

MINUTES
COMMITTEE MEETING OF TROOP 321
January 20, 2010

Troop 321 Committee Meeting came to order at approximately 7:35 p.m., on Wednesday, January 20, 2010, at the home of the Committee Chair. Present were Kristin H., Robin F., Brian J., Wendy M., Paul M., John C., Tom M., and LuAnn M. Kristin H., Committee Chair, led the meeting as follows:

Action Items:

1. Robin F., to send out email to poll interest in attending 100-year Jamboree at Pleasanton Fairgrounds April 15-18, 2010. Robin F. to secure a campsite for Troop.
2. Robin F. to confirm date and time of half-day leadership training with PLC at Mahany Hall - tentatively set for February 20, 2010.
3. Robin F. and Kristin H. to continue interviewing qualified individuals to fill Scoutmaster position.

UPCOMING EVENTS/IMPORTANT DATES TO CALENDAR!

DATE	ACTIVITY	TOUR LEADER/COORDINATOR
Jan. 23-24, 2010	Klondike Derby	
Jan. 27, 2010; 7:30	Scout Training Session - St. Charles Upper Hall (Tenderfoot, Second Class or First Class)	Brian J.
Feb. 3, 2010	Scout Training Session - St. Charles Upper Hall (Joining Scouts)	Brian J.
Feb. 4, 2010	Den Meeting - New Patrol	Brian J.
Feb. 4, 2010	Roundtable	Jeff W. and Paul K.
Feb. 6, 2010	PacSky Merit Badge Midway Ralston Middle School	John H.
Feb. 9, 2010:	Merit Badge Counselor Training	
Feb. 13, 2010	Venture Crew - Shooting Event	Tom D.
Feb. 20, 2010	PLC Training - Mahany Hall	Robin F.
Feb. 23, 2010; 7:15*	Court of Honor	John F.

<i>Feb. 26-28, 2010 *</i>	Snow Camping - Dodge Ridge	Robin F./Paul K.
<i>March 4, 2010</i>	Roundtable	Jeff W. and Paul K.
<i>March 13-14, 2010</i>	Henry Coe	Rick E.
<i>March 15-20, 2010</i>	Eagle Requirement Camp - Royaneh	
<i>March 20, 2010</i>	Venture Crew - EVOC	Tom D.
<i>April 1, 2010</i>	Roundtable	Jeff W. and Paul K.
<i>April 15-18, 2010</i>	100th Anniversary Jamboree Alameda Fair Grounds	OPEN
<i>April 23-25, 2010</i>	Order of the Arrow Spring Ordeal	
<i>May 6, 2010</i>	Roundtable	Jeff W. and Paul K.
<i>May 15-16, 2010</i>	Pt. Reyes	Kristin H.
<i>May 22-23, 2010</i>	San Carlos Hometown Days	Brian J.
<i>May 29, 2010</i>	Memorial Day Flag Placement	Karen S.
<i>June 3, 2010</i>	Roundtable	Jeff W. and Paul K.
<i>June 5, 2010</i>	Memorial Day Flag Removal	
<i>June 8, 2010</i>	Court of Honor	John F.
<i>June 11-12, 2010</i>	Yosemite - Upper Pines	Mike M.
<i>June 14-18, 2010</i>	National Youth Leader Training (JLT)	
<i>June 20-26, 2010</i>	Catalina - Emerald Bay	Brian J.
<i>June 21-26, 2010</i>	Eagle Requirement Camp - Royaneh	
<i>July 11-17, 2010</i>	Royaneh	Brian J.
<i>Aug. 28, 2010</i>	Annual Troop Picnic	Linda F./Janet H.
<i>Oct. 8, 2010</i>	Presidio - Rob Hill	Mark L.
<i>July 13-25, 2011</i>	Philmont	

* Represents change of date, time, location or event.

Committee Chairpersons reported as follows:

1. ***Financial Report:*** Treasurer Wendy M., reported on the Troop's financial status.

A. **Popcorn:** Troop 321 received popcorn profits of \$2,288 for popcorn sales.

B. **Status of Troop Finances:** Treasurer Wendy M. Reported Troop finances are in order.

2. ***Upcoming Troop Events:*** Scoutmaster Robin Foor reported as follows:

A. **Snow Camping:** February 26-28, 2010. At least 3 adults are presently taking training to lead snow camping activities. Thank you!

B. **Merit Badge Midway:** February 6, 2010. There may still be some openings at the Midway at Ralston Middle School. There are also many training opportunities.

C. **Merit Badge Counselor Training:** February 9, 2010. For more information please see Training under www.pacsky.org.

D. **Venture Crew - Shooting Event:** February 13, 2010

E. **PLC Training Session:** February 20, 2010. Half-day training session for PLC to be held at Mahany Hall and conducted by Scoutmaster Robin F.

F. **Court of Honor:** February 23, 2010. **PLEASE NOTE:** The Court of Honor will start at **7:15 p.m.** Kent Downing from Pacific Skyline Council and Former Troop 321 Scoutmaster Dan Taylor will make a presentation to the Troop prior to the start of the Court of Honor.

G. **Venture Crew - EVOC:** March 20, 2010

3. ***Summer Camps:*** Summer Camp Coordinator, Brian J., reported as follows:

Camp Emerald Bay on Catalina Island - June 20-26, 2010:

Cost: \$539 plus transportation from here to San Pedro Harbor

1st Payment Due: \$100 by January 14, 2010

Merit Badges: Canoeing, rowing, sailing, motor boating, oceanography and more!

Canoe Trip: War Canoe Trip to Parson's Beach

Rugged: Backpacking, mountain biking and scuba diving

More Info: www.bas-la.org or ask Brian J., Robin F., John H. or Scott T.

If you wish to register for the Rugged Adventurers program at Camp Emerald Bay, you must do so individually through the Camp Emerald Bay website, <http://www.campemeraldbay.org>.

For registration go to <http://www.campemeraldbay.org/emerald-bay/high-adventure-program>. In the past scouts have registered for Rugged Adventurers during the same week that the Troop is at Camp Emerald Bay, which would be June 20-26, 2010. The Rugged Adventurers program fills up fast, particularly the SCUBA program, so the earlier the scouts register the better.

THERE ARE STILL OPENINGS: Presently 8 Scouts are signed up to attend Emerald Bay. No adult leader has signed up to attend as yet.

Camp Royaneh - July 11-17, 2010:

Cost: \$345

1st Payment Due: \$150 by January 14, 2010

Features: No lake - swimming pool;

Merit Badges: swimming, lifesaving, horsemanship; science-based badges, etc.

More Info: www.sfbac.org

THERE ARE STILL OPENINGS: 23 Scouts have signed up to attend Royaneh. Adult leaders: Brian J. and Kevin C.

4. ***Philmont July 13-25, 2011:*** Robin F., reported he has secured two Treks for Philmont. Pacific Skyline Council has also secured 2 Treks for Philmont 2011. Robin F. has requested the 4 Treks be set for the same time, so there are more opportunities for our Troop members to attend together. The initial plan is for the Treks to start out with 7 Scouts with room to hopefully add more. Travel to Denver will occur on July 12, 2011, and departure to San Francisco will occur on July 25, 2011. More information will follow at a later date regarding costs, etc.

5. ***Scout Training Sessions:***

A. ***St. Charles Upper Hall: Wednesday, January 27, 2010, 7:30-8:30 p.m.:*** If you need requirements for Tenderfoot, Second Class or First Class, please plan on attending.

B. ***St. Charles Upper Hall: Wednesday, February 3, 2010, 7:30-8:30 p.m. -*** Training for new Scouts - Joining Badge. Brian J. needs Scouts First Class or above to help with both training sessions. Troop Trainer is a position of leadership!

6. ***Life to Eagle:*** Life to Eagle Coordinator, John C., circulated an updated Life Scout list. Curiosity over how Troop 321 stacked up against other Troops with regard to the number of Eagles was answered by John C. as follows: In 2007 the Council had 141 Eagles with an average of 150 hours for completion of projects. In 2008 there were 130 Eagles with an average of 165 hours for completion of projects. This was less than one district but higher than the other local district. Our Troop had an average of approximately 140 hours to completion of project. All in all, it is believed our Troop falls into the average range.

Robin F. reported, if you are a Life Scout looking for an Eagle project, try contacting Daniel Ourtiague, Parks Manager, City of Belmont, (650) 595-7441. Tom M. mentioned Coyote Point Marina would also be another good source for possible Eagle projects. John C. has a further, more extensive list of contacts.

7. ***Eagle Requirement Camp - Royaneh:*** Still need some Eagle-required Merit Badges? Royaneh offers two Eagle Requirement Camps:

Spring Session: ***March 15-20, 2010***

Summer Session: ***June 21-26, 2010***

For more information check out <http://www.sfbac.org> Look under "Camping" and then "Eagle Requirements." Must be 14 years or older and hold the rank of Star or Life.

8. *Camping Update:*

A. **Presidio:** Robin F. reported that the Presidio did not have an opening in April as first scheduled on the Troop calendar. The new date for the Presidio camping trip is October 8, 2010. The Troop will attend the 100th Jamboree April 15-18, 2010, for our April outdoor event.

B. **Yosemite - Upper Pines:** June 11-12, 2010.

C. **High Adventure Backpacking (4-5 day trip):** The Committee discussed having a high adventure backpacking trip during late July or early August. Adults, if you are interested in heading this trip, please contact Robin F. Some suggestions for location included: Lassen, Desolation Valley, and Lost Coast.

9. *Patrols:*

A. The Committee discussed what to do with the patrols containing the older Scouts with only 1-2 active members. The Committee further discussed having larger patrols for joining scouts in the beginning in order to eliminate or reduce the problem of older Scouts ending up with a 1-2 active Scout patrol.

B. For team-building, the Committee discussed the need for the patrols to get together on their own at least once a year for an outing. This outing could be an overnight camping trip, picnic, day of rock climbing at Planet Granite, etc. The new patrol needs an Assistant Scoutmaster. One duty of this Assistant Scoutmaster could be to encourage the new Patrol to come up with an event the Scouts can do as a Patrol.

10. **Open Committee Positions:** If you are interested in one of the open committee positions, please contact our Troop Committee Chair, Kristin H., or our Scoutmaster, Robin F.

- **Publicity** (advise newspapers of new Eagles and community service performed by Troop 321. Contacts with news agencies have already been established - See John C.).
- **Service Project Coordinator** (identify and manage Service Projects for Troop)
- **Adult Volunteer Coordinator** (recruit adult volunteers to fill open Committee positions)
- **Popcorn Coordinator Helper** (Assistant to help Elizabeth L., with popcorn sales in 2010)

Scoutmaster succession was discussed.

11. **Venture Crew:** Venture Crew Leader Tom D., not present. Kristin H. suggested the Venture Crew calendar be combined with the Troop calendar for easier planning. The Committee unanimously agreed that this was a good idea.

12. **Den Chiefs:** The San Carlos Cub Scout Packs are in dire need of Den Chiefs. If you are interested in being a Den Chief, please contact Scoutmaster Robin F., or Pack Committee Chair, Kristin H., or Webelos Liaison, Alicia F. Remember! Den Chief is a leadership position.

REMINDER: SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE TO ANY SCOUT WHO FINDS ANY EVENT, WHETHER IT BE A CAMPING TRIP, BACKPACKING, SUMMER CAMP, ETC., FINANCIALLY DIFFICULT. PLEASE CONTACT SCOUTMASTER, ROBIN F., OR COMMITTEE

CHAIR, KRISTIN H.

The next Committee Meeting will be held Wednesday, February 17, 2010, at 7:30 p.m. at the home of the Troop Committee Chair.

Adjourned. 8:45 p.m.

LuAnn McGuigan, Troop 321 Secretary