







# Welcome

The Scouts adult leadership of Troop 919 welcome you to our troop and Boy Scouting.

This is going to be an exciting year as we celebrate our 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary. We are pleased to have you join our troop and become part of the brotherhood of Scouting.

The information in this handbook provides you with the policies and procedures of Troop 919, adopted by our youth and adult leadership, and will answer basic questions about uniforms, equipment, camping trips, advancement, merit badges and participation. The adult leadership at Troop 919 is always available to answer your questions. Call us anytime.

One of the major factors in the success of Troop 919 is the active cooperation and participation of Scouts and parents. When a boy joins the troop, his parents are invited to take an active involvement in the troop as well. We encourage all parents to become involved in Troop 919. Attending the monthly troop Committee meeting is a great way to learn more about what is going on in our troop.

Good communication is critical to the success of any organization. Our troop maintains a website [<u>http://www.troop919.org</u>] and our Scoutmaster sends a weekly meeting note email. If you have an email address, please provide it to the Scoutmaster to ensure you are included in these emailing.

Should the Scout or parents have any questions concerning our policies or program, please call any anytime.

Welcome to Troop 919!

Bill Brewer Committee Chairman Michael Warner Scoutmaster

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# Introduction

The time that your son spends in the Scouting program has the potential to be a true "mountaintop experience" in his life, but only if you are willing to assist us in establishing a framework for that successful experience.

Your encouragement of everything from troop meeting attendance to personal work on advancement items can make the difference between a mediocre Scouting experience and one that will be remembered for a lifetime.

We will strive to do our part to make Scouting in Troop 919 as exciting and challenging as possible, but we will be depending on you to support our guidelines and to support your son as well.

Please read through and discuss the following pages with your son, and, if you and he agree, sign and date the last page and return it to the next troop meeting.

# Checklist

- ✓ Review the Troop 919 Handbook, especially the attendance, uniform and activity requirements
- ✓ Sign the acknowledgement page and consent form (parents and Scout) and return to troop leadership at your first meeting. The troop Handbook is for you to keep for future reference.
- ✓ Complete the Parent Talent Survey Sheet.
- ✓ Complete the Youth Scouting Record.
- Complete the Medical Information Sheet. You may attach a previous medical form used in sports or school as long as it has a doctor's signature. Because the Scout Medical Form has some information that may not appear on other health forms, please fill it out as completely, even if you attach another form.
- ✓ Review calendar of meetings and events.
- ✓ Complete Activities Release Form.

Please return the completed forms at your first troop meeting.



# The Purpose of Scouting

It is the purpose of the Boy Scouts of America to provide an effective program designed to instill within the youth desirable qualities of character, to train them in the responsibilities of participating citizenship, and to help develop their personal fitness, providing this country with citizens who:

- 1. Are physically, mentally and emotionally fit.
- 2. Have a high degree of self-reliance as evidence in such qualities as initiative, courage and resourcefulness.
- 3. Have personal and stable values firmly based on religious concepts.
- 4. Have the desire and skills to help others.
- 5. Are knowledgeable about and take pride in their American heritage and understand America's role in the world.
- 6. Have a keen respect for the basic rights of all people.
- 7. Are prepared to fulfill the varied responsibilities of participating in and giving leadership to American society.



### **Boy Scouts of America Mission**

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.

### **Boy Scouts of America Vision**

The Boy Scouts of America is the nation's foremost youth program of character development and values-based leadership training.

In the future Scouting will continue to

- Offer young people responsible fun and adventure;
- Instill in young people lifetime values and develop in them ethical character as expressed in the Scout Oath and Law;
- Train young people in citizenship, service, and leadership;
- Serve America's communities and families with its quality, values-based program.

### The Scout Oath (Promise)

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

### The Scout Law

### A Scout is

#### Trustworthy

A Scout tells the truth. He keeps his promises. Honesty is part of his code of conduct. People can depend on him.

#### Loyal

A Scout is true to his family, Scout leaders, friends, school, and nation. **Helpful** 

A Scout is concerned about other people. He does things willingly for others without pay or reward.



### Friendly

A Scout is a friend to all. He is a brother to other Scouts. He seeks to understand others. He respects those with ideas and customs other than his own.

#### Courteous

A Scout is polite to everyone regardless of age or position. He knows good manners make it easier for people to get along together.

### Kind

A Scout understands there is strength in being gentle. He treats others as he wants to be treated. He does not hurt or kill harmless things without reason.

#### Obedient

A Scout follows the rules of his family, school, and troop. He obeys the laws of his community and country. If he thinks these rules and laws are unfair, he tries to have them changed in an orderly manner rather than disobey them.

#### Cheerful

A Scout looks for the bright side of things. He cheerfully does tasks that come his way. He tries to make others happy.

### Thrifty

A Scout works to pay his way and to help others. He saves for unforeseen needs. He protects and conserves natural resources. He carefully uses time and property.

#### Brave

A Scout can face danger even if he is afraid. He has the courage to stand for what he thinks is right even if others laugh at or threaten him.

#### Clean

A Scout keeps his body and mind fit and clean. He goes around with those who believe in living by these same ideals. He helps keep his home and community clean.

#### Reverent

A Scout is reverent toward God. He is faithful in his religious duties. He respects the beliefs of others.

#### Scout Motto

### **Be Prepared**

### **Scout Slogan**

Do a Good Turn Daily



# Troop 919 History

Boy Scout Troop 19 - now known as Boy Scout Troop 919 - was organized at Olivet Moravian Church on December 3, 1955. Brookstown United Methodist Church has cosponsored the troop since January 1, 1965

Originally, Troop 919 met at Olivet Moravian Church. From 1965 until the mid-1970s, the troop would alternate is meeting site between Olivet and Brookstown. Since that



time, the troop has regularly met at its Scout Hut on Yadkinville Road.

Troop 919's Scout Hut is located on the north side of Yadkinville Road in Pfafftown, North Carolina and is directly across from the West Central Community Center. The building was donated to the troop by the North Carolina Council of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, a fraternal organization.

The flag pole at the Scout Hut was originally on the grounds of the old Griffith School in Winston-Salem, NC. A

brass plaque honoring Woodrow Jennings, a former Scoutmaster is mounted on its base.

From time-to-time, the Vienna Civic Club, interested persons and other local organizations have provided funds and labor for the upkeep of the Scout Hut.

Over the years, Troop 919 has performed countless hours of community service. The Scouts have collected donations for the American Heart Association and the American Cancer Society; collected food for those in the community in need; adopted highways; completed numerous Eagle Scout projects; assisted the Vienna Civic Club with their activities at the Dixie Classic Fair; presented a Color Guard at the opening ceremonies of the Rust and Dust Show in Pfaffown.

Troop 919 has maintained an active outdoor program as well. The Scouts have attended summer camp at the Old Hickory Council's Camp Raven Knob Scout Reservation in nearby Surry County, NC for many years as well as participating in numerous district and council camporees. During the 1960s and 1970s, the troop often camped at William B. Umstead State Park near Raleigh. They have camped in the Cumberland Gap region of Kentucky and hiked the Wilderness Road Trail and the Mischa Mokwa Adventure Trail; they have hiked the Guilford Courthouse Historic Trail and have visited Stone Mountain Park near Atlanta and the USS Yorktown Aircraft Carrier near Charleston, SC.



Members of Troop 919 frequently attend the Boy Scouts of America National Jamboree and regularly complete treks at the Philmont Scout Ranch in Cimarron, New Mexico.

Regular activates of Troop 919 have included canoeing, backpacking, hiking, whitewater rafting, rock climbing, repelling and cycling.

In 1968 Scoutmaster Woodrow Jennings received the Silver Beaver Award, a recognition given by the National Court of Honor of the Boy Scouts of America for distinguished service to youth within the BSA's Old Hickory Council. Gray Martin, a Troop 919 Eagle Scout, received the Silver Beaver Award thirty years later in 1998.

In 1996, Thomas Bell received the Honor Medal from the Boys Scouts of America National Court of Honor for assisting Howard Greenwood, a troop committee member, who capsized his canoe while paddling on the New River.

Troop 919 raised the necessary funds for the construction of an outdoor activity shelter, built in the fall of 1997 at the Old Hickory Council's Wachovia Scouting Center in Winston-Salem.

Boy Scout Troop 919 has provided a wide variety of wholesome activities for hundreds of boys in its first 50 years.

Complied by Gray Martin May 2002



# Troop 919 Eagle Scouts

1964	Jimmie Beeding*		Aaron Hopping
	Tommie Beeding		Thomas Bell
1965	Jimmy Beck*	1996	Michael Sterchi
	Lewis Lineback*		Jason Beeding
1966	Gray Martin	1998	Brian Elmore
1968	Monty Bowman		Andy Warnstaff
1970	Larry Conrad	2000	Bryan Fincher
1971	Mike Beroth		Trey Greenwood
	Randy Hager	2001	Matt Dull
	Eddy Mc Millan	2002	Jeff Perkins*
	Wes Miller		Ross Pleban
	David Sherrill	2003	Drew Britten
1973	John Sparks*		Drew Cheatwood
1974	Graham Lewis		Michael Daniel
1976	Tim Frye	2004	Chad Brown
1977	Walter Jordan	2005	Jay Pierson
	Tim Lasley		Zach Dillon
1980	Brian Lasley		Brent Patterson
	Tim Wooten	2006	Justin Stafford
1982	Lawrence Carvana		Alan Beny
1985	Mike Warner	2007	Andrew Tucker
1988	Tony Poindexter	2008	Ben Banasiewicz
1995	Adam Chadwick		Austin Conrad
	Alfred Porter		Jim Lasley
	Clint Stanley	2009	Tyler Foster
	Shawn Griffin		Austin Harmel



2010 Brady Adcock

Andy Billups

Andrew Cox

Joseph Duffield

Danner Washburn

Jeffrey Swart

Wes Hodgin

- 2011 Austin DeHeck Brandon Smith Tripp Holder
- 2012 Tiege Arnot Avery Colburn Chris Warner
- 2013 Kent Griffth Lyle Gordon

Andy Harmon Zak Kiser Paul Lasley Zach Hall 2014 Michael Billups Noah Brewer James Edwards Josh Jacobius Ben Gryder Andy Neely Adam Moore Raymond Faude Bryce Wham



# Troop 919 Scoutmasters

Dec, 1955	-	Dec, 1956	Russell Talbert
Jan. 1957	-	Dec. 1957	Isaac Campbell
Dec. 1957	-	Jan. 1958	Price Aaron
Jan. 1958	-	Dec. 1959	Jim Luper
Jan. 1960	-	Oct. 1960	Troop Inactive
Nov. 1960	-	Dec. 1980	Woodrow Jennings
Jan. 1981	-	Dec. 1987	Tommie Beeding
Jan. 1988	-	Aug, 1989	Tommy Jennings
Sept. 1989	-	April 1995	John Griffin
May 1995	-	Aug. 1995	Tom Chadwick
Sept. 1995	-	Dec. 1996	Ed Stanley
Jan. 1997	-	Aug. 1997	Tony Poindexter
Sept. 1997	-	March 2000	Eric Pleban
April 2000	-	March 2005	Steve Daniel
March 2005	-	March 2012	Steve Tucker
March 2012	-		Michael Warner



# **Joining Troop 919**

We invite parents and boys to visit troop meetings and ask questions prior to committing to join the troop. To become a member of Troop 919, you need to submit the following items to the Scoutmaster:

- 1. Completed **BSA membership form** with parent/guardian signature (remember to fill out health history on back of the form.)
- 2. **\$24.00 registration fee** (includes BSA registration fee and Boys' Life subscription. \$12 if you choose not to subscribe to Boy's Life.)
- 3. Completed **Personal Health and Medical Record** with parent/guardian signature.
- Completed Troop Resource Survey. It takes the resources of many to provide a quality program. One of the things that makes our troop great is the quantity and quality of our adult volunteers! Your assistance will be welcomed and appreciated.

Parents of new Scouts should meet with a troop leader (normally the Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmaster for the Raven Patrol) for a parent orientation to Troop 919.

A boy may visit our troop several times before joining. However, he must join the troop to participate in special activities and camping trips.



# **Troop 919 Philosophy**

Troop 919 is a boy-led troop.

Our goals are:

- 1. Help the boys to develop moral strength and character
- 2. Learn and practice good citizenship
- 3. Develop physical, mental, and emotional fitness
- 4. Have fun

These goals will be accomplished in the following ways:

*Ideals.* The ideals of Scouting are explained in the Scout Oath, Law, Motto, and Slogan. The Scouts measure themselves against these ideals and continually try to improve.

*Patrols.* The patrol method gives Scouts experience in group living and citizenship. It places a certain amount of responsibility on the boys and teaches them how to accept it.

*Outdoors.* Scouting is designed to take place outdoors. It is in the outdoors that the Scouts share responsibilities and learn to live with each other. It is here that skills and activities practiced at troop meetings come alive.

*Advancement.* Scouting provides challenges and recognition through rank advancement. The Scout plans his advancement and progresses at his own pace as he overcomes each challenge. He is rewarded for each advancement, which helps him gain self-confidence. The steps in the advancement system help a boy grow in self-reliance and in the ability to help others.

*Adult Association.* Boys learn from the positive examples set by their adult leaders. Association with adults is an important element in a boy's development.

*Personal Growth.* As Scouts plan their activities and progress toward their goals, they experience personal growth. Doing "Good Turns," by helping others, is a major part of the personal growth method of Scouting.

*Leadership Development.* Scouting encourages boys to learn and practice leadership skills. Every Scout has the opportunity to participate in both shared leadership and total leadership situations.

*Uniform.* The uniform makes the Scout troop visible and creates a positive youth image. Wearing the uniform shows a commitment to the aims and purposes of Scouting.



# How Troop 919 Works

The basis for a strong Scouting program is youth leadership. As the founder of Scouting, Lord Baden Powell, said, "A boy-led troop is not one of the ways, it is the only way."

Allowing Scouts to learn to lead is perhaps the most difficult but ultimately rewarding things we as parents/guardians will ever do. Youth leadership is the one greatest differences between Scouting and many other youth activities. All Scouts will have the opportunity to test themselves at the helm of leadership at a very early age. Troop 919 holds troop leadership elections each March and August.

Troop 919 enjoys the privilege of working with two chartered organization partners, Brookstown United Methodist Church and Oliver Moravian Church. They help to support us financially and approve the adult leaders who administer the troop's affairs.

The adult leaders are the Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmasters and the troop Committee. All are unpaid volunteers; most are the parents of boys in the troop. Troop 919 is extremely fortunate to have adult several leaders who do not have family ties to our troop. These leaders are an invaluable resource to the boys in our troop and we are grateful for their participation.

Within the troop, a Scout will be assigned to a patrol - a group of approximately 10 boys. His patrol will be his team for all Scout activities, his closest buddies in camp, and his teachers as he works on advancement.

New Scouts are placed in the Raven Patrol, a patrol especially for new Scouts, and will be guided by an older Scout and an Assistant Scoutmaster. Generally we have one Raven Scout patrol and three or four "*experienced*" patrols.

Troop meetings are planned and conducted by boy leaders under the coaching and guidance of the Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmasters. This is part of the plan to help the Scout grow; to make decisions and take an active part in making the troop program successful.

A typical troop meeting follows a 90-minute program that may include a game; work on outdoor skills, first aid, fitness, citizenship, or some other aspect of Scouting; a brief patrol meeting for advancement progress or planning a future event; and ceremonies highlighting Scouting's ideals.

At troop meetings, and working on his own, the Scout will have a chance to earn many badges and awards. He will quickly earn his "Scout" badge after learning the basics about Scouting. After that, he will work on the advanced Scouting ranks and any of more than 100 merit badges. As he earns these awards and badges, he will progress from Tenderfoot through Second and First Class ranks into the more difficult



requirements for the Star and Life Scout badges. Finally, he may earn the most coveted of all - the Eagle Scout Award.

Troop 919 will plan an outdoor activity at least once each month with rare exceptions.

Each Scout should bring a small note pad and pen to each troop meeting to take notes on announcements.

# **Troop Organization**

Troop 919 is a boy-led troop. Leadership is one of the methods of Scouting. Every boy will have an opportunity to participate in both shared and total leadership. The meetings are planned and carried out by the Patrol Leaders Council (PLC). All duties for patrol activities are assigned by the patrol leader. Understanding the concepts of leadership helps the boy accept the leadership of others and helps him to grow into a more responsible adult.



The following is an outline of the duties of the key leaders within the troop:

#### Scoutmaster

The Scoutmaster is the adult leader responsible for the ongoing program of the troop. The Scoutmaster and his assistant Scoutmasters work directly with the Scouts. The general responsibilities of the Scoutmaster include:

- Train and guide boy leaders.
- Work with other adult leaders to bring Scouting to boys.
- Use the methods of Scouting to achieve the aims of Scouting.

#### **Assistant Scoutmasters**

Assistant Scoutmasters are recruited by the Scoutmaster and approved by the troop committee to assist the Scoutmaster in the operation of the troop. Assistant Scoutmasters are assigned program tasks by the Scoutmaster and provide guidance to the boy leadership. He also provides the required two deep leadership (at least two adult leaders must be present at every Boy Scout activity).



### **Senior Patrol Leader**

The Senior Patrol Leader (SPL) is the top boy leader in the troop. He leads the patrol leaders' council and, in consultation with the Scoutmaster, appoints other junior leaders and assigns specific responsibilities as needed.

### Assistant Senior Patrol Leader

The Assistant Senior Patrol Leader (ASPL) fills in for the SPL in his absence. He is also responsible for training and giving direction to the quartermaster, scribe, historian, librarian and instructors.

#### **Patrol Leaders**

The Patrol Leaders (PL) are responsible for giving leadership to the members of their patrols. They are their representation on the patrol leaders' council.

#### **Assistant Patrol Leaders**

Assistant Patrol Leaders help the PL run the patrol and fill in for him in his absence.

### **Raven Scout Patrol**

New Scouts are given a strong foundation for growth and advancement as part of Raven Scout Patrol. This patrol works together in camping, having fun, and troop



activities. An older Scout works with the patrol to provide guidance during Raven Scouts' first year in Troop 919.

The Raven Scout Patrol emphasizes the Scout Oath and Law; developing Scout Spirit; working together to achieve goals; learning the chain of pasies for outdoor activities; and much more

command; basics for outdoor activities; and much more.

## Venture Patrol

The Venture Patrol is a patrol in Troop 919 consisting of older Scouts (15 years of age and Life Scout) who help guide the Scouts in Troop 919.

# **Troop Elections**

Elections for Troop leadership positions are held each March and August. A Scout must meet certain requirements and be willing to make a commitment to the troop to be eligible to hold troop leadership positions.

The purpose of troop elections is to develop troop leadership and not just "check off" a requirement needed for rank advancement.



### Elected Troop leadership positions

- Senior Patrol Leader
  - Assistant Senior Patrol Leader is selected by newly elected Senior Patrol Leader after consultation with the Scoutmaster
- Troop Quartermaster
- Troop Scribe
- Order of the Arrow Rep (only OA members vote for this position)

#### Leadership positions appointed by the Scoutmaster

- Troop Chaplain's Aide
- Troop Historian
- Troop Librarian

#### **Elected Patrol leadership positions**

- Patrol Leader
  - Assistant Patrol Leader is the Scout who received the second most votes for patrol leader in the individual patrol election
- Patrol Scribe
- Patrol Quartermaster

### **Requirements for Troop leadership positions**

#### Senior Patrol Leader

- Star Scout rank
- Has held a prior troop senior leadership position (Senior Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Quartermaster) or previously served as a Patrol Leader. *This is a recommendation and not a requirement.*
- Attendance commitment
  - Attend the monthly Patrol Leaders Conference
  - Attend 3 of 4 weekly meetings in the month
  - Participate in 2 of 3 activity events
  - Arrive at meetings early and be prepared to stay later when necessary
- Organize and run the PLC meetings with Patrol Leaders
- Weekly telephone conference with Scoutmaster and Patrol Leaders
- Help each patrol be successful
- When not able to attend meetings, meet with Assistant Senior Patrol Leader to ensure ASPL knows the meeting plan, which patrol is responsible for program, which patrol has opening/closing, cleanup, etc.
- Attend and be an active participant in the Junior Leader Training sessions
- Work with Assistant Senior Patrol Leader as a team to demonstrate troop leadership and mentor/coach younger Scouts
- Demonstrate Scout Spirit



### Assistant Senior Patrol Leader

- Appointed by newly elected Senior Patrol Leader in consultation with Scoutmaster. The two will work as one team to lead our troop
- Serve as Senior Patrol Leader when the SPL is no able to attend a meeting or event
- Attendance commitment
  - Attend the monthly Patrol Leaders Conference
  - Attend 3 of 4 weekly meetings in the month
  - Attend 2 of 3 activity events
- Attend and be an active participant in the Junior Leader Training sessions
- Demonstrate Scout Spirit

### **Requirements for Patrol leadership positions**

#### **Patrol Leader**

- First Class Scout Rank (Second Class for current Raven Scouts)
- Represent Patrol at PLC meetings; report back to Patrol on responsibilities for troop meetings and outings
- Attend 3 of 4 weekly meetings in the month and 2 of 3 activity events
- Lead Patrol meetings and outings
- Attend and be an active participant in the Junior Leader Training
- Demonstrate Scout Spirit

#### Assistant Patrol Leader

- First Class Scout Rank (Second Class for current Raven Scouts)
- Serve as Patrol Leader when the PL is unable to attend meetings or activities
- Attend 3 of 4 weekly meetings in the month and 2 of 3 activity events
- Attend and be an active participant in the Junior Leader Training
- Demonstrate Scout Spirit

# **Meeting Times**

Troop 919 meets every Tuesday evening at 7:30 at the Scout Hut on Yadkinville Road (across from the West Central Community Center) If a Scout meeting is canceled due to weather or other reasons, each Scout should receive a phone call from his patrol leader.



# Scout Drop Off and Pick Up

Yadkinville Road is a busy highway. Parents are asked the drop off and pick up Scouts in front of the Scout Hut to avoid having Scouts cross the busy highway.

If you plan to stay at the Scout Hut for a meeting you are asked not to park in the Scout drop off and pick up area. There is ample parking across the street in the West Central Community Center parking lot.

Scouts are asked to wait for the presence of an adult leader before crossing Yadkinville Road.

# Scout Hut

Troop 919 is unique among Scout troops in that it owns its own building and meeting place. Most of our weekly troop meetings are held at the Scout Hut. Courts of Honor and other special meetings are typically held in the fellowship hall of one of two charter organization partners.

The maintenance and upkeep on a building on the Scout Hut is an ongoing process. Please consider volunteering your time and talents to the upkeep of our property.

The Scouts at Troop 919 usually hold a couple "spring cleaning" days at the Scout Hut.

# Attendance

If a Patrol Leader finds only a small portion of his patrol members attending on a regular basis it easily becomes difficult and frustrating to plan for events and to learn the necessary skills.

The following are guidelines adopted to assist our youth leaders with their tasks:

- 1. To participate in regularly scheduled activities of the troop a Scout must attend three of the four meetings during the month immediately preceding the activity (i.e., camping trip, fun activity, etc.). This is required so the skills necessary for the activity can be learned and safety can be insured.
- 2. Scouts planning on attending an activity must attend the troop meeting immediately preceding the activity. This is required so that menu planning and last minute details can be discussed with all Scouts prior to the activity.
- 3. To be counted present at troop meetings Scouts must be in uniform (Class A Scout uniform shirt minimum requirement), have it tucked in and buttoned, have



their Scout handbooks, a notebook and pen/pencil, and bring their dues (\$1) with them. This is required so we can monitor the advancement of each Scout and to teach responsibility.

- 4. Scouts in our Venture patrol (15 years and Life Scout) do not have to adhere to the attendance requirements, but must attend the troop meeting immediately preceding any activity they would like to participate in. These Scouts will not be in our regular patrols, but will be utilized as instructors and will camp and eat with the adult leadership.
- 5. Troop youth leaders (i.e., patrol leaders, assistant patrol leaders, senior patrol leader, assistant senior patrol leader, scribe and other positions as needed) must also attend the Patrol Leaders Council Meeting (monthly planning meeting), held on the third Tuesday of each month, from 6:30-7:30 p.m., at the Scout Hut. This meeting is where the youth leaders will plan the next months troop meetings and plan outdoor activities.
- 6. The Scoutmaster, other than as noted above, must approve any exceptions to these rules, in advance.

# Uniform

Whenever a Scout sees another person in a Scout uniform he knows he is like that person because both have committed themselves principles of the Scout Oath and Law. The Scout Oath and Law bind all Scouts of the world together in a common purpose.

By wearing the uniform, Scouts give each other strength and support. It helps them to feel like part of the team.

Beyond accenting the common bond between Scouts, by wearing the uniform Scouts are declaring their faith and commitment to some important beliefs that bind them to all people. It is a way of making visible their loyalty to the Scout Oath and Law and their commitment to helping other people who need them.

How the uniform can help the troop:

- 1. The uniform can help build good troop spirit.
- 2. The uniform makes the troop visible as a force for good in the community.
- 3. Scouts in uniform create a strong, positive, youth image.

# Troop 919 Uniform Requirements

The wearing of a complete Boy Scout uniform is encouraged, but not required at Troop 919.



A Class A Boy Scout uniform shirt with red shoulder epaulets is required for all Troop 919 activities and meetings. It must be buttoned and tucked-in prior to entering the meeting room.

Troop 919 travels to and from all outings and activities in Class A uniform. If a Scout arrives at the Scout Hut prior to an activity without his Class A uniform he will have to return home to get his uniform before leaving on the trip with the troop.

# Advancement



Advancement is the process by which youth members progress through the ranks in the Scouting program by the gradual mastery of Scouting skills. Ranks are simply a means to an end, not an end in themselves. Everything boys do to advance and earn these ranks, from the day they join until the day they leave the program, should be designed to help boys have an exciting and meaningful experience.

Rank advancement is totally dependent upon each boy's individual efforts, and the support he is afforded in his family. Opportunities will be afforded at troop meetings and through activities to complete many of the requirements for each level of advancement, but there are always a few requirements that must be completed individually.

One of the major differences between Cub Scouting and Boy Scouting is the major shift in responsibility from leaders to the individual Scouts themselves. Parents should fully expect that their sons will advance based solely upon their participation level in activities, and upon their individual drive to succeed and seek out these opportunities, and not upon the fact that they merely attend meetings.

Troop 919 will provide ample activities for each Scout to advance, but will not base its activity content or schedule upon any one Scout's needs. Parents should routinely sit down with their sons and review their advancement needs as well as encourage them to attend activities necessary for completion of those needs.

A complete listing of rank requirements can be found in the Scout Handbook. A complete listing of requirements for each merit badge can be found in the Boy Scout Requirements Book, which can be purchased at the Old Hickory Council's Wachovia Scout Center on Silas Creek Parkway.

Scoutmaster Conferences and Troop Committee Boards of Review are conducted during the Patrol Leaders Conference and prior to the Troop Committee Meeting (the third Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Scout Hut).



It will be the individual Scout's responsibility to seek out a registered adult leader of the troop to sign off items as they are completed (before or after any troop meeting.

During the first year in the troop (while in the Raven Patrol) additional emphasis will be placed by leadership on ensuring this transition from Cub Scouting to Boy Scouting is understood by Scouts.

From the time a Scout enters the troop through the time he advances to First Class rank, he is learning basic Scouting skills to enable him to camp, hike, swim, cook, tie knots, administer first aid, and perform other tasks in the outdoors and to work as a member of a team. With those first steps the Scout begins to build themselves physically, mentally, and morally. He will start to live with the Scout Oath and Law.

Later ranks such as Star, Life, and Eagle are earned by serving in a leadership capacity, performing community service work, and earning merit badges These ranks more difficult to obtain, but are also more interesting for the older Scout.

Advancement is the responsibility of the Scout. Parents and other adults are encouraged to help, but it is not the troop's or the parents' obligation to ensure progress. For those new Scouts who are bridging Webelos, this will be quite a change. For more information on Scout advancement, refer to the Boy Scout Handbook.

Our troop conducts a Court of Honor three or four times per year. The Court of Honor recognizes all Scout awards and advancements since the last Court of Honor. The Court of Honor is a public ceremony, and is a chance for the Scouts to be publicly recognized for their achievements. Parents, friends and all other interested individuals are encouraged to attend.

The Court of Honor is a celebration. Parents and friends usually brings snacks and drinks to help the Scouts celebrate the evening.

A special Court of Honor takes place whenever a Scout earns the rank of Eagle. We encourage all Scouts and their parents to attend this very important ceremony.

## Boy Scout advancement, a four step process

### 1. The Boy Scout learns.

A Scout learns by doing. As he learns, he grows in ability to do his part as a member of the patrol and the troop. As he develops knowledge and skill, he is asked to teach others. In this way, he begins to develop leadership.

2. The Boy Scout is tested. A Scout may be tested on requirements by his Senior Patrol Leader, Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster or a troop committee member.

### 3. The Boy Scout is reviewed.

After a Scout has completed all requirements for a rank, he has a board of review. For Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star, Life and Eagle Palms,



the review is conducted by members of the troop committee. The Eagle board of review is conducted by members of the District Advancement Committee.

4. The Boy Scout is recognized. When the board of review has certified a boy's advancement, he receives recognition at the next Troop Court of Honor.

## **Troop Advancement Responsibilities**

- Each Scout
  - Know what requirements are needed for next rank
  - Set personal goals for advancement
  - Ask for instruction and testing when needed
  - Look beyond & work on requirements for First Class now

### Patrol Leader

- Know rank of Scouts in patrol
- Help Scouts in patrol set personal goals for advancement
- Make campout assignments based on a Scout's need for rank advancement
- Ask Venture Patrol Scouts for instruction at meetings and on campouts, based on needs of the patrol.
- Make sure that Scouts in patrol get credit in their Scout book for requirements they pass off

### Venture Patrol Scouts

- Instruct Scouting skills as needed within the troop or patrols, at meetings and on campouts.
- Prepare well in advance for each teaching assignment
- Help younger Scouts set personal goals for advancement
- Assist the Patrol Leader as needed or requested
- Set a good example

#### Parents

- Help your son understand rank advancement and "looking forward" (Scouts can work on requirements for upcoming ranks)
- Teach skills that you know, or help him review, but do not pass-off requirements for your son, it is his responsibility to seek instruction and skills testing from other Scouts or adult leaders



# **Merit Badges**



Earning merit badges can introduce a Scout to career skills, develop social and physical skills, or help him identify hobbies or other activities that can provide a lifetime of satisfaction. Each Scout can earn merit badges in subjects that are of interest to him. This should be the start of a very exciting trail of fun, achievement, adventure, and knowledge.

Because merit badges are in many cases worked on away from the troop meeting, and under the supervision of a registered merit badge counselor, the following rules pertain to their proper completion.

- 1. A Scout must obtain a signed Counselor's Merit Badge Card (blue card) from the Scoutmaster or an Assistant Scoutmaster prior to beginning each merit badge.
- 2. Assistance will be given to each Scout in identifying an appropriate Merit Badge Counselor for the desired badge. The adult Merit Badge Counselor cannot be a family member without prior written approval of the Scoutmaster.
- 3. A Scout should complete each requirement under the approval of the Merit Badge Counselor.
- 4. The counselor should sign the completed worksheet to indicate the Scout has satisfactorily completed the requirements.
- 5. The Scout asks the Scoutmaster to sign the Merit Badge blue card.
- 6. The Scout logs the Merit Badge blue card on the master log in the troop office and places the card in the basket for processing.

**Important Note:** The BSA Youth Protection Guidelines Program prohibits one on one situations between Scouts and adults. A buddy must be present at all times during merit badge sessions. This requirement can be met by having a family member, a friend, or a fellow Scout seeking the same merit badge attend with you.

# Dues

Scout dues are \$1.00 a week and are paid every during the patrol meeting when the patrol scribe takes attendance. If you miss a meeting, you must still pay dues for that meeting.



The significance of the Scout's dues in not in the dollar amount, but rather an outward symbol of the Scout's commitment and responsibility to Troop 919.

# **Troop Calendar**

This calendar is created and executed by the Scouts. Each month has a Scout skill program feature (i.e. orienteering, fire building, backpacking, citizenship, canoeing, etc.) and a campout or one day event. Calendars are issued to the Scout twice a year with updates posted on the troop website (http://www.troop919.org).

The calendar also includes the dates for summer camp. Summer camp is a week long camp that has an incredible variety of activities as well as opportunities to work on advancement.

# Summer Camp

Summer Camp is an important time in every Scout's life and Troop 919 encourages each Scout to join the troop at summer camp. Summer camp is fun and it's also an excellent time to learn Scout skills and work on merit badges. Scouts often develop lifelong friendships with other boys they get to know at summer camp.



Troop 919 attends summer camp each year at Old Hickory Council's Camp Raven Knob Scout Reservation during the 5<sup>th</sup> week (mid July) of

camp. Camp Raven Knob is one of the finest Scout Camps in the country and we are fortunate this facility is essentially in our backyard.

Summer Camp details are normally announced early in the year. Every Scout should plan to attend camp with the troop. Summer camp is the most important program experience of the entire Scouting year.

Troop 919 will be attending summer camp at Camp Raven Knob July 17-23, 2005. Our campsite is Apache, which is near the camp's nature area.

Wednesday night at camp is a tradition for Troop 919. All Scout families and friends are invited and encouraged to join us on Wednesday night for family night. This special evening includes a picnic meal, followed by the evening campfire. We look forward to the home cooked meal provided our families that evening as we have been "enjoying" camp dining hall food up to that point!

Scouts enjoy sharing the fun they have been having at camp, introducing their family to new friends and camp life.

In the tradition of Scouting, the Wednesday night campfire is produced by Scouts. The Wednesday night campfire is also the time when Scouts are "tapped" for the Order of



the Arrow, the Boy Scout camping honor society. The Order of the Arrow also conducts its Vigil tap out, a high honor for OA members, during this Wednesday night campfire..

Camp Raven Knob joins Troop 919 and also will be celebrating it's 50<sup>th</sup> year in 2005.

Want to learn more about Camp Raven Knob? The camp website is:

http://www.ravenknob.com

# **Medications**

The Scoutmaster must be notified of any medications that a Scout must take while on a troop activity. The type of medication to be taken and the type of outing will determine whether the Scout will keep his medication himself or give it to one of the adult leaders.

A Scout should continue his regular medication while attending troop activities. Medication should be discontinued only on a doctor's orders. This is especially important for Scouts who take medication for hyperactivity.

Any medication sent with a Scout must be in the original prescription bottle. In addition, written instructions must be sent with the medication. The instructions must be signed and dated by a parent and must include the following information:

- Name of Scout
- Name of medication
- Reason for medication
- How medication is to be taken
- Dosage and frequency
- Any other pertinent information

# Discipline

Maintaining good discipline during troop activities is one of the less enjoyable functions of troop adult leadership, but one which is certain to arise from time to time.

In order to insure a safe Scouting environment and to help develop quality leadership skills the following guidelines have been established to deal with discipline problems. We are hopeful that disciplinary measures will seldom need to be administered, but believe it is important that parents and Scouts know the guidelines.

During all troop activities the Scoutmaster or his designee has the ultimate responsibility to maintain good discipline through the use of these guidelines and his good judgment. The troop prefers that the Scouts handle these matters themselves with the



Scoutmaster monitoring conformance to guidelines. Part of developing leadership skills is learning to deal with problems. We recognize, however, that some situations will require direct involvement by the Scoutmaster himself.

# **Discipline Guidelines**

The basic code of conduct for Scouts will be the Scout Oath and Law. Grounds for discipline are outlined below:

- 1. Failure to perform assigned chores.
- 2. Failure of a Scout to conduct himself in an orderly manner.
- Failure to follow adult and/or youth leader instructions with respect for their position.
- 4. Engaging is unsafe or problematic behavior.
- 5. Engaging in illegal activities or possessing illegal items.

Each of these or similar problems will be handled in the following manner by troop leadership.

- 1. First course of action is to let the youth leadership (Patrol Leader in consultation with the Senior Patrol Leader) handle the situation. One verbal warning will be issued for violation of guidelines.
- 2. Second course of action will be for the Senior Patrol Leader to notify the Scoutmaster and a second verbal warning may be issued.
- 3. For the third offense the Scout's parent(s) will be called immediately and asked to pick their son up. Third offense situations will carry a mandatory two-meeting and one activity suspension.
- 4. Further violations may warrant removal from the troop.
- 5. Scouts and their parents have the right to have their situation reviewed by the troop committee.

If a Scout is on the receiving end of inappropriate behavior, he should report it to an adult leader at once. A Scout who retaliates will not be exempt from disciplinary action.



# **Outdoor Program**

Scouting is effective whenever we take advantage of its truth: The place where Scouting works best is also the place that boys want the most - the outdoors. Here are four good reasons why the outdoor program is so special.

- The outdoors is the best place for learning outdoor skills. How could it be otherwise?
- The outdoors is a great place for learning something about living with others. When Scouts walk on the same trail, cook and eat together, and share triumph and troubles together, they are going to discover important things about, patience, respect for others' point of view, doing their full share, making a friend more easily, and saying no without losing one. Skills like these are among the "personal growth" skills we want from every Scout. The outdoors is where they grow up best.
- On the trail or in camp, the boy's leaders will be charged with real-life challenges such as getting their patrols fed and sheltered, keeping them warm and safe, solving the problems they can solve, and knowing how to get help for those they can't. It's a time when leadership skills deepen, patrols grow closer, and the troop grows stronger.
- The outdoors is also a place where a Scout can get closer to the natural world around him the land, the forests and their wildlife, the lakes and rivers, the mountains and the seas. In the outdoors, a Scout will learn of the "land ethic," the understanding and respect for the environment we all share. He will develop an active concern for it's health and a willingness to work to keep it healthy.

# **Troop 919's Outdoor Program**

Troop 919 has a very active outdoor program and all Scouts are encouraged to participate. Our program includes monthly weekend campouts, annual long-term summer camp (1 week), high adventure trips, day hikes and other outdoor activities.

The time of return from a campout will normally be communicated to parents at the beginning of the trip and often it will be posted on the website. From time-to-time, Scouts may bring some troop equipment home to clean after a camping trip. These items need to be cleaned and returned at the next Troop meeting.

One Scout in each patrol is responsible for purchasing the patrol's food for a campout. It is this Scout's responsibility to collect the pro-rated cost of the food from each Scout in his patrol.



Any troop camping fees must be paid to the troop before departing on the trip.

The troop adult leaders normally carry a cellular phone on trips. This enables adult leaders to get help quickly in the event of an emergency. Ask the adult leaders for the phone number at the beginning of the trip.

Scouts may use one of the adult leader's cell phone to call home enroute to the Scout Hut with an estimated time he can be picked up. Upon returning to the Scout Hut from a trip, all Scouts are expected to do their share in helping to unload the troop trailer, return troop equipment to its storage location and set up tents, dining fly(s), etc., so they can dry out.

Scouts are also asked to arrive early at the meeting immediately following an outing to help return tents and equipment to its proper storage location.

### Parent Attendance

Parents are always welcome to attend events, including camping trips. Adult participation in activities is subdivided into two tier-level categories. (1.) Committee and drive-up type activities, and (2.) Back-woods.

#### Tier #1 volunteer

To serve as a Tier #1 volunteer an adult must:

- 1. Be recommended by the Scoutmaster.
- 2. Be approved by the Committee Chairman (where questions exist, or objections arise, a simple majority of the troop committee will be sought).
- **3.** Submit and obtain a registered position with the BSA.
- 4. Maintain a valid medical physical examination.
- 5. Complete Youth Protection Training.
- 6. Complete Troop Fast Start Training.

#### Tier #2 volunteer

To serve as a Tier #2 volunteer an adult must:

- **1.** Be recommended by the Scoutmaster.
- 2. Be approved by the Committee Chairman (where questions exist, or objections arise, a simple majority of the troop committee will be sought).
- **3.** Submit and obtain a registered position with the BSA.
- 4. Maintain a valid medical physical examination.
- 5. Complete Youth Protection Training.
- 6. Complete Troop Fast Start Training.
- 7. Complete Troop New Leader Essentials Training.
- 8. Complete CPR and Basic First Aid Training.



Additional certifications, i.e., rappelling, white-water and flat-water, etc., are required dependent on activities.

We err on the side of safety in our selection process and believe that by doing so we are offering the best opportunity for both a quality and safe Scouting experience.

Parents of Scouts who would like to become more involved in the troop are also welcome to attend a troop Committee Meeting, (with the exception of discussions on personnel), at any time. Please feel free to contact our Troop Committee Chairman, Jim Pierson, if you'd like to join us at our next Troop Committee Meeting.

## Outdoor Gear

What kind of outdoor gear do you need for Boy Scouts?

The troop furnishes all Patrol equipment (tents, dining fly, patrol kitchen, etc.) the Scout requires for any outdoor adventure with Troop 919. Each Scout is responsible for his own personal equipment. The Scout Handbook is a good personal equipment reference source and has several outdoor gear checklists.

A list of some personal outdoor you may need at Troop 919:

- □ Mummy style sleeping bag
- Personal First Aid Kit
- □ Closed cell foam sleeping pad □ Flashlight/headlamp

□ Backpack

□ Daypack

□ Rain gear

- Mess kit and eating utinsels
- □ Water bottle(s)/canteen
- Decketknife (Totin' Chip required)
- □ Hiking boots
- □ Wool socks and liners

A Scout's 10 essentials (not already listed here. Refer to the Scout Handbook)

□ Footlocker (for summer camp)

## Where do I purchase outdoor equipment?

There are as many places to purchase outdoor equipment as there are camping locations. A good rule of thumb, however, is to make an investment in quality equipment the first time and you won't find yourself replacing it quickly.

The Scouts and adult leaders at Troop 919 are eager to share their equipment "finds" with all Scouting families and are a good resource if you have questions about purchasing outdoor gear.



### Local outdoor outfitters

The Great Outdoors Provisions Company in the Thruway Plaza Shopping Center carries a wide selection of quality outdoor equipment. The GOPC staff is knowledgeable and eager to help, especially when you let them know you are a Scout.

#### **Online outfitters**

The internet is another good place to look for outdoor equipment. Some of the favorites at Troop 919 include:

REI	http://www.rei.com
Campmor	http://www.campmor.com
Sierra Trading Post	http://www.sierratradingpost.com
eBay	http://www.ebay.com

## What Should Scouts bring on a campout

Each Troop 919 outdoor experience is different. Any special equipment needed for an outing will be reviewed at the meeting(s) prior to event. A Scout should always consult the Scout Handbook for recommended packing tips and gear prior to every event.

### What a Scout Should Not Bring on a campout

- Firearms of any kind, including BB guns
- Archery equipment
- Sheath knives
- Pets
- Cell phones or pagers
- Radios, tape players, electronic games, and other electronic devices

Camping is an outdoor experience and these items are not appropriate to that experience.

## A Scout is Reverent

The twelfth point of the Scout Law is a Scout is reverent. Our troop holds nondenominational services every Sunday that we are camping. Each Scout is expected to help out with the service in some way. Our troop's Chaplain Aide is responsible for overseeing this program.



# **Troop Communication**

The Scoutmaster usually sends a weekly email with important information for Scouts and parents. This is most efficient form of communication in today's digital age. Please make sure the Scoutmaster has your email address for his distribution list. You may want to have a copy of the email sent to your home and office email address. If your Scout has an email address be sure he tells the Scoutmaster to add his email address to the distribution list.

If your email address changes, please notify the Scoutmaster immediately so the distribution list can be updated.

Troop 919's website address is <u>http://www.troop919.org</u>. The Scoutmaster's meeting notes and other important information is posted on the website. Photos are usually posted soon after trips. Your digital photo contribution is welcome. The webmaster prefers digital photos with a screen resolution of 800x600 pixels.

The news area (where your son's name might appear) is in a password protection area of the website.

The user name is: \_\_\_\_\_

The password is: \_\_\_\_\_

# **Troop Parents**

The role of parents within Troop 919 is to be supportive of the troop's efforts and to provide the atmosphere Scouts need to learn and excel. Furthermore, parents who choose to take an active part in their son's Scouting endeavors will find that he stays in longer and gets more out of the program. At a minimum, parents should try to:

- 1. Read their Scout's handbook and understand the purpose and methods of Scouting. Parents can also borrow the Boy Scout Fast Start video tape from the troop library to familiarize themselves with the basics of Scouting.
- 2. Actively follow their Scout's progress and offer encouragement and a gentle "push" when needed.
- 3. Show support to both the individual Scout and the troop by attending Troop 919's quarterly Court of Honor.


- 4. Assist in the annual Troop 919 popcorn fundraiser. Troop 919 is unique in that it has its own Scout Hut and we depend on the funds raised from the popcorn sale for maintenance and repairs to our building as well as equipping our troop.
- 5. Be aware of the troop program and calendar. Most troop activities are updated on the website (http://www.troop919.org) with regularity. In addition, the Scoutmaster sends a weekly email update on weekly meeting plans, camping trips and other troop activities. Email is the most efficient way to communicate with the Scoutmaster in this digital age.

# **Troop Committee**

The Troop Committee is the troop's board of directors and supports the troop program. The committee consists of interested parents and adult volunteers from the community. The committee works closely with the Scoutmaster on all matters that deal with policy, chartering, finances, troop property, and special needs and/or assistance. The committee serves on boards of review and Courts of Honor.

The Troop Committee meets every third Thursday evening at 7:00 at the Scout Hut. The Troop Committee meeting immediately follows the Patrol Leader's Conference (PLC meets at 6:00 p.m.) and committee members are asked to be available during the PLC for Boards of Review with advancing Scouts. Parents are always welcome to attend these meetings, but should confirm the meeting by phone before coming. Interested parents are also encouraged to join the committee to help support the troop activities.

# **Youth Protection**

The Boy Scouts of America has declared child abuse as one of the "unacceptables" to receive special attention by those involved in the Scouting program.

The BSA has developed a five-point plan to combat child abuse and to improve the environment in which young people live. The key elements of this strategy include the following points:

- Educating Scouting volunteers, parents and Scouts themselves to aid in the detection and prevention of child abuse.
- Establishing leader-selection procedures to prevent individuals with a history of child abuse from entering the BSA leadership ranks.
- Establishing policies that minimize the opportunities for child abuse to occur in the programs of the Boy Scouts of America.



- Encouraging Scouts to report improper behavior in order to identify offenders quickly.
- Swiftly removing and reporting alleged offenders.

# Parents guide

The Boy Scouts of America has developed materials for use in the Scouting program that provide essential information to members and their families. A detachable booklet in the front of The Boy Scout Handbook, "How to Protect Your Child from Child Abuse and Drug Abuse: A Parents Guide," provides information to help families to increase self-protection skills.

# **Troop 919's Commitment to Youth Protection**

Troop 919 is committed to following all guidelines of the Youth Protection program. Any suspected offenses of the Youth protection program must be reported to the Committee Chairman, the Scoutmaster or the Council Executive. All incidents reported to the Committee Chairman or the Scoutmaster will be reported to the Council Executive. All reports are taken seriously and appropriate action is taken to ensure the safety of the youth.



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## Merit Badge Counselor Application



## Boy Scouts of America MERIT BADGE COUNSELOR INFORMATION

(Please type or print.)

Name	_Age	Business phone ()
Address		Home phone ()
City	State	teZip code

#### To qualify as a merit badge counselor, you must

- Be at least 18 years old.
- Be proficient in the merit badge subject by vocation, avocation, or special training.
- · Be able to work with Scout-age boys.
- · Be registered with the Boy Scouts of America.

#### As a merit badge counselor, I agree to

- Follow the requirements of the merit badge, making no deletions or additions, ensuring that the advancement standards are fair and uniform for all Scouts.
- · Have a Scout and his buddy present at all instructional sessions.
- Renew my registration annually if I plan to continue as a merit badge counselor.

	Vocation	Avocation	Special training
	Is this subject in line with your job, business, or profession? If yes, give brief information on the reverse side.	Do you follow this subject as a hobby, having more than a "working knowledge" of the requirements? If yes, give brief information on the reverse side.	training or other qualifications for this subject? If yes, give brief infor-
List merit badge subjects here.			
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#### CHECK ONE:

Unit number	
□ I wish to work with all units.	
Signature	Date
Note: The BSA Adult Registration Application must be attached.	
Council approval by	Date

# **Boy Scout Merit Badges**

For details, see: http:// www.meritbadge.com/bsa/mb/index.htm

American Business American Cultures American Heritage American Labor Animal Science Archaeology Archery Architecture Art Astronomy Athletics Atomic Energy Auto Mechanics Aviation Backpacking Basketry Bird Study Bugling Camping \* Canoeing Chemistry Cinematography Citizenship in the Community \* Citizenship in the Nation \* Citizenship in the World \* Climbing Coin Collecting Collections Communications \* Computers Cooking Crime Prevention Cycling \* Dentistry Disabilities Awareness Dog Care Drafting Electricity Electronics Emergency Preparedness \*

Energy Engineering Entrepreneurship Environmental Science \* Family Life \* Farm Mechanics Fingerprinting Fire Safety First Aid \* Fish and Wildlife Mgmt Fishing Fly Fishing Forestry Gardening Genealogy Geology Golf Graphic Arts Hiking \* Home Repairs Horsemanship Indian Lore Insect Study Journalism Landscape Architecture Law Leatherwork Lifesaving \* Mammal Study Medicine Metalwork Model Design and Building Motorboating Music Nature Oceanography Orienteering Painting Personal Fitness \* Personal Management \*

Pets Photography Pioneering Plant Science Plumbing Pottery Public Health Public Speaking Pulp and Paper Radio Railroading Reading Reptile and Amphibian Study Rifle Shooting Rowing Safety Salesmanship Scholarship Sculpture Shotgun Shooting Skating Small-Boat Sailing Snow Sports Soil & Water Conservation Space Exploration Sports Stamp Collecting Surveying Swimming \* Textile Theater Traffic Safety Truck Transportation Veterinary Medicine Waterskiing Weather Whitewater Wilderness Survival Wood Carving Woodwork

\* Denotes an Eagle required merit badge

# TROOP RESOURCE SURVEY

#### Boy Scouting is for adults as well as boys...

We invite you to share your skills and interests so the best possible program can be developed for the Boy Scouts in this troop. In making this survey, the Troop Committee wishes to find ways you can enjoy using your talents to help our Scouts. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Welcome to the Scout family of Troop 139 in the Los Angeles Area Council.

(Please print)					
Name Home Phone					
Street Address	Work Phone				
City	State Zip				
1. What is your favorite hobby?	Occupation				
2. In what sports do you take an active part?					
3. Would you be willing to assist the Troop leaders and Comm					
<ol><li>Please check the areas in which you would be willing to hel</li></ol>	p.				
General Activities	Special Program Assistance				
□ Campouts	I can participate in boards of review.				
Hikes	I have a station wagon, truck or SUV.				
Outdoor activities	I have a workshop.				
Troop meetings	I have family camping gear.				
Swimming supervision	I have access to a cottage or cabin.				
Bookkeeping	I have access to camping property.				
Typing	I can make contacts for special trips and activities.				
Drawing / art	I can help with troop equipment.				
Transportation of Scouts	I have access to a personal computer.				
Transportation of equipment	I have access to a swimming pool.				
Other					
<ol> <li>PLEA</li> <li>Please check any Scouting skills you would be willing to tea</li> </ol>	ASE PRINT				
Ropework (knots and lashings)					
Outdoor cooking					
First aid	Knife and ax handling				
Star study	Citizenship				
Map and compass use	Camping				

Please check the merit badges on the other side of this sheet that you are willing to help Boy Scouts to earn.

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# **MERIT BADGES**

✓ indicates an Eagle required Merit Badge



### 6. Please check the merit badges that you can help Boy Scouts to earn.

American Business	Cooking	Horsemanship	Railroading
American Cultures	Crime Prevention	Indian Lore	Reading
American Heritage	Cycling ✓	Insect Study	Reptile and Amphibian Stud
American Labor	Dentistry	☐ Journalism	Rifle Shooting
Animal Science	Disability Awareness	Landscape Architecture	
Archeology	Dog Care	Law	Safety
Archery	Drafting	Leatherwork	Salesmanship
Architecture	Electricity	☐ Lifesaving ✓	Scholarship
☐ Art	Electronics	Mammal Study	Sculpture
Astronomy	Emergency Preparedness 🗸	Medicine	Shotgun Shooting
Athletics	Energy	☐ Metalwork	☐ Skating
Atomic Energy	Engineering	Model Design and Building	Small-Boat Sailing
Auto Mechanics	Entrepreneurship	☐ Motorboating	Snow Sports
Aviation	Environmental Science	Music	Soil and Water Conservatio
Backpacking	□ Family Life ✓	☐ Nature	Space Exploration
☐ Basketry	☐ Farm Mechanics	Oceanography	☐ Sports
Bird Study	Fingerprinting	Orienteering	Stamp Collecting
Bugling	☐ Fire Safety	Painting	Surveying
Camping 🗸	☐ First Aid ✓	☐ Personal Fitness ✓	Swimming V
Canoeing	Fish and Wildlife Management	 ☐ Personal Management ✓	☐ Textile
Chemistry	☐ Fishing	□ Pets	Theater
Cinematography	☐ Fly-Fishing	Photography	Traffic Safety
Citizenship / Community	Forestry	Pioneering	Truck Transportation
Citizenship / Nation 🗸	Gardening	Plant Science	Veterinary Medicine
Citizenship / World 🗸	Genealogy	Plumbing	Waterskiing
Climbing	Geology	Pottery	Weather
Coin Collecting	Golf	Public Health	Whitewater
Collections	Graphics Arts	Public Speaking	Wilderness Survival
Communications 🗸	🗌 Hiking 🖌	Pulp and Paper	□ Wood Carving
Computers	Home Repairs	Radio	Woodwork
7. Please check other skills an	nd activities you could assist in f	for the older-Scout program:	
Backpacking	Free-style biking	Rappelling	Survival
Basketball	Golf	Sailing	Swimming
Bowing	Hockey	Scuba diving	Tennis
Business	🗌 Kayaking	Shooting sports	Video/photography
Cross-country skiing	Mechanics	Slow-pitch softball	Volleyball
Cycling	Mountain man	Snow camping	Whitewater canoeing
Downhill skiing	Orienteering	Soccer	Windsurfing
E Fishing	Rafting	Spelunking	

# Troop 919 Patrol Duty Roster

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Patrol:	Campout:	Date(s):
	Friday Sunnat	S. days Jaco Second
	Friday Supper	Saturday Supper
Head Cook:		Head Cook:
Assistant Cook:_		Assistant Cook:
Water/Fire:		Water/Fire:
Head Clean up:_		Head Clean up:
Asst. Clean up:		Asst. Clean up:
Frid	ay Cracker Barrell	Saturday Cracker Barrell
Head Cook:		Head Cook:
Assistant Cook:_		Assistant Cook:
Water/Fire:		Water/Fire:
Head Clean up:_		Head Clean up:
Asst. Clean up:		Asst. Clean up:
Sa	turday Breakfast	Sunday Breakfast
Head Cook:		Head Cook:
Assistant Cook:_		Assistant Cook:
Water/Fire:		Water/Fire:
Head Clean up:_		Head Clean up:
Asst. Clean up:		Asst. Clean up:
S	Baturday Lunch	Sunday Lunch
Head Cook:		Head Cook:
Assistant Cook:_		Assistant Cook:
Water/Fire:		Water/Fire:
Head Clean up:_		Head Clean up:
Asst. Clean up:		Asst. Clean up:
Notes:		

# Troop 919 Patrol Menu Planner

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Patrol:	Campout:	Date(s):
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	Friday	
	Saturday	
Lunch:		
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Cracker Barrell:		
	Sunday	
Breakfast:		
Lunch:		Cooking and Cleaning Supplies
Scout buving food	d:	

## Individual Scout Record

# INDIVIDUAL SCOUT RECORD PERSONAL DATA

Name		TROOP/TEA	V
	State, zip code		_
Phone	Date of birth		_
Church or synagogue		PATROL	
City	State, zip code		
Business phone	Occupation		
MEMBERSHIP			
Cub Scout—from	_ to Rank	Became Varsity Scout or Venturer	
Webelos Scout—from	to		
Pack No City_	State	Election	

Pack No	_ City	_ State	
Became Boy Scout	(registered)		Date
Transfer in			Date
Transfer out			Date

Election	Date
Ordeal	
Brotherhood	Date
Vigil Honor	Date

10¢, 15¢, 25¢, 50¢, \$1 = AMOUNT PAID ON DATE SHOWN ✓ = DUES PAID AHEAD OR BACK

## ATTENDANCE T - PRESENT AT TROOP MEETING S - PRESENT AT SERVICE PROJECT AND DUES

H - PRESENT ON TROOP HIKE C - PRESENT AT OVERNIGHT CAMP

A - PRESENT AT TROOP, DISTRICT, OR COUNCIL ACTIVITY C<sup>3</sup> - (Numeral indicates number of days and nights in camp)

YEAR	ATTENDANCE	DUES	YEAR	,	ATTEND#	NCE	DUE	s	YEAR	A	TEND	ANCE		DUES	
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#### Scout's last name

#### TROOP POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY From (Date) To (Date)

Den chief	
Librarian	
Quartermaster	
Scribe	
Historian	
Instructor	
Varsity program manager	
Chaplain aide	
Varsity team captain	
Varsity team co-captain	
Varsity team secretary	
Patrol leader	
Squad leader	
Assistant senior patrol leader	
Senior patrol leader	
Troop guide	
Junior assistant Scoutmaster	
Note: Each of the positions of responsibility listed above can help fulfill r Eagle Scout Award.	equirements for the

## MERIT BADGE LIST

	IVIEF	<b>KIT</b>
1.	Camping	36.
2.	Citizenship in the	38.
	Community	131.
3.	Citizenship in the	40.
	Nation	60.
4.	Citizenship in the World	41.
5.	Communications	42.
9.	Cycling	43.
6.	Emergency	44.
	Preparedness	45.
7.	Environmental	46.
_	Science	134.
9.	Family Life	48.
8.	First Aid	49.
1.	Hiking	50.
9.	Lifesaving	51.
0.	Personal Fitness Personal	
1.	Management	52.
4.	Swimming	54.
5.	American	55.
σ.	Business	56.
7.	American	58.
	Cultures	59.
6.	American	122.
	Heritage	62.
1.	American Labor	63.
8.	Animal Science	64.
2.	Archaeology	65.
9.	Archery	66.
0.	Architecture	67.
1.	Art	
2. 3.	Astronomy	68.
з. 4.	Athletics Atomic Energy	69. 71.
4. 7.	Auto Mechanics	130.
5.	Aviation	74.
5. 6.	Backpacking	74.
o. 7.	Basketry	75.
9.	Bird Study	76.
2.	Bugling	77.
3.	Canoeing	78.
4.	Chemistry	79.
6.	Cinematography	80.
3.		81.
5.	Coin Collecting	82.
8.	Collections	83.
	Merit badges	

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Computers Cooking Crime Prevention Dentistry Disabilities Awareness Dog Care Drafting Electricity Electronics Energy Engineering Entrepreneurship Farm Mechanics Fingerprinting Fire Safety Fish and Wildlife Management Fishing Forestry Gardening Genealogy Geology Golf Graphic Arts Home Repairs Horsemanship Indian Lore Insect Study Journalism Landscape Architecture law Leatherwork Mammal Study Medicine Metalwork Model Design and Building Motorboating Music Nature Oceanography Orienteering Painting

#### it badges on required list for Eagle are in boldface.

Photography

Pets

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## ADVANCEMENT REQUIREMENTS

Enter date earned for each merit badge, rank, and individual requirement. Indicate specific skills and merit badges earned for each rank.

#### BOY SCOUT

Date Joining requirements 1

Scoutmaster conference 2.

#### TENDERFOOT RANK Date

		Date
1.	Preparing to camp	
2.	Overnight camp	
3.	Preparing a meal	
4a.	Whipping and	
	fusing rope	
4b.	Tying hitches	
5.	Safe hiking rules	
6.	Care of the flag	
7.	Scouting principles	
8.	Patrol knowledge	
9.	Buddy system	
10a.	Physical test	
10b.	Physical improvement	
11.	Poisonous plants	
12a.	Heimlich maneuver	
12b.	First aid	
13.	Scoutmaster conference	
14.	Board of review	
SEC	OND CLASS RA	NK
		Date
1a.	Map and compass use	
1b.	Map and compass hike	
2a.	Troop/patrol activities	
2b.	Tent pitching	
2c.	Wood tools	
2d.	Cooking fire	
2e.	Lightweight stoves	

- 2e. Lightweight stoves
- 2f. Lighting a fire
- and stove Preparing a meal
- 2g. ž. Care of the flag
- 4.
- Service project Animal identification 5.
- "Hurry" cases First-aid kit 6a.
- 6b.
- First aid 6c.
- 7a. Safe swimming 7b.
- Swimming skills Water rescue methods 7c.
- 8. Health programs
- Q Scout spirit
- Scoutmaster conference 10.
- Board of review 11.

#### FIRST CLASS RANK Date

- Finding your way Orienteering 1. 2
- 3. Troop/patrol activities
- Planning a menu 4a.
- Purchasing food 4b.
- 4c.
- Cooking gear Safe handling of food 4d.
- 4e. Camp cooking
- 5.
- Citizenship Plant identification 6.
- Appropriate use 7a.
- of lashings
- 7b. Hitches and lashings
- Camp gadget 7c. 8a. Bowline knot
- 8b. Bandages
- 8c. Transporting a victim
- 8d. CPR
- Safe trip afloat 9a.

- 9b. BSA swimmer test
- 9c. Water survival skills 9d. Line rescue
- 10. Scout spirit
- 11. Scoutmaster conference
- 12. Board of review

#### **STAR RANK**

		Date
1.	Participation	
2.	Scout spirit	
3.	merit badge*	
4.	merit badge*	
5.	merit badge*	
6.	merit badge*	
7.	merit badge	
8.	merit badge	
9.	Service project	
10.	Position of responsibility	
11.	Scoutmaster conference	
12.	Board of review	
Tota	al of 6 merit baddes incl	lud-

ing any 4 from required list for Eagle.

#### LIFE RANK

Date 1. Participation 2. Scout spirit 3 merit badge 4. merit badge 5 merit badge\* merit badge 6. 7. merit badge Service project 8. Position of responsibility 9. Scoutmaster conference 10. 11. Board of review \*Total of 11 merit badges, including any 3 more from required list for Eagle.

#### EAGLE SCOUT AWARD Date

		Date
1.	Participation	
2.	Scout spirit	
3.	merit badge*	
4.	merit badge*	
5.	merit badge*	
6.	merit badge*	
7.	merit badge*	
8.	merit badge	
9.	merit badge	
10.	merit badge	
11.	merit badge	
12.	merit badge	
13.	Position of responsibility	
14.	Service project	
15.	Scoutmaster conference	
16.	Board of review	
*Tota	al of 21 merit badges, in	clud-
ing	12 (at least one in each	cate-
	<li>y) from the required list</li>	
Ĕag	le. See Boy Scout Requir	e-

#### BRONZE PALM

Date

ments for categories.

#### **GOLD PALM**

Date

#### SILVER PALM



90. Public Speaking 1 2; 2| 91. Pulp and Paper

- 93. Radio
- 94 Railroading

84. Pioneering

85.

86.

87. Pottery

Plant Science

Plumbing

89. Public Health

- 95. Reading
- Reptile and 96. Amphibian Study
- **Rifle Shooting** 123.
- 98. Rowing
- 12. Safety
- 99. Salesmanship
- 100. Scholarship
- 101. Sculpture
- Shotgun 124.
- Shooting 103. Skating
- Small-Boat 105.
- Sailing
- 104. Snow Sports
- 106. Soil and Water Conservation
- 107. Space Exploration
- 13. Sports
- 108. Stamp Collecting
- 109. Surveying
- 110. Textile
- 111. Theater 112. Traffic Safety
- 113. Truck
- Transportation
- . Veterinary 114 Medicine
- 115. Waterskiing
- 116. Weather
- 125. Whitewater
- 117. Wilderness
- Survival 118. Wood Carving 119. Woodwork

## **Driving Directions to Camp Raven Knob**

# **Directions to Camp** Raver Ladonia Church Road Knob Sign Hidden Valley Road 89 **Raven Knob Road Blevins Store Road** to -81 to Martinsville, VA Virginia North Carolina to Danvie, VA 89 Mt. Airy 52 220 29 Elkin Winston-Salem Greensboro to Boone 40 40 85 to Raleigh 52 85 421 to Charlotte to Charlotte to Ashboro to Sanford



## **Camp Raven Knob Map**

# **Parent and Scout Agreement**

We have read the Troop guidelines and policies and hereby indicate our agreement to abide by them as a condition of participation in the Scouting program at Troop 919.

Scout	Date	
Parent/Guardian	Date	
Parent/Guardian	Date	
Scoutmaster	Date	

# **Troop 919 Parental Informed Consent Agreement 2015**

I understand that participation in activities a		
offered through Troop 919 of the Old Hickc involves a certain degree of risk that could		
benefits to be derived and after carefully co		
that the Boy Scouts of America is an organ full confidence that precautions will be take		
have given (son's name) Troop activities as outlined in the Troop ca		
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the event I can not be reached, I hereby gi	ve my permission to the pl	hysician selected by the
adult leader in charge to secure proper trea surgery or injections of medication for my o		zation, anthesthesia,
Scout's Printed Name & Signature		
Parent/Guardian Name & Signature		
Parent/Guardian Name & Signature		
Parent/Guardian Home Phone	Work Phone:	Cell:
Parent/Guardian Home Phone	Work Phone:	Cell:
Other person to contact if unable to reach	parent/guardian in event o	f emergency:
Name: Phone	Work	Cell:
Any other instructions or contact informatio	on in the event of an emerg	gency:
Date this form was signed:		
Notes:		