

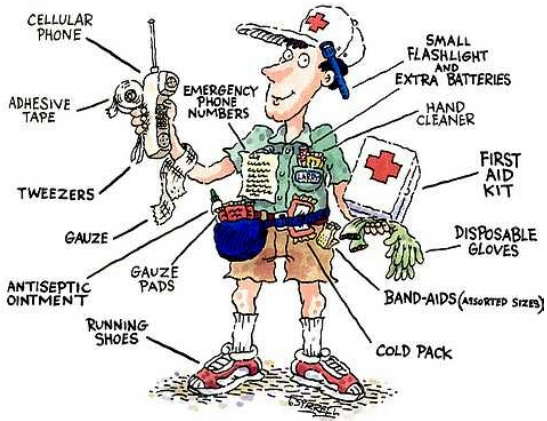
# The Bugle



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November 20-22 at Camp Snyder (Cabin Camping). Open to Webelos II and their parents.



**When:** Friday, November 20-Sunday, November 22.

**Sign-up Deadline:** November 4th

**Departure:** Friday 5:00pm sharp. Be at the Church by 4:30pm. Eat dinner before or bring a bagged non-cooking meal.

**Return:** at the Church at 1pm Sunday.

**Where:** BSA Camp Snyder, Haymarket, VA.

**Cost:** \$25 per scout & adult which includes camping fee and meals.

**Events:** First Aid and Emergency Preparedness Merit Badge preparations. Webelos II scouts invited to work in the Readyman Activity pin and others.

**Campmaster:** Mr. Webb



December 5-6 at Camden NJ. Tour Philadelphia and overnight encampment on the battleship USS NJ.

On ship complete the First Aid or Emergency Preparedness MB. Also, Radio and American Heritage MBs offered.

Campmaster: Alex Graham.

Cost of \$65.00 per scout. Remainder of Deposit due by the Nov 10<sup>th</sup> Troop meeting. Stay tuned and check out the Troop Website for more details.

**January 2010 Troop Outing: Climbing at a local indoor climbing center TBD.**

This will be a day activity only.

Campmaster: Mr. Ward.

Stay tuned and check out the Troop Website for more details.



## October-November Important Dates to Remember

Nov 3: No Meeting (FCPS teacher work day)

Nov 6-8: OA Ordeal

Nov 7: Scouting for Food bag distribution

Nov 10: Troop Meeting

Nov 14: Scouting for Food bag pick up

Nov 17: Troop Meeting

Nov 18: Popcorn Sales End

Nov 20-22: Troop Outing @ Camp Snyder

Nov 24: PLC/ASM Corp Meeting @ 6:45pm

Nov 30: Committee/Parents Meeting @ 7pm

Dec 2: Troop Meeting

Dec 5-5: Philadelphia Tour and USS NJ Encampment

Dec 8: Troop Meeting

Dec 15: Troop Meeting (Holiday Party)

Dec 22: PLC/ASM Corp

Dec 29: No Troop Meeting

## Advancements

The following Scout was awarded Rank Advancement during October.

Star :  
JJ





## Next OA Ordeal and Brotherhood Induction Ceremony Nov 6-8 at Camp Fraser in Great Falls.

Contact Matt Ross the Troop's OA Representative for additional details.



### Troop 1257 a HUGE hit at the Webelos-Ree

Troop 1257 continued our tradition of "Excellence Performance" during the Webelos-Ree this year. The scouts and leaders demonstrated to local Packs our outstanding Scout Spirit and a high level of FUN during some inclement weather conditions. Below is

the 15ft signal tower constructed by the crew of 5 scouts and 5 leaders in the rain and wind. Way to go TROOP 1257!

### Troop Uniform Closet

Getting too big for your uniform? Need a larger uniform? Troop 1257 has kicked off our Uniform Closet. To donate to the uniform closet, bring your old uniform and scouting accessories (shirt, pants, belts and socks) to any Troop meeting, and give it to one of the adult leaders. Scouts who need a larger uniform can inquire about a larger size. The Scoutmaster is looking for a scout (a possible Scout position of responsibility) or parent to spearhead this function. Please contact the Scoutmaster.

### Are you eligible to camp with the Troop?

Did you know that in order to participate in camping and other activities with the Troop, you must have a current health form on file? Every Scout, Adult Leader or other adult who participates in Troop activities, must have, at a minimum, a Class 1 form on file. This form is to be updated annually with your current health and medical history (see Mrs. Linda Emerick, Medical Records Chair). For activities such as day camping, overnight hikes and other activities not to exceed 72 hours, the Class 1 form will suffice. For activities longer than 72 hours, such as summer camp, backpacking and tour camping, the Class 2 form must be on file. This form must be completed by a licensed health care practitioner

and it lasts for 12 months. This form is required (Class 1 form will not suffice) if you are under medical care, take prescribed medication, have a medically prescribed diet, had an injury or illness in the past 6 months that limited activity for a week or longer, have lost consciousness during a physical activity or suffered a concussion from a head injury.

Youth that are not BSA registered and members of Troop 1257 are not permitted to join us on outings. Registered scouts from other local Troops must obtain Scoutmaster approval. The exceptions are Webelo II scouts invited on troop outings where an adult over 18 yrs must be in attendance.



### Scoutmaster's Corner *"Thanks for Giving"*

I would like to take this moment to say a big "Thank You" to everyone in Troop 1257. 2009 has brought many opportunities to service the community and our Troop. Our fantastic scouts, scouters and parents have volunteered their time and talents to help our little corner of the world. Many thanks! It truly warms my heart to know that you have been so kind and generous.

In the very busy 2 months left of 2009, with the upcoming holidays, never ending homework, work, and family obligations please take some time during November & December to continue to volunteer yourselves with Scouting for Food, donating winter clothing for our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual clothing drive, Eagle Community Service Eagle Projects and other community needs.

All acts of kindness, great or small do not go unnoticed or unappreciated. As we give of ourselves during these joyous holiday months ahead, the lifelong feeling of fellowship and contributing to the welfare of others is well worth all the time you give.

Give a little bit. Give a lot. Have a happy and safe Thanksgiving.

Yours in Scouting,  
Mr. Davis

### Bugle Contributions

Contact Paul D, our Troop SPL-Historian, with any newsletter contributions at: [tdavis22@cox.net](mailto:tdavis22@cox.net)

