



Monday, January 11, 2010

Dear Scouts, Leaders, and Parents,

Hello from the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium! Thank you for your interest in our **Oceanography Merit Badge Program!** We are sending you this information because you requested to be added to our "Merit Badge Day" mailing list. We are very excited about the upcoming Oceanography program and we hope that you are too!



The Details

Who: Boy Scouts

What: Oceanography Merit Badge

When: Sunday, April 25, 2010; 9:00-4:00

Where: The Columbus Zoo and Aquarium

How: Pre-registration is required. Contact 614-724-3496 to

register. **Registration opens on Saturday, March 6, 2010 at 8:00 a.m.**

Cost: \$30.00 per scout. Leaders that remain with the boys during the program are admitted at no charge.

Additional information:

- Registrations will **not** be accepted before Saturday, March 6th at 8:00. **No exceptions!** Registration is limited to the first 130 boys.
- Due to the large volume of registration calls on March 6th, your call will be recorded and time stamped. When you call to register you will receive my voicemail. On my voicemail please clearly leave the following information: **your name, troop #, council, phone number where you can be reached on Monday**, and the **number of boys** you would like to register. You will be contacted the following Monday to confirm your registration. *We will also be asking for a contact mailing address and the names and grades of the boys attending. Please have this information with you on Monday.*
- Once you have been confirmed, you will be invoiced for number of scouts registered. Invoices will be sent out once all 130 spots are filled.
- This badge workshop is **not** all-inclusive. During this program scouts will accomplish **eight** of ten requirements. Requirement eight is not completed. This can be done as a post requirement once the program is completed.
- The tenth requirement is a short quiz to be completed by the scout after the program. Upon completion of these **last two** requirements, the scouts will be eligible for their Oceanography Merit Badge.
- **No blue cards will be signed the day of the program!** You will need to send your blue card, completed quiz, and Requirement #8 to Melissa after the program.
- If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at scouts@columbuszoo.org. I look forward to meeting and learning with you!

Sincerely,

Melissa Barnett

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Oceanography Certified Merit Badge Counselor

**Note: I will be on maternity leave during the registration process. Another staff person will be completing the registration and returning calls/e-mails.*