not hearing the "I'm bored, there is nothing to do" speech again.

As we start the Eighty-first year of Troop 10, I would like to remind the Parents of a few items.

1) If you plan to attend an overnight event for the Troop or, before you sign up for an event, please see Ms. Joni R. for an adult application. We need you to fill this out and register with NWSC. We have had a large adult membership and we want you to be recognized for your participation, and NWSC would like to know your name, address and other critical information. This will go to support our unit and further the bond between you and our Scouts. This also helps our Troops performance toward "Quality Unit" status. You will find these ribbons attached to our Troop flag and the patches are given to all Scouters for display on their uniform. We are very proud of this accomplishment.

2) As we move through the new season, we have developed an aggressive schedule to reach our goals. We will be meeting in the lower level of United Methodist Church, directly under the room we were in last year. The new room is huge and we owe Mr. Steve R. a great deal of thanks. Mr. R. has spent his summer getting the room and the new closet ready. We are now asking all Parents with any Troop equipment to please unload your garage, cellar, attic, mother's house or barn and let Mr. R. "have it". He will accept this with open arms and all of our equipment will be easily available in the future.

Now for a little background on me to the Scouts. I started with Troop 10 in March of 1990. I know some of you weren't even born then, but Mrs. B. married me when I was very young. Patrick, my oldest son, who you will meet later, became an Eagle Scout in July of 1997. I stayed and helped Jeremiah, my Godson for his first few years, and then I took some time off. Now Jon my second son and I are back and it's great to be here. I have watched some unbelievable Scouts in my time with Troop 10, but the Scouts here now are the best prepared, they have the best skills and are the most fun I have ever been with. We have some ideas for the new year, and we need your help.

1) We would like to have a cooking theme for each campout. We already have an activity (climbing, biking, etc.), now we would like to include a cooking skill. We will announce this when the meal preparation begins. It will give you all a chance to show off your skills and **WOW** the Parents and the other Scouts.

2) As we start off, we are going to strengthen the Patrol Structure. Mr. R. will show you how your cook boxes, stoves, dining flies, tents and other equipment will be yours throughout the year. You will not have to worry about someone "messing with your stuff". The equipment will be yours and only yours for the year. We are going to watch how fast your Patrol will advance and, like Summer Camp, we will be rewarding the Best Patrol with the "National Honor Patrol Award". Everyone that attended Camp Napowon was involved and knows how it works. **Good Luck.**

3) Since we are in a new room, we will need some help with the set-up and the take-down. We will ask a different Patrol to do a set-up and another Patrol to do the take-down for every meeting. We are going to need the set-up Patrol to arrive at 7:15 and we will ask the take-down Patrol to stay until 9:15. That's all we will need and if we all pitch in this should be completed in less time week after week. Barrington United Methodist has allowed us to use their new building and a Scout is responsible for his actions. I know this is new but we can do it.

Please remember I am here to help.

This is going to be Great. Mr. John B.

PLEASE NOTE EACH MEETING LOCATION AS INDICATED

**Any changes are communicated
through the patrol leaders**

September

5	Labor Day – No meeting
12	Class A meeting - BUMC
15	Committee meeting
19	Red Shirt meeting - BUMC
23	Newsletter Deadline
23-25	Climbing Camp out
26	PLC/Board of Review - BUMC

October

1	Homecoming
3	Court of Honor - BUMC
6	District roundtable
10	No school
10	Red shirt meeting – TBD
14-16	Family Camp out
15	BUMC Rummage Sale
17	PLC/BOR - BUMC
20	Committee Meeting
23	Newsletter Deadline
24	Red Shirt meeting - BUMC
31	Red shirt meeting - BUMC

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

New location at BUMC for troop meetings

Troop meetings will now be held in the basement of BUMC. You should come in the side entrance near Fellowship Hall, not the front door. The door will be marked.

Troop meetings will still start at 7:30PM. Please be there 5-10 minutes early so we can start on time.

FIRST CAMP OUT !

Mark your calendars for the first campout of the school year ...

ROCK CLIMBING! September 23-25, Devil's Lake State Park in Baraboo, Wisconsin,

It will be a weekend of rock climbing and hiking. Devil's Lake State Park, located along the Ice Age Trail, has 500-foot bluffs over-looking a beautiful 360-acre lake. Join Troop 10 as we discover new rock faces and hiking trails. It's also a great time to get to know your new patrol mates and work on rank advancement before the October Court of Honor.

Permission Slips and fees are due to Ms. Jill H. by September 19th. Any adult camping overnight must be a registered adult leader with BSA NWSC and Troop 10. Please contact Ms. Joni R. to register. Start planning ahead so you can join us for the family camp out

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

Attention O. A. Ordeal candidates!

Last winter, 12 Order of the Arrow candidates were elected by the troop to undergo their ordeal to become O.A. members. Congratulations to the 4 candidates that have completed the ordeal: Daniel H., Josh S., Phillip G., and Tom K. Jr.

There is one last chance for the following candidates to complete their ordeal, otherwise they will lose their eligibility. These candidates are; Ryan F., Adam Y., Kevin J., Michael L. II, Kirk B., Jared E., Mr. Steve R., Mr. Jeff T.

Your last opportunity is at the Lakota Fall Fellowship 9-11 September 2005. Deadline Sep 2, 2005.

Contact me at for a form or further information.

Finally, for present O.A. members, the National Order of the Arrow Conference will be held 29 July-3 Aug 2005 at Michigan State University in East Lansing, MI. Troop 10 plans to send a troop contingent with the Lodge to promote fellowship and support our candidates for national office. See me for details.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Mr. B.L. E., Troop O.A. Advisor

Troop calendar now available!!!

First half calendar (through end of 2005) was handed out at the pool party. If you did not get one, please look at the troop's website <http://troop10.nwsc.org/> for the latest version. The PLC and SM will be working on the 2006 calendar at their planning meetings.

Update of Contact Information

If you did not update your contact information at the pool party, you will be contacted by a Troop 10 volunteer. Or you can send any changes (phone, e-mail) to Mr. Tim G.

Boundary Waters Canoe Trip Summer 2006

Ready for a once in a lifetime experience? Join Troop 10 next summer in a high adventure trip out of Ely, Minnesota. Committed scouts and leaders will be forming crews, planning and training for this trip in the upcoming scout year. More information will be given at upcoming meetings and newsletters as it becomes available. Contact Ms. Paula B. if you have questions or would like to sign up.

Jambo 2005 - by Daniel B.

Ask anyone who was at the National Jamboree 2005, what the dominating factor was, and they would answer, "It was really hot!" And so it was. The first several days were between 105 and 110 degrees Fahrenheit, and the other days never dropped below 85. However, there were many more things to do at jambo than drink water and sit in the shade.

No matter where you were there would be many people willing to trade patches. Each council, NWSC included, had a specific patch with anything from halo, to blues brothers, to Garfield, or even Six Flags Great America. Some people went as far as laying out a blanket on the side of the road with all their patches spread out on it; allowing passerby's to see all they had. If they had, for example, an x-men patch, and someone else wanted it, they would begin to barter for it. The NWSC patch, Blues Brothers, was a very popular patch. However, the most sought over patches could not be traded.

The "rockers" were patches that could only be earned by participating in select activities. The five separate categories were: Duty to God, Activity centers, Out Back centers, Action centers, and the 5k run. The five patches are each earned in different ways, and together, form a circle around the main jamboree patch. The three centers have many different activities. In the action centers, you could participate in archery, rappelling, a confidence course, trap shooting, or a variety of others. Eight needed to be completed for the Activity rocker. Scuba diving, rafting, sailing, fishing, snorkeling and others could be completed at the Outback centers, where four were required for the Outback patch. Activity centers had a wide range of things to do: disabilities awareness, merit badge midway, arts and science expo, the outdoor adventure place, Brownsea island and more. Five of these activities were required for the activity center patch. Duty to God consisted of a few religious doings, such as attending a service of your faith, meeting your sub camp chaplain, etc. The 5k run/walk took place at 6:30 in the morning. To earn this segment, you had only to participate, and finish. Five kilometers are roughly equal to 3.1 miles.

Near the end of the jambo, there was a closing ceremony with all of 70,000 people squelched on the grass. The president himself talked, but unfortunately, he was 69,999 thousand people away... however, at the end of the show, the "firework show to end all firework shows" took place. Not something I would've wanted to miss.

There was one more activity, for NWSC only, and it happened after the jambo itself had ended. White water rafting was an experience for everyone. Falling 10 feet into a churning mass of water some how is just as exhilarating as 100 feet down a rollercoaster. It might have something to do with the instructions given before we enter the rapid. "So... if you fall out, your gonna wanna stick left, y'all see those rocks over there? We call that the meat grinder..."

The wonderful trip was followed by a 13 hour bus trip. Well worth it. If you find yourself in need of a great scouting trip summer of 2010, look for the Jambo!

Greetings to all scouts and adults from Troop 10

I had the privilege to attend the recent NSJ held at Ft A.P. Hill, VA from 22July- 3Aug 2006. I attended as a volunteer on the jamboree medical staff and have some comments from my perspective.

The overall experience of the scouts who attended were quite positive, despite extreme heat and humidity conditions often driving up the heat index to 120 or greater. One of the major causes of casualties were heat related injuries. I must say I was quite impressed with the preparation of our own council's contingent in relation to the number of medical encounters. We were much better prepared than most. My average workday was 16-20 hours, which passed quickly as long as we didn't stop. I did have some free time to get out and enjoy many of the activities, talk to other scoutmasters, assistants and scouts throughout the nation and sometimes the world and trade patches; I'll bring my collection to view at the pool party. Long-term friendships are the key to a great experience as I reestablished ties with those I met at past Jambos while making new friends. I sadly got to meet and know the survivors of the Alaskan troop which suffered the electrocutions.

On the day of the "Death March of Bataan" - a.k.a., the aborted Wednesday arena show march, our subcamp medical unit along with #11 took care of nearly 400 casualties. This battle drained us of nearly all of our emergency medical supplies. The 3 hour "battle" reminded me of the battle scene in 'Platoon' when the camp positions were being overrun and they had to order an air strike on the camp. Our air strike happened to be a fire truck water cannon and a meat locker.

Ask anyone who attended Jambo '05--the memories are burned in forever.

Yours in scouting- Mr. Brad E.

Philmont - A Report From Crew Three by Joey S.

July 11-24 Troop 10 Scouts and leaders went to New Mexico to Philmont. There were 10 members of crew three-scouts Joey S., Adam S., Ryan F., Chris J., Phil G., Ed T. and Ken S. The three adult leaders were Mr. G., Mr. T., and Mr. S..

On July 9 we left from Union Station in Chicago on the train for Philmont. We arrived the morning of the 10th. The train food was expensive, but the chairs we slept in over night were comfortable. We arrived at the base camp and had breakfast and lunch. Base Camp had a huge trading post and a snack shop. We set off on our 63 mile hike on July 11. Our first hike was to the Sioux Camp. We went to Ponil and picked up burros to carry our food on the trail. The burro could only carry half the food, so we carried the rest. At the Cantina in Ponil we watched a show and drank root beer. Our next hike was the Flume Canyon. This was the best hike of all. At camp we had cool rock recliners and a great place for the tents. We saw camp fire at Pueblano. The third hike was to the Head of Dean. This camp site was slanted, so we pitched our tents on the slope. Adam S. and I placed our tent at the bottom of camp. This was not a good idea because we ended up a very steep slant and woke up on the bottom of the tent! We were able to play stump ball at this camp. Our next hike was to Ute Meadows. We camped here for two days. This was the worst camp site because it was very marshy and hard to set up the tents. The bear bags collapsed too. The highlight of the Ute Meadows Campsite was our climb to Baldy. This was our highest point at 12,666 feet. We could see two states over into Colorado and Nevada. We collected more food for the trail and returned to camp at Ute Meadows for a second night. Next we hiked to Upper Dean Cow. Our campsite was next to the lake. We were also close to bathrooms and the bear bags. Next we hiked to Upper Bench and we ate lunch at a creek along the trail and dipped our feet in the water. It felt good to get our boots off! The whole crew played hacky sac. We continued our hike to Cimmaroncito and did our conservation project which was cutting down trees. We also "climbed the wall"; a circular walk wall and you climb around the top. As you climb the rocks get smaller and smaller. Chris J. made it the furthest, but no one got all the way around! We neared the end of our trek at Ponderosa Park and Clarks Fork. Here we had a chuck wagon and went horse back riding. As our last hike we climbed down the Tooth of Time and trekked eleven miles, all down hill, back to base camp.

On the trail we had many adventures. We got to use a burro to carry food and go black powder rifle shooting. We toured the Philmont Hunting Lodge. We saw wild animals including goats, bears and mountain lions. And finally as a bonus we all went white water rafting in Colorado before boarding the train back home.

Apart from all the activities and hiking, this trip taught us how to look after ourselves. We learned to wash clothes and will always be grateful for the troop campout food and the trailer to haul our gear. Philmont was a one-of-a-kind experience that I will never forget!

This is a complete list of merit badges with counselors who are or have been involved with Troop 10. Nate H.

Archery: John B.	Family Life: Ryan J., Ken L., Bill T.
Architecture: Michael J.	First Aid: Jeff B., Eric B., Arlene R., Fred S.
Aviation: Thomas K., Fred S.	Fish and Wildlife: Chet R.
Backpacking: Bill T.	Fishing: Chet R.
Bird Study: Chet R.	Hiking: Bill T.
Bugling: Chris K.s	Mammal Study: Chet R.
Camping: Michael J., Bill T.	Medicine: Jeff B.
Canoeing: Michael J.	Music: Chris K.
Citizenship in the Community: Ryan J., Thomas K., Faye S.	Nature: Chet R.
Citizenship in the Nation: Thomas K., Faye S.	Personal Fitness: Paulal B., Phyllis J.
Citizenship in the World: Ryan J., Thomas K., Faye S.	Personal Management: Ryan J., Michael J., Ken L., Bill T.
Climbing: Ryan J.	Photography: Jeff B.
Communications: Ryan J., Thomas K., Faye S.	Public Safety: Arlene R.
Computers: Thomas K., Fred S.	Rifle Shooting: John B.
Cooking: Michael J., Bill T.	Salesmanship: Faye S.
Drafting: Michael J.	Shotgun Shooting: John B.
Electricity: Fred S.	Snow Sports: Eric B., Fred S.
Electronics: Fred S.	Space Exploration: Fred S.
	Wilderness Survival: John B.
	Environmental Science: Chet R.

Safe Sanctuaries By Mr. Tim G.

Safe Sanctuaries is the youth protection policy recently adopted by Barrington United Methodist Church, our sponsoring organization. As a member of BUMC, I was part of the committee that put this policy together. This policy is very similar to the Scouting youth protection policy. The troop has to make very few changes to comply with this policy.

ALL parents need to attend a ½ hour training session. This session will educate the parents about Safe Sanctuaries, the child abuse identification and reporting procedures, and the appropriate adult behaviors in dealing with youth.

The training sessions will occur in the parents room during the troop meetings. I will run this training for the both troop meetings in September and once a month afterwards. I will be keeping attendance as it is must that all parents attend this training.

Introducing Troop 10's Adult Leadership Positions

A big "Thank You" to all the parents who are in key leadership positions in the troop. These are the people that make our Troop 10 program successful.

Charter Organization Rep. – Rich R.
Scoutmaster – John B.
Advancement – Susan and Tom V.
Life to Eagle Advisors – Craig H., Tony C., Paula B., Fred S.
Treasurer – Nick W.
Camping – Sean McC., Jill H.
Hospitality – Sue O.
Quartermaster – Steve R.
Chaplain – Dan P.
Napowan 2006 Coordinators – Luann M. and Sharon W.
Webmaster – Jim M.
Webelos Transition – Kathy B.
Unit Commissioner – Bob B.
OA Liaison – Brad E.
Registrar – Joni R.
Popcorn Sales – Lisa McC.
Wreath Sales – Fred Z.
Newsletter Editor – Silvia G.
Community Service – Stella W.
Venture – Jeff T., Mike L.
Training – Tom K.
Recording Secretary – Faye S.
First Class to Life – Jeff B.
2006 High Adventure Canoe Trip – Paula B.
Committee Chair – Tim G.