

The Bugle



Issue 13

Sept 1, 2008

Fishing/Basic Camping Skills Campout

Location : Greenville Farm, Haymarket, VA

Cost: \$25.00

On-line signup deadline: Sept 16th

Depart: Friday, Sept 19th @6pm

Return : Sun, Sept 21 @1pm

Parents: Be at the Church @ 1pm for pickup

Drivers/adult needed: YES!

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 Church 11am for pickup

Drivers/adult needed: YES!

SPL & Patrol Elections:

During the Sept 23 Troop meeting



Order of the Arrow Dates:

Fall Ordeal: Nov 7-9th
at Camp Snyder

Summer Camp Wrap-Up



After we learned that Camp Horseshoe was to be shut down for the remainder of the summer, the

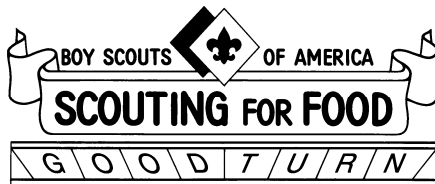
Scoutmaster scrambled and selected Camp Tuckahoe, Dillsburg Maryland as the substitute summer camp venue for 2008. The weather was great and all the scouts had a fantastic time at Camp Tuckahoe. Many Merit Badges were completed. Other camp activities included the, Cardboard canoe race, the Highland Bonfire & Cookoff where we won 1st Place, the Scottish Highland Games, and a Water Carnival. Overall, a great alternative for summer camp, and some scouts suggested the possibility of returning in 2009.

Many thanks to those adults that attended camp for the week and those involved with the pre-camp organization and transportation needs, especially Mrs. Ward and Mr. Davis.

Yours in Scouting,
Paul D
SPL



Troop 1257's November Community Service Project



Goal: 100% scout participation
Nov 1: Neighborhood bag distribution
Nov 8: Bag collection

* need adult volunteers/drivers

Sell POPCORN FOR FIVE Good Reasons!



- ~ 1/3 of the cost of each item goes directly into your scouting account (Scouts earn money to pay of outings, summer camp and scouting gear)
- ~ 1/3 of the cost goes to support Scouting Programs in our District and Council
- ONLY the profit (\$32.00) from the first \$100.00 in sales goes to the Troop general scouting fund.
- The more scouts that participate in POPCORN SELLING the less fundraising the Troop will need to conduct this year. DO YOUR PART!
- Trail ends rewards each scout with COOL prizes or gift cards. The more sales the higher the prize value.

POC: Ms. Stout and Ms. Urban

September-October Troop Meeting Schedule

- Sept 9: Troop Meeting
- Sept 16: Troop Meeting
- Sept 19-21: Fishing/basic camping
- Sept 23: Troop meeting (SPL/PL elections)
- Sept 30: Fall Court of Honor
- Oct 3-5: Fall Camporee
- Oct 7: PLC and ASM Corp meetings
- Oct 13: Committee Meeting
- Oct 14: Troop Meeting
- Oct 21: Troop Meeting
- Oct 25: Webelos-Ree day outing
- Oct 28: Troop Meeting
- Oct 31: Troop Service Project "Halloween-Jubilee"

Advancements

The following Scouts were recognized for advancements during the last Court of Honor in May.

Eagle Gold Palm

Paul



1st Class:

Eric
Kurt



2nd Class:

William
Christopher G.
Justin
Matt
Jimmy



Tenderfoot:

Austin
Justin



Scout:

Daniel
Ian
Jair
Chris V
Ryan E
Jason N
Kyle
Andrew
Kevin
Noah



Eagle Service Project

Congratulations to Matt Woodhouse for completion of his Eagle Community Service Project. Matt led a team of scouts and adults in the construction of a stage at the amphitheater at Cub Run Recreation Center.

Court of Honor

- September 30th @ 7-8:30pm
- All scouts are recognized for rank advancement, merit badges, any

special recognitions since the last COH-during the summer.

- ALL merit badges, rank advancements and other recognitions must be completed and submitted to the Advancement Coordinator (Mr. Ross) by September 16, 2008.

Policy Reminders:



Troop 1257's annual calendar generally consists of:

- **Troop Meetings-** Every Tuesday night (7-8:30pm), except Tuesdays following Troop campouts and on days Fairfax county schools are closed. Class A uniforms required.
- **Patrol Leaders Conference (PLC)-** The Tuesday after a campout (6:30-8pm)
- **ASM Corp Meetings:** The Tuesday after a campout (8-9pm)
- **Troop Committee Meetings:** The Monday following a PLC/ASM Corp Meeting.
- **Campouts:** Once each month except for July.
- **Summer Camp:** one week (7 nights, Sunday to Sunday) the 1st week in August (Camp Horseshoe).
- **Courts of Honor:** Three times a year (September, February and June)

Procedures for Advancement

(Scout through First Class)

- Complete each requirement as listed in the Scout handbook
- Have an ASM test each item and sign it off when completed. If your

Father is an ASM have another ASM test you and sign your book.

- Speak to the Scoutmaster (Mr. Davis) or call to schedule a Scoutmaster Conference (no e-mails). If the Scoutmaster is not available, he will designate ASM Mr. Kniller to conduct the Scoutmaster conference.
- Be prepared to discuss and demonstrate that you have demonstrated Scout Spirit. Have you lived up to the Scout Oath and Law and been an active participant in the troop (good attendance at meetings, on outings, service projects, fundraisers, other)?
- Wear your complete uniform to the Scoutmaster Conference unless the SM conference is scheduled to take place on an outing or at a scouting event.
- Once you have completed your Scoutmaster Conference, contact the Advancement Chair (Mr. Ross) to schedule a Board of Review.
- To a BOR wear your complete uniform including a MB sash, if you have earned merit badges.
- Currently, BORs are scheduled and conduct during regular troop meetings as needed. This may change to a set date each month. Check your e-mails and the troop calendar.
- Scouts will know the outcome of the BOR within 10 minutes of the end of the Review.
- Scouts earn the rank the date that the BOR is conducted, the patch is usually presented at the next troop meeting, and all advancement is recognized at the quarterly COH.

Next Month

- Rank Advancement for Star through Eagle