



TROOP 776 NEWS

**Sept.
2010**

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This month:

Sept. 5:
Eagle COH
for Evan & Lawrence,
1 p.m., at Ascension
Lutheran Church on
Maple

Sept. 7:
Summer Camp
Picture night – Come
Share and Enjoy

Sept 14:
PLC

Sept 17-19:
Ft. Riley Campout

Sept. 20:
Troop Committee
Meeting

Sept. 21:
Patrol Fire building
Competition,
Premers' house;
Evergreen Sales begin

Sept 28:
Patrol Meeting.
Plan something fun and
constructive for your
patrol



Scoutmaster Report

Recruitment time is upon us!

As the new school year begins it reminds me of the annual recruitment process that our Cub Scout Packs take on every year at this time. As a Boy Scout Troop we usually haven't had much to do with that recruitment process unless we've been specifically asked to help out in some way, but thinking about it, why don't we take a more

proactive approach to gaining new members rather than relying almost exclusively on the Cub Scouts Packs to "provide" us with new scouts each spring.

With that said, and as some of our newest scouts begin setting their eyes on First Class rank requirements, requirement number ten is "Tell someone who is eligible to join Boy Scouts, or an inactive Boy Scout, about your troop's activities. Invite him to a troop outing, activity,

***Scouting – adventure, learning,
leadership, and fun!!***

service
project or
meeting.
Tell him

how to join, or encourage the inactive Boy Scout to become active." For the last couple of years this "recruitment" requirement has been in place and only specifically applies to one rank, however, I would challenge all of us to talk up scouting to all of our friends and neighbors and to actively work towards inviting them to patrol meetings, troop meetings, service projects, etc. The main reason most boys are in scouts is to have fun, and what better way to have fun than to invite your friends to join in. So, yes, if you're working on First Class you will need to work at "recruiting" one of your buddies, but let's all step up to the challenge. I spoke with Mr. Borst this week and between both Packs 775 and 776, they have recruited about 25 new Cub Scouts. That's great, but how many of those new Cub Scouts will be around in four and a half years to join the troop come spring 2015. To help assure our continued strength, we need to take steps to also be active in striving to find new members continuously. So let's all go out and find a friend and help to keep growing our troop each and every year.

Yours in Scouting, Cliff Premer



Jambo 2010

Ten of us headed for Fort A.P. Hill, Virginia by way of Washington, DC to take part in the 2010 National Jamboree. In short, we all had a great time. For many, it was better than expected, and for some, they are still wishing they didn't have to come home. DC was really hot, but fun. For some it only took one subway ride for them to get lost. For others it provided an opportunity to "explore" unlike any other scout activity they've been on. Hanging out in our



Standing: DQ, Tim, Weston, Andrew, Cliff
Front: Trevor, Anthony, Cyle, Byron and Ashton.

Nations Capitol with thousands of other scouts everywhere we went will be a memory we'll keep forever. At the Jamboree itself there was scuba, fishing, kayaking, archery, shotgun shooting, rappelling, rock climbing, patch trading, tons of exhibits, military vehicles and a lot of time to be able to make new friends, several have already hooked up on Facebook.

Want to join in on the Jambo fun? *The next Jamboree is in 2013* at BSA's new high adventure base in West Virginia. So within the next few months, keep your eyes open for info and possibly as early as January they may begin taking deposit money.

Fall Festival Float Shaping Up

We had a productive work day on the float and it is really starting to take shape and looking great!

Thanks to all that came out and helped: Jackie & Anthony; Jim, Karen, Marcus & Ryan; Nicole Hawkins; Deb, Dave & Ben, and Cliff Premer.



Are you looking for gently used Scout wear?

The troop clothes closet may be able to save you some money! Here's what we currently have in stock:

Class A:
2-Youth Large (14-16)
Youth XL (18-20)
Youth 2X
Adult L
Adult 4X

Troop Shirts:

S
M

Adult Troop Polo:
3X

Please email me at mk2thcleaner@aol.com and let me know what you need.

Have an old shirt that's too small or did you upgrade to the new Centennial uniforms?

The closet only exists due to donations! Let me know what you have to donate and I'll make arrangements to pick it up



We are still in need of a few items. Do you have the following just taking up room in your shed:
-Gal. brown paint for our mountain
-Gal. dark green paint for canoe
Would you like to donate it to the project?

Float work days: Sundays Sept. 12, 19 and 26.

Deb will also schedule some Saturdays for those who can't make Sundays.

Kanapolis great time for all!

Kanapolis Lake campout was fun - even though it was hot! It was dark when we arrived so we had to pitch the tents in the dark.

Saturday morning, we split into two groups. The first group rode the horses and the second group hiked on Split Boulder trail. By the time the second group was to ride, it was nearly 100 degrees. We made sure to take plenty of water. The ride took about two hours and went through valleys next to rock formations and across wide plains. By the time



we were done, we were hot and tired. We cooled off later in the afternoon in Kanapolis lake. Sunday morning we did a service project by cleaning up the campground and cleaning up the grounds around the shower house. We definitely left the campground and area cleaner than when we first arrived. For a lot of us, this was the first time on a horse and it was worth it to ride.



Patrol

Leaders

Please call your patrol members to help them stay informed of activities

"Do a good turn daily"

"Be Prepared"

Trappers Anyone?

Hello Scouts and Scouters,

Yes I know it's early, but I'm thinking about Trappers already. It will be here before you know it so you should be thinking about what you'll be taking (with parent or guardian approval) to trade. Start saving up now! I've seen all kinds of stuff traded so don't think just because it's not cool to you it won't be cool to someone else. Just remember Trappers is about the barter system. That's how it was done during the days of the fur traders. Rules are fairly simple. You just trade what you have for something you want and when you reach an agreement you shake hands with the person you have traded with and say "Good trade." it is just that simple. So remember save up your stuff your willing to trade and have permission to trade, Go out and HAVE FUN!!! One man's junk is another man's treasure.



Soar High – Larry

Troop 776 is Raining Eagles!

Did you know that Troop 776 may have as many as **11 Eagle Scouts** by the end of the year!? That's an amazing accomplishment and much of it is due to the outstanding leadership of our Troop, and that includes involved parents. More than one year ago, Bruce Anschutz took on the role of Life-to-Eagle Advisor. He has put great effort into helping Lifers break their Eagle projects and badge requirements into manageable goals. He also created Life Scout Forums – work sessions for Lifers to bounce ideas and suggestion off each other and develop life-long friendships. Bruce credits Scouting (he earned his Eagle Rank in 1980) for helping him become the person he is today and is dedicated to helping Scouts achieve the rank of Eagle.

So, if YOU are or will become an Eagle Scout this year, thank Bruce and the many other adults and Scouts who helped you get there!!

Congratulations to our most recent Eagles: David B and Cyle K in August!! David built a brick patio and fenced-in clothing donation area for the Lord's Acre Closet Closet at the Regency Mobile Home Park. Cyle made repairs and painted the playground equipment in Goddard Park.

Following close behind this group will be Ryan P, Marcus P, Andrew H, Trevor P and Tim L! Wow!

These Scouts join the ranks of Corey P (Feb.), Byron P (May), Weston L and Evan L (both in July).

Keep striving to be an Eagle!!!

A duel
Eagle COH

For Evan & Lawrence
Sunday, Sept. 5, 1 p.m.
Ascension Lutheran Church
*Maple St. between 135th
and 119th Streets*



E-mail your news to: cbrink@goddardusd.com

Looking ahead!

September – Ft. Riley Campout with real machine guns (back by popular demand)

October – Webelos/Family Campout and Bison Corn Maze, Premer Ranch

November – Blackjack Trail backpacking at QSR

December – BBQ and Cold Weather Campout at Premer Ranch