



The Fifth Ten Commandments Hike Rochester, Minnesota October 30, 2010

For Venturers, Explorers, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts (Third Grade and Older).

*Comments from past Hikes: "This event is a winner!" "Very interesting" "Great opportunity" "Went quickly"
"Liked the diversity" "Wonderful learning experience" "Great Scouting event" "Awesome!"*

Hikers will visit ten houses of worship in downtown Rochester, hear a short presentation about one of the Ten Commandments, a brief talk about that faith and its worship space, and have the opportunity to ask questions.

The Ten Commandments Hike will be an opportunity to introduce participants to a variety of faiths and houses of worship. It will be an interfaith and cross-cultural event. Scouts should gain greater understanding of the religions of fellow Scouts and greater tolerance for their religious beliefs. The Scouts and adults will also be introduced to the Religious Emblems Program.

The Hike will be a cooperative effort between Scouting and various faith groups in Rochester, including the ***B'nai Israel Synagogue, Calvary Episcopal Church, Christ United Methodist Church, First Presbyterian Church, Rochester Church of Christ, Rochester Islamic Center, St. Anargyroi Greek Orthodox Church, St. John's Catholic Church, Salvation Army Church and Zumbro Lutheran Church.***

Registration and check-in is between 8:15 and 8:45 at St. John's Catholic Church, 11 Fourth Ave SW, Rochester. Enter through the "school" entrance on the north side.

Parking is available in the Lourdes parking lot, located between 6th & 7th Aves NW and 1st & 2nd Sts NW. ***Do not park in the north east corner of the parking lot***, marked reserved for Mayo Clinic.

The 2.5-mile Hike will begin at 9:00 at St. John's Catholic Church and end at 3:00 following our visit to St. Anargyroi Greek Orthodox Church and the hike to the parking lot, close by.

Attire for the Hike is your full uniform. **No shorts** permitted.

Scouts and leaders will need to carry their sack lunches, beverages and any other gear with them in their backpacks.

"Be prepared" as the Hike will proceed whatever the weather.

Youth Protection Guidelines must be followed. Individual Scouts may attend with a parent, and packs, dens, troops, patrols or crews may attend as a group with a minimum of two registered leaders, or one registered leader and a parent. Leaders must have their youth and adult medical forms in their possession.

Registration will begin September 2nd at the Scout Office and will continue until the day of the Hike or until 200 participants is reached. The registration form is also on the Gamehaven Council website.

The Hike fee is \$4.00/participant, payable by unit or individual check. The day of the Hike, payment for your unit should be made by one unit check. An individual Scout with an adult should make payment by one check, also. Write checks payable to Gamehaven Council, BSA.

*Gamehaven Council, BSA
Ten Commandments Hike Committee*