

BSA Troop 161

UTAH RAFTING TRIP 2012 - CATARACT RIVER

This will be an exciting 5-days on the Cataract River in SE Utah. We will sleep 4 nights on the River. This is the same outfit the troop used in 2010 and they did a fantastic job. Everyone enjoyed the trip. The trip will go as follows. We would leave NY Sunday, June 24 and fly to Salt Lake City, rent vehicles and drive south to Moab, Utah. There is a beautiful campground in Moab where we can spend the night and then in the morning the outfitter will pick us up for our adventure. The outfitter will move our vehicles to the end point of our trip on Friday, June 29 and then we will either fly home on Saturday, or stay an extra day and return Sunday. There are many interesting places to see in Southern Utah and like last time, we may spend one day at a park.

The cost will be approx. \$1200 per person and this will include the rafting, air and ground transportation, tips for the guides, extra food and expenses. **Scouts must be at least First Class.** This is an **unbeatable** price since the usual cost is around \$1000 per person just for the rafting. The outfitter charges us just \$500 per person (adult or child) because we are Scouts. As Scouts, we take our own personal gear such as a tent and a sleeping bag. You will be well prepared by the time we leave. This will be my 6th multi-day rafting trip out West.

Check out their web site: worldwideriver.com. Click on Cataract River and scroll to the 5-day trip. If you have never been out West, this is your chance to get a real dose of this great country. This is a safe trip run by very professional people. They are also big into Scouting and boys may be able to earn some merit badges during the week.

I need a \$200 deposit this week so we can start the ball rolling. I will be at the meeting this Wednesday, January 11 to take deposits and answer questions. We are happy to invite non-uniform parents on this trip. It will be a week shared with your son that you will never forget. I am sure any parent who comes will love the trip. Ask those who went last time. There are pictures of that trip on our web site. Space is limited so it will be first come/first served.

Yours in Scouting

John Aloisio - Scoutmaster