

Troop 10 Meeting Highlights Jan 25th

For those of you who missed tonight's meeting or need a reminder here are the highlights from January 25, 2007. (Thanks Patti for helping me out)

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm with the pledge of allegiance and scout oath.

Opening Scoutmaster Announcements:

1. Remember this Saturday will be the Klondike Prep at Sondek Park. We will be having Cub scouts come so be prepared. Wear warm clothing. Time will be 10:00 AM for Cub Scouts but Mr. Williams would like to have the boy scouts arrive at 9:00 AM to set up.
2. Remember, February 15th we will be doing Engineer Activity badge for Pack 107.
3. Reminder from March 31 to April 7th we will be going to D'Iberville Miss. again. We will be doing Katrina clean-up. Mr Williams need to know who is going. Remember you need to be 14 years old. Have a current BSA Medical form and a parental permission slip. Please let him know by mid February if want to go so he can prepare the budget and National Tour permit. Currently the cost is free.
4. The next campout will be on February 23rd through the 25th. It will be at Pouch Scout Camp in Staten Island and it will be cabin camping. We have 2 cabins so the mothers can come. Mr Williams would like to see some of the new scouts come since this is a great opportunity for them to advance.
5. Klondike is on February 10th at Thompson Park. Remember to make sure you dress appropriately.
6. The calendar of events is on the web site. If you are wondering when the troop events will be look it up at njtroop10.com. Thanks to Wanda and Paul for their efforts with the calendar.
7. From this point forward the Troop meetings start at 7:00 PM. They will start promptly and Mr Williams expects all scouts to be here on time. If he has one scout at 7:00 PM he will be starting.

8. The Spring COH and the Crossover ceremony will be on Thursday April 12th here in the cafeteria.

Other announcements--

1. Sign ups available tonight for Summer camp, Pouch and Klondike.
2. Feb 22nd we will meet in the aux gym so enter the front of the school and aux gym is at the end of the first hall on your left.
3. The Board of Review night changed for the month of Feb and is Feb 8th. If you are in need of a BOR please contact Patti M.
4. Scout Sunday is February 4th at St Cecelias 11:30 mass. Please email Karen W, Greg M, or Chris H if you plan on attending.

Nights Activity--Went outside to practice for Klondike and others worked inside with the cub scouts on readyman.

Important Dates--Please note on your calendar or check the website calendar (Thanks Wanda and Paul)

Jan 27--9am Klondike prep at Sondeck park all scouts

Feb 10th-Klondike (Sign up with Paul G)

Feb 10th-Semeos Merit badge Fair Spotswood

Feb 11th-Semeos Merit badge fair East brunswick

Feb 15th-during regular meeting teach cubs engineering badge

Feb 17th-Mercer County Merit Badge Fair--Mon Jct

Feb 18th-Mercer County Merit badge Fair-Princeton

Feb 22nd--Meeting in the aux gym

Feb 23rd-25th--Pouch cabin camping

March 31-April 7-Mississippi trip 14 years and older

April 12th-COH and crossover

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 Also Paul G will be working on developing the on line registration for fundraisers now.
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 rather than Miller Memorial Church the 2nd Monday.
7. Paul G has signed on as Photography and Swimming **merit badge councilor** should anyone want to work on those.
8. **SEMEOS merit badge fair** Feb 10th and 11th. Registration now open. Go to their website.
<http://www.cnjcbasa.org/SemeosDistrict.shtml>
9. **Mercer County merit badge fair** Feb 17th and 18th registration open go to <http://mercerarea-bsa.org/index.html>
10. The troop is looking for all parents to share their talents and knowledge and sign up as a **merit badge councilor**. 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.

Scoutmaster Minute: Bulls Eye

MANY YEARS AGO A YOUNG MAN TRAVELING THE COUNTRYSIDE NOTICED THAT ON MANY OF THE BARNS WAS A LARGE BULLS-EYE PAINTED ON IT WITH AN ARROW SQUARELY IN THE CENTER OF THE TARGET. HE THOUGHT HE WOULD LIKE TO MEET THE GREAT ARCHER, AND ASKED AROUND UNTIL HE FOUND OUT THE NAME OF THE MAN, WHO LIVED IN A NEARBY VILLAGE.

HE INTRODUCED HIMSELF, AND ASKED THE ARCHER FOR A DEMONSTRATION OF HIS GREAT SKILLS. "SURE" SAID THE ARCHER, AND THEY WALKED TO THE OUTSKIRTS OF TOWN TO A BARN. HE CARRIED HIS BOW AND A QUIVER OF ARROWS AND SEVERAL BUCKETS OF PAINT AND SOME BRUSHES. HE SELECTED A BARN SITE, AND CAREFULLY TOOK AIM AT THE BARN, AND HIT IT SQUARELY IN THE MIDDLE. THEN HE WALKED UP TO THE ARROW, AND CAREFULLY PAINTED THE BULL'S-EYE AROUND THE ARROW. HE THEN PROUDLY STOOD BACK AND ADMIRER HIS WORK.

THE MORAL OF THE STORY IS TO NOT BE MISLED BY THINGS AS THEY SOMETIMES APPEAR. OFTEN, THINGS ARE NOT AS THEY SEEM.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50pm.

** **Next meeting** is **February 1st** 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,
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