



Troop 101 Newsletter—January 2018

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Patrol Outings

Bolt Patrol—Dodgeball, ice cream and games

Noble Knights—Ice skating at Federal Hill Commons ice skating rink

Bolt Patrol—1.5 mile hike at Cool Creek Park and Steak 'n Shake

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The Bolt Patrol enjoying Steak 'n Shake at their patrol outing.

A Note on Electronics
by Mr. Scott Smith
The meetings last at most 1 hour 30 minutes. No one has any reason to have their cell phones or electronic games at the meetings. This is a lack of respect. If you are caught with your cell phone out at the meetings, myself or another adult will be collecting them.

2017 Troop 101 Advancement

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| Merit Badges | 387 |
| Special Awards | 114 |
| Camporee Awards | 11 |
| Scholarships | 2 |
| Camper | 19 |
| Woodsman | 8 |
| Firecrafter | 8 |
| Minisino | 1 |
| Scout | 28 |
| Tenderfoot | 19 |
| Second Class | 10 |
| First Class | 14 |
| Star | 12 |
| Life | 8 |
| Eagle | 10 |
| Eagle Bronze Palm | 3 |
| Eagle Gold Palm | 2 |
| Eagle Silver Palm | 1 |
| Second Eagle Bronze Palm | 1 |

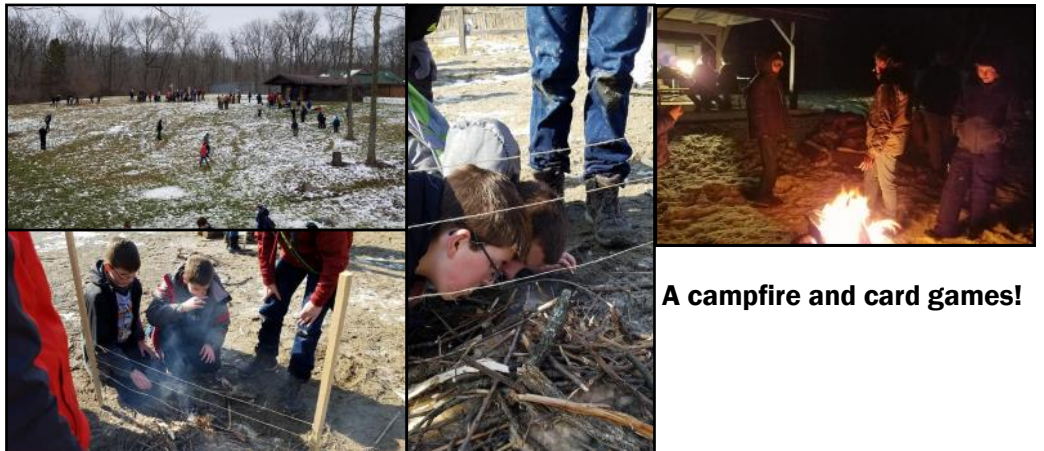


Happy 50th Birthday Mrs. Baker!

January 24, 2018



Winter Camporee Pictures



A campfire and card games!

Pokagon Campout

Nick Thomas

On Friday December 16th at 6pm, 20-30 scouts and I started heading North to Pokagon. After a long 2-hour car ride, we were the first to arrive, at 8:30 pm, to the camp site. It looked beautiful with no foot prints in the fresh inch of snow. Soon, everyone got there and we started to set up the tents and make camp. I tented with Paul. Unfortunately, I ended up being the one to take the tent home to air it out. Paul and I stayed up late talking. In the morning, we got up later than we planned, but it worked out fine. We slept well. The temperature that morning was in the low twenties.

The adults said at the beginning of the weekend that they would do most of the cooking due to the lack of older scouts and low total number of scouts. Breakfast was slightly burnt French toast that was not bad with some good sausage. Then around 10:30 am, we went tobogganing at the ice track.

My fastest speed was 48mph even though I was hoping to get 50. They also had a lodge with a concession stand that was heated; although, the temperature was starting to warm up. That meant that hauling a 60-pound sled up a large hill left me kind of sweaty. After an hour or so, we went back to camp for a grilled cheese lunch.

The camp was a 50-yard by 20-yard field surrounded by forest. We had the tents on one side, opposite the latrines. Although, to one side there was a small steep hill that was great for knee sledding into the middle of the field. Some younger scouts built a snow man and had a snow ball fight. Around 3:00 pm, we went to the hotel lobby and played some games. Most of the boys and I played a game called Snake Oil for about 2 hours. It was a lot of fun as, by the end, we had made a handful of inside jokes. My cheeks were hurting from laughing so hard. Then, as the sun set, we went back to camp for some dinner.

For dinner, we had some of Mr. Fun's famous Mac 'n Cheese with tomato, green beans, and leftover bread from the morning. For dessert, there was partially frozen brownies and Rice Krispies treats. After that, we started a fire with all the leftover bacon grease from breakfast. We all sat around the campfire for a long time, talking. It wasn't until 10:00 pm that we started to get ready for bed. A good thing was this second night was supposed to be warmer but not so warm that the soft snow would melt. I slept like a baby. The next morning, we packed up our personal gear and tents., then ate some Pop-Tarts and cereal bars for breakfast. Then, we policed the camp for trash and had our Scout's Own Service before heading home. For the trip home, I got switched to Mrs. Bakers car which made for a better trip. This year's Pokagon trip was a good campout experience.



Patrol Outings (continued from page 1)

Over the weekend, the Atomic Penguins had a patrol outing at Sam Rinker's house. They all had a blast playing cards, Left Center Right, the Xbox, board games, and the Super Nintendo Entertainment System.

The Bolt Patrol had a patrol outing on February 5. They had fun with dodgeball, ice cream, planning outings, playing video games, and playing air hockey.

The Bolt patrol also had a patrol outing on January 14. The outing included a 1.5-mile hike at Cool Creek Park and eating at Steak 'n Shake.

The Noble Knights had a patrol outing on December 2. They went ice-skating at Federal Hill Commons ice skating rink.



The Bolt Patrol hiking in Cool Creek Park.

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Troop Calendar

| February | |
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| 5 | Troop Meeting |
| 12 | Troop Meeting |
| 16—18 | Skiing Campout at Bittersweet Ski Resort (Cabin Camping) |
| 19 | Presidents' Day |
| 19 | Troop Meeting |
| 26 | Troop Meeting |

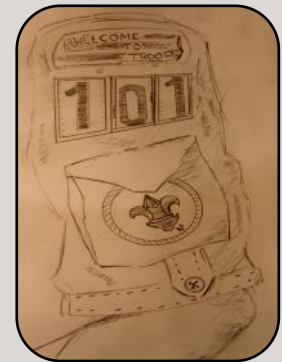
Quartermaster's

Monthly Tip

When you dry out your tent, do not put the ground tarp in the tent bag.

Newsletter Submissions

If you would like to submit something for the newsletter, Email it to Mrs. Baker at jmjbaker@comcast.net and to the Scribe, Skylar Smith, at scoutskylar@outlook.com. Everything must be submitted by the 20th of every month.



Troop Meetings

January 8

- Talking with Patrols

January 15

- How to Winter Camp by Hayden Smith
- Knots
- Winter Camporee Meal Planning
- Scoutmaster's Minute: MLK Day

January 22

- Scout's Got Talent
- Scoutmaster's Minute: A Scout is Loyal

Announcements

If you were a Den Chief and no longer are, please let Mrs. Baker know.

Summer Camp registration is open! Make sure to turn in your health forms.

The cold weather packing list is on TroopTrack and in the Troop Handbook.

Aviation Merit Badge

Vincent Hammer

One merit badge opportunity in our troop is Aviation. This merit badge will teach you many things like parts of an airplane, the rules of the air, and even how to plan a flight. Two counselors in our troop are Mr. Hammer and Mr. Beene. This is a very fun and educational opportunity for anyone who is interested.

