

**Troop 71**  
**Beavercreek, Ohio**

**Scout Binder**

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# Current Troop 71

## Activities Calendar

<p><b>September 2016</b>          6 -PLC Meeting          9 - 11 -Fall Camporee          13 -Reg. Meeting          17 -Shooting Event          20 -Reg. Meeting          23 - 18 -OA Fall Ordeal          27 -Reg. Meeting</p> <p><b>October 2016</b>          4 -PLC Meeting          7 - 9 -Peterloon          8 -Feed the Homeless          11 -Reg. Meeting          18 -Troop Elections          25 -Reg Meeting</p> <p><b>November 2016</b>          1 -PLC Meeting          8 -Reg. Meeting          11 - 13 -Restore and Explore          15 -Reg. Meeting          22 -Reg. Meeting          29 -Reg. Meeting</p> <p><b>December 2016</b>          3 - 4 -Rock Climb sleep-in          6 -PLC Meeting          8 -Feed the Homeless          13 -Reg. Meeting          17 - 18 -Winter Bushwhack Campout          20 -Reg. Meeting          27 -NO Meeting (Winter Break)</p>	<p><b>January 2017</b>          3 -NO Meeting (Winter Break)          10 -Reg Meeting 6:00pm PLC          17 -Reg. Meeting          24 -Reg. Meeting          27 - 29 -Klondike          31 -Reg. Meeting</p> <p><b>February 2017</b>          4 -Merit Badge Trail Drive          5 -Troop Court of Honor          7 -PLC Meeting          11 - 12 -Electronics Lock-In/ Scout Sunday/ Pancake Breakfast          11 -Feed the Homeless          14 -Reg. Meeting          18 -Merit Badge Trail Drive          21 -Reg. Meeting          28 -Reg. Meeting</p> <p><b>March 2017</b>          4 -Merit Badge Trail Drive          7 -PLC Meeting          11 - 12 -New Scout Campout          11 -Scouting for Food          14 -Reg. Meeting          18 -Scouting for Food          21 -Reg. Meeting          25 - 26 -5-Mile Hike Campout          28 -NO Meeting</p> <p><b>April 2017</b>          4 -PLC Meeting          8 -Feed the Homeless          11 -Reg. Meeting          18 -Reg. Meeting          22 - 23 -Backpacking Campout          25 -Reg. Meeting</p>	<p><b>May 2017</b>          2 -PLC Meeting          9 -Reg. Meeting          16 -Reg Meeting          20 -Ziplining Outing          23 -Reg. Meeting          27 - 28 -Canoeing Campout          30 -Reg. Meeting</p> <p><b>June 2017</b>          3 - 4 -Wild. Survival Campout          6 -PLC Meeting          10 -Feed the Homeless          13 -Reg. Meeting          20 -Reg. Meeting          24 - 25 -Aquatics Campout          27 -Court of Honor</p> <p><b>July 2017</b>          4 -NO Meeting (4th of July)          11 -Reg Meeting with 6pm PLC before          18 -Reg Meeting          22 - 23 -Orienteering Campout          25 -Reg Meeting</p> <p><b>August 2017</b>          1 -PLC Meeting          5 - 6 -Biking Campout          8 -Reg Meeting          12 -Feed the Homeless          15 -Reg Meeting          22 -Reg Meeting          29 -Reg Meeting</p>
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# Meetings

## Patrol Leaders' Council (PLC)

- When: First Tuesday of the month, 7pm
- Where: Scout Hut
- Who: SPL, ASPL, PL, APL, SM, and ASM and Troop Guides

## Committee Meeting

- When: Monday following PLC Tuesdays, 7pm-8:30pm
- Where: Church Fellowship Hall
- Who: CC, COR, SM, Treasurer and all interested parents

## Scout Meeting

- When: Tuesdays except PLC night, 7pm-8:30pm
- Where: Scout Hut
- Who: All scouts, SM, ASM, JASM, AC, and TQ

\* Parents encouraged to meet in Aley Fellowship Hall during Scout Meeting for fellowship, mutual support, and to help ensure needed communication happens.

# Parents

## The responsibility of a new Boy Scout's parent:

Boy Scout patrol and troop meetings are intended to be an activity for youth. They are not a family activity, and the presence of parents can be a distraction. However, parental involvement is not forbidden. If a parent or guardian would like to be present during a troop meeting, they should consult with the Scoutmaster in advance so a way can be arranged for them to observe. There also might be provision for them to register for a position on the troop committee or as an assistant Scoutmaster. There are always ways for your parent or guardian to be involved. The best thing you can do for your scout is attend the parent meeting and show interest in his scouting career. Encourage your scout to work toward Eagle while making friends and learning the many skills available to him.

## Assistant Scoutmaster:

Discuss your desire to be an ASM with the SM. If the SM would like to add you as an ASM, you will need to complete a BSA membership application and YPT, as well as Scoutmaster training. Wearing of the official Scout Uniform is a requirement.

## Committee member:

Fill out a BSA membership Application and complete YPT and Troop Committee Challenge training online.

## Merit Badge Counselor:

Have knowledge of the Merit Badge you plan to counsel, fill out a BSA membership application, Merit Badge counselor application, and complete YPT.

## Single Activity Planner:

Attend the Family Camp planning meeting in August and volunteer to plan a single event. All events and activities must be discussed with the SPL before being planned for interest, dates, etc. YPT is required.

# Scout to Eagle Timeline

Advancements Information for New Boy Scout Parents

First things first...

Always remember the **Boy Scout Mission Statement** and **The Aims of Scouting**. I have copied these from my copy of the 2015 Guide to Advancements (ISBN 978-0-8395-3088-6).

## **BSA MISSION STATEMENT**

“The Mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.”

## **The Aims of Scouting**

“Every Scouting activity moves boys toward three basic aims: character development, citizenship training, and mental and physical fitness.”

“Advancement is **one of the eight methods** used by Scout leaders to help boys fulfil the Aims of the BSA.” (from the inside front cover of the 2015 Guide to Advancements)

So, although advancements are important and Troop 71 does everything we can to provide a program that allows any Scout who wants to achieve ranks and awards to succeed, it is not the only purpose or metric of success in achieving the aims of scouting. If the Scout is maturing, having a good experience and growing into a person of good character and developing a good sense of citizenship, then we as parents are doing the right things. Our program is designed to stretch young boys in age appropriate activities to do this, and advancements will enable some of this, but not everything all at once.

Many Scouts rightly strive for the top ranks, including the Eagle Rank. Troop 71 has a long record of success with providing all the opportunities needed to succeed at this with nearly 200 Eagles on our Honor Roll since our founding in 1954. As your Scout heads out into the trail to Eagle, there are some strategies, pitfall avoidance ideas, and expectations you should keep in mind as they move up the trail.

As new Scouts, they need to learn independence. Where Cub Scouting had a lot of support from parents and Adult Leaders, Boy Scouts is boy-led, so it's important to guide them with a view toward ever increasing autonomy.

During their early ranks, they will be learning basic skills needed in the program. They will earn their ranks in sequential order, but the things they are working on and when they work on those will happen throughout the year. This means that they can be working on parts of Scout, Tenderfoot, Second Class and First Class all at the same time. In total, the average Scout probably spends about 18 months accomplishing all those rank requirements, eventually working his way to First Class Rank by completing the lists in Scout, Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class, in that order. Sometimes they complete one rank every few months and sometimes the requirements get filled such that they finish all or some of the ranks very close together. Watch their handbook advancement sign offs. Nothing new showing up at all over a long period is a bad strategy. Getting things in various ranks signed off consistently will accrue rank achievement if they keep working consistently. Since Scout Rank comes first, expect it to be finished very soon, but as long as they

are getting requirements signed off during the first 18 months to two years (say by age 13) they are on a good progress path to Eagle.

Since the advancement program is age appropriate in its design, there isn't any need to rush through the program. There are about seven years available at the start (if the Scout comes directly from Cub Scouting or joins about age 11). Leadership, complex merit badges, and some major service project activities are much better done by Scouts who are at the appropriate level of maturity, so sometimes waiting until they gain that maturity is the best strategy for success.

Their next level of effort after First Class is to achieve the senior ranks of STAR, LIFE, and EAGLE. Each of these are based on increasing levels of merit badges, community service, leadership, and active participation in the life of the Troop. But this occurs while they are getting very busy with school and other outside activities. So, even though it might look like there is lots of time before they turn 18 and age out of their opportunity to make Eagle, this seems to be the fastest moving time in their lives. Also, there are checkpoints along the way. Due to the time in service requirements for the ranks of Star (four months), Life (six months) and Eagle (six months), there is a certain date when they age out of eligibility to make Eagle. The checkpoints are: First Class - no later than by age 16 years and 8 months (This is hard to notice and therefore easy to miss); and Star - no later than their 17<sup>th</sup> birthday; and Life - no later than age 17 and a half. All this means that watching the calendar and strategic reminders from any number of adults (sometimes other adults...not the parents) can be important at the right times. Also of note here, waiting until those last sixteen months before they turn 18 is not a plan for success. It can be survived (and often is), but it is unnecessarily stressful for everyone.

Thus, the best time to watch carefully is between the ages of 13 to 16. This is the best time to work through the required merit badges and take on leadership roles in the boy-led troop structure and to camp, hike, mature, and enjoy Boy Scouting. All while building their skills and fulfilling the requirements as they go on up the trail.

Some merit badges are more difficult than others, but generally those that offer the greatest difficulty are those that feel like schoolwork (Citizenship in the Community, Nation and World), anything that takes a long-term commitment to document activities (like the three month long records needed for Personal Management, Personal Fitness and Family Life), and anything that requires "writing it down," which is also all of those mentioned here. So, watch for opportunities, and if your family schedule can support it, please take every advantage of the District Merit Badge Trail Drive held every winter (two Saturday mornings in February and the first Saturday morning of March each year) along with summer camp. They can usually get two or three merit badges at each of those each year they are in Scouting. Over five or six years that can be more than enough to make Eagle if they stay engaged and keep working. Our Troop also has many (as in most) of the Merit Badge Counselors needed by the boys, so they can work with the Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmaster whenever they need to find a counselor outside of other Troop or Classroom merit badge opportunities.

Welcome to Troop 71, enjoy the trip with us as we all work together to achieve the aims of Scouting, and watch your Boy Scout grow into a young man of character, ready to step off the Eagle Trail and move on in his own way, as an adult, prepared and capable to be a leader in his own family, career, and community.



*Leave a Trace*

***Advancement Records***

The trail to Eagle can be long and steep, so “Blaze a Trail” that will mean a successful Eagle Rank application at the end.

- Yes...unlike Scouting's outdoor ethic of “Leave No Trace,” when it comes to advancements, there needs to be a trace, so Blaze a Trail that others can follow.

#### Plan Ahead and Prepare --

- Like choosing a good path on the trail, think ahead and set up a record system...a notebook with pockets, a shoebox, a special place on your shelf...but don't always depend on a shirt pocket!

#### Use a Durable System --

- Record systems need to last up to 7 years.
- Page protectors, baseball trading card binder pages and notebooks or binders that zip shut can help keep things safe and dry (even at camp).
- Keep track of the Handbook, mark it with names and contact info...if possible, make periodic scans or copies of the records pages in the back of the handbook as a ready backup in case of loss (but try never to lose your handbook!).

#### Merit Badges & Ranks --

- Always keep Applicant's Record of Blue Cards!
- After Courts of Honor keep all Certificate Cards.
- Know who the counselor was, even in a classroom/group setting like summer camp.
- If the camp or Trail Drive doesn't use “Blue Cards,” then keep track of whatever source documentation they do use.

#### Service Projects --

- Use a log like the one in back of the handbook.
- Troop 71 has an approval form available on the troop's web site...if that form is used, keep a copy noting dates and hours served.
- During the Eagle Project, make backup copies/ scans of signature pages in the workbook.

#### Leadership & Training --

- Keep certificates from Troop Leadership Training sessions (keep the position patch too).
- Note all positions of responsibility held with dates of service, and who was SPL.

#### Letters of Reference & Ambitions --

- The Eagle Application looks for up to 6 letters of reference – plan ahead for whom to ask for a reference.
- The Eagle Application must include the Eagle Project Workbook and the Letter of Ambitions.
- Write the letter early and don't hold up the last step of the Eagle Trail waiting to overcome “Writer's Block.”

#### ***For more information***

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**Useful Web Sites: [www.troop71.info](http://www.troop71.info) & [www.troopmasterweb.com/AleyTroop71](http://www.troopmasterweb.com/AleyTroop71)**

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# Who's Who in Troop 71



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Assistant Scoutmaster



Kyle James  
Assistant Scoutmaster



Keith Everly  
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Membership Coordinator



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Quartermaster



Dennis Hernit  
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New Scout Coordinator



Anita James  
New Scout Coordinator



Ann McNeill  
New Scout Coordinator  
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# Uniforms

## Class A

Class A uniforms consist of the Boy Scouts of America uniform shirt, Tecumseh Council patch, Patrol patch, forest green shoulder loops, Troop numerals, the World Crest emblem, neckerchief, and slide. Class A uniforms will be worn at all Boards of Review, Courts of Honor, Flag Ceremonies, meetings, Scoutmaster Conferences, during travel, and upon request of the Adult Leader in charge.



## Class B

Class B uniforms will be Boy Scouts of America affiliated clothing such as Troop t-shirt or t-shirts acquired by attending Summer Camps and other Scouting activities. Class B uniforms may be worn at the discretion of the Adult Leader in charge.

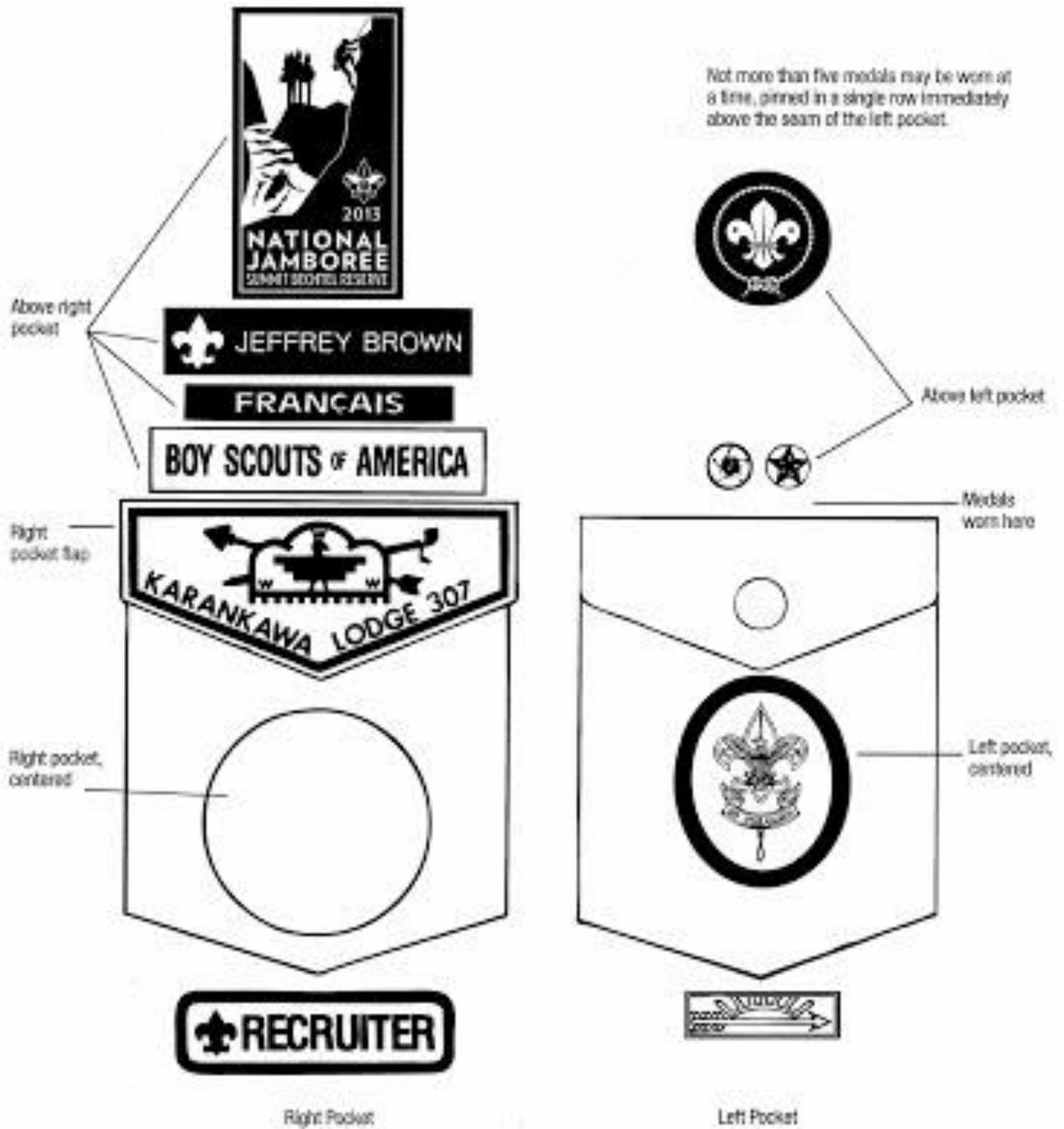
## Optional items

Official Scout pants or shorts, Official Scout socks, Troop 71 Sweatshirt, Official Scout Hat, and merit badge sash pin.

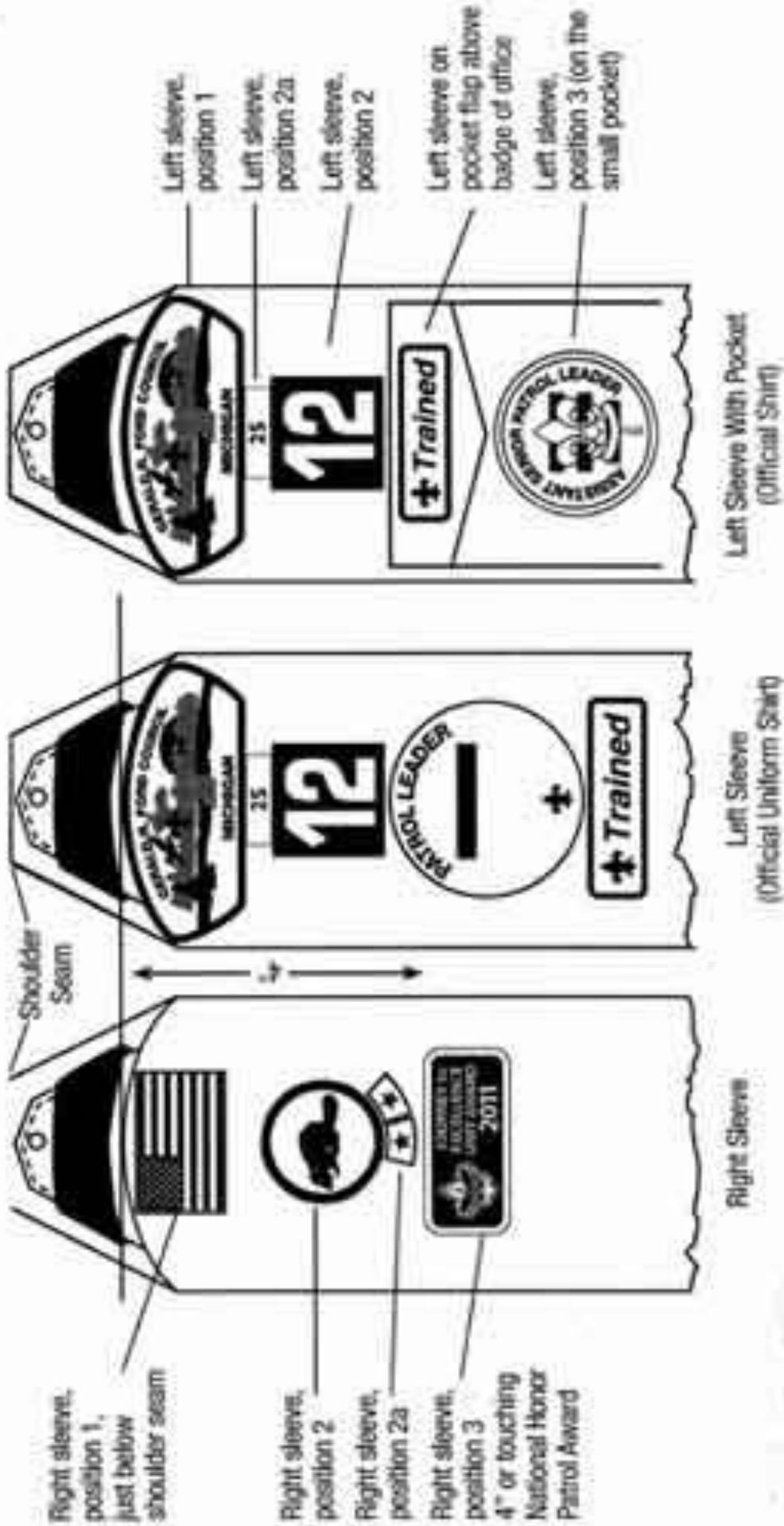


**In accordance with BSA policy, camouflage pants or shorts, jackets, etc. are not appropriate for wear with the scout uniform.**

# Uniform Badge Placement



SHOULDER EPAULETS AND LOOPS



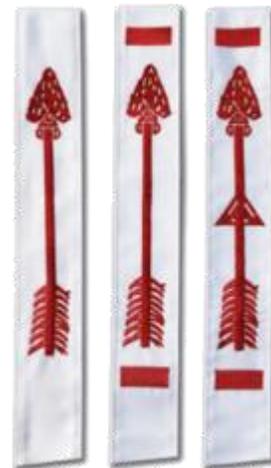
# Merit Badge Sash

Merit Badge Sashes may be worn over or under the epaulet, but only over the right shoulder. A Merit Badge Sash Pin may be worn on the shoulder to secure the Merit Badge Sash. Merit Badge Sashes will be worn only during formal events such as award banquets, Boards of Review, and Courts of Honor.



# Order of the Arrow

OA identification, lodge insignia fits the exact size and shape of right pocket flap and may not extend beyond this size and shape in any way. Order of the Arrow membership emblem, No. 604942, suspended from right pocket button. Appropriate OA honor sash worn over right shoulder—under epaulet of uniform shirt—diagonally across chest to left waist. The Order of the Arrow sash and the merit badge sash may not be worn at the same time.



# Camp Outs

## New Boy Campout:

This campout is a must for the new scouts. Many skills and requirements in the first few ranks will be covered. Some may include Totin' Chit, Firem'n Chit, basic knots, and cooking skills.

## 5 Mile Hike:

This is a fun event that provides our new Scouts with their first overnight camping experience. The hike starts around 11:00 AM, Saturday morning, with a break for lunch. In past years, venues for the hike have included Creekside Trail (which parallels US-35 in Beaver Creek), Camp Birch, John Bryan State Park, and Hocking Hills. The Scouts carry light, day-packs with water and lunch. All overnight supplies are loaded on our trailer and hauled to the camp site to await the Scouts. The Scouts camp overnight. They have a simple Scout's Own Religious Service on Sunday Morning. Parents come to the camp site and pick-up their Scouts

## Bike Hike:

This is a Saturday-to-Sunday overnight event. The Scouts ride about 25 miles each day. This is a "casual pace" trip, not a race or endurance marathon. Frequent rests are taken. Scouts and adults travel in groups and meet at pre-selected rest areas to regroup. A route is selected that will provide a safe trip. We have plenty of bike paths in our area. The start and stop locations are chosen by the activity leader. At the end of the day's ride, everybody camps at a location 25 miles from your start point. Scouts camp by Patrol and plan/cook meals for themselves. As usual, adults plan, cook, and take their meals separate from the scouts. The trip normally starts around 9:00 am Saturday morning, stops for lunch, and ends at the camping site. Camping gear is transported to the site aboard the troop trailer. The next day, the Scouts ride back either on the same route or a different route. During the bike trip, vehicles follow (where possible) and meet the Troop at rest stops to provide extra water, transportation for exhausted scouts (and their bikes), and to help in any emergency situations.

## Summer Camp:

This is a highlight in every Scout's year. Summer camp is a week-long event during which scouts work on various scout-related activities and requirements. Examples include advancement requirements, merit badges, and leadership skills. Parents usually get to visit mid-week. Locations will vary.

First-year Boy Scouts are highly encouraged to attend the first summer camp after crossing over from Cub Scouts. This reinforces the new bond they've made with Troop 71.

## Family Camp:

This is our main gathering of the whole troop and the entire family. Camping begins Friday evening with everyone arriving and setting up. Saturday, the scouts attend different events while the adults

meet to review the Event Schedule for the coming year and to volunteer to ‘Sponsor’ events. Saturday night is a Troop Court of Honor. Sunday morning will have a short worship service.

## Klondike:

The Klondike Derby is a Council planned and run event at Camp Birch. Teams of Scouts will compete in numerous events while travelling around a sled course at Camp Birch. Our Troop has three sleds and normally enters two or three teams. Team size is normally 6 Scouts per Sled. An Adult Scout Leader will prepare the Scouts and their sleds for this event. This is a Saturday event. In conjunction with the Klondike Derby, our troop will also hold a winter camp-out.

## Fall Camporee:

This event occurs in the Fall but the exact month and date can vary from year to year. Everything is planned by the District Staff. Each year has a different theme and different events.

## Spring Camporee:

This event occurs in the Spring but the exact month and date can vary from year to year. Everything is planned by the Council Staff. Each year has a different theme and different events. Normally, this is held at Camp Birch or John Bryant State Park.

## Canoe Trip:

This is typically a Friday-to-Sunday, two-overnight event. The Scouts and scouters usually travel 15-20 miles in the canoes. The plan is to camp Friday night, canoe on Saturday, then camp again on Saturday.

## Cave Trip:

The Scouts are led on caving expeditions based on the number of years they have participated in a cave trip. First year, second year, third year, all take different caving treks.

## Peterloon:

Held every two years in the fall, Peterloon is the premier event of the Dan Beard Council based in Cincinnati. It is the world's longest running Council Jamboree. It is held at Dan Beard Scout Reservation near Loveland, Ohio. over 6,000 Scout Youths, Adult Scouters, Leaders, Volunteers, Parents, and Visitors attended Peterloon 2010 and celebrated Scouting's centennial together.



# Merit Badges

## Purpose:

Provide the scout with knowledge in a variety of subjects and teach the scout to communicate with adults.

## Facts:

- 57 original badges
- learn about sports, crafts, science, trades, business, and future careers
- more than 130 merit badges to choose from
- 13 are specifically required for Eagle Scout
- 21 total are needed to make Eagle Scout
- Can be earned on your own, at summer camp, or at Merit Badge Trail Drives
- Requirements can be found at [www.scouting.org](http://www.scouting.org), [www.meritbadge.org](http://www.meritbadge.org), in Merit Badge books, and in the current years Boy Scout Requirements book
- Worksheets are available to print at [www.meritbadge.org](http://www.meritbadge.org)

## Eagle Required Badges:

- Camping\*
- Citizenship in the Community\*
- Citizenship in the Nation
- Citizenship in the World
- Communications
- Cooking
- Emergency Preparedness or Lifesaving
- Environmental Science or Sustainability
- Family Life\*
- First Aid
- Personal Fitness\*
- Personal Management\*
- Swimming, Cycling, or Hiking

First Aid and Swimming are recommended for the first year of summer camp. Many of the tasks are also required for the first four ranks. Several merit badges require these as prerequisites also.

Personal Fitness can be a third of the way complete in Tenderfoot. When starting 6a in Tenderfoot it would be beneficial to also start this merit badge.

Communications and Personal Management are more difficult badges. It is recommended scouts wait to complete them further into the ranks.

The Eagle badges with an \* have time requirements and cannot be completed quickly. Be sure to review the requirements early in the scouts ranks.

# Merit Badge Library:

## Location:

Scout Hut Basement, left hand side, between first two doors

## Purpose:

To provide boys with the handbook for the merit badge they are working on

Not all badges are available in the Troop library, the scout shops and [www.scoutstuff.org](http://www.scoutstuff.org) have books available for purchase.

## Check out:

Find the book, fill out a card located in the cubby above the books, place card in card box,

## Return:

Return book or renew checkout within two weeks of original check out date. If returning, place the book on top of library cabinet and remove sign out card from box, dispose of card.

# Counselor Binder:

## Location:

On top of library cabinet

## Purpose:

Provide access to the list of counselors for each badge

## Use:

Look up list of counselors by badge or by counselor. Find counselor, use contact list to obtain email and phone numbers.



# Blue Cards

## First:

Contact counselor to arrange a quick meeting to begin badge. Request a Blue Card from your counselor.

## Second:

Fill out the Blue Card following the example provided in this book

## Third:

Take Blue Card to the Scoutmaster or any Assistant Scoutmaster to receive the Unit Leader signature and date on front of card. Be prepared to tell the name of the counselor if asked.

## Fourth:

Complete the Merit Badge and request your counselor sign it. The counselor will then keep the portion that says for counselor's record.

## Fifth:

Take the remaining two thirds of the Blue Card to Mr. Everly. He will return the portion for your records. KEEP this portion in this book in the sleeves provided.

# Merit Badge Awarded:

## When:

The badge earned will be awarded at the next Troop Court of Honor. Note Badges earned only a few days prior to the Troop Court of Honor may be presented at the NEXT Troop Court of Honor. Troop Courts of honor are performed quarterly. If your Scout misses a Troop Court of Honor he should see Mr. Everly to get anything he was to be awarded.

## What:

Now What? Place the awarded card in the same sleeve as his piece of the blue card. I kept all the brown envelopes also. They have the badge and date on them as well. I placed them in the pocket of the binder. Sew the badge on the Merit badge sash. I do not recommend gluing or badge magic. There are people in the Troop willing to sew for you for a fee.





# Service

## Feed the Homeless:

Troop 71 scouts and scouters buy and prepare food and drinks for the less fortunate members of the community. This event takes place on the second Saturday of even-numbered months (February, April, etc.).

Food and drinks are collected at Aley United Methodist Church and brought to St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 101 Huffman Ave, Dayton, OH 45403-1915. Troop 71 scouts who volunteer are assigned to serve the food and drinks at St. Paul's.

Scout receive service hours for helping at St Paul's UMC. They also earn service hours for cooking and donating egg casseroles (1 hour per casserole).

## Grave Decoration:

Troop 71 scouts and scouters join members of other Boy Scout troops, as well as Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Venture Crew, in planting a US flag at each grave at the National Cemetery on the VA grounds.

## Scouting for Food:

Scouting for Food is an ongoing annual program of the Boy Scouts of America begun in 1985 by the Greater Saint Louis Area Council that collects food for local food banks. It is organized at the local level throughout the country.

## Service Projects:

Doing service projects together is one way that Scouts keep their promise "to help other people." While a Scout should do his best to help other people every day, a group service project is a bigger way to help people. While you're giving service, you're learning to work together with others to do something that's good for your community.

## Do A Good Turn Daily:

This is the slogan of the Boy Scouts.

Some Good Turns are big - saving a life, helping out after floods or other disasters, recycling community trash, working with your patrol on conservation projects.

But Good Turns are often small, thoughtful acts - helping a child cross a busy street, going to the store for an elderly neighbor, cutting back brush that is blocking a sign, doing something special for a brother or sister, welcoming a new student to your school.

A Good Turn is more than simple good manners. It is a special act of kindness.

# Electronics Lock-in, Pancake Breakfast, and Scout Sunday:

This is an overnight event normally held at the Scout Hut. It starts around 5:00 pm and runs until about midnight. The Scouts bring game consoles (Xbox, PS2, Wii), games, and controllers. Sometimes, someone sets up a Local LAN by linking laptops together. The boys play computer games all night. A fee is collected and Pizza is delivered during the night. Various drinks are available all night (can be lemonade in big coolers).

The next morning, all Scouts participate in the Aley Church Scout Sunday and the Aley Church pancake breakfast. Those supporting Scout Sunday serve in various roles during the Aley Church Sunday service -- greeters, ushers, readers, etc. Scouts and parents who are supporting the pancake breakfast prepare and serve an all-you-can-eat event for Aley churchgoers.

Scouts may volunteer for just the Scout Sunday events; however, those participating in the electronics lock-in are expected to also perform duties for Scout Sunday and/or the pancake breakfast.

Parents drop off their Scouts Saturday afternoon and pick them up around noon on Sunday (after the pancake breakfast).



# Finances

## Membership

### Youth:

The fee for joining Troop 71 is \$100, \$75 if you are a transferring WEBELOS.

Included:

- Membership
- Council patch, Troop patch, World Crest, epaulets, slide, nametag, and neckerchief,
- This book
- Boy Scout Handbook
- Class B Troop T-shirt
- Boy's Life Magazine (1 per family)

Transfers from another Scouting unit: \$1.00

### Adult registration fees:

CC, SM, ASM, TQ, AC, Treasurer, committee members, \$25

The troop pays for these costs, but welcomes adult contributions to defray costs of annual re-registration.

## Dues

Dues are a \$7.00 monthly fee. This fee covers rank, awards, merit badges, and other recurring costs.

Dues can be paid monthly \$7.00, Quarterly \$21.00, semi-annually \$42.00, or yearly \$84.00. It is due at the beginning of the first month following your scout's membership payment. Please pay quarterly, Semi-annually, and yearly prior to the period being covered.

## Camping/ Activity Fees

Costs vary. Cost/approximate cost will be published prior to the event.

## Grubmaster Fees

Pay camping food costs directly to the Patrol Grubmaster to cover the cost of the food purchased and prepared. Amount will vary based on the meals the patrol has planned for an event.

## Purchase Items

Troop 71 Class B T-shirt Youth and Adult, \$12.50 (1 per youth membership provided)

Troop 71 Adult Polo shirt, S-XL \$20.00, 2XL \$25.00

Troop 71 Sweatshirt, S-XL \$20.00, 2XL \$25.00

Troop 71 Nametag, \$2.50 (1 per youth membership provided)

Troop 71 Neckerchief, youth or adult, \$13.00, (1 per youth membership provided)

## Scout Accounts

The troop treasurer will maintain and track all funds raised by the boys through Troop fundraisers. These funds can be used to pay for Dues, Troop Outings, or to purchase uniforms or other gear needed to support the scouting experience. Please talk to the Scoutmaster, Committee Chair, or Treasurer if you have questions about whether a planned expenditure can be made from the Scout Accounts.

All finances, except Grubmaster fees, are to be paid to Stan Leszcuk. He can usually be found at the parent meeting on Tuesday night.



# Fundraising



Trail's End Popcorn



Wreaths



Country Meats Jerky



First Aid Kits



Spring, Summer, or Fall Flower Bulbs



Rummage Sale



Kroger Rewards



Car Wash

# High Adventure

\*MUST BE 1<sup>st</sup> Class and 14 (or 13 and out of 8<sup>th</sup> Grade)



Philmont Scout Ranch is the Boy Scouts of America's largest national High Adventure Base. Its 34 staffed camps and 55 trail camps provide an unforgettable adventure in the high country along hundreds of miles of rugged, rocky trails.

<http://www.philmontscoutranch.org/>

Northern Tier offers wilderness canoeing expeditions in Northern Minnesota, Northwestern Ontario and Northeastern Manitoba through three canoe bases. All trips are fully outfitted and provisioned. A highly-trained staff member, called an Interpreter, accompanies all crews on their trek.

<http://ntier.org/>

The Summit Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve is a 10,600-acre Scout reserve. It's the 4th high adventure base in the Boy Scouts of America, and the new permanent home of the national Scout jamboree.

<http://www.summitbsa.org/>

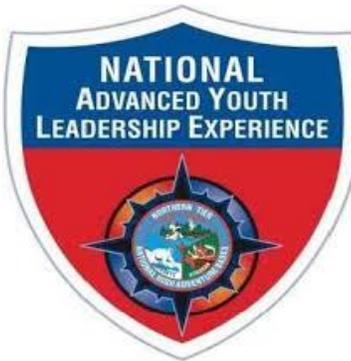
The Florida National High Adventure Sea Base is a unique Scouting program that offers sailing, scuba diving, rustic camping on an undeveloped barrier island, fishing or a combination of all.

<http://www.bsaseabase.org/>

# Youth Training



National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) is an exciting program designed for councils to provide Scouts with leadership skills and experience they can use in their home troops and other situations demanding leadership of self and others. **\*\*Must be 1<sup>st</sup> Class and 13 to attend, with Scoutmaster recommendation\*\***



National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (NAYLE) enhances leadership skills and expands upon the team-building and ethical decision-making skills learned in NYLT. NAYLE emphasizes leadership, teamwork, and selfless service, using the core elements of NYLT to help youth strengthen these skills. The NAYLE course is now available at the four national, high-adventure bases. **\*\*Must have successfully completed NYLT\*\***



A **Den Chief** is an older scout\* who assists a Cub Scout or WEBELOS den leader at den meetings, pack meetings, and other events. Training is an online course or occasionally taught in-person at council training events. It can be found at <http://www.scouting.org/Training/Youth/DenChiefTraining.aspx>

**Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops**

# ILST

The ILST course teaches Scouts with leadership positions about their new roles and how to most effectively reach success in that role. IILST is a prerequisite for NYLT and NAYL

# Useful Tips

- Attend New Scout Camp Out and 5-Mile Hike, many requirements will be covered on these campouts.
- use a smartphone or scanner to copy/backup records
- Keep Scout book, pen, and pencil in a gallon baggie
- Mark binding of scout book with scout's last name and troop number ex. Smith 71
- Put initials and Troop number on tag of Scout shirt, pants, shorts, and Troop T ex. ABC 71
- Use a black Sharpie for light colors and a silver Sharpie for darks
- Write initials and troop number on **UNDERSIDE** of neckerchief embroidery
- Write last name and troop number on tag of merit badge sash
- Place a large trash bag inside scout pack and place items inside to prevent wet gear
- Pack individual outfits in a gallon bag for ease in showering ex. shirt, pants, socks and underclothes. Helps prevent wet, forgotten, or lost clothes at the shower house.
- Keep cell phone in a baggie to prevent water damage.
- Pack extra socks at least 1 extra pair per day. Wet feet cause discomfort.
- Always take two pair of shoes.
- 32oz Nalgene wide-mouth water bottles are highly recommended. They don't leak
- Squishy bowl and cup are easy to pack and clean
- Store neckerchief slide in shirt pocket
- Use Velcro to attach all changing patches ex. position, patrol, rank, and Journey to Excellence
- Start building the family (First Aid Merit Badge 2D) and personal (Tenderfoot 4D) first aid kits right away. All at once can be expensive.
- Use a small camera case with a belt strap for personal First Aid kits.
- Use a clear plastic bin with a lid for the Family First Aid kit. Ours is about 8" x 12" and 6" deep.
- Scout will be required to carry his own gear, so pack in something he can carry on a short hike when loaded.
- Thin towels and wash cloths dry quicker
- Buy travel size Insect repellent and sunscreen for daypack and have full size in gear for refills
- Liquid soap is easier to deal with
- A combined hair and body wash makes for less to carry
- Put all spillable toiletries in a baggie.

# Terms

**Arrow of Light Award** The highest rank in Cub Scouting and the only Cub Scout badge that may be worn on the Boy Scout uniform.

**Arrowman** A youth or adult member of the Order of the Arrow.

**Baden-Powell, Robert Stephenson Smyth** Founder of the worldwide Scouting movement. Born February 22, 1857, in London. Made a baron in 1929. He is referred to as Lord Baden-Powell of Gilwell, Chief Scout of the World. Died January 8, 1941. Abbreviate to B-P (without periods). Do not use his first name with his title: "Lord Baden-Powell," but never "Lord Robert Baden-Powell."

**board of review** A review held to determine if a Boy Scout has satisfactorily completed rank requirements. A review may be held also to encourage Boy Scouts who are not advancing. For the first five ranks, the board of review is conducted by the troop committee. For the Eagle Scout rank, the council decides whether the unit committee or the district or council committee responsible for advancement conducts the board of review. At least one district or council advancement representative shall be a member of the unit board of review. Always lowercase: "Eagle Scout board of review."

**calling-out ceremony** The ceremony that begins the membership induction process for a newly elected Order of the Arrow candidate. Can use "callout" on subsequent references.

**chartered organization** A religious, civic, fraternal, educational, or other community-based organization that has applied for and received a charter to operate a BSA Scouting unit. Do not use the term "chartered partner" or the term "sponsoring unit."

**court of honor** A recognition ceremony for those who have met the requirements of any one of the Boy Scout ranks, merit badges, or other awards. See "National Court of Honor." Always lowercase: "Eagle Scout court of honor."

**grubmaster** The informal name of the Scout in charge of patrol hike and camp menus and assembling food for outdoor patrol activities. He is appointed by the patrol leader.

**Honor Patrol Award** An embroidered star worn beneath the patrol medallion distinguishes a member of a patrol that has won this award by meeting requirements in patrol spirit; patrol meetings; hikes, outdoor activities, and other events; Good Turns or service projects; advancement; membership; uniform; and patrol leaders' council attendance. Formerly known as the Baden-Powell Patrol Award.

**interpreter strip** A badge available to Boy Scouts who can write, translate, and speak a foreign language or can carry on a conversation in American Sign Language.

**Klondike derby** A competitive Boy Scout event conducted by patrols to demonstrate proficiency in Scouting skills. Traditionally conducted in winter. Patrols move from station to station pulling equipment on a replica of a Klondike gold rush sled.

**Leave No Trace** BSA is committed to this nationally recognized outdoor skills and ethics awareness program to reduce impacts on the environment and other people. The seven principles should be followed at all times in the outdoors: Plan ahead and prepare; travel and camp on

durable surfaces; dispose of waste properly (pack it in, pack it out); leave what you find; minimize campfire impacts; respect wildlife; and be considerate of other visitors.

**long-term camping** A camping experience consisting of five or more consecutive days and nights in the outdoors.

**merit badge** A recognition given to a Boy Scout for completing the requirements for the badge. There are more than a hundred subjects in life skills, hobby, and career fields, with requirements and supporting pamphlets to help Scouts broaden their outlook.

**MyScouting** An Internet portal for our members that provides access to their account data, automated tour and activity plan applications, the E-Learning Course Management System, and more.

**New Scout Patrol** When a boy joins a Boy Scout troop, he becomes a member of a patrol composed of new Scouts, where an assistant Scoutmaster and a troop guide help him get a good start in Scouting.

**Order of the Arrow** Scouting's national honor society. Youth members (Arrowmen) must hold First Class Scout rank; they are elected by all youth members of the troop, based on their Scouting spirit and camping ability. The aim of the OA is to promote the outdoor program and service to Scouting.

**patrol** A small group of Boy Scouts (usually five to eight) who belong to a troop and work together in and out of troop meetings. Normally, there are several patrols in one troop.

**Project COPE** A Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience that may include problem-solving exercises, low-course activities (conducted from ground level up to 6 feet above ground), and high-course events (several combined activities that require each participant to be belayed, conducted 30 feet or more above ground).

**roundtable** An event conducted by a roundtable commissioner and roundtable staff to help the unit leadership of a district plan and carry out their own unit programs.

**Scout shop** A BSA-owned store, operated by the Supply Group, that sells official Scouting merchandise.

**Scout Sunday** The Sunday before February 8, Scouting Anniversary Day.

**Scouter** A registered adult member of the Boy Scouts of America who serves in a volunteer or professional capacity.

**Scouting.org** Official website of the Boy Scouts of America. The website provides resources and information about Scouting for youth, parents, volunteers, alumni, and the general public.



# Acronyms

AC- Advancements Coordinator

APL - assistant patrol leader

ASM - assistant Scoutmaster

ASPL - assistant senior patrol leader

B-P - Baden-Powell

BSA - Boy Scouts of America

CC- Committee Chair

COPE - Project COPE (Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience)

COR - chartered organization representative

FOS - Friends of Scouting

JASM - junior assistant Scoutmaster

LNT - Leave No Trace

NAYLE- National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience

NESA - National Eagle Scout Association

NLTC - National Leadership Training Conference

NOAC - National Order of the Arrow Conference

NYILT - National Youth Instructor Leadership Training

NYLT - National Youth Leadership Training

OA - Order of the Arrow

PL - patrol leader

PLC - patrol leaders' council

PTC - Philmont Training Center

SM- Scoutmaster

SPL - senior patrol leader

TQ- Troop Quartermaster

YPT- Youth Protection Training

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# General Camping List

- ◆ Camera (optional) **Pack in Daypack**
- ◆ Change of clothes (1 per day) Weather appropriate
- ◆ Compass **Pack in Daypack**
- ◆ Day pack (used to carry sunblock, lip balm, Merit Badge papers, water bottle, etc. String bag NOT recommended)
- ◆ Duffel Bag or Pack (pack preferred for ease of carry)
- ◆ Extra Shoes, waterproof hiking boots are preferred (no open-toed shoes)
- ◆ Extra socks (2 pair per day)
- ◆ Flashlight, extra batteries (2, small recommended) **Pack 1 in Daypack)**
- ◆ Folding Camp Chair (optional but recommended)
- ◆ Games (optional): board games, cards, football, soccer ball, Frisbee, Disc Golf Discs, ball and glove.
- ◆ Gloves – cold weather (2 pair, waterproof recommended for winter campouts)
- ◆ Gloves – work (reinforced at palms is recommended) **Pack in Daypack**
- ◆ Grooming Needs (soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrush, comb, Antiperspirant/Deodorant, washcloth, towel, etc.)
- ◆ Tissues
- ◆ wet wipes (unscented, lotion free) (optional but recommended)
- ◆ Hat (baseball type or wide brim) **Hang from Daypack**
- ◆ Insect Repellent (non-aerosol) **Pack in Daypack**
- ◆ Jacket (based on weather)
- ◆ Hoodie (recommended even in summer for cool evenings)
- ◆ Laundry Bag for dirty clothes
- ◆ Merit Badge books (recommend storing in gallon baggie) **Pack in Daypack**
- ◆ Merit Badge worksheets (recommend storing in gallon baggie) **Pack in Daypack**
- ◆ Approved Blue Cards (recommend storing in gallon baggie) **Pack in Daypack**
- ◆ Plate, bowl, cup, and utensils
- ◆ Money for program fees, Trading Post, souvenirs (\$20-\$40 recommended)
- ◆ Order of the Arrow attire/sash (if member)
- ◆ sleep clothes
- ◆ Personal First Aid Kit **Hang from Daypack**

- ◆ Pocket Knife, only if Scout has a Totin' Chit
- ◆ Poncho or raincoat **Pack in Daypack**
- ◆ Scout T- Shirt
- ◆ Scout Book in gallon baggie **Pack in Daypack**
- ◆ Scout Uniform (class A)
- ◆ Sewing kit (Optional)
- ◆ Sleeping Bag (appropriate temperature rating for season)
- ◆ Pillow
- ◆ Sleeping Pad
- ◆ Small metal mirror
- ◆ Stocking cap (based on weather – for sleeping)
- ◆ Sunglasses **Pack in Daypack**
- ◆ Sunscreen (non-aerosol, waterproof, and SPF 30 or higher) **Pack in Daypack**
- ◆ Lip balm (e.g., Chapstick) **Pack in Daypack**
- ◆ Sweat pants /sweat shirt to sleep in (Fall, Winter, and Spring camping)
- ◆ Swim trunks
- ◆ Goggles **Pack in Daypack**
- ◆ Tent (2 man minimum)
- ◆ Ground cloth, tarp or Tyvek cut to fit under tent
- ◆ Totin' Chit (if earned)
- ◆ Firem'n Chit (if earned)
- ◆ Towel, wash cloth
- ◆ Trading patches (optional)
- ◆ Watch
- ◆ Battery operated Alarm clock (extra batteries)
- ◆ Water bottle (Nalgene brand recommended for less leaking) **Hang from Daypack**
- ◆ pre-addressed envelopes, stamps (probably won't be used)
- ◆ 2 pens (retractable recommended), 2 pencils (mechanical recommended), Sharpie marker (1 black, 1 silver) **Pack in Daypack**
- ◆ Notebook (composition size recommended) **Pack in Daypack**



DO NOT BRING: • Inappropriate knives (e.g., sheath knives, throwing knives, “fantasy” knives) • Excessive cash • food/snacks • Fireworks • Matches or lighters • Personal archery equipment • Personal firearms, weapons, ammunition • Bicycles • Martial arts equipment • Pets • Radios, TVs, video games, MP3 players, etc. • Immoral materials

# First Aid Kit Supplies

## Personal:

- Six adhesive bandages
- Two 3-by-3-inch sterile gauze pads
- One small roll of adhesive tape
- One 3-by-6-inch piece of moleskin
- One small bar of soap or travel-size bottle of hand sanitizer
- One small tube of antibiotic ointment
- One pair of scissors
- One pair of non-latex disposable gloves
- One CPR breathing barrier
- Pencil and paper

## Family:

- Roller bandage, 2-inch (1)
- Roller bandage, 1-inch (2)
- Adhesive tape, 1-inch (1 roll)
- Alcohol swabs (24)
- Assorted adhesive bandages (1 box)
- Elastic bandages, 3-inch-wide (2)
- Sterile gauze pads, 3-by-3-inch (12)
- Moleskin, 3-by-6-inch (4)
- Gel pads for blisters and burns (2 packets)
- Triple antibiotic ointment (1 tube)
- Triangular bandages (4)
- Soap (1 small bar) or alcohol-based hand sanitizing gel (1 travel size bottle)
- Scissors (1 pair)
- Tweezers (1 pair)
- Safety pins (12)
- Nonlatex disposable gloves (6 pairs)
- Protective goggles/safety glasses (1 pair)
- CPR breathing barrier (1)
- Pencil and paper



# Scout Shops

## Tecumseh Council #439

326 S. Thompson Avenue  
Springfield, OH 45506-1145  
Office: (937) 325-6449 / Fax: (937) 325-6574  
<http://www.tecumsehCouncilbsa.org>

## Miami Valley Council

6550 Poe Avenue  
Dayton, OH 45413  
(937) 278-4825  
<http://www.miamivalleybsa.org/About/Shop/>

## Online Scout Shop

[www.scoutstuff.org](http://www.scoutstuff.org)





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