



Troop 84

Sandy Hook Oceanography and Deep Sea Fishing Trip



When: Saturday, September 25th to Sunday, September 26th, 2010

Highlights: Saturday

Camp close to the beach at Sandy Hook. Explore Fort Hancock, the Lighthouse, and of course, the beach. Compete with your patrol to see who can build the best sand castle!

Venture Scouts : You have the option of going Deep Sea Fishing on a party boat out of the Atlantic Highlands. Sea Bass will probably be our target fish. Who will win one of the prizes for "first", "biggest" or "most" fish caught? Maybe we'll have pan-fried sea bass for Sunday breakfast!

Sunday

Earn the Oceanography Merit Badge from a marine scientist with lots of hands on work. Explore the ocean, beach and salt marsh. Activities include studying waves, currents, the sea floor, plankton collection, laboratory analysis and seining in Sandy Hook Bay. On June 21st, a pre-trip merit badge packet will be given to all scouts who sign up for the trip. **Note: To complete the badge, there are 3 requirements that must be finished over the summer and handed in on September 13th, before the trip. Also, within two weeks after the trip, you must hand in a 500 word essay about the visit and what you learned.**

Cobras and Panthers : Many of you have already earned your Oceanography Merit Badge so your other option is to go Mountain Biking in the nearby Hills. Overlooking Sandy Hook in the Hartshorne Park there are over 12 miles of great cross-country single-track trails through WWII abandoned bunkers along with several excellent downhill runs.

Venture Scouts - please indicate your desire to go Deep Sea Fishing on the signup form.
Cobras/Panther indicate if you want to Mountain Bike
Contact Mr. Joyal with any questions

Depart: 9:00 am Saturday morning from parking lot across from the church.

Return: Sunday, at various times, depending on activities selected. No later than 4 pm at the garage. Parents will be called.

Contact: Mrs. Shelley Nolan or Mrs. Lori Quinn

Camp: Gateway National Recreation Area: Sandy Hook, NJ
Ranger: 732-872-5945

Signup: \$10 Deposit, signup, and permission form due Monday, June 21st.

Trip Cost: \$10 Balance due on September 13th
\$65 Balance due if Deep Sea Fishing

Food Cost: \$12 due in cash to patrol on September 13th.

Parents: Always welcome to participate. Same fees as scouts.

Special Meal Instructions: Saturday Breakfast: Eat before leaving home.
Saturday Lunch: Bring your own bag lunch.
Optional: Bring a little spending money for souvenirs/snacks.

Equipment/Packing: See attached list. Note: Merit Badge Pamphlets are not required, but would be helpful in completing at-home requirements. Purchase on your own or borrow from the Troop library.

Sandy Hook Oceanography and Deep Sea Fishing Trip Equipment List

To be worn on departure:

Troop Hat _____ Watch _____ Class B Shirt _____

Seasonal Clothing _____ Hiking Boots _____ Hiking Socks _____

To be packed in your Daypack:

Daypack _____ Rain Jacket _____ Rain Pants _____

Personal First Aid Kit _____ Pocket Knife _____ Compass _____

Sun Block _____ Sun Glasses _____ Sweat Shirt or fleece _____

Filled Water Bottle _____ Saturday Lunch & Drink _____ Spending Money _____

Towel _____ Small plastic garbage bag _____ Bathing Suit _____

Optional : Camera _____

To be packed in your Duffle Bag or Backpack:

Duffle or Pack _____ Sleeping Bag (in stuff sack) _____

Ground Cloth _____ Sleeping Pad _____ 2 T Shirts _____

Flashlight _____ 2 Hiking Socks _____ 1 Polypro Shirt _____

Sleepwear _____ 2 Underwear _____ 1 Long Sleeve Shirt _____

Sweat Pants _____ 1 Pair Pants _____ Shorts _____

Vittle Kit _____ Large Cup _____ Cleanup Kit _____

Old Sneakers or Water Shoes _____

