



Earning a Badge While Enjoying Summer Adventures along the Riverwalk

Are you looking for something fun to do with your scout troop this summer? The Riverwalk may be the perfect setting for exciting summer adventures that instill a sense of history, pride, and volunteerism in this community.

Naperville's Riverwalk is brimming with adventure, surprises and local history. With a little help from a beautiful children's book and the reward of a colorful Riverwalk badge, kids of all ages can explore many of the treasures of Naperville's crown jewel. The book, *Naperville's Riverwalk: Where History and Community Flow Together*, traces activities along the DuPage River from the time that Native Americans gathered nuts and berries on its banks, to stone masons taking rocks from the quarries, to the development of Centennial Beach, the Riverwalk, the Millennium Carillon, the Commander Dan Shanower/September 11th Memorial, and Fredenhagen Park. The author, Jini Clare, includes quotes from many of the visionaries who were instrumental in creating the Riverwalk, preserving important local history through the words and memories of many who witnessed it. The book is beautifully illustrated by local artist Jim Weren.

Local scout troops and parents are using the book to encourage youngsters to earn a Riverwalk badge. Adults, or the children themselves, make up the rules for discovery, research, scavenger hunts, and other imaginative activities, and the kids reap the rewards. The book, which retails for \$9.50, is available at Anderson's Bookshop, Borders, and Barnes and Noble. We can also offer a 40% discount for your troop if you purchase the book directly from the author. The badge can be purchased at The Canterbury Shoppe in downtown Naperville.

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