

Troop 840, B.S.A.

Troop Committee	Date of Meeting:	March 03, 2007
	Time of Meeting:	8:00 AM
<p>Facilitator: Chris Griffiths</p> <p>Title of Meeting: Scheduled Monthly meeting</p> <p>Location: Sandy Lake Road Baptist Church, Coppell, TX</p> <p>Notetaker: Matt Bohn</p> <p>Attendees: Matt Bohn Susan Davis Waid Davis Mark Durso Chris Ghaly Chris Griffiths, Committee Chair Stan Hunt</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Tim Owen Terry Smith, Scoutmaster Lantz Tarleton Mark Tepper Mark Williamson Chris Wilt</p>		

Agenda

Item	Notes
I. Call to Order	
	Mr. Griffiths
II. Reflection on recent events	
Scouting for Food	Bags out February 3 rd , Food Collection February 10 th
Scout Sunday	February 4 th
Court of Honor	February 20 th
February Campout	February 23 rd – 25 th , Juniper Point
III. Coordination of next events	
Oak Leaf Training	March 17 th
Spring Break	March 12 th – March 16 th
March Campout	March 30 th – April 1 st , Camp Cherokee Camporee
April Campout	April 13 th – April 15 th , Dinosaur Valley
May Campout	May 4 th – May 6 th , Inks Lake
Scout Show	May 12 th
Order of the Arrow Enclave	April 20 th – April 22 nd
IV. Status Reports	
Treasurer's Report	Mr. Tepper / Mrs. Deb Trejo
Roundtable Report	Mrs. Anna May Ghaly / Mr. Terry Smith
Outdoor Activities/Summer	
Camp	Mr. David Hymer/Mr. Keith Markbreiter
Membership	Missey Cox/Tracey Kersey
Advancement	Mrs. Lynell Huffmaster / Mrs. Karen Griffiths
Training	Mrs. Roberts
Equipment	Mr. Green
Communications	Mr. Snawder
Transportation	Mr. Bauer

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V. Action Items	
Other Troop Needs	Master Harvey
VI. Other Needs	
SPL Remarks	Master Harvey
SM Remarks	Mr. Smith
VII. Summary & adjournment	
	Mr. Griffiths

Next Meeting April 7th, 2007, 8:00 a.m. SLRBC

I. Call to Order

Mr. Griffiths called the meeting to order at 8:10 a.m.

II. Reflection on recent events

Scouting for Food: Mr. Wilkinson was the Chairperson for this event. Our area was very remote and had a very low participation rate. We collected around 700 items for Scouting for Food.

Scout Sunday: Scout Sunday was February 4th. We had good participation at this church by our Scouts and their families at the 10:45 a.m. service at Sandy Lake Road Baptist Church.

Court of Honor: We had nine Star Scouts, a transfer of the Scoutmaster responsibilities from Mr. Wilt to Mr. Smith and the awarding of the Wood Badge to Mr. Lance Tarleton. We want to thank Mr. Wilt for his great support as our past Scoutmaster. We welcome Mr. Smith with open arms. The COH took place at Sandy Lake Road Baptist Church on February 20th.

February Campout: February 23rd to the 25th, 24 Scouts and 12 adults went to Davy Crockett National Forest. Weather looked like it was going to be a challenge but it turned out to be a great camp out. The trail was very nice and very well marked. Hike of approximately 4 miles each way. Water was a must. Making sure each Scout had plenty of water was very important. Mr. Wilkinson had a water station and a vehicle in case of emergencies but there were none encountered.

III. Coordination of next events

Oak Leaf Training: We have seven Scouts signed up for this event. This takes place during the last weekend of Spring Break. Scouts attending this are to arrive at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 17th and may leave on Sunday, March 18th at 11:00 a.m. If you are interested in staffing this training session, please contact Mr. Terry Smith for additional information. Service hours are awarded for those that staff at Oak Leaf. The cost per Scout that will be attending Oak Leaf is \$30. A Scout must be 13 years of age and at least 1st Class rank to attend Oak Leaf. For more information, go to http://www.westernstar.org/WS_oak_leaf.shtml.

Spring Break: Spring Break is scheduled for March 12th to the 16th. There will be no Troop meeting during this week.

March Campout: Camporee will be held at Camp Cherokee from March 30th to April 1st. There is a new Camping Chairperson in the district, Randy. To help prepare our new Scouts for their first camping opportunity with the Troop, skills training will be conducted during all of the

meetings leading up to the Camporee. Sign up and payment for this event must be done by this Tuesday night in order to get an adequate site for our Troop. The Troop Committee agreed to fund participation up to 85 participants (60 Scouts and 25 Adults) as a "turn in" number so we can accommodate people that might want to participate but could not commit by this Tuesday.

April Campout: April 12th to April 15th in Dinosaur Valley. We have reserved space for 100 and all at Dinosaur Valley. We will not have anyone split between two locations this time.

May Campout: May 4th to May 6th Inks Lake. Inks Lake is a beautiful location and a great time of year to go there.

Scout Show: May 12th in Dallas. We are still looking for a person to chair this event. The Scout Show representative must be at the Round Table on Monday night at 6:00 p.m.

Order of the Arrow Enclave: April 20th to April 22nd and if we have Scouts that would like to go to this, we can arrange to go. It is in Oklahoma about two hours from here in the Admore area. Enclave is like a Camporee on a Council basis. There will be between 11-13 lodges in attendance.

IV. Status Reports

Treasurer's Report: Mr. Tepper provided the report. He reported that the Troop is still solvent and gave an excellent update. Webloree receipts have been processed and fund is much lower now for next year's Webloree.

Roundtable Report: Mrs. Ghaly attended the Roundtable meeting. Training on May 5th is Archery Level I and BB Gun Training at Wisdom for those running the stations. March 31st is Archery Level I training at the Camporee. March 30th to April 1st, there's Kodiak Training for Venture Leaders. March 17th is IOLS (Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills) training.

Looking for Summer Camp staff now. Scott Harrington will be Camp Director at James Ray and he is looking for staff for that camp this summer. Look on the Circle 10 website for additional details.

There are some 2008 Treks for Philmont available ***through the Circle 10 Council (these are not Troop 840 specific treks)***. There will be 24 treks to fill spread out throughout the summer of 2008. If you're interested in this, see Mr. Ghaly. April 20th will be the drawing for these slots.

There is a Family Fish today at Andy Brown West.

Camporee units cannot be there before 5:00 p.m. on Friday. We must have an up to date Youth Protection Card for the leader at the site. We must return the trophy at the Round Table so it can be awarded to the winners at this Camporee.

Outdoor Activities & Summer Camp: April campout is Dinosaur Valley from April 14th to April 16th. There are sufficient spots reserved to handle 104 campers at Dinosaur Valley.

For those adults planning on going on the Philmont trek in the summer of 2008, the following training will be required: Youth Protection, First Aid, CPR, SALT and IOLS (Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills).

Membership: We currently have 72 Scouts that re-registered for the next Scouting year and we acquired an additional 23 new Scouts for a total of 95 registered Scouts. We have 68 adults that have re-chartered as well. For information on training go to the BSA Circle Ten Council Programs website <http://www.circle10.org/programs/training.html>.

Advancement: New leadership took their oath of office at the Court of Honor on Tuesday, February 20th. Mr. Smith took over the reigns as Scoutmaster from Mr. Wilt at the Court of Honor. Lantz Tarleton has earned his Wood Badge. Congratulations to our new PLC, Mr. Smith and a big thank you to Mr. Wilt for his years of service as our Scoutmaster.

Training: We currently have an open slot for Training Chairperson. The person doesn't have to be trained at the outset to coordinate other training. If you are interested, please contact Mr. Griffiths.

Equipment: Mr. Lucky moved his body shop and Mr. Santy will contact Mr. Lucky to arrange for a weekend when we can prepare the trailer for re-painting. Mr. Green was not present at this meeting and the following will be held over until the April Committee Meeting to resolve. He has been investigating options for replacing our current canopy (dining fly). He will prepare a spreadsheet of options for our Troop Committee to consider at April's meeting. The costs to repair our current dining fly and to procure additional dining flies may be around \$1000. He will include the cost to increase the pitch on our existing dining fly so water runs off it better. He will also include options to have side panels for these dining flies.

Communications: Mr. Snawder was not available for comment. Our Committee has discussed ways to get some help for Mr. Snawder to manage our growing web site. Mr. Hunt will contact the new parents to see if any have skills that they would be willing to share in this area. Mr. Griffiths will prepare a list of volunteer positions and their current staffing and where we need to have some additional support. We would like to see each registered adult with either a merit badge or volunteer position assignment. There are so many opportunities to support our Troop and we need your help!

Transportation: Transportation at the last campout was just fine. There were many people that were sick and had to cancel out. Mr. Bauer has done a fine job of getting communication out and arranging for transportation for the camp outs.

V. Other Action Items

Other Troop Needs: Our new SPL, Master Harvey was not here and none were identified.

VI. Other Needs

SPL Remarks: Master Harvey was not present so there were no comments.

SM Remarks: Mr. Smith requested an update from the Sponsor Search Committee (SSC). Mr. Williamson is chairing this Committee and they are scheduled to meet immediately following this

Committee Meeting. We will add an update to our Troop on the status of the SSC to the standing Troop Committee agenda.

VII. Summary and adjournment

Mr. Griffiths ended the meeting at 9:23 a.m. Next Committee Meeting, Saturday, 07-April-2007.

