

# Troop 10 Times

September 2007

Hello Everyone,

I hope everyone had a great summer and now it's time to get back to Scouting. I would like to extend a huge **“Thank You”** to Mrs. G., Mrs. McC., Mrs. O., and Mrs. H. for arranging the Pool Party at the Fox Point subdivision. We had a brief meeting to introduce everyone to this years events and our current direction. As the information was explained to all we went after the pizza and Gatorade. Once the pizza was finished and the desserts were eliminated, we went for a dip. While scouts were swimming the parents discussed the future.

We are going to open the year rock climbing at the Devil's Lake camp site in Wisconsin. We have not been there since the Fall of '05 and if the weather holds out we should have a great time. We will once again have the Family campout at the Rock-Cut State Park in nearby Rockford. The thought was that with soccer, football, and all the family requirements for the weekends, Rockford would be an easy location. We will be entertaining some new Webelos scouts and their families, so look for a fun weekend. We will bring out an old favorite on that outing so don't miss it.

After the Family campout we will be on the road again to southern Illinois to the caves in Cahokia. This will be the furthest we will travel this year so please leave plenty of time for the drive. We will finish up the year with a First Aid meet in December and a day event shooting rockets at Beese Park here in town. Lastly we will ask the scouts to participate in a charitable event of their choice to remind us all that a scout “will help other people at all times”.

As we start the year I would like to let everyone know about a couple of important changes. The first and maybe the most important- due to multiple changes to the campout rosters, we will now require all scouts going on the campout to have their permission slip turned in the week before the campout. We will make an exception to the September Campout due to the first meeting will be held the Monday before the campout. However starting in October the last day you will be allowed to turn in your permission slip will be October 1<sup>st</sup>, for the campout on October 12-14<sup>th</sup>. For the November campout the last day we will accept the permission slips will be November 5<sup>th</sup>. This may appear that the Troop needs more time to prepare the outing, however that is not the issue. In the last few years we have watched scouts change their mind all the way up until the Thursday night the day before we leave. This put too much stress on the adult volunteers that make the campout arraignments. The spirit of Scouting is to “Be Prepared”. The schedule is posted on the website almost six months in advance, if you check our schedule you will be able to plan accordingly.

## Troop 10 Calendar

First Scout meeting  
September 10, 7:30 pm  
BUMC

### September

6	District Roundtable
7-9	OA Fellowship campout
10	Class A meeting
12	Committee Meeting
14-16	Climbing Campout
17	PLC
23	Troop TLD
24	Red shirt meeting

### October

1	Class A meeting
4	District Roundtable
8	Red Shirt Meeting
10	Committee meeting
12-14	Family Campout
22	Court of Honor
29	Red Shirt Meeting

**BORs will not be done during  
PLC meetings**

**SCOUTS MUST BRING  
HANDBOOK TO EVERY  
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

Another agenda item we talked about last year, this summer and now again in the fall is Webelos recruiting. Mrs. S., with the help of adult volunteers and a couple of dedicated senior scouts, will begin to recruit for the new class of Troop 10 scouts. With a successful transition year our Troop could grow and prosper. Without a new class of Webelos we may start to see a decrease in our Troop numbers and eventually a change in the status of the Troop. We could possibly lose our site at Camp Napowan if we don't have enough scouts for the two weeks we have scheduled. Our success depends not only on this year's recruitment but on each individual scout. Remember a scout is "Helpful, Friendly, Courteous, and Kind", if each of us extends a hand to the new scouts they may become new Troop 10 members.

All right everyone, let's have some fun. Welcome back.

Sincerely,  
Mr. B.

**Court of Honor**  
**Monday, October 22 at 7:00 pm**

Scouts, get all your advancement and merit badges up to date with Mr. O. and/or Mr. H.

Make sure to sign up the attendance sheet at every meeting

~100 merit badges were earned at Napowan

**5 Points of Scouting**

- #1 Boys are the reason for Scouting.
- #2 Boys must have fun.
- #3 Anything that supports 1 & 2 is great.
- #4 Anything that diminishes 1 & 2 is BAD.
- #5 In case of confusion, refer back to 1 & 2.

Courtesy of Frank Chlebek, Signal Hill District Executive