



The Eye is watching ...

and he's wondering when this group is going to get motivated. Those of us who undertook this initiative did so in order to achieve a handful of goals: to fulfill the commitments we made as recipients of the Eagle Scout award, to perform in service to our community, and especially to honor a man who made this Association possible.

In our first year, we have made financial contributions to Scouting and to the criminal rehabilitation community, and we are presently considering an organization dedicated to the suppression of gun violence. But only a handful of us have participated thus far. If we are going to become a successful charitable organization, we need feedback regarding potential donees, a willingness to offer ideas, and frankly, your financial contributions.

Being proactive

Presently the Board of Directors is composed of those of us that had a working relationship with Larry in his final years. We are committed to the process, but we are looking for new concepts, fresh thoughts, anything that will capture the interest (and buy-in) of our membership. If you are interested in becoming a member of the board, we would be happy to have you. If you have a cause that you would like us to consider for a donation, we are all ears. If you have an idea or approach we haven't thought of, let us know. This Association is full of sharp minds, and we are sure that there are ways to make this an effective charitable organization that we have not thought of.

Future reunion

COVID notwithstanding, we are hoping at our next meeting to formalize a plan to schedule a reunion for some time in the spring. We are hoping to hold it at the location of our last reunion, the Irish Cultural Center, on 46th Avenue, near the zoo. It will be a lunch, probably on a Saturday. We would love to get some feedback on whether such a gathering would be attractive to you.

Camp songs

Just a reminder that we now have a selection of camp songs available. You can relive the sounds of Forester Village for just a \$25 contribution to the Association. *Behind the Green Door*, *The Oogum Boogum Song*, *The Little Man from Chinatown*, a selection of Spike Jones pieces: they're all there. You can plug that thumb drive into your desktop in the morning, and get a jolt of the *Theme from Bridge Over the River Kwai* on the way to your kitchen for breakfast, while contributing to the cause.

Web site

The web site (www.troop351.net) is still a work in progress, but should have some fun stuff to check out soon. We are in the process of reviewing the 351 slide collection, with the intention of digitizing everything of value. We hop to be able to announce that the first batch has been uploaded to the site by the time the next newsletter is posted.

That's all for now. We look forward to your feedback ... and your donations.

WHAT'S THE GREATEST TROOP!