

Boy Scout Troop 339 Committee Meeting Minutes - 4-11-06

To: Scoutmaster: Wally Smith*
 Assistant Scoutmasters: John Barnickel, Mike Browning, Tim Frank, Kevin Gallagher, Don Griffin, Chris Hall, Tupper Hyde, Don Kohlhafer, Jim Langston, Craig Lindsay*, John Minnick, Jeff Patrick
 Committee Chairman: Dan Lund
 Committee Members: Chris Allen, Jeff Horan, Terry Rohn, Paul Rossi, Susan Sharkey*, Ed Thomas, Scott Wiley
 Chartered Organization Representative: Harry Caldwell

From: Secretary, Barb Minnick*
 Next Roundtable: 5-8-06
 Next Committee Meeting: 5-9-06, 7:30 p.m.

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*Attendees

| Topic | Discussion | Action | Contact |
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| SCOUTMASTER'S REPORT | | | |
| 1. 63 boys in Troop | | | Wally Smith |
| 2. New Parent Mtg. | Held on 3-29-06. | Had a good turn out. | Wally Smith. |
| 3. Pot Luck Social/ Friends of Troop 339 | Friday, 5-19-06, starts 6:30 p.m. Open to all adults in Troop (parents, guardians, leaders, committee members). Will be at Wally Smith's home. (308 Bowline Court) | Beef brisket will be provided by the Smiths. Bring side dish or dessert to share. Bring lawn chairs & your own drinks (alcohol okay). Paper goods provided. Hot tub & pool available. | Wally/Becky Smith |
| 4. Troop Advancement Position | Terry Rohan, who has done the Troop Advancements for many years, is moving in 1-1/2 to 2 years. | It was suggested that a good candidate would be Jessica Davies. | Wally Smith |
| 5. Inactive Scouts | Would like to have a plan in place to contact inactive scouts. | Possibly an e-mail to Scout or a phone call letting him know of our concern. | Wally Smith/ Craig Lindsay |
| 6. New Scouts | -Have 20 new Scouts. -Name tags would help everyone learn each other's names. - Boot Camp | -There are 3 patrols. Have a troop guide (J. Harmison) who lines up patrols. Have an instructor (G. Steele) who teaches tasks. -Will make name tags for all Scouts (old & new). -1 st week: learned tents; 2 nd week: personal equipment; 3 rd week: patrol method; 4 th week: menu planning | Wally Smith Craig Lindsay Wally Smith |
| 7. Troop Newsletter | Would be helpful to have a Troop Newsletter to keep Scouts more informed. | Susan Sharkey may be available to put this together & get help from Scouts (photos, ideas). | Wally Smith/ Susan Sharkey |
| 8. Photos of Scouts | Leaders have many digital photos of Scouts from past trips. | It was suggested to put them on our website --that has unlimited space or use a free website such as SnapFish. | Wally Smith |
| 9. New Scout Orientation Manual | Wally has written this manual. | He will put it on Troop website. | Wally Smith |
| 10. Camp Yawgoog | Need more adult leaders. | Have 2 adults so far. Adults need to be trained in Youth Protection. (Can do this on line.) Possibly have 2 older Scouts/Leaders going— P. Ildefonso & C. Rossi. | Craig Lindsay |

TREASURER'S REPORT

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| 1. Available Funds | We are solvent. | Treasurer was unable to come to mtg. | Don Griffin |
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| ADVANCEMENTS | | | |
| 1. Eagle Courts of Honor | - 4-19-06 – B. Keating’s ceremony overshadowing Troop mtg. - 5-24-06 – C. Rossi’s ceremony. | Barb Minnick will send out an e-mail to remind Troop. | Wally Smith/ Dan Lund |
| 2. Personal Fitness Merit Badge | Older Scouts working on this during meetings. | They need to do things on their own, too. (Such as: exercise and chart it, visit the dentist, etc.) | Wally Smith |
| 3. Communications Merit Badge | Also being worked on during some mtgs. | | Wally Smith |
| 4. Merit Badges | Scouts must show initiative by working on parts of merit badges themselves. | Scouts can go to www.meritbadge.com for more info. & help. | Wally Smith |
| PAST & UPCOMING TRIPS | | | |
| 1. Canoe Trip | April 7-9 at Antietam Creek. | -Rain & bad weather made it too cold to canoe. A few Scouts did not have the right clothes, too. Scouts toured Antietam battlefield instead. - Will probably reschedule canoeing for a day trip. | Wally Smith |
| 2. Philmont Crew Backpacking trip | April 21-23 | In preparation for Philmont in July. | Mike Browning |
| 3. Camp Kaylor Monkton, PA | New Scouts—leave 5-6-06 Older Scouts—leave 5-5-06 to set up. | There is a pavilion in case it rains. There is also a ropes course. | Wally Smith |
| 4. Laurel Caverns, PA | June 9-11 | Caving. Boys need to bring change of clothes & plastic bags to put wet, muddy clothes/shoes into. There will be climbing for older boys, too. Scouts may purchase a boxed lunch available there. | Craig Lindsay/ Wally Smith |
| 5. Philmont | July 17-25 | | |
| 6. Camp Yawgoog | July 16-22 | | |
| 7. Camp out for August (latter part) | -Jeff Patrick knows of property available in West Virginia. -Possibly Assateague. -Merit Badge Madness -Beach Jamboree | -It has swimming hole, fishing hole, water, flat spot for camping. -Mentioned bugs are bad at this time of year. -Possibly get local troops together for our own Merit Badge Madness at Camp Barrett, Crownsville (owned by Elks). We did this 3 years ago successfully. -Wildwood, NJ | |
| OLD BUSINESS | | | |
| 1. Scouting for Food | We collected 238 lbs. of food. | | Wally Smith |
| NEW BUSINESS | | | |
| 1. Class A Uniforms | A few Scouts have not been Wearing Class A’s on trips. | Need to remind Scouts. | Wally Smith |
| 2. Order of the Arrow | 3 Scouts were elected. | There will be a “call out” at a Troop meeting. There will be an “ordeal” at Broad Creek. | Wally Smith/ Craig Lindsay |
| 3. Training | 4 Rivers Mega Spring Training | For new leaders, Troop committee. | Wally Smith/ Dan Lund |