

## ANNUAL TROOP 510 MERIT BADGE CLINIC SIGNUP SHEET

Saturday Mornings, January 17 and 31, 2009, from about 8:30 until 11:45 am, at the Christian's House, 130 S. Sleight Street, Naperville, (Directions will be provided). Please Return By Wed., Jan 7. My e-mail address is rollrman53@aol.com.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ RANK \_\_\_\_\_

YEAR IN SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_ PATROL \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS (in case there are questions) \_\_\_\_\_

*Please signup by indicating your preference for your **top five choices**, (that means, **list by preference, #1, #2, #3, #4, & #5**). This is very important because it is likely **we may not include every merit badge listed**. What Merit Badges we offer will depend on the number of Scouts who are interested. Eagle required merit badges are indicated by the (E) symbol.*

\_\_\_\_\_ AMERICAN HERITAGE This is a fairly detailed merit badge but the requirements are quite flexible. This does not need to be heavy duty history, but rather can be more of an appreciation of events and people that the Scout is really interests the Scout.

\_\_\_\_\_ ARCHITECTURE We learn a little about architecture in our community (walking tour—this is an historic neighborhood), construction, and we usually visit the Frank Lloyd Wright Home & Studio in Oak Park (pm of second Saturday). This works best for Scouts who are a bit older, you must be 1<sup>st</sup> Class.

\_\_\_\_\_ CINEMATOGRAPHY First time offered, probably best for a bit older very interested Scout with a little background in shooting videos. The group will need to make a short video (perhaps of how to do a Scout activity) and probably visit a professional studio.

\_\_\_\_\_ CITIZENSHIP IN THE NATION (E) An especially relevant badge as we witness the change of administration in Washington. Works best with lots of lively discussion, some effort required to have basic understanding of the basics of American democracy.

\_\_\_\_\_ COMMUNICATIONS (E) A fairly involved merit badge that focuses on polishing spoken and written communication skills. One requirement is to plan a Troop Court of Honor or Campout Campfire Program and then serve as the master of ceremonies. Probably not the best choice for 1<sup>st</sup> year scouts.

\_\_\_\_\_ FAMILY LIFE (E) We deal with various aspects of the family and what part each of us plays in our various families. We hear a lot about “family values.” Why do people think that is so meaningful? Perhaps your discussions will give you an answer. A good choice for 1<sup>st</sup> year scouts.

\_\_\_\_\_ PERSONAL MANAGEMENT (E) Third year Scouts and above, please. There is lots of good information to share about how you run the “business” part of your life. How do you make good decisions about where to spend and save your money? How do you keep yourself organized? What are your future goals? These questions and whole lot more will be addressed in this merit badge.

\_\_\_\_\_ SAFETY/TRAFFIC SAFETY Here is a chance to earn 2 merit badges. Group discussion is essential here and some effort to identify hazards especially in the Scout's home will be required. Scouts will have to observe traffic during the clinic at an intersection on Chicago Avenue.

\_\_\_\_\_ SOMETHING ELSE? You choose. \_\_\_\_\_ Please give a little explanation why you want to do this merit badge, (but be sensible, it will be impossible to do water skiing in a house in winter). Sometimes we are able to work some of these in.