

Boy Scouts of America
Candle Lighting Ceremony
February 8th 2010

JFK Park – Dover Community Gazebo
(Rt. 46 & Bergen St)
7:30 – 8:00 P.M.

(Items distributed: Candle, Special Drip catcher, Card with Scout Oath)

Flag Procession

Boy Scout and Cub Scout Procession (Troop 64, Troop 67, Pack 45, Pack 187)

Pledge of Allegiance

Scouts Representing Boy Scout Troops and Cub Scout Packs

Opening Prayer

Rev. Meyers, First Memorial Presbyterian Church, Dover

Welcome Message

Scoutmaster Scott Miller, Dover Troop 64

Community Leaders Welcome

Dover Mayor James P. Dodd Mine Hill Mayor Richard Leary Wharton Mayor & Morris County Freeholder William Chegwidden

Scouting has Produced Great Citizens

Scoutmaster Scott Miller, Dover Troop 64

One Vision

Scoutmaster Alex Sosa, Wharton Troop 67

100 years

Cub and Boy Scout Representatives

1912 - Scouts were in every state. The first in a series of national good turns, "Have a safe and sane Fourth of July" was kicked off.

Membership: 126,860

1913 – Dover Troop 1 was formed. Scoutmaster can be seen on horse back with troop at Locust Hill Cemetery.

Membership: 188,964

1920 - First World Jamboree was held in England. The BSA sent 301 members.

Membership: 1,643,988

1930 - The **Cub Scout** program was formally launched. There were 5,102 Cubs at the end of 1930.

Membership: 5,249,350

1941 - With the declaration of war, the government requested Boy Scout service in many aspects of home service projects. On January 7, Baden-Powell died. Membership: 10,165,060

1959 - A new edition of the Boy Scout Handbook was published. *Scouting Magazine* started using full color throughout.

Membership: 31,563,809

1976 - The bicentennial year gave 56,712 Cub Scout packs, 61,283 Boy Scout troops, and 22,540 Explorer posts the opportunity to participate in the celebration of the 200th birthday of our nation. Eagle badges were awarded to 27,687 Scouts. Membership: 59,311,859

1980 - The 70th anniversary was completed with gains in membership and units. Oscar de la Renta designed new Boy Scout uniforms.

Membership: 64,840,661

1999 - The total membership in the BSA passed the 100 million mark. Patriots' Path Council is formed from the Merger of Morris-Sussex Area Council with the Watchung Area Council.

2001- Tiger Den program is incorporated into the Cub Scout program.

2006 – President Gerald Ford (1 and only president to date to earn the rank of Eagle Scout) dies and 400 Eagle Scouts formed an Honor Guard at his Museum in Michigan as part of his FUNERAL Ceremony.

2009 - Sixteen-year-old Anthony Thomas of Lakeville, Minnesota has been named the 2 millionth Eagle Scout since the first Eagle badge was awarded in 1912.

2010 – Today we celebrate with millions of scouts across the county at this very moment 100 years of scouting.

(Please start the actual candle lighting here from front and back)

Master of Ceremonies Recites: A candle to light the path where Boy Scouts came from and to light our way forward into the next 100 years.

12 Words

Recite Boy Scout Law

Boy Scout Oath (Read from souvenir card handout) (Everyone)

On my honor, I will do my best;
To do my duty To God and my country;
And to obey the Scout Law;
To help other people at all times;
To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

Closing ceremony - Benediction

Rev. Meyers, First Memorial Presbyterian Church, Dover

Thank you all for coming and getting the next century off to a good start.



Dover Boy Scout Troop 1 at Locust Hill Cemetery ~ Circa 1913 Courtesy of the Dover Area Historical Society