

Alaska Trip

Kyle July 28, 2010

From June 12 to the 21, a group of 10 scouts and adults traveled up the the state of Alaska. Our journey began at the San Francisco airport, travelling to the airport of Anchorage. Once we were in Alaska, we got our van, and headed to a hotel for the night. The next day we drove to the Kesugi ridge trail visitors center, where we split into two crews. One crew headed towards the Kesugi ridge trail while the other drove to Denali National park.

The ridge crew, over the next 3 days, slowly made the 30 mile journey to Byers lake. After many falls, great meals, first aid lessons, and fantastic views, we made it to byers lake. The second group, traveled over to Denali state park. They took a bus tour and had some neat sightings, like moose and bears. they were able to get a very nice view of denali from where they where.



We reunited at the visitors center, glad to see each other again. The next day, we took a boat out to Fox island and kayaked about 2 miles. We returned to the port to have a warm buffet of fresh meat and fish for us and the rest of the tour group. The next day we made our way to the harding ice field. We made it up to a wind shelter and ate lunch up there. We slid down most of the way, quite an adventure. Over the next few days of river hiking, day hikes, and eventually snagging, we concluded our journey with a brief hike up a hill, ate lunch, and headed towards the airport. After 10 days of adventure, great food, and fun, I think everyone had a great time.

Priority Alert – Lost and Found

Peter
Remember scouts – if you think you are missing something, or can't find it, see Leonard or Mr. Wilson for any missing items.

Summer Camp

Peter August 13, 2010

This year's summer camp was a blast. Everybody had a wonderful time at Grand Master Brady's Training Camp on Endor (Camp Cutter). This year's theme was the most anticipated theme there ever was: Star Wars. Everyone had a blast being patawons on their way to becoming Jedi knights.

This year was special in the fact that previously discontinued merit badges such as signaling, carpentry, and tracking were available for everybody to earn.



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Master PikaChu

Besides the new merit badges for them to earn, the campers also enjoyed the various Jedi games, force balance activities and outrageous food from distant worlds.

The themed camp this year had each camper belonged to a planet, and each planet had a symbol that ranged from a vase of water to a replica sword. Each day, the patrols would compete to see whose planet was the best (and determine who would eat dinner first). It was one of the best camp themes, that ranks up there with boot camp! Ok, this was more fun!! And everyone loved their costumes!

Despite the fun, there was a job to do and that job was to protect the training camp, and the message capsules, from the evil forces of the Sith. The Sith, although strong in the ways of the dark side of the force, were no match for the combined strength of Grand Master Brady's padawons and thus were forced to leave the forest moon of Endor in defeat.

Summer camp ended in glorious fashion on the beach. Where all the patawons were all courted as Jedi Knights.

reference to the Party Island.

It was the experience of a life time. I am so fortunate to have had the opportunity to go, since this trip may not come around for another 5 years.



There is no emotion, there is peace.
There is no ignorance, there is knowledge.
There is no passion, there is serenity.
There is no chaos, there is harmony.
There is no death, there is the Force.

Reminder!!

Peter

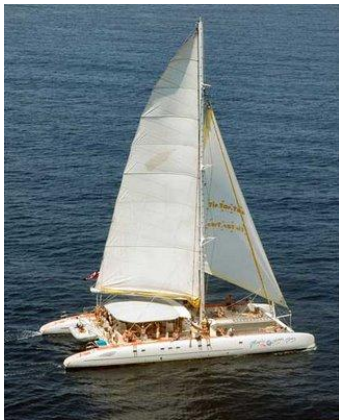
This is a reminder to all scouts that the merit badges of tracking, signaling, carpentry, and scouting heritage merit badges will no longer be available at the end of this year. Anyone who still wants to earn these badges, needs to hurry and start as soon as possible.

Seabase Trip

June 26, 2010

Katrina & Andy

We had about 15 Venture scout members, plus 4 adults on this trip. We flew to Florida and spent one night. We visited a Gator farm, rode on an Airboat, and of course shopping!



The next day, we boarded our catamaran for 9 whole days, going around the islands of Abacos.

Our captain, Bruce (who was also a keyboardist and backup vocalist for Aerosmith), taught all of us the basics about sailing, the uses for the different lines and equipment, and how to take Joy baths. Our first mate, Will, taught us a lot about the Bahamas, how to blow conch horns, how to open coconuts, and other things like that.



We snorkel most days, seeing many varieties of fish and sea life. We experienced some of the native dishes: Conch burgers – And they tasted better than any hamburger I ever tasted.

We visited several of the Bahamas Islands, even the one they called the 'Party Island'. It was well named too! We learned a lot about the wild life there, and not in

Summer Camp Comics



Even the squirrels got into it!

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Peter C., Editor**