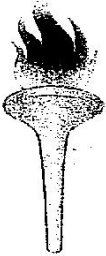




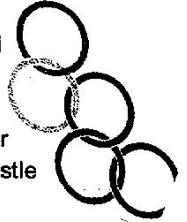
# FEBRUARY 2017



Troop 16 News  
by Troop Historian, Adam B...



Troop 16 enjoyed our Indian Trails camp out near Janesville, WI. where 24 scouters attended. The theme for this campout was winter olympics where events such as soccer ball bocce ball, running, spear tossing and ping pong were held. The scouting group was split into four teams; Canada, Russia, India, and Hoth. Additional events held during this campout were rank advancement, sledding with other activities, board/card games and capture the flag. In addition, 10 scouters took on the polar bear challenge. Here they made 3 meals, built shelters, and slept in the freezing cold for 24 hours. They then earned their polar bear patches for completing the challenge. Our menu included scrambled eggs, sausages, french toast, spaghetti and pizza. Come, Sunday, our scouters packed up their supplies and made the trip back to the church.



Next up came Rokilio, a beloved campout among experienced troop 16 scouts. This camp was near Kiel, WI. 22 scouts attended along with 17 adults. This year had the pleasure of housing in the medieval castle themed cabin. This cabin takes on a castle like appearance on the outside, but a comfortable cabin on the inside with bunkbeds and a kitchen. Aaron Bakke hosted a medieval styled game of charging the castle to rescue a princess. In the evening were held more medieval games such as King Arthur's sword, medieval word definitions, and hangman. These activities were coordinated by Bill Selle. In addition to medieval games were capture the flag, a five mile hike, movie, box hockey, sledding and rank advancement. Our menu consisted of hot dogs, scrambled eggs, bacon, hash browns, pizza bagels, later tot casserole and pancakes. After cleaning up Sunday, we again made our trip back to the church.



This years first potluck dinner was held at St. John's fellowship hall with families and many foods hosted by Jim Mathes. Mike Targos spoke to the scouts of leadership from experiences as a Marine Infantry Commanding Officer. Alex Kempen received his Bolo Beads for his leadership training during the last summer. Multiple scouts earned their advancement awards.

Nick Lawrence's Eagle scout ceremony was held at St. John's. The guest speaker was Assistant Scoutmaster Scott Flannery. The Eagle badge presentation was made by the Potawatomi Council Executive Arni Landsverk. The scouts were in charge of the flag and scouting ideals ceremony. After the ceremony was held a reception with refreshments.



The troop participated in crossing over new boy scouts at Hillcrest elementary school. Six new scouters were transferred into the troop.

Our troop positions; Equipment Quartermaster position is held by Anthony W , Joe B , Nick H and Will M . These scouts are tasked with pulling, storing and organizing camping equipment..

Our monthly advancement has Jake B , Owen Cf , Blake K , Joey R , and Zac W achieving the Scout rank. Joe B and Will M ranked up to First Class, and Max M , Lire Scout.

January's participation honors go to Adam E at 3rd place, Jake B and Nathan J at 2nd, and Joe F , Josh B , Aaron R and Dan W at 1st.

