



Big Cone Backpacking Trip **February 20 – 21, 2010**

GETTING THERE:

- Meet at St. Matthews Church at 7:30 AM on Saturday morning. Class “B” t-shirt – do not wear your uniform.
- Cost is \$10 per scout, which includes Saturday dinner and Sunday breakfast.
- Drive to Thomas Aquinas College. Backpack 3 miles to Big Cone campsite.
Driving Directions: 101 Fwy N, exit Hwy 126 E and go ~12 miles to 10th St exit in Santa Paula. Turn left onto 10th St. At the 4th traffic signal (cross-street is Santa Paula St), bear slightly to the right; 10th St becomes Ojai Rd/CA-150. Take CA-150 ~5 miles - watch for sign that says "Thomas Aquinas College 1/4 mile", then turn right into the campus drive.

ACTIVITIES:

- Hike to Devil’s punchbowl (natural pool).
- Collect & chop wood for cooking fire (foil cooking!)
- Work on advancement
- Play games (eg, ultimate Frisbee)

MEALS:

- Each scout/adult should bring a sack trail lunch for Saturday.
- Saturday foil dinner and Sunday foil breakfast will be provided by the troop. **Note:** This is a great outing to complete the 2nd Class cooking requirement.
- Scouts/adults should bring money for Sunday lunch along the way home.

EQUIPMENT:

- Please refer to the *Troop 730 Recommended Packing List* on the website (www.bsatroop730.org). Bring a swimsuit and towel if you intend to go in the punch bowl. Prepare for cold weather. Tents are required for scouts under 1st Class. Troop will provide water filters. Check with your Patrol Leader if you have questions on equipment.

RETURNING HOME:

- Return backpack ~10 to 11 AM on Sunday then drive home. Scouts should bring money for lunch along the way home. We should arrive home ~ 1 PM.

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