

BSA Troop 198 Newsletter



Special Webelos II Edition - 2008 - 2009

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Feb 2009 Your Crossover at Blue and Gold
March 2009 Your first cabin campout
March 2009 Your first merit badge
March 2009 Earn \$\$\$ for camping – sell candy!

April 2009 Spring Camping with new friends
May/June 2009 Starved Rock and Canoeing
July 2009 A whole week at Camp Napowan!
Aug & Beyond You'll help to plan it!

Thanks for checking out our Troop!

We welcome you to Troop 198. This is the format we use for our newsletter each month. In it, we outline important dates and upcoming events. In this special edition, we will feature some of the cool things we like to do!

Troop 198 has been active for over 45 years!

Since 1961, Troop 198 scouts have been learning new skills, making new friends and achieving their goals. Recent campouts have included Mississippi Palisades, a canoe trip, sleeping on a submarine, car race at the Porsche Club of America, White Pines State Park, and Eagle Cave. Recent outings have included a downtown play, paddleboats, bowling, mini-golf, rock-climbing, an ice-cream social and lots more!



Eagle Scouts

We have helped lots of scouts achieve the Eagle Rank. In the last three years, we have honored seven Eagle scouts and have celebrated their achievements with individual Eagle Courts of Honor. Currently, there are two boys in our troop who are nearly complete with their requirements and more who are working hard on their rank advancement. We love to help scouts reach these important milestones!

We invite you to join Troop 198! Meetings are held Tuesdays from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Church of the Cross, 475 West Higgins Road, Hoffman Estates.

March Camping

Hey prospective scouts – if you join Troop 198 in February, your first campout with us will be in cabins at **Camp Reinberg** in Palatine, IL. We'll be heading out **March 13-15th**. Check out our links on the website below for more info.

New Troop Website

Check out our great new website: <http://web.me.com/rjem> We'll be using it to communicate with each other and with other troops. There are some great pictures of all the fun we have.

Troop Events Planner

Attached you'll find a copy of our schedule which outlines dates and planned outings for the whole year. Each spring, our scouts work together with the Patrol Leaders Committee to plan their own events and then present them to the Troop Committee for approval. We are a boy-led troop. The scouts decide what they would like to do and the leaders assist them in carrying out their plans.

Parents are welcome and encouraged to participate

Although the scouts do the work, parental involvement is important in supporting rank advancement and merit badge work. We welcome new leaders and welcome parents to participate in events and camping.

**SEE YOU AT YOUR BLUE AND GOLD
AS YOU CROSS OVER INTO TROOP 198!**

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Troop 198 Events Planner 2008/2009

MONTH	MEETING ACTIVITIES	FUND RAISERS	CAMPING ACTIVITY	DISTRICT ACTIVITY	SERVICE PROJECTS	SPECIAL HOLIDAY & EVENTS	TROOP USE	ADVANCE MENT	LEADER'S MEETINGS		
									PATROL LEADER'S COUNCIL	TROOP COMMITTEE	DISTRICT ROUND TABLE
Sep-08		Septmberfest 9/1	Illini Jamboree 9/12	Parade		Labor Day 9/1	Webelos Event	Court of Honor 9/7	9/16/08	9/9/08	9/8/08
Oct-08	Mini Golf 10/21	Popcorn 10/22	Fall Camporee 10/3	Merit Badge Clinic 10/18	Church Cleanup 11/1	Halloween 10/31	Webelos Event	Board of Review 10/21	10/21/08	10/14/08	10/13/08
Nov-08			Medieval Times 11/15			Thanksgiving 11/27	Webelos Event	Board of Review 11/18	11/18/08	11/11/08	11/10/08
Dec-08	Open House Recruitment 12/2		HOLIDAYS		PADS See John Mahowald	Christmas 12/25	No Meeting 12/30	Board of Review 12/16	12/16/08	12/9/08	12/8/08
Jan-09	Library & Oberweis 1/27		Johnson's Mound 1/16	Recharter TBD	PADS See John Mahowald	New Year's Day 1/1		Board of Review 1/20	1/20/09	1/13/09	1/12/09
Feb-09			Lowden 2/13	District Dinner 2/6	PADS See John Mahowald	Valentine's Day 2/14	OA Election 2/10	Court of Honor/FOS 2/3	2/17/09	2/10/09	2/9/09
Mar-09		Candy Sales	Reinberg 3/13	Merit Badge Clinic TBD	PADS See John Mahowald	Spring Break 3/21-29	Napowan Half Due 3/3	Board of Review 3/17	3/17/09	3/10/09	3/9/09
Apr-09			Spring Camporee TBD/Galena	Spring Camporee	Church Cleanup TBD	Easter Sunday 4/12	Youth Protection 4/21	Board of Review 4/21	4/21/09	4/14/09	4/13/09
May-09			Starved Rock 5/15			Mother's Day 5/10	Napowan Final Due 5/5	Annual Planning Mtg 5/26	5/19/09	5/12/09	5/11/09
Jun-09	Bowling 6/30	Car Wash TBD	Kankakee River/Canoe 6/26			Father's Day 6/21	Posters for Car Wash	Board of Review 6/16	6/16/09	6/9/09	6/8/09
Jul-09			Napowan 7/26-8/1	Flyers Baseball TBD		Independence Day 7/4	No Meeting 7/28	Board of Review 7/14	7/14/09	7/7/09	NA
Aug-09			Fishing Derby? Michael	Flyers Baseball TBD			Webelos Event	Board of Review 8/18	8/18/09	8/11/09	8/10/09

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