

Meeting Highlights March 1st 2007 Troop 10:

For those of you who missed tonight's meeting or need a reminder here are the highlights from March 1st.

Meeting called to order **promptly** at 7:00pm with the pledge of allegiance and scout oath. Mr Williams presented Mr Wymer with his scoutmaster patch and welcomed him as the new scoutmaster.

Scoutmaster Announcements: (Made at the end of the meeting)

1. Reminder from March 31 to April 7th we will be going to D'Iberville Miss. again. We will be doing Katrina clean up. You need to have a current BSA Medical form and a parental permission slip. I have also forwarded many forms that the D'Iberville Volunteer Team has requested we fill out. Please get this done and get them back to me so I can send stuff to the D'Iberville group. I have received The National Tour permit and looking to meet with the D'Iberville Committee. Currently the cost is still free pending on the town sponsoring us and any other donations I can get, which depends on number of people going. There is a meeting scheduled for Tuesday March 13th at 7:30 PM at the Council Offices.
2. This past Saturday we went camping at Pouch Scout Camp in Staten Island and it was a great time. Thanks to Chris, Hayden, Josh and Chris for putting it together. I was glad to see some of the new scouts go on this campout. It was a great opportunity to work on our scout skills. Remember it is important to take advantage of these opportunities. If you have ever hear the old adage "If you don't use it you loose it". This is trying to say that if you don't take the time or opportunity to practice your skills you will lose the ability to do them. Another adage the works here is "practice makes perfect". The Spring COH and the Crossover ceremony will be on Thursday April 12th here in the cafeteria.
3. Summer camp sign ups are on the table. Please start thinking about summer camp. We are going back to Henson Scout Camp located in Maryland. It is a great experienced for the boys. Any parent is welcome but we need to know your going as soon as

- possible. You also don't have to stay the whole week. You can come and go as you please. Cost is \$275.00 per scout. A payment plan will be coming soon. Remember you can also use any credits in your scouts account.
4. Remember Medical Forms for 2007 are needed. Please get them in to Mrs. Parrinello as soon as possible.
 5. Dues are due now – credits can be used. The amount is \$65.00
 6. Start thinking about Snuffy. It will be here in about 2 months. There was a Scoutmaster and SPL meeting this past Sunday at the Ski Lodge in Thompson Park in Jamesburg. SPL Andrew R and ASPL Shaun P were present and have the necessary information for the preparation. I wish you all the best of luck.
 7. Please remember that March 7th, March 11th and March 16th are fundraiser events. If you are available and have the time please contact Mr. Boyle. All games are at the Rutgers Athletic Center.
 8. Finally, This is my last meeting as the Scoutmaster of Troop 10. To the parents I would like to thank you all for the help and effort in keeping the Troop going. There is no question this is a difficult task but ultimately it is for the boys. To the scouts remember to do a good turn daily and always be prepared. If you want to succeed then you have to do the work. There are great people here (both parents and scouts) who will do whatever it takes to allow you to succeed. But ultimately it is up to you. Nothing would make me prouder than to see everyone of you make EAGLE SCOUT. But if you don't just do your best and you will always be a success..

Other announcements--

1. Next week is Board of review if you need one contact Mrs. Monticchio in advance.
2. Mr Katz reminded all that he is available for personal fitness, personal management, and all the Citizen badges.
3. Hardcopies of the troop calendar are on the table.
4. Shaun thanked all for being on time. Stated he just received song books so copies will be made and we will be singing.

5. If any seniors are attending the Pack 108 Blue Gold Dinner please let Mrs. Hurley know now. Troop flags should be brought.

Nights Activity--Broke into groups and studied first aid for an hour then ended with a soccer/hockey type game.

Past Reminders--(that are still important to know)

1. Full class A **uniforms** are required for all those in 1st class rank or above. Shirts are to be tucked in, scout socks, no sneakers. Uniform inspections are being conducted at meetings. Plus this counts to the incentive program.

2. **Calendar** is posted on the website so please review that for upcoming events. These highlights are also available under the Leaders tab. www.njtroop10.com

3. Tom Mc. has signed up as the troops **music merit badge** councilor so if interested in this badge can contact him.

4. All scouts when sitting for Board of Review, First Class and above, scout **must be** in Full Uniform, this includes scout socks, scout belt, neckerchief, dress shoes or boots(no sneakers). If not First Class, only shirts, neckerchief required.

5. **Troop Shirts**-We have 6 small, 2 medium and 1 large red troop shirt remaining. The cost is \$17.20. If you are a new scout and need a red troop shirt (class B uniform) please see Bob R or Christine W at meetings to purchase one.

6. **Parent meetings** are the **3rd Thursday** of every month at Crossroads.

7. Paul G has signed on as Photography and Swimming **merit badge councilor** should anyone want to work on those.

8. The troop is looking for all parents to share their talents and knowledge and sign up as a **merit badge councilor**. We would like each parent to sign up for one badge. Please email Donna P at d.parrinello@verizon.net if you are interested. They do not take alot

of time and do not happen that often and really help the boys advance. Review the requirements and choose one you can do.

9. April 21st Joyce Kilmer Merit badge fair packets were available. Or go to Joyce Kilmer district site and click on events then click merit badge fair <http://joycekilmerdistrict.org/>

10. All scouts please go to the troop website and look at the new rank and advancements section. Please review what is listed for your name and compare to what you have. Please let Mrs Monticchio, Advancement Chair, know if something does not match your records.

Scoutmaster Minute: AIM SO HIGH YOU'LL NEVER BE BORED

THE GREATEST WASTE OF OUR NATURAL RESOURCES IS THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO NEVER ACHIEVE THEIR POTENTIAL. GET OUT OF THE SLOW LANE. SHIFT INTO THE FAST LANE. IF YOU THINK YOU CAN'T, YOU WON'T. IF YOU THINK YOU CAN, THERE'S A GOOD CHANCE YOU WILL. JUST MAKING THE EFFORT WILL MAKE YOU FEEL LIKE A NEW PERSON. REPUTATIONS ARE MADE BY SEARCHING FOR THINGS THAT CAN'T BE DONE AND DOING THEM. AIM LOW: BORING. AIM HIGH: SOARING.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.

** **Next meeting** is **March 8th** at Crossroads North Middle school reminder full uniform is required and for first class and above that means scout socks and no sneakers too.

Note the BCC address is at the request of members for privacy of addresses and the lack of last names for people is for privacy as these highlights are posted on the website*

Yours in Scouting,

*Christine,
Troop 10 Secretary*

