

Troop 49 Newsletter

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Scoutmaster Corner

LET'S BUILD PATROL SPIRIT

School is back in session, winter is on its way, and many of our outdoor activities are moving indoors for a few months. Let's use the troop meetings to get together, have fun, and keep building our scouting spirit.

We break into patrol corners during our meetings, and we don't seem to really enjoy them.

Why do we have patrol corners?

Lord Baden-Powell, the Founder of Boy Scouts, once said, "The patrol system is not one method in which scouting can be carried on; it is the only method."

A Patrol is a team within the Troop. We break into our Patrols to talk about Patrol/team stuff (see my suggestions below). Patrol corner is also a great opportunity to discuss Patrol stuff face-to-face and in-person.

What should happen during Patrol corners?

- PL should share the patrol leader report on what happened at the latest patrol leaders' council meeting
- Plan upcoming patrol activities, including but not limited to:
- Planning and organizing Patrol day outings
- Create Ideas for patrol competitions

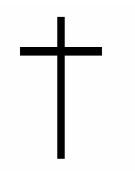
- Work on the next Instructions the patrol is responsible for (we can start working on these earlier than the week of the instruction)
- Come up with a skit, song, cheer, etc. to perform during the Troop meeting (I love these)
- Create ideas to make the Troop meeting fun and then share it with the SPL and SM
- Design patrol flag
- Work on advancement requirements
- Outfit and clean patrol box

What does the Patrol Leader do?

- Plans, organizes, conducts patrol meetings activities.
- An agenda would be a good idea to keep the patrol corner on time and productive
- Represents the patrol as a member of the patrol leader's council.
- Keeps patrol members informed about upcoming events and deadlines.
- Encourages patrol members to complete advancement requirements
- Sets a good example by living up to the Scout Oath and Law

Yours in Scouting,

Mr. Voiles



Prayer by Peter K.

Dear God,

Thank you for the wonderful activities that we had. Thank you for the great meetings and camps we had. Please keep us all safe, happy and healthy and let us continue to go on the camps and fun trips.

Amen

Flag Retirement Ceremony at the Legion by Stellan U.

On June 10, 2021, Troop 49 retired several unserviceable flags for the Delafield American Legion. Nicholas Hoffman was SPL and there were many Scouts and adults who attended the ceremony. I had never been to a flag retirement ceremony. Flag Retirement is the process of damaged, destroyed, dirty, or bleached flags being ceremoniously burned to ash. Each Scout took turns respectfully retiring a flag and saluting the flag in honor of a person who served in the military, police department, or fire department. Flags that were placed in the burn pit but did not touch the fire were carefully moved by a pitchfork into the fire. Mr. Marek supervised the burn pit to ensure all BSA safety guidelines were followed. The scalding sun and the blazing fire meant that the temperature was atrociously hot.



Delafield Night Out (August 3) by Jess V.

For the Delafield night out I was the SPL and Mrs. Voiles was the adult lead. We had more scouts that attended and RSVPed so that was good. First we helped set up other booths and after a while we needed to set up ours. We got a table from a different booth that had an extra one so we borrowed it. I think the number of scouts that showed up was amazing. The number of helpers we got was much better than I expected. The Delafield police and fire departments came and we saw all their equipment. It started to get to the end so all the booths were packing up. We helped them all get ready and pack up and clean.



Summer Court of Honor (August 22) by Peter K.

The Summer Court of Honor was an event that lasted a few hours. Everyone got recognized and got told what their rank means. There were adults recognized and we went over all of the activities we did during the summer.



Thank you to Mrs Winiecke for your continued support of Troop 49 and helping us have amazing Courts of Honor. We are grateful for your tireless dedication to the scouts in planning the celebrations of their achievements!

OA Fall Conference (August 13-15) by Nicholas H.

The Order of the Arrow Fall Conference was an enlightening experience, to say the very least. It was tough, and I had to work hard, but it was fulfilling. To my surprise, there were actually a lot of Scouts that were going through the Ordeal. I had not truly realized the scale of the Conference and how far it actually reached across Wisconsin. At the same time I was going through my Ordeal, so was Mrs. Voiles. We had to sleep outside on the first night. It was cold. The work we did was not easy, and involved a lot of different tasks around Camp Long Lake. The little food we had and the heat made the work even harder. However, we managed to all persevere through it all, and in the end, dinner more than made up for everything. At the end of the day, it was nice to look back on all the work we had done before finally going to sleep.



Legion Golf Outing (August 27-28) by Sophia H.

Troop 49 assisted the Delafield American Legion at The Broadlands Golf Club for their annual golf outing. Several Scouts helped set up the day before the actual outing. Set up was done in about 30 minutes.

On the day of the golf outing, the Scouts and adults helped get everything ready for the golfers by putting small goody bags in all of the golf carts. Once the golfers started arriving, we took their bags to their assigned cart. There was some confusion at the beginning on the lists that were given to us, so we had to regroup and move some of the bags twice, but it all worked out. It was fun to talk to everyone while bringing their bags to their carts.

It was also really hot, but everyone who was there worked hard despite the hot weather. We even received some tips for our efforts. After everyone went to golf, we were able to enjoy one of the boxed lunches made for us by the golf course employees.



Remembering 9/11 by Mr. George Finch

??? September 11th ??

Where were you 20 years ago, do you remember? Does this date have any lasting meaning to you or your family? As a Scout in Troop #49, you were not even born yet, however this date will impact your life probably forever.

I will never forget this day. I was driving my stepdaughter to work, and had just exited Rt #94 east, when the news was interrupted: "There are reports coming in that a small plane has hit or run into the world trade center. We will keep you posted". This was the beginning of one of the most terrifying days that America has ever experienced, and one that has sunk permanently in my mind. I, like most, spent the rest of the day glued to the television, or listening to the radio. Our Country was under a Terrorist Attack and thousands of our people had been killed or injured. How could this happen to, "The land of The Free"? The immediate reaction was, how and when do we strike back at this attacker or attackers. All aircraft were grounded, Defcon#1 was declared for the first time and Military guards suddenly appeared everywhere. Life was scary. What is next?? Day by day, our lives were changed forever.

Since our education system has dodged much of recent history, I suggest it is a good time to catch up on this horrendous event that took place. Spend some time with your parents or an adult friend, and ask them, "Where were you 20 years ago". An interesting and educational discussion should take place. Yet, as a result, our world has changed forever. The way we live has changed, and while our Country quickly came together, we have now permitted it to become fragmented. We need to use this memory and other disasters to again help us come together and show the world that we are still the greatest Nation on earth. "Home of the Free, and Land of the Brave".



Reflection on September 11th by Mrs McCarthy

On September 11th each year since 2001, our Nation and Nations across the world pause in reverence to remember the events that happened in America on 9/11/2001 and to honor the heroes and innocent victims of that day and the days that followed. The gravity of those events continue to affect us today.

Where there is tragedy there are those who rise up and help. For some people their daily life is one of bravery, heroic actions, and sacrifice, and for some their hero status is born when they think beyond themselves and help someone in distress or save the lives of many by their selfless actions. Life shows us that you do not know when you may be called upon for duty to others but when that day comes those actions will make a big difference. As scouts it's important to keep aware and keep on duty, and to be prepared for when you're called upon to be a HERO.



Senior Spotlight by Emory W.

The Oconomowoc Enterprise recently had an article about the Oconomowoc High School football players setting examples for all. Senior Captain Tyler Hanson was highlighted as he stayed after practice with a teammate who was waiting on a ride. When Tyler was questioned why he acted this way he responded "There really isn't a motivation to the action other than just doing what is supposed to be done as a captain, which is to be the first on the field and the last one off the field". Tyler continued to say "As a team, we are a family, and everyone gets taken care of in this family." This teammate is a special member of that family and he has Down syndrome. Tyler has played football with this teammate since eighth grade and mentioned how this teammate brings so much positive energy to the game both on and off the field.

Thank you Tyler for going out of your way to look out for a friend and be a good example for all of us to follow. Click link for the full article.

Ocon football players set examples for all - Oconomowoc Enterprise



We Need Your Help

The Troop is still taking donations for LifeStriders. We did get some items at our Summer Court of Honor but will be holding off on delivering until October should anyone else want to add to our collection. LifeStriders (located on Hwy. 18) is an organization that provides innovative and integrated cognitive and physical therapies, very often with the use of horses. They currently serve about 250 families per week! You can volunteer at LifeStriders as young as 8-years-old...so here's your chance if you need service hours. Some suggestions for donations for the horses - Cheerios, Honey Bunches of Oats, peppermints, watermelon, apples and pears. If you haven't already made a donation or feel inclined to make another donation, consider one of the suggested treats. Feel free to bring your donation to an upcoming Troop meeting. Thank you!

**Troop meetings will now start at 6:30 pm so we can have more daylight for our outdoor activities. We should be finished by 8 so everyone can get a good night's sleep.

Congratulations to Troop 49 on reaching our pop top goal to help the Ronald McDonald House. It was great to have fun & games at our last troop meeting.

Thank you Peter K. for all your hard work to make this happen.



Fall Fundraising Reminder

Our annual Popcorn, Wreath, Kringle and Coffee fundraiser will be starting Sept 18.

Mrs. Ewald sent out links a few weeks ago for signing up to sell at local Pick N Saves. If you want to sell at another business (including Sentry, Piggly Wiggly) you should contact those places directly to schedule. Try your local hardware stores and Home Depot. Please remember your scout needs to be with an adult when selling. Show and Sell orders will be available for pick up at the Ewald house-120 Legend Way, Wales on Friday, Sept. 17.

We need ALL Scouts to participate! Product sales raise funds for the Troop, the Council, and Individual Scout Accounts. If you do not have your sales order forms yet, please contact Mrs Ewald. She has your envelope sitting on her doorstep in Wales.

ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO TROOP 49- PAYMENT & ORDERS DUE OCTOBER 14

Contact Mrs. Ewald with any questions through scoutbook or call/text her at 414-339-2504

On the Radar:

Fall Fundraising-Popcorn, Wreaths, Kringles & Coffee- Starts 9/18

Devil's Lake Camporee 10/1-10/3

Ice Cream & Rockets Recruiting Event @ Legion 10/2 from 2:30-5:00pm

Camp Long Lake Merit Badge Camporee 10/8-10/10

Creeporee @ Camp Long Lake 11/5-11/7

Articles Still Needed for November Newsletter-DEADLINE October 29

May 8 and June 14 Swim Test-Need a scout to write up

July 4 Delafield Parade and Flag Retirement at the Legion-Need a scout to write up

July 16-18 Sylvania Wilderness Canoe Trip-JJ H.

August 9 Three Pillars Flag Ceremony-Karissa T.

August 9 Religious Emblem Training-Zach L.

Positions of Responsibility:

SPRING 2021

SPL: Brandon Tobias

ASPL: Nicholas Hoffman

ASPL: Aiden Polacheck

ASPL: Peter Koutropoulos

Patrol Leader (Fox): Emory Winiecke

Assistant Patrol Leader (Fox): Nick

Voiles

Patrol Leader (Burnt Toast): JJ Huber

Assistant Patrol Leader (Burnt Toast):

John Muraco

Patrol Leader (Dragon): Cullen

Patterson

Assistant Patrol Leader (Dragon): Kyle

Schienke

Patrol Leader (Disco Dogs): Zach

Assistant Patrol Leader (Disco Dogs):

Logan

Historian: Emory Winiecke

Chaplain Aide: Peter Koutropoulos

ASM: Spencer Hong

JASM: Cedric Hong

Quartermaster: Nick Voiles

Quartermaster: Cullen Patterson

Quartermaster: Josh Hedgecock

Quartermaster: Jess Voiles

Webmaster: Nicholas & Sophie Hoffman

FALL 2020

SPL: Nick Hoffman

ASPL: Toby Hayden

ASPL: Ryan Konet, John Muraco

Patrol Leader (Fox): Aiden Polacheck

Assistant Patrol Leader (Fox): Emory

Winiecke

Patrol Leader (Burnt Toast): JJ Huber

Assistant Patrol Leader (Burnt Toast):

Matthew Frkovich

Patrol Leader (Dragon): Josh Hedgcock

Assistant Patrol Leader (Dragon): Cullen

Patterson

Patrol Leader (Disco Dogs): Braiden

Winkels

Assistant Patrol Leader (Disco Dogs):

N/A

Patrol Leader (White Tigers): Jess Voiles

Assistant Patrol Leader (White Tigers):

Ellie Mudler

Historian: Emory Winiecke

Instructor: Matthew Frkovich

JASM:

Quartermaster: Nick Voiles

Quartermaster: Josh Hedgecock

Quartermaster: Aiden Polocheck

Quartermaster: Karissa Tobias

Librarian: Logan, Zach & JJ Huber

Outdoor Ethics:Mason Ewald & Karissa

Tobias

OA Rep: Nicholas Hoffman

Troop Guide: Nick Voiles

Troop Guide: John Muraco

Scribe: Stellan Ulland, Rachel

Webmaster: Nicholas Hoffman

Librarian: Mason Ewald

Librarian Assistant: Patrick Byrnes

Chaplain Aide: Peter Koutropoulos

Chaplain Aide: Chase Lippold

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