# TROOP 850 NEWS

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#### 2007 HIGH ADVENTURE — SEABASE

The Florida National Seabase is an official Boy Scout facility in the Florida Keys. Troop 850 has traditionally gone to Seabase for its High Adventure trip every four years. The adventure consists of serving as the crew of a 40 ft. Sailboat as it sails down to Key West and then back up to the Seabase on Islamorada, FL, snorkeling and fishing along with way. It's a really neat experience — you can find pictures from past trips on www.troop850.org check or out www.seabase.org.

Seabase is so popular that it always sells out. Troops from around the country must apply for reservations 18 months in advance in a lottery! We have two "crews" the week of June 21 to June 27, 2007. <u>But</u> we have to confirm our reservations with a \$100 per person deposit by March 14!! Any Scout who will be 14 years old by September 1, 2007 is eligible, and there are slots for adults as well. If you are interested, please see Chas Hertlein, and please plan to get your deposits in.

## Upcoming Dates

March 7 — Troop elections

March 11 — Final Merit Badge Challenge

April 4 — Webelos Cross-Over

April 8 — Spaghetti Dinner

#### 2006 HIGH ADVENTURE - WEST VIRGINIA

We also have a deposit date coming up for this year's High Adventure, also March 14. We have to pay the outfitter half of their charges by then, or \$225 per person. So those who have reserved a place on this year's High Adventure crew, please pan to bring your total payments (including prior payments) up to this amount by that date.

## Summer Camp

It's back to Camp Friedlander the week of July 9 — 15. The early bird reservation date was February 28 (reservations by that date locked in a \$180 cost for the week), but you can still lock in a \$190 cost by making a \$100 deposit by March 24 — after that it goes to \$200. [Note to Webelos: They extend the early bird price to any Webelos who cross over and make a reservation by April 28!] Please see Fred Matthews with any questions.

# March Campout

Our March campout will be at nearby Miami Whitewater Forest the weekend of March 17 — 19. Besides the usual fun and advancement opportunities, we will be doing a conservation project for the park. A permission slip is enclosed.

### CONGRATULATIONS KENNY HOLTER!!

Kenny successfully completed his Eagle Scout Board of Review on February 27!! Please plan to attend his Eagle Court of Honor once the paperwork comes back from the national office. Congratulations, Kenny!! We're proud of you!!