

**2010 Cadet Convention Committee
Meeting Agenda No. 7
George and Mary Bell's Home**

Opening Prayer

Our opening prayer was provided by George at 3:48pm. He also read several verses from First Corinthians 12. George noted Paul's exhortation for individuals to use the talents and skills given to us by God to serve one another.

The Corps Connection

Craig reported the approval of our convention budget by the Cadet Executive Committee. The committee's only concern was the lack of income shown in our initial budget plans. Craig reported that he corrected the oversight and provided a modified budget for the Executive Committee's October 2nd meeting.

Subcommittee Reports

Program. Bernie provided a list of workshops and speakers for the 2010 Cadet Counselors' Convention. The committee discussed each item and finalized the following.

Speakers/Entertainment:

- Keynote (Thursday Afternoon) – Mike DeBoom
- Evening Entertainment (Thursday) – Craig Stone
- Special Guest Speaker (Thursday Evening) – John Brockington
- Women's Speaker (Friday Noon) – Diane De Groot
- Challenge Speaker (Saturday Morning) – Ed Rush Jr.
- Music led by the Praise Team (Covenant) from New Life PCA in La Mesa, CA

Our workshops will be:

- Child Abuse and Neglect (Mrs. Deb Baker)
- "Help, I Married a Cadet Counselor" (a panel discussion led by Diane Tiermersma, Carol Gabrielse, and Mary Broene).
- Silk Floral Arranging (Jennel Van Kooy)
- Simple Beading (Kathy Door)
- Child Development (Cynthia Struiksma)
- Shelter Building at the International (Chuck vanGorkum)
- Simple Small Wood Projects (Lloyd Van Dyken)
- Essential Elements for Optimal Cadet Experiences (Steve Kortenhoeven)
- Game Time Ideas for Cadets (Bill Mulder)

- Cadet Communications Using Free Internet Tools (Reuben Settergren)
- Bow Making on a Budget (Bruce Settergren)
- Braiding Made Simple (Jeff Struiksma)
- Thematic Workshop on “Knotted Together in Christ” (Pastor Ron Norman)
- DCE Workshop (Bernie Teeninga)
- Using the Quest Magazine to the Fullest (Bob DeJonge)
- Guide Trails (Mike VanderMeer)
- Communications (Pete Tiermersma)
- “What Happens after the Cadets Go Home?” (Craig Doty)
- Craft Tags (Mary Bell)
- “Get Them Young and Get Them Going” (Dick Broene)

Craig noted that counselor Del Vandenberg will be unable to conduct a Dutch Oven workshop at the 2010 convention. The committee discussed the Braiding workshop as presented at the last Southern California Council meeting. Several suggestions were made, e.g., better use of pictures to demonstrate the actual braiding actions and more helpers to serve a larger group.

No firm decision on an activity for the women on Friday afternoon was made. The workshops on Child Abuse and Essential Elements for Optimal Cadet Experience will be held twice during the convention. Craig agreed to fill in the registration form with the workshops and forward the final form to Corps for use in The Clarion.

Following discussion about DYM’s requirement for a doctrinal signature, the committee agreed that all speakers/workshop leaders would be asked to sign and return these to the committee. Bernie agreed to send them out.

Children’s Program. Dave and Kim presented their plans for our children. Our committee determined that Mr. Stone’s magic act on Thursday would be fun for the children and so evening children’s activities would begin following Mr. Stone’s show. A need for teachers for the Bible lessons was identified. Flyers will be sent to area supporting churches to help in this area. A possible activity for the children, lanyard braiding, was discussed.

Since the children will be on outings Friday, it was noted that the Friday lunch selection for “box lunch” was exclusive for the children’s use. The registration form will be modified accordingly. The proper number of lunches would need to be transported to the San Diego Zoo and/or Balboa Park on Friday.

The committee discussed the plans for a Friday evening bonfire and agreed the best location to be at Crown Point in Mission Bay. Rest facilities, a playground, beach access and plenty of space provide a fitting location for our counselors and their families. It was determined that somebody would have to be onsite to reserve the fire rings for our use on Friday evening. Transportation to/from Crown Point will be necessary following our Friday evening meal. Since SeaWorld currently conducts a fireworks show evenings at 9:00pm, this would coincide well

with our bonfire evening at Crown Point and come and a pleasant surprise for our guests. An afternoon trip to SeaWorld was scratched from the program as it was cost prohibitive.

Transportation. Tabled until our next meeting.

Publicity. The committee discussed current advertising (The Clarion, letters, email, website). It was noted that local participation, e.g., West Coast Councils, is a must. Bernie suggested that the committee publish a newsletter in early January. He and Craig agreed to head up this effort. Craig mentioned that our efforts to use the internet for registration were a nonstarter. The committee agreed to use mail-in registrations.

Booklet. The committee discussed the makeup of our booklet and the need for biographies, pictures and information for speakers, workshop leaders, and the praise team. George mentioned that a rough booklet production cost of \$1,800 but this may decrease if more pages for advertising are added. It was suggested that flyers be sent to local Christian businesses, perhaps those listed in local Christian business directories. Bernie mentioned that premium advertising space, e.g., front and back pages should command a premium price. George and Bernie will meet separately to discuss some fine tuning of the advertising efforts, as well as set the prices for those premium spaces in the convention booklet. The committee agreed to ask Jim Grasmeyer to make an announcement at Congress in January regarding the convention.

Registration and Finance. The committee discussed the need for a convention checking account. Dave relayed an offer by Dave Lewis (Council Treasurer) to set up a separate checking account using the Council's tax identification number. Funds from the convention would then not be commingled with other checking accounts. It was further agreed that Matt, Bernie, and Craig would have signature authorization on checks. Matt will receive and deposit all checks (either from registrations or advertising). George mentioned that he has received the first donation check (\$50.00).

Action Items Review

The following actions were accepted/retained.

- Dave discuss any 501c3 issues with a tax/finance professional.
- George discuss setting up the account with Dave Lewis.
- Craig ask if the Praise Team could bring guitars and lead in worship singing at the beach.
- Kim and Dave bring s'mores and water for Friday evening.
- George should contact Christian businesses about advertising in our program booklet.
- Craig contact Reuben Settergren regarding reserving fire rings at Crown Point. **(Done)**
- Ask Jim if he is able to make a convention announcement at Congress in January **(Done)**
- Jim and Dianne continue to investigate whether we will use a Convention Song.

- Jim will investigate where at Lindbergh Field our shuttle services would wait for pickup, as well as designated locations within the airport where arriving passengers could congregate while waiting for our next shuttle.
- Bernie provide a list of workshops and descriptions to Craig by Monday, November 9th. **(Done)**
- Craig update registration form with workshop information and provide to Corps. **(Done)**
- Craig obtain an updated Congressman list from Corps so that invitations can also be sent to these men. **(Done)**

Operating Procedures for the 2010 Convention

- All chaperones must be at least 17 years of age (11th grade)
- Confirmation letters will be sent upon receipt of registration and fees. A copy will be provided upon arrival.
- Colored tickets for the Friday meals will be provided upon registration

Wrap-up

Next Meeting Location and Date. Our next meeting will be held at Bernie and Carol's home on January 23rd, 2010. The meeting will begin with dinner at 4:0pm.

Closing Prayer. Our meeting was closed and thanks given for the meal by Dave Dalton at 5:40pm