



Boy Scouts of America[®]

Hudson Valley Council

2010 Photo Contest Information Packet



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Hudson Valley Council 2010 Photo Contest

Contest Description:

Photography is an enjoyable, creative hobby that Scouts and adults alike can enjoy. This contest is presented as a means for packs, troops, and crews to introduce photography to youth members in a fun way.

As part of the 100th anniversary of Scouting, we hope to share submitted photographs with members of the scouting community and the public to showcase the talents of our scouts and scouters and to promote Scouting activities in local communities.

Unit Program Opportunities:

Entering this contest is a fun way to introduce photography to youth members and to provide educational programming for den, patrol and troop activities. As youth members prepare to enter photographs in the contest, the unit may help them by incorporating instructional topics into their regular meeting agenda. For example, units may wish to engage merit badge counselors to offer introductory photography clinics or lessons. They may have a connection with a local professional photographer who would share a tour of their studio or attend a meeting to show equipment used by photographers. This would also be an excellent way to introduce youth members to a possible career choice.

Scouts may also be interested in working on advancement requirements:

Tiger Cubs – Req. 1d (Family scrapbook), Electives 4 (display a picture), 16 (hobby related)

Wolves – Achievement 4 (community related), Elective 21 ((digital photography using computers)

Bears – Elective 22 (photography)

Webelos – Artist activity badge requirement 2 (scrapbook), 10 (collages)

Boy Scouts – Photography Merit Badge

Contest Categories:

Cub Scout – Community

Cub Scout – Outdoor Fun

Cub Scout – Creative

Boy Scout – Community

Boy Scout – Outdoor Fun

Boy Scout – Creative

Venturing – Community

Venturing – Outdoor Fun

Venturing – Creative

Scouter – Community

Scouter – Outdoor Fun

Scouter – Creative

Category Descriptions:

Cub Scout – registered Cub Scout youth member

Boy Scout – registered Boy Scout or Varsity Scout youth member

Venturing – registered Venturing Scout or Explorer Post youth member

Scouter – registered adult in any of the above programs

Community – depicting your community from a scouting perspective, illustrating

Scouting's role or contribution to your community

Outdoor Fun – images which emphasize the theme "The Outing in Scouting,"

depicting camping or other outdoor experiences

Creative – images with a Scouting focus which demonstrate the photographer's

artistic capabilities preferably (examples include nature scenes, landscapes, portraits, etc).

Awards:

1 Youth Best of Show (across all photos, all categories)

1 Adult Best of Show (across all photos, all categories)

12 Best of Category

24 Honorable Mention by Category

Instructions:

- Complete the Photo **Contest Entry Form** below.
- Cut and paste the completed form into an e-mail and attach the submitted photo. Include the words HVC Photo contest in the subject line of the e-mail.
- Send the e-mail to **photos@scouting.org**

Rules:

- Entries accepted from members of Boy Scouts of America registered in Hudson Valley Council only
- Photographs must have been taken within one (1) year before the date of entry and may not previously have won an award.
- Entries submitted after September 30, 2010 will not be accepted
- Winners will be notified by mail by October 15, 2010
- Photographs must be in digital format. Only electronic entries will be eligible. No print or film submissions will be accepted for entry into this Contest. The photograph need not be taken with a digital camera; scans of negatives, transparencies, or photographic prints are acceptable.
- All digital files must be 100 megabytes or smaller. All images should be original and supplied as J-peg (.jpg), at the high setting no. 12. Image resolution should be 300ppi and must be at minimum 1,600 pixels wide (if a horizontal image) or 1,600 pixels tall (if a vertical image).
- Minor burning, dodging, and/or color correction is acceptable. Cropping is acceptable. Use of fish-eye lenses is acceptable. High dynamic range images (HDR) and stitched panoramas are acceptable only if the combined parts are all made around the same time. Any changes to the original Photograph not itemized here are unacceptable and will render the Photograph ineligible for consideration and inclusion in the project.
- The Photograph, in its entirety, must be a single work of original material taken by the Contest entrant. By entering the Contest, entrant represents, acknowledges, and warrants that the submitted photograph is an original work created solely by the entrant, that the photograph does not infringe on the copyrights, trademarks, moral rights, rights of privacy/publicity or intellectual

property rights of any person or entity, and that no other party has any right, title, claim, or interest in the photograph.

- The photograph must not contain obscene, provocative, defamatory, or otherwise objectionable or inappropriate content as determined solely by the Boy Scouts of America.
- Each submission must include the information found in the entry form below. Entrants can simply cut and paste the completed form into the e-mail containing the submitted photo. Submissions should be sent to the following e-mail address: **photos@scouting.org**
- Entries are to be submitted by registered youth or adult members in the category in which they are registered on date of submission. Example: a registered Venturer may enter photos in the Venturing category only. Dual registered (ie., Boy Scouts & Venturing) may select one category.
- Each Entrant may submit three photos per category, up to nine photos total. Example, a Cub Scout may submit up to three photos in the Cub Scout Community and up to three photos in the Cub Scout Outdoor Fun category, etc. Judges may move photos to another category at their discretion.
- All photographs submitted become the property of the Hudson Valley Council and will not be returned.
- Photographs may be used by the Hudson Valley Council in future communications and publications including print media. Compensation is waived through submission. Persons appearing as subjects will not be compensated. The photographer must secure all permissions from subjects.
- Winners will be requested to submit a photograph of themselves for use in announcements and other promotional material.
- Decisions of the judges are final.

Direct Questions to Jim O'Neill - fierygizzard@gmail.com

Photo Submission – photos@scouting.org

Entry Information:

Please fill out the form below. Then cut and paste it into an e-mail, attach the photo you are submitting, and send it to **photos@scouting.org**. Include the words "HVC Photo Contest" in the Subject line of the e-mail. Please include only one photo per e-mail submission.

Photo Contest Entry Form

Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Phone:

e-mail:

Membership (mark one)

Youth Cub Scout ___

Youth Boy Scout ___

Youth Venture ___

Adult Scouter ___

Category (mark one)

Community ___

Outdoor Fun ___

Creative ___

I have read and agree to rules of contest

(Indicate YES or NO): ___