

The Bugle



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Fall Camporee

"Scoutish Highland Games"

Location : Claude Moore Park,
Sterling, VA (off the Greenway)

Cost: \$35.00

On-line signup deadline: Sept 23

Depart: Friday, Oct 3 @5pm

Return : Sun, Oct 5 @11am

Parents: Be at the Sears Hardware
Parking lot at 11am for pickup.

Drivers/adult needed: YES!

November Outing

Theme: "Community Service"

For the November outing , we will be conducting a service community project. This will be a great opportunity for the troop to give back to the local community and for our scouts to earn community service hours.

Location: TBD-tentatively
considering Prince William Forest
Preserve

Cost: TBD

On-line signup deadline: Nov 4

Depart: Friday, Nov 14 @5pm

Return : Sun, Nov 16 @1pm

Parents: Be at the Church @ 1pm
for pickup

Drivers/adult needed: YES!



Order of the Arrow Dates:

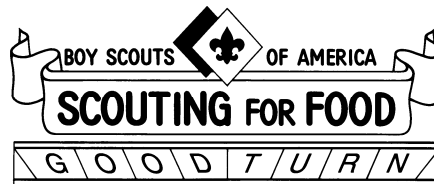
Fall Ordeal: Nov 7-9th
at Camp Snyder.

Fishin' was Cool!

I heard that this year's fishing and basic camping skills trip was a GREAT SUCCESS, very fun-filled and exciting. The scouts really loved the venue, weather, caught plenty of fish and many scouts completed many advancements which enabled a few to have their Scoutmasters Conference for rank advancement. Many thanks to Mr. Davis and Mr. Woodhouse and all the other adults who helped put this trip together.
Paul D
SPL



Troop 1257's November Community Service Project



Goal: 100% scout participation
Nov 1: Neighborhood bag
distribution (8-10am)
Nov 8: Bag collection (8-Noon)

* we need adult volunteers/drivers-
speak to the Committee Chair Paul
Petersen to offer your assistance.



October-
November
Troop
Meeting

Schedule and Important Dates to Remember

- Oct 3-5: Fall Camporee
- Oct 7: PLC and ASM Corp meetings
- Oct 9: Webelos Mall (7-8pm prior to roundtable-service hours opportunity-see Mrs. Gurley)
- Oct 11: Den Chief Training (8:30am-3:30pm at Scotts Run Church of Latter Days Saints)
- Oct 11: Life-to-Eagle Seminar (12-3pm at the Church of the Epiphany)
- Oct 16: Parents-Committee Meeting
- Oct 14: Troop Meeting
- Oct 21: Troop Meeting
- Oct 28: Troop Meeting
- Oct 31: Troop Service Project "Halloween-Jubilee" (service hours opportunity-signup required—see Mr. Ward)
- Nov 1: Scouting for Food bag distribution (8-10am)
- Nov 1: Webelos-Ree day outing at Lake Fairfax (8am-4pm; service hours opportunity-signup required--see Mrs. Gurley or the SM)
- Nov 7-9: Fall Ordeal (Camp Snyder)
- Nov 8: "Scouting for Food" pick up (8-Noon; Service hours opportunity)
- Nov 14-15: Campout
- Nov 18: PLC and ASM Corp meetings
- Nov 24: Parents-Committee Meeting

Congratulations Popcorn Peddlers!

Eric, Alan, Paul,
Stephen G, Daniel,
These scouts worked



towards earning money for their troop and earning great prizes by selling Trails End popcorn. They also have the satisfaction of helping to pay their own way in Scouting, and the respect that comes along with that accomplishment.

Congratulations, Scouts, on a job well done!!

-Mr. Davis

Advancements

The following Scouts were recognized for advancements during the September Court of Honor. **Star Star**

Alan



1st Class:

Spencer
Chris
Justin
William
Matt
Jakob
Zack



2nd Class:

JJ
Spencer
Austin



Scout:

Cyrus



Share those Pics.



Photographers please share those photos taken on scouting events with the Troop

1257 family. Burn them to a CD and give to Mr. Charlie Woodhouse, the Troop Webmaster, so he can post them on the Troop website.

Got a POR?

CONGRATULATIONS to those of you who have been elected or appointed to a Position of Responsibility. You have a great opportunity to serve Troop 1257. These positions are highly desired and they are key leadership roles. You will be in your role for the next six months, so be sure to:

- Take your position seriously. The Troop needs your skills and leadership in order to function at its best.
- Review the Position Description (PD) sheet with your identified Mentor within the next two weeks.
- Seek out opportunities to fulfill your duties. It is your responsibility to do your duties without prompting.
- Keep a log of your activities, so it will be easy for the SPL and Scoutmaster to sign off on your activity.
- Discuss your activities with the SPL and/or Mentor and periodically.
- Meet with the Scoutmaster at the completion of the six month Scouting period to review your activity log and any specific accomplishments.
- Show a proper type and amount of pride in doing your job well. Now's your chance to show your stuff – so let 'er rip!

For a complete list of the current set of the POR see the SPL.

Merit Badge Counselor Alert

Many of our Scouts are now at First Class rank and above, we will be offering various forums this year for our scouts to participate in a variety of Merit Badge instruction opportunities with counselors within and outside of the troop. ***If you are not yet a registered Merit Badge Counselor***, we need you to invest your time in this area for our Scouts. Please contact Paul Petersen the Committee Chair or speak with the Scoutmaster. We especially need counselors for our Eagle-required Merit Badges:

Swimming	Camping	Lifesaving Emerg Prep
Personal Management	Family Life	Environ Science
Hiking	First Aid	Communi-cations

Committee Members Needed!

A top-quality program does not exist without the dedication of numerous volunteers. There are numerous opportunities available. Please consider joining us and volunteering in an area or interest and passion. Speak to Paul Petersen or the Scoutmaster. Thanks for you support!

Policy Reminder

Rank Advancement for Star through Eagle



1. Complete each requirement as listed in the Scout Handbook.
2. Have the Advancement ASM verify merit badges earned and update Troopmaster.
3. Have the Scoutmaster verify your service hours, and leadership position and update Handbook.
4. Call the Scoutmaster to arrange a SM Conference-be prepared to discuss Scout Spirit and leadership service to the troop.
5. Call the Advancement ASM to arrange a Board of Review.