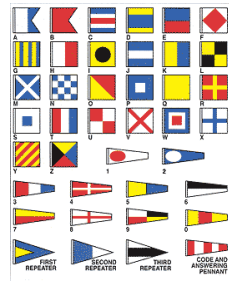




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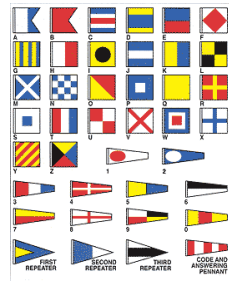
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Eagle Project Saturday



NICK JUHASZ'S EAGLE PROJECT OCT 23TH, 07:00 AM

The organization that will be benefiting from my Eagle project is Youth On Their Own. "Youth On Their Own is dedicated to support the high school graduation of homeless youth by providing financial assistance, basic human needs, and guidance", the Youth On Their Own mission statement. They are an organization that takes kids off the street and gives them free food, clothes, toiletries, and other various items. They also give the kids an allowance for the month and they promote graduation of high school. The kids will be the main people benefiting. There will be more storage space in the mini mall, so the kids will have more food to receive. There will also be more storage space in the shed so the kids will be able to pick out items easier and there will be room for more items. The insulation in the shed will keep it cooler for the youth.



WHEN: On October 23, 2010, at 7 A.M.

WHERE: we will meet at the troop shed and then depart for the work site. YOTO is located at 1443 W Prince Rd , Tucson, AZ 85705.

UNTIL: After completion we will leave sometime between 3 and 4 P.M.

EATS: I will provide donuts and orange juice in the morning, and provide Eegee's for lunch. I have various projects to complete my Eagle project. We will be building three sets of shelves; insulating and putting up drywall and painting in the shed; and laying gravel behind the main building. This will all take place at the Tucson "Youth On Their Own" (Y.O.T.O.) facility.

WHAT:

We will be building part of the project by constructing shelves in the following locations: the "mini mall" (where the kids pick up food/clothing), the shed, and the garage. In the shed we will take down the original shelves, and put in insulation and cover the walls with drywall then paint. Then we will put up the new shelves. In addition, we will clean up behind the main building, and then add gravel. The gravel will be placed in the area next to the shed and the garage. The gravel is needed because when it rains, this area becomes flooded. The gravel will help provide runoff. If we have time we will build and attach a ramp to the garage.

Thank you all for your help.

UPDATE:NEXT REGULAR MEETING IS OCTOBER 25TH.

PLC POSTONED

THE PLC has been postponed so we can have a REGULAR MEETING We will be continuing to talk Backpacking. Make sure you bring your book with you

WHERE: At the Church Gym

WHEN: Meeting starts at 7:00 –

WHAT: Regular Meeting to Talk about Sedona / Backpacking, etc.

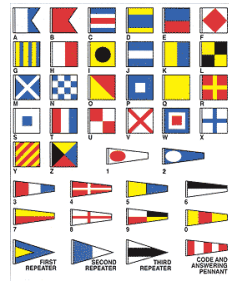
RANK ADVANCEMENT CONTEST UPDATE:

I didn't do any **scoutmaster conferences** last week. How many MORE scouts can advance? Which patrol will win? **WHAT HAPPENED GUYS! WE WERE GOING GREAT GUNS, NOW IT HAS STOPPED, DON'T GIVE UP!**



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SEDONA – BACKPACK/CAR CAMP NOV 5TH-7TH



Mr. Jones and Mr. Relich are planning the Sedona Trip for us. We are currently trying to find an appropriate Camping area for both the Car Camp and Backpack trip. Right now the proposal is to Backpack up the West fork of Oak Creek, but we have to hike at least 6 miles to get to a camping area. The possible campsites along the Hwy 89 are many, but we want to coordinate closely with the Backpack so that the car camp can be a Base Camp.

RIGHT NOW ONLY 2 ADULTS AND 7 SCOUTS ARE SIGNED UP (Only 1 scout for Car Camp and NO adults)

This trip is in Real danger of Cancellation

Final Planning and signups will be **MONDAY NIGHT** October 25th. You will need to decide if this trip is going to happen or not by then.

NOVEMBER 11TH, VETERANS DAY: NEED VOLUNTEERS

WHAT: Help serve Lunch at the Fellowship Square Senior Home. Need 8 – 10 Boys to work with Troop 186 to honor our veterans. . Serving people that can't get around - In the Grassy Area We'll Bring Troop Flag and American Flag.

Class "A" Required. ½ Hour to serve. About 2 Hours altogether.

WHERE: Broadway & Pantano – (Next to St. Pauls Church)

EATS: Boys will be fed at 11:00

Time: 11:00 -1:00

This is a Day off from School.

Contact: John Musser (Commissioner) **343-1725**

LET MR. LONG KNOW YOU ARE INTERESTED



VENTURE UPDATE

Meetings are now on Wednesdays

Upcoming:

- ⇒ October 24- Nick's Eagle Project
- ⇒ October TBD –Rocks and Ropes
- ⇒ November 5-Backpacking Sedona
- ⇒ November TBD –Shooting

Meeting Locations:

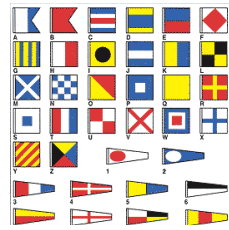
First Wednesday at the TVLC Café

Third Wednesday at the TVLC Gym



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IT'S RECHARTER TIME AGAIN!

Yep, That time of year again. We set the rates for Recharter for 2011 during the September committee meeting. The Rates will be as follows: **(the due date is NOVEMBER 1ST)**

BSA Registration	BSA Insurance	Boys Life	Troop 141 Dues	Total
\$15	\$1	\$12	\$32	\$60

http://www.scouttroop141.org/parents/2010_Recharter.pdf

The troop dues were raised this year to offset the price hikes in all of the badges, registrations, etc that we have had to pay over the last year. The Fall Court of Honor alone cost the troop General fund \$350 in badges!

This year Mrs. Barone is leading the charge and will be providing forms and collecting money. You can email her at parents@scouttroop141.org if you need financial assistance.

There is a Link to a Financial Assistance Request form on the Catalina Website. You can request help with Registration Dues by filling this out: http://www.catalinacouncil.org/forms/2010_Financial_Aid.pdf

RECHARTER FOR PARENTS & SCOUT LEADERS:

If you interact with Scouts in Any way, including, Merit Badge Counseling, Camping, Hiking or Driving scouts to events, you MUST complete the Youth Protection training, If you are planning on being registered with the BSA, You MUST submit a copy of your completion certificate with your Registration Renewal. (SEE WEEKLY THOUGHT FOR HELP)

Boy Scout Troop/Venture Crew 141 Annual Recharter

It is time to renew Boy Scouts of America membership for returning scouts and leaders. Everyone who wants to continue their membership in the BSA needs to recharter. New scouts who have recently joined the unit have paid a small transfer fee or pro-rated registration fee. This was to cover scouting activities for the remainder of 2010. The re-chartering fee is a separate fee now due for ALL scouts and leaders for the full year 2011.

These fees include Scout registration, Boys Life subscription, and unit activity fee. Purchase of a troop 141 red T-Shirt is optional for another \$8. This T-shirt consists in very handy for events that don't require a uniform, and it allows the boys to feel like a part of the team. Sweatshirts are also available for overnight camping activities.

Families with more than one scout in the troop/crew will have a reduced price for the additional scouts. Assuming there will be only one Boy's Life magazine subscription for that household, the fee will be reduced by \$12.00 for each additional scout.

Name of 1st Scout: _____ Unit (Troop or Venture): _____
 Eagle (Yes/No): _____
 Phone Number: _____

Name of 2nd Scout (if applicable): _____ Unit (Troop or Venture): _____
 Eagle (Yes/No): _____

Name of Registered Adult: _____
 Adult Leadership Position: _____ Unit (Troop or Venture): _____

Check	Type
Scout	\$60 (\$15BSA, \$33-T141, \$12-Boys Life)
Additional Scout reading brothers	Boy's Life = \$28
Single Scout	= \$22
Eagle Scout reading brothers	Boy's Life = \$10
Adult Leader	= \$10 (Covers outings under BSA insurance)
T-Shirts	= \$8 (optional) Long Sleeve = \$10 (optional) (put number in box below)

Total: \$ _____ Date: _____
 Check # _____ Cash: \$ _____

REDS: Short # Long Sleeve # Sweatshirt # Hooded Sweatshirt

Youth: (10-12) _____ (14-18) _____
 Adult: (S) _____ (M) _____ (L) _____
 (XL) _____ (XXL) _____ (XXXL) _____

The rechartering fee, Talent Release and this form are due to Cherri Barone by
➔ November 1st, 2010 ◀



ASTRONOMY MERIT BADGE:

Even though this is not an eagle required Merit badge it takes a lot of work observing, drawing and pointing out astronomical objects <http://www.skyandtelescope.com/observing/ata glance>

Friday, October 22

- Full Moon (exact at 9:37 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time).
- For telescope users, Jupiter's Great Red Spot should transit across the planet's central meridian around 9:05 p.m. EDT. (Here's a list to print out of all the [Great Red Spot's predicted transit times](#) for the rest of this observing season.)

Saturday, October 23

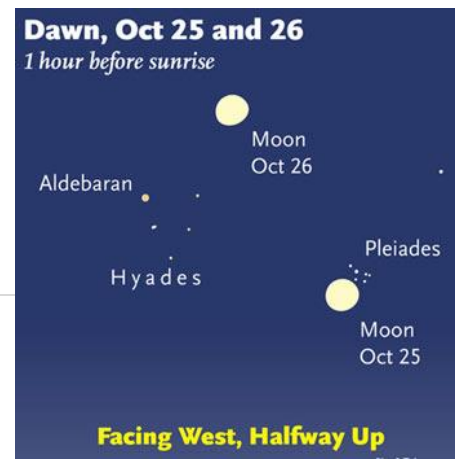
- The tiny black shadows of both Ganymede and Europa fall on Jupiter's face from 9:40 to 11:04 p.m. EDT.
- By the time the double shadow transit ends on Jupiter, Algol in Perseus is just about at its minimum light. Its mid-eclipse is around 12:10 a.m. Sunday morning Eastern Daylight Time; 9:10 p.m. Saturday evening Pacific Daylight Time. Algol remains nearly this dim for about an hour before and after.

Catch the waning gibbous Moon passing through Taurus in early dawn. How well do you know the waning Moon in your telescope? (The Moon is shown three times actual size for clarity. Its placement with respect to the stars is exact for the middle of North America.)

[Sky & Telescope](#) diagram

Sunday, October 24

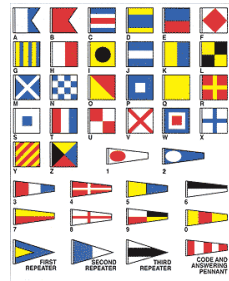
- Step outside (or open a west-facing window) before dawn Monday morning, and there will be the waning gibbous Moon with the Pleiades right nearby as





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shown here. Binoculars will continue to show the Pleiades and Aldebaran for a while even after dawn grows too bright for them to be visible to the naked eye.

Monday, October 25

- At this time of year the Big Dipper lies level in the north-northwest after dusk, quite low, far below the bowl of the much dimmer Little Dipper.

Tuesday, October 26

- Algol is at minimum light for a couple hours centered on 8:59 p.m. EDT.

Wednesday, October 27

- By mid-evening, bright Capella is shining well up in the northeast. Look off to its right, in the east, for the little Pleiades star cluster. Below the Pleiades, by about a fist-width at arm's length, is the orange giant Aldebaran.

Thursday, October 28

- **The Ghost of Summer Suns.** Halloween is approaching, and this means that Arcturus, the star sparkling low in the west-northwest in twilight, is taking on its role as "the Ghost of Summer Suns." What does this mean? Every year for several days around October 29th, Arcturus occupies a special place in the sky above your local landscape. It closely marks the spot there where the *Sun* stood at the same time (by the clock) during warm June and July — in broad daylight, of course. So at this season every year, you can think of Arcturus as the chilly Halloween ghost of the departed summer Sun.

HISTORIC MERIT BADGES

Our plan is to get all four of these done this fall before the December Court of Honor. Anyone that can be a counselor for these please let Mr. Long know as soon as possible so we can plug you in to the calendar:

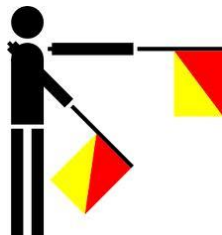
I hope everyone is taking digital pictures of tracks for their points.

We Started the **Tracking MB** on Monday Night. There is a LOT of work to do with a Digital camera on this one. There will be a Final Turn in meeting for Tracking MB on Tuesday October 12th. The **Signalling MB** is now on the calendar for Tuesday October 26th. *There will be a SLIGHT charge for a Signaling buzzer Kit. (Probably less than \$10).*

Mr. Juhasz started the PATHFINDING MB during our last meeting.

SIGNALLING MB- TUESDAY NIGHT OCT 26TH

Thanks to Mrs. Barone – We now have an EXCELLENT SET of Signal Flags for the troop!



out your Dit Dit

Right now I have

We'll have some Morse Code experts to teach that ON Tuesday night. We have 10 sets of Buzzers that you can purchase to practice Morse Coed. Some other morse Keys will be available to tap Daa's.

7 Scouts Signed up. There is room for 3 more!

Please Print [and bring this Workbook](#) with you (Even if you started the MB at Geronimo) Print and bring the Semaphore Flag Guide too : [Click Here](#)

International Morse Code

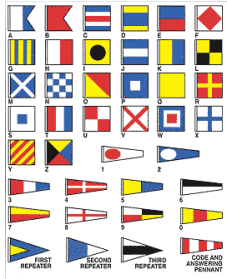
1. A dash is equal to three dots.
2. The space between parts of the same letter is equal to one dot.
3. The space between two letters is equal to three dots.
4. The space between two words is equal to seven dots.

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WE NEED A VOLUNTEER TO TEACH Carpentry

100th



Carpentry

100th



Pathfinding

100th



Signaling

100th



Tracking

Read more about the program here:

http://www.scouting.org/scoutsources/BoyScouts/AdvancementandAwards/historical_mb_program.aspx

UPCOMING EVENTS

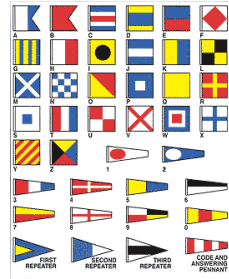
(Color Coding RED TEXT is an event that has changed, Color coding /Shading other colors indicates a new event since the last email). As you can see we are getting a full schedule already. Additional details are available by viewing the Troop Calendar. As you can see we have a FULL month once again!

10/23/2010	Nick's Eagle Project
10/23 & 24/2010	Adventure Base 100 at AZ State Fair
10/25/2010	PATROL LEADER'S CONFERENCE (No Meeting)
10/26/2010	Signaling MB
10/29/2010	Boy Scout Golf Tournament (Canoa GC)
10/30/2010	Cops & Rodders
11/01/2010	TROOP MEETING
11/02/2010	Spanish Trails Roundtable
11/05/2010	Sedona Campout / Backpack trip
11/06/2010	Spanish Trains MERIT BADGE DAY
11/06/2010	Popcorn Pickup assistance *Mrs. Morrisett
11/08/2010	TROOP MEETING
11/09/2010	Committee Meeting
11/10/2010	Spanish Trains Eagle BOR
11/11/2010	Veterans Day
11/11/2010	O/A Monthly Meeting
11/13/2010	International Wildlife Museum Scout Day



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EVENT HELP 2010-2011

(A HUGE Thank you to parents that volunteered to help out at The Camporee Trip) NEED ADULT LEADER HELP FOR PEPPERSAUCE (That means YOU are the LEADER). No LEADER MEANS NO TRIP.

Mr. Jones and Relich are coordinating SEDONA!!! Thank you.
Mr. Hein is Leading PrisonCamp-Hutches Pool trip.

As you can see there is a HUGE amount of FUN planned for this year. We'll not exactly PLANNED yet, but simply identified. Mr. LONG NEEDS YOUR HELP. I need a parent to be the lead on every trip/outing or event. What does this mean?

- Promote (Via Web page, PowerPoint, personal experience, etc).
- Arranging Permits/Reservations, etc.
- Setting the Sign Up sheets out
- Collecting money and giving it out to the patrol Grub Master
- Designating an Adult Grubmaster –

These kinds of things are very tough to do when acting the part of Scoutmaster. (I would much rather be the target of a dodge ball ☺) So I need your help. If everyone would choose just ONE event / outing to help with, it would make the year go so much more smoothly. So Look over the list at the top of this Blast, and see what outing might interest you. Any one of the bullets above you could help out with would be very appreciated as well.

BOY SCOUT GOLF TOURNAMENT

The annual Boy Scout Golf Tournament will be held on **Friday, October 29, 2010** at Canoa Ranch and Torres Blancas Golf Clubs in Green Valley at 12:30 PM. All check-ins will be conducted at Canoa Ranch at 11:00am. Chartered bus transportation is provided between the two courses for those golfers playing at Torres Blancas.

Registration includes a hosted Eegees lunch and a canvas tote bag filled with various gifts. The event will follow a shotgun scramble format with a barbeque dinner and awards banquet to follow at 5:30 PM at the Canoa Ranch Club House. First, second, and third place foursomes from each course will be awarded trophies. The evening concludes with an exciting raffle drawing of items including a large screen plasma television, golf foursomes for all the best courses in Tucson and much more!

Tournament foursomes are \$500 and individual players are \$125. Corporate sponsorship opportunities are also available for \$2500 and \$5000 in addition to tee sponsorships for \$250. All funds from the Golf Tournament go to support the Catalina Council, Boy Scouts of America. To register for the tournament, please visit <http://www.catalinacouncil.org/golf/golf1.html>.



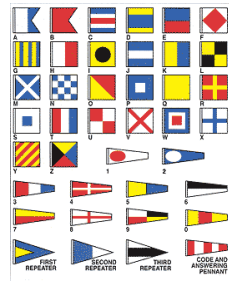
THE FOURTH ANNUAL COPS & RODDERS SHOW OCTOBER 30TH.

The Fourth Annual Tucson Police Foundation's Cops and Rodders Car, Truck and Motorcycle Show, presented by **Jim Click Automotive Team**, is set again this year for Hi Corbett Field (3400 E Camino Campestre) – **Save the date of Saturday, October 30, 2010, 8am-4pm.** Registration includes T-shirts, goody bags and raffle prizes – DJ John (Cruisin' Arizona Sponsor) will be spinning the oldies – an incredible display of cars, trucks, motorcycles, police and fire vehicles – our 4th annual, and one of the city's



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largest, pinewood derby car races is back along with pedal car races all for kids. Bring a toy for the police Santa Cop program or a can of food to help Arizona families before Thanksgiving. The show is open to all cars, trucks and motorcycles as listed on the registration form on the website www.copsandrodderstucson.org. We will have our Safe Halloween program again this year, with our Haunted House, Costume Contests, and free trick or treating for kids. For inquiries [Mr Rencken](#) is your contact.

Troop 141 will be RUNNING the Pinewood Derby track. Hurry and sign up, don't miss your opportunity to help out.

LONG TERM EVENTS

CAT Mountain Mud Run Dec 11thThe Boy Scouts of America, Catalina Council and DCB Extreme Adventures are proud to bring you the CAT Mountain Mud Run! This event is a good time for all... every age, every walk of life. Get off the couch and get to Cat Mountain and get Muddy!. Limited to Scouts over 15



Scout-O-Rama

You will not want to miss the upcoming 2011 Scout-O-Rama event on Saturday, **March 26, 2011** - back at the Reid Park Bandshell and hill. The event will have many fun activities for Scouts and it is a great way for our community to come look and see what we are doing. What is Scout-O-Rama? The Scout-O-Rama is our annual Scout Show. It is the place to showcase what your pack, troop, team and crew like to do. Last year activities included a scuba pool, sponsored by the Dive Shop, marshmallow shooters and rainwater regatta, volleyball cannons, a YMCA climbing tower, a pioneer tower, a real race car, the Pinewood Derby finals, and so much more! Units will be able to sell advance tickets with loads of valuable coupons prior to the event, at many grocery stores in Southern Arizona, and keep 50% of the sales! Look for details in the next few months! Do not miss this event. Put it on your calendar now!

EAGLE SCOUT DINNER NOV 18TH:

Scouters;

I am writing because you each have 2010 Eagle Scouts who have not RSVP'd for the Eagle Banquet yet. Can you help me out and encourage them to do so, ASAP. Otherwise the room will fill with us OLDER, Eagle Scouts, and there will just be a bunch of people milling around with canes and walkers, and it won't be a pretty site. It is November 18th at the Hotel Arizona at 6:30PM. The 2010 Eagles are FREE !!! Family, Scoutmasters, etc. are \$35.00 each. Please encourage them to attend.

T141 – Nathan Vita
Gregory Lochner
James Steinke



Yellowstone July 2011! THIS IS SO HUGE, SO EXCITING that it has burst out into its own Category!

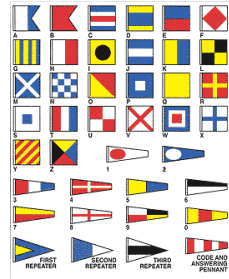
YELLOWSTONE: (DATELINE OCTOBER 2010 – MR. WINSTON DEADLINE IS HERE!)

Join Troop 141 on its 2011 Summer Adventure to Yellowstone National Park. We are planning to camp near Yellowstone Lake at Grant Village campground. **Firm Travel Dates are NOW July 21st through the 28th.** (2 days of travel each way and 4 full days at Yellowstone). Please contact [Mr. Winston](#) either at a troop meeting or via email to be placed on the **WAITING LIST** if you are interested in attending. Families are welcome to attend.



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Yellowstone Update: IMPORTANT CHANGE PLEASE READ

The group campgrounds for the dates we had initially planned are completely booked therefore the troop trip to Yellowstone has been shifted to July 21-28 (camping dates of July 22-27). These were the only dates available for stays longer than 2 nights. I have reserved the site for 60 (based on those who signed up by the deadline published in the last few scoutmaster blasts) at the Grants Village campground (**SEE MAP BELOW**) (<http://www.nps.gov/yell/planyourvisit/grantcg.htm>) at the cost of \$100.65/night for the group. If you have reserved a spot and now have a conflict, please contact Mr. Winston. A waiting list will be started, first come, first serve for those who are still interested in joining the troop but have not yet signed up. Please contact Mr. Winston to sign up for the waiting list.

Here is what I have so far. Here is my initial cost estimate:

- \$60 for hotels (one night each way, 4 scouts/room with \$120 room fee)
- \$50 for Yellowstone camping costs and admission fees

Other costs TBD would be food and gas money and whatever you can think of.



LIFE TO EAGLE:

Since this is 2010 and the centennial year, I have received many requests for scheduling Eagle projects so that Eagle can be achieved in 2010. This might be a difficult task to get everyone worked in around the regular Troop events but we will make a strong effort to get this done.

Some of you had asked where the application and Eagle packet are – So I re-posted them here:

- Here is the 12 Step Presentation for going from Life Scout to Eagle Scout:
<http://catalinacouncil.org/spanishtrails/Life-to-Eagle.pdf>
- Here is the New Application for Eagle
http://catalinacouncil.org/spanishtrails/Eagle_Application_09.pdf
- Here is an Editable version of the Eagle Workbook:
http://www.troop1631.org/forms/Eagle_Scout_packet.rtf
- Where to write for Congratulatory Letters:
<http://usscouts.org/eagle/eaglecongrats.asp>



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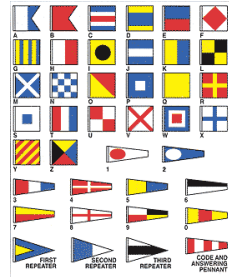
Pack 186 is selling a canoe - It's a 17', flat keel Grumman canoe. Includes a small, outboard trolling motor. I think it needs a battery. Custom camouflage paint job. \$575.

Please contact Mike Hammarstrom via email mhammarstrom@cox.net



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Wanted:

New Trailer ! Mr Bailey and Mr. Siepker have been searching extensively for a new trailer. Their extensive research has determined the problem is very complex.

- 1) A single axle Trailer (Like the one we have) is able to carry slightly more weight if we beef up the springs. This option is cheaper but may not meet the capacity needs. It's simple, doesn't require brakes.
- 2) A dual Axle Trailer – can carry up to 7,000 lbs, but is heavier making it difficult to move into and out of the shed by hand, requires electric brakes (Which means the tow vehicles have to have a controller) and are more expensive.

THE COMMITTEE HAS DECIDED TO MOVE FORWARD ON BUYING A USED TRAILER

– Thanks to the hard work of Mr. Bailey who weighed 100's of options features and caveats.

Wanted - Old stuff

If you have any shoes, uniform shirts, pants, etc, please consider donating these to the troop inventory for those scouts less fortunate. Thanks! We'll break out the Hiking Shoe bucket on Monday the 11th.

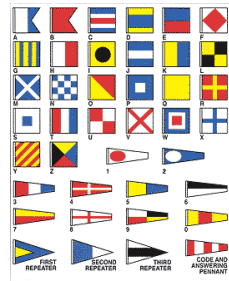
Lost n. Found

If you are missing any gear, it's probably in the troop shed. We'll break out the LOST and FOUND Bag on Monday the 20th. There is some Stuff from **The Canoe Trip** including a Sleeping Pad, hat, and Red shirt. These will be in the troop shed. The LOST and FOUND bag was trotted out Last Monday night. Thanks to those who reclaimed their gear.



Troop 141 Scoutmaster's

Weekly Update October 22nd, 2010



WEEKLY THOUGHT

Training

Recently, the BSA has instituted a requirement for all Adults that interact with Scouts to have completed Mandatory Youth Protection Training. I support this idea as the safety of Scouts is my primary concern. If you drive scouts, hike with scouts, camp with scouts or want to be more involved in their meetings, you MUST complete the Youth Protection Training. (CLICK THE PICTURE BELOW)

BUT THERE IS A TON of OTHER Training available.

You will need to create an account – Then the rest is simple quick E-Learning.

MRS. BARONE is our PARENT LIASON and Will be conducting a **YOUTH PROTECTION CLASS** during the MB session on **Tuesday Night, October 26th**, in Linder Hall. If you like learning face to face, please plan on coming to this meeting.

