

TROOP 1 NEWS

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METHODIST CHURCH

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September 2014

A 2013 GOLD JOURNEY TO EXCELLENCE TROOP!

Membership in Troop 1 is inclusive and open to all.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

School Night for Scouting. 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 18 at South Minneapolis schools. Strong Troops need strong packs. Almost all Boy Scouts were Cub Scouts. Let's help Pack 1 recruit. Please sign up to help at the Troop meetings on September 8 and 15.

FFF Camp. Two of the "Fs" are family and fellowship. So families are invited. It's Friday evening to Sunday morning, September 19 to 21 at Interstate State Park in Saint Croix Falls, Wisconsin. The crossbow rumor is unfounded. But the theme may be railroading. If so, it'd include a trip on the Minnesota Transportation Museum's Osceola and Saint Croix Valley Railway. That's a perfect laboratory to complete some of the Railroading merit badge. There are a limited number of Railroading merit badge pamphlets in the Troop library. The worksheet at www.meritbadge.org is essential. As is a *Blue Card* from a Scoutmaster.

Metro Lakes District Fall Camporee. Friday evening to Sunday morning, October 10 to 12. Location to be determined. It's part two of the Spring Camporee. You can finish what you started in spring or start something new.



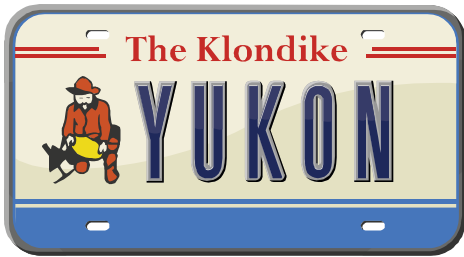
Fall Camp. Friday evening, November 7 to Sunday morning, November 9 at Stearns Scout Camp with the theme and activities to be determined.



Ski Camp. Friday evening, January 16 to Monday, January 19.



Klondike Derby. Saturday morning, February 14 at Lake Harriet. Not Canada's Yukon Territory. Fun on the ice and in the snow competing against other Metro Lakes District troops in winter-related Scout skills.



Snow Base. Friday evening to Sunday afternoon, February 20 to 22, 2015 at Tomahawk Scout Reservation. There's something for every Scout! New Scouts can do Snow Huskies spending all day Saturday and Sunday morning in the snow and Friday and Saturday nights in a warm cabin. More experienced Scouts can do Spearhead, skiing out to a remote campsite, making camp, and spending 24-plus hours outside. There's also dogsledding for Scouts who have done Snow Huskies and Spearhead.



Merit Badge Camp. Saturday and Sunday, March 21 and 22, 2015. Get a head start on the *Citizenship in the Nation* and *Personal Management* merit badges. Eat good food. Have fun in the snow.



Biking Camp. Friday evening to Sunday morning, April 24 to 26, 2015.



Metro Lakes District Spring Camporee. Friday evening to Sunday morning, May 8 to 10, 2015. Location and theme to be determined.



Minnehaha Church Day of Service. Saturday morning, May 17. Window washing, Patrol Leaders Council planning, and more. Doughnuts to get you started and maybe lunch if you tough it out?



Superior Hiking Trail Backpacking Trip.

Monday, June 8 to Saturday, June 13, 2015.



2015 Summer Camp at Tomahawk. The Patrol Leaders Council voted to go to Tomahawk Scout Reservation for 2015's summer camp instead of to Many Point for a seventh year. Tomahawk is half the distance as Many Point, is a one-day longer program – Saturday morning, July 4 to Saturday afternoon, July 11, and has activities in longer blocks of time instead of “every hour on the hour.” In addition, we've chosen the dining hall option! So less driving and time in the car and a week of fewer transitions, less walking, and no cooking! Other than tradition, what's not to like?



Free money.

This section should really be headlined “Volunteers Needed.” But I thought that “Free Money” might be the hook to get you this far! A healthy troop – any volunteer group – needs active and dedicated volunteers. This is some of what Troop 1 needs:

Camp Clerk. The Camp Clerk ensures that a boy leader, like the Scribe, gets camp attendance to the Advancement Chair, encourages boys to get camp-earned advancement to the Advancement Chair, collects adult leaders' expenses and other camp expenses, gets expense reimbursement forms to the Treasurer so camp bills get paid and adult leaders get reimbursed, and makes sure that the Treasurer has the data to debit Scout Accounts for camp costs. This position is critical to ensure that the Troop financially accountable to parents and Scouts. It's ideally someone, or two or more people, who camp often with the Troop.

Training Chair. All you have to do is know the training requirements for adult leaders, know how on-line training works, get in the loop on in-person training opportunities, and keep track of who's done what training. It may involve some follow-up to ensure that all adult leaders are fully trained.

Troop Committee Chair. If the current chair had been better at delegating, this wouldn't be as big a deal. But someone, preferably who's better at delegation than the incumbent, needs to start the process of learning the job so there's a smooth transition at the Troop's tiller.

Troop 1 News Editor. Is there a Scout who's a budding journalist or writer? Could this be the Troop Historian's or Webmaster's job? Is there an adult who has a communications or journalism background who'd be willing to advise a young journalist? We've seen how well boy leadership is working. This is an obvious area for boy leadership.

FOUR MONTHS OUT:

7:45 a.m. on Saturday, August 30 – Last Saturday hike?
Please check your e-mail for details.

6:30 p.m. on Monday, September 8 – Troop meeting.
Boards of Review by appointment. Please volunteer for School Night for Scouting.

7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 9 – Troop Committee meeting. *Adults please check your e-mail for the agenda.*

6:30 p.m. on Monday, September 15 – Troop meeting.
Please volunteer for School Night for Scouting. Campout and School Night for Scouting preparation.

6:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 18 – School Night for Scouting. *Please volunteer to help recruit Cub Scouts for Pack 1.*

Friday evening, September 19 to Sunday morning, September 21. FFF campout at Interstate State Park.
Registered campers please check your e-mail for details.

6:30 p.m. on Monday, September 22 – Troop meeting.
Deadline to sign up for Metro Lakes District Fall Camporee.

7:45 a.m. on Saturday, September 27 – Last Saturday hike. *Please check your e-mail for details.*

6:30 p.m. on Monday, September 29 – Patrol Leaders Council and Quartermaster meeting. *Boards of Review by appointment. No Troop meeting.*

6:30 p.m. on Monday, October 6 – Troop meeting.
Campout preparation.

Friday evening to Sunday morning, October 10 to 12 – Metro Lakes District Fall Camporee at Stearns Scout Camp.

6:30 p.m. on Monday, October 13 – Troop meeting.

Saturday morning, October 18 – Northern Star Council Good Turn 5k and 10k at Base Camp.

6:30 p.m. on Monday, October 20 – Troop meeting.
Court of Honor.

7:45 a.m. on Saturday, October 25 – Last Saturday hike. *Please check your e-mail for details.*

6:30 p.m. on Monday, October 27 – Troop meeting.

6:30 p.m. on Monday, November 3 – Troop meeting. *Boards of Review by appointment.*

Friday evening to Sunday morning, November 7 to 9, Fall Camp. *Registered campers please check your e-mail for details.*

6:30 p.m. on Monday, November 10 – Troop meeting.

7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 11 – Troop Committee meeting. *Adults please check your e-mail for the agenda.*

6:30 p.m. on Monday, November 17 – Troop meeting.

6:30 p.m. on Monday, November 24 – Troop meeting.

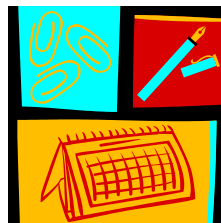
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6:30 p.m. on Monday, December 1 – Patrol Leaders Council and Quartermaster meeting. *Boards of Review by appointment. No Troop meeting.*

6:30 p.m. on Monday, December 8 – Troop meeting.

6:30 p.m. on Monday, December 15 – Troop meeting.

No Troop meetings for the rest of the month or Last Saturday hike in December.



All activities and events are at Minnehaha United Methodist Church, 3701 East 50th Street, unless otherwise indicated. Troop meetings are from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Please read the weekly e-mail from the Senior Patrol Leader for information about the next Monday's meeting.

Please check your in-box. Parents can always get answers to questions by stopping in during a Troop meeting or event and asking an adult leader. Complete contact information for all adult leaders is on the next page.

Church doors open at about 6:15 p.m. Please be on time with your uniform shirt tucked in! Parents should check in at the beginning or end of meetings to ensure that they have the latest information.

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