
TROOP 246 NEWSLETTER

November, 2000

Meetings

11/7	NO Meeting
11/14	Sharks Set up/Clean up
11/21	Eagles Set up/Clean up
11/28	Lightnings Set up/Clean up

All meetings at Nut Swamp

Events

11/4-5	Alpine Hiking trip
11/10-12	Patrol Leader Training at Quail Hill
11/11	Scouting for Food
11/18	NYC Walking Tour

Highlights of the October Court of Honor

Rank & Badge Activity

Tenderfoot: **Mark Palframan**
1st Class: **David Diprima, Chris Hespe**
2nd Class: **Matt Cashman, Brad Rice**

Merit badges:

Athletics - Matt Cashman;
Archery - Matt Cashman, Jonathan Schneck;
Basketry - Andy Feldman, Matt Morrison, Mark Palframan;
Camping - Brian Bosch;
Cooking - Chris Bosch, Phil Detwiler, Paul Ehrenreich, Chris Hespe, Alex Kouvel, David Palframan, Jonathan Schneck;
Environmental Science - Brian Bosch, Andy Feldman, Chris Hespe, Dan Lewis, Mark Palframan;
Fishing - Chris Bosch, David Palframan;
First Aid - Brian Bosch, Matt Cashman, Phil Detwiler, Paul Ehrenreich, Matt Tacheron;
Geology - Brian Bosch, Chris Bosch;

Genealogy - Andy Feldman;
Home Repairs - Brian Bosch;
Indian Lore - Brad Rice;
Insect Study - Brian Bosch, Chris Bosch;
Leatherwork - Andy Feldman, Matt Morrison, Mark Palframan;
Mammal Study - Andy Feldman, Mark Palframan;
Motorboating - Dan Feldman;
Music - Mark Palframan;
Nature - Brian Bosch;
Oceanography - Brian Bosch, Kevin Boston, Dan Feldman;
Orienteering - Chris Boston, Kevin Boston, David Diprima;
Pioneering - Chris Bosch, David Palframan;
Rifle Shoot - Phil Detwiler, Chris Hespe, Alex Kouvel, Mark Lang, Matt Morrison, Matt Tacheron;
Soil and Water - Chris Bosch, David Diprima, Dan Feldman, David Palframan;
Swimming - Matt Cashman, Phil Detwiler, Andy Feldman, Matt Morrison;
Shotgun Shoot - Mark Lang;
Small Boat Sail - Dan Lewis;
Sculpture - Chris Boston, Mark Palframan;

Weather - Kevin Boston;
Wood Carving - Andy Feldman, Matt Morrison, Mark Palframan;

Other awards:

Totin' Chip, Fireman Chit - Andy Feldman, Matt Morrison, Mark Palframan;
Snorkeling - Chris Bosch, Matt Cashman, Phil Detwiler, Dan Feldman, Chris Hespe, Matt Morrison;
World Conservation - Chris Bosch;

Coming Events

Patrol Leader Training 11/10-12, will be held at Quail Hill Scout Reservation. This is required training for all first year scouts and any other scout who has not yet attended. Note this is a Friday evening start.

Alpine Hike Camping Trip 11/4-5. We'll be taking a camping trip to the Alpine Scout camp in Alpine, NJ. Get your hiking boots because we'll be hiking for about 8 hours on the scenic Alpine trail. We'll see lots of wildlife and wonderful views before returning to camp for a yummy pocket stew.

Submitted by Chris Bosch

NYC Walking Tour The walking tour of New York City will be held on Saturday, November 18th. This tour will be focusing on the historic background of NYC, and includes places visited by George Washington, Thomas Edison, and Abraham Lincoln. We will also be learning about the discoveries and innovations made in the city. We will be eating lunch in Chinatown after the tour which will be included in the cost of the trip. If you intend to come on this trip, please bring your permission slip and \$20 to the November 14 meeting. Parents and siblings are invited, but remember to

bring \$20 for each person! This should be a very interesting trip, so please consider coming along.

Submitted by Kevin Boston

Scouting for Food 11/11. Remember to collect your food before Saturday, 11/11, at which time we will take it to the Calico Cat food pantry. Please do not go door-to-door asking for donations!

Recent Events

Walk For Diabetes October 15th was the walk for diabetes. Thirteen people participated and raised money by collecting pledges from people that they knew. It was a 10 kilometer course with rest stations every couple of blocks. We raised five hundred and fifteen dollars in all. It was good weather and exercise. Everyone got a commemorative tee-shirt and helped a worthy cause.

Submitted by Chris Boston

Valley Forge Camping Trip On October 21st - 22nd we went to Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, the winter home for George Washington and the Continental Army. After seeing a fifteen minute movie about Valley Forge, we walked around the park, taking in the scenery and looking at the various exhibits and monuments. Then we went back to the camp. Some of the scouts had a manhunt game, but about five of our scouts ran into someone else's camp by accident, unleashing their scoutmaster's wrath upon us. Besides that, the beautiful fall weather made this a great trip for walking around the park.

Submitted by Kevin Boston

ATTENTION ACTIVITY LEADERS!!!

This year, I'd like activity leaders (Scout and/or Adult – Scout preferred) for each activity to provide a short write-up to announce details for upcoming activities, and a short report of the trip afterwards.

Thanks to the Scouts who submitted their write-ups for this month's newsletter. Let's get even more participation next month.

Send items no later than one week before the first meeting of the month.

Don't worry too much about polishing up your submission – I'll be happy to do any final editing (of course, I'll also be happy if I don't have to do much editing!) Items can be submitted via email (plain text or Word 7.0), regular mail, or by phone. Email is preferred.

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