





## 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 [http://www.troop919.org] 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	Michael Warner
Committee Chairman	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.

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## 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.

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### **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.

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#### 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

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## **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.

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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

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## **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

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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

Alexander Zimmermann

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### **Troop 919 Scoutmasters**

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

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## **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.
- 4. 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.

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## **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.

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## 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

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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).

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#### **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

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.

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#### **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

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#### **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.

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## **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.
- 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

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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.

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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).

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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,

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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

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## **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.

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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

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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

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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.
- 3. 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.
- 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 twomeeting 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.

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## **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.

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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.

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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
Mess kit and eating utinsels	Backpack
Water bottle(s)/canteen	Daypack
Pocketknife (Totin' Chip required)	Footlocker (for summer camp)
Hiking boots	Rain gear
Wool socks and liners	A Scout's 10 essentials (not already listed here. Refer to the Scout Handbook)

## 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.

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#### 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 <a href="http://www.campmor.com">http://www.campmor.com</a>

Sierra Trading Post http://www.sierratradingpost.com

eBay <a href="http://www.ebay.com">http://www.ebay.com</a>

### 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.

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## **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 <a href="http://www.troop919.org">http://www.troop919.org</a>. 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:

- 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.

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- 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.

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- 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.



# **Appendix**

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Parent and Scout Agreement

Troop 919 Parental Informed Consent Agreement

### **Merit Badge Counselor Application**

(Please type or print.)



# Boy Scouts of America MERIT BADGE COUNSELOR INFORMATION

Name	Age	Business phone ()	
Address		Home phone ()	
City	Stat	eZip code	9
To qualify as a merit badge counselor, Be at least 18 years old. Be proficient in the merit badge subject to special training. Be able to work with Scout-age boys. Be registered with the Boy Scouts of America.	you must  Proposition, avocation, or an	ollow the requirements of the ons or additions, ensuring that re fair and uniform for all Scotlave a Scout and his buddy presenew my registration annually adge counselor.	agree to merit badge, making no dele- t the advancement standards uts. sent at all instructional sessions. y if I plan to continue as a merit
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Council approval by		Dat	e

## **Boy Scout Merit Badges**

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

American Business Pets Energy American Cultures Engineering Photography American Heritage Entrepreneurship Pioneering American Labor Environmental Science \* Plant Science Family Life \* Animal Science Plumbing Farm Mechanics Archaeology Pottery Archery Fingerprinting Public Health Architecture Fire Safety Public Speaking Art First Aid \* Pulp and Paper Astronomy Fish and Wildlife Mgmt Radio Railroading Athletics Fishing

Atomic Energy Fly Fishing Reading

Auto Mechanics Reptile and Amphibian Study Forestry

Gardening Rifle Shooting Aviation Backpacking Genealogy Rowing Basketry Geology Safety Bird Study Golf Salesmanship Bugling Graphic Arts Scholarship Camping \* Hiking \* Sculpture Canoeing Home Repairs Shotgun Shooting

Chemistry Horsemanship Skating

Cinematography Indian Lore Small-Boat Sailing Citizenship in the Community \* Insect Study Snow Sports

Soil & Water Conservation Citizenship in the Nation \* Journalism

Citizenship in the World \* Landscape Architecture Space Exploration

Climbing Law Sports

Coin Collecting Leatherwork Stamp Collecting Collections Lifesaving \* Surveying Communications \* Mammal Study Swimming \* Computers Medicine Textile Cooking Metalwork Theater Crime Prevention Model Design and Building Traffic Safety Cycling \* Motorboating Truck Transportation Veterinary Medicine Dentistry Music

Disabilities Awareness Waterskiing Nature Weather Dog Care Oceanography Drafting Orienteering Whitewater Wilderness Survival Electricity Painting Electronics Personal Fitness \* Wood Carving Emergency Preparedness \* Personal Management \* Woodwork

<sup>\*</sup> Denotes an Eagle required merit badge

### **Troop Resource Survey**

## 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.



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eet Address	Work Phone	1100
/	State Zip	1
What is your favorite hobby?	Occupation	10.20
In what sports do you take an active part?		1
Would you be willing to assist the Troop leaders a	nd Committee members occas ionally?	
Please check the areas in which you would be wil	ling to help.	
General Activities	Special Program Assistance	
☐ Campouts	☐ I can participate in boards of review.	
Hikes	☐ I have a station wagon, truck or SUV.	
<ul> <li>Outdoor activities</li> </ul>	☐ 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	PLEASE PRINT	
Please check any Scouting skills you would be wi		
☐ Ropework (knots and lashings)	☐ Conservation	
Outdoor cooking	☐ Aquatics	
☐ First aid	☐ Knife and ax handling	
☐ Star study	☐ Citizenship	
☐ Map and compass use	☐ Camping	

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## **MERIT BADGES**



✓ indicates an Eagle required Merit Badge

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$\Box$	American Labor	$\Box$	Dentistry	П	Journalism	$\Box$	Rifle Shooting
	Animal Science		Disability Awareness		Landscape Architecture		Rowing
	Archeology		Dog Care		Law		Safety
	Archery	$\Box$	Drafting	П	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 -
	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	d ac	ctivities you could assist in f	or t	he older-Scout program:		
	Backpacking	П	Free-style biking	П	Rappelling		Survival
	Basketball	$\Box$	Golf	$\Box$	Sailing	=	Swimming
	Bowling	$\Box$	Hockey	$\Box$	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
	Fishing		Rafting		Spelunking		

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### **Troop 919 Patrol Duty Roster**

## **Troop 919 Patrol Duty Roster**

Patrol:	Campout:	Date(s):
	Friday Supper	Saturday Supper
Assistant Cook:_ Water/Fire: Head Clean up:_ Asst. Clean up:_	łay Cracker Barrell	Assistant Cook:  Water/Fire: Head Clean up:
Assistant Cook:_ Water/Fire:_ Head Clean up:_ Asst. Clean up:_	aturday Breakfast	Assistant Cook: Water/Fire: Head Clean up:
Assistant Cook:_ Water/Fire: Head Clean up:_		Assistant Cook:  Water/Fire: Head Clean up:
Head Cook: Assistant Cook:_ Water/Fire: Head Clean up:_	Saturday Lunch	Water/Fire:Head Clean up:
Notes:		

## **Troop 919 Patrol Menu Planner**

## Troop 919 Patrol Menu Planner Page \_\_\_ of \_\_\_

Patrol:	Campout:	Date(s):
desert and other it	al in detail, including main course, drink, tems, if any. If meal is to be sack lunch or ame in space provided by meal title.	Shopping List Buying for Scouts
	Friday	
Cracker Barrell:		
	Saturday	
Breakfast:		
Lunch:		
Supper:		
Cracker Barrell:		
	Sunday	
Breakfast:		
Dicariast.		
Lunch:		Cooking and Cleaning Supplies
Scout buying foo Notes:	d:	

### **Individual Scout Record**



# NDIVIDUAL SCOUT RECORD PERSONAL DATA

Name	TROOP/TEAM
Address	
CityState, zip code	NO
Phone Date of birth	
Church or synagogue	PATROL
School	
Parent's name	
Business address	
CityState, zip code	
Business phoneOccupation	n
MEMBERSHIP	
Cub Scout—from to Rank	Became Varsity Scout or Venturer
Webelos Scout—from to	
Pack No City State	
Became Boy Scout (registered)	Ordeal Date
Transfer in	Ordeal
	Brotherhood
Transfer out	Vigil Honor
ATTENDANCE T - PRESENT AT TROOP MEETING	H = PRESENT ON TROOP HIKE 10¢, 15¢, 25¢, 50¢, 31 = AMOUNT PAID ON DATE SHOWN  / = DUES PAID AHEAD OR BACK
AND DUES  S - PRESENT AT SERVICE PROJECT  A - PRESENT AT TROOP, DISTRICT, OR COUNCIL ACTIVITY	C = PRESENT AT OVERHIGHT CAMP  C <sup>3</sup> = (Numeral indicates number of days and nights in camp)
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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 abo		

Eagle Scout Award

### MERIT BADGE LIST

	Camping
	Citizenship in the
۷.	Community
3.	Citizenship in the
	Nation
4.	Citizenship in the
	World
	Communications
	Cycling
6.	Emergency
_	Preparedness
7.	Environmental Science
120	Family Life
	First Aid
	Hiking
	Lifesaving
	Personal Fitness
	Personal
	Management
14.	Swimming
15.	American
	Business
17.	American
10	Cultures
16.	American Heritage
121	American Labor
	Animal Science
132.	Archaeology
19.	Archery
	Architecture
21.	Art
	Astronomy
	Athletics
24.	Atomic Energy Auto Mechanics
	Aviation
26.	Backpacking Basketry
29.	Bird Study
32.	Bugling Canoeing
33.	Canoeing
34.	Chemistry
126.	Cinematography

133. Climbing

128. Collections

35. Coin Collecting

- 36. Computers 38. Cooking 131. Crime Prevention Dentistry 40. 60. Disabilities Awareness 41. Dog Care 42. Drafting 43. Electricity 44. Electronics 45. Energy 46. Engineering 134. Entrepreneurship 48. Farm Mechanics 49. Fingerprinting 50. Fire Safety 51. Fish and Wildlife Management 52. Fishing Forestry 55. Gardening 56. Genealogy 58. Geology 59. Golf 122. Graphic Arts 62. Home Repairs 63. Horsemanship Indian Lore 65. Insect Study 66. Journalism . Landscape Architecture 68. Law 69. Leatherwork 71. Mammal Study 130. Medicine 74. Metalwork 75. Model Design and Building 76. Motorboating 77. Music 78. Nature 79. Oceanography 80.
- 84. Pioneering 85. Plant Science 86. Plumbing 87. Pottery 89. Public Health 90. Public Speaking 91. Pulp and Paper 93. Radio 94. Railroading 95. Reading Reptile and Amphibian Study Rifle Shooting 98. Rowing 12. Safety 99. Salesmanship 100. Scholarship 101. Sculpture 124. Shotgun 103. Skating 105. Small-Boat 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 Medicine 115. Waterskiing 116. Weather 125. Whitewater 117. Wilderness Orienteering 81. Painting Survival 118. Wood Carving

119. Woodwork

### 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

1. Joining requirements

2. 9	coutmaster conference	=
TE	NDERFOOT RA	
		Date
	Preparing to camp	
	Overnight camp	
	Preparing a meal	
4a.	Whipping and	
	fusing rope	
4b.	Tying hitches	
5.	Safe hiking rules	
6.	Care of the flag	
7.	Scouting principles	

- Patrol knowledge 9. Buddy system Physical test Physical improvement 10b.
- 11. Poisonous plants Heimlich maneuver 12a. 12b. First aid
- Scoutmaster conference Board of review

### SECOND CLASS RANK

		Date
1a.	Map and compass use	
1b.	Map and compass hike	
	Troop/patrol activities	
	Tent pitching	
	Wood tools	
2d.		
	Lightweight stoves	
2f.		
_	and stove	
2g.	Preparing a meal	
	Care of the flag	
4.	Service project	
	Animal identification	
	"Hurry" cases	
	First-aid kit	
	First aid	
	Safe swimming	
	Swimming skills	
	Water rescue methods	
	Health programs	
	Scout spirit Scoutmaster conference	
	Board of review	
11.	board of review	
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## Date

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

Date   Da	ater survival skills ne rescue out spirit outmaster conference oard of review	9d. 10. 11.
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 Total of 6 merit badges, including any 4 from required list for Eagle.		
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10. Position of responsibility	ervice project	9.
11. Scoutmaster conference		
12. Board of review Total of 6 merit badges, includ- ing any 4 from required list for Eagle.  LIFE RANK		
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9b. BSA swimmer test

		Date
1.	Participation	
2.	Scout spirit	
3.	merit badge*	
4.	merit badge*	
5.	merit badge*	
6.	merit badge	
7.	merit badge	
8.	Service project	
9.	Position of responsibility	
10.	Scoutmaster conference	-
11.	Board of review	
Tota	ıl of 11 merit badges, in	clud-
ing a	any 3 more from require	ed
lisť f	or Eagle.	

### **EAGLE SCOUT AWARD**

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.		
14.	Service project	
15.		
	Board of review	
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ing	12 (at least one in each o	cate-
gory	) from the required list	for
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ments for categories. **BRONZE PALM** 

Date

**GOLD PALM** 

Date

### **SILVER PALM** Date

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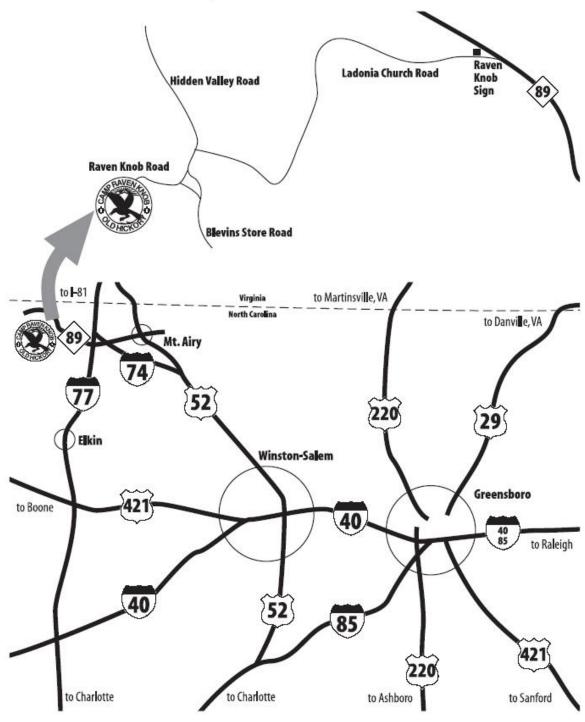
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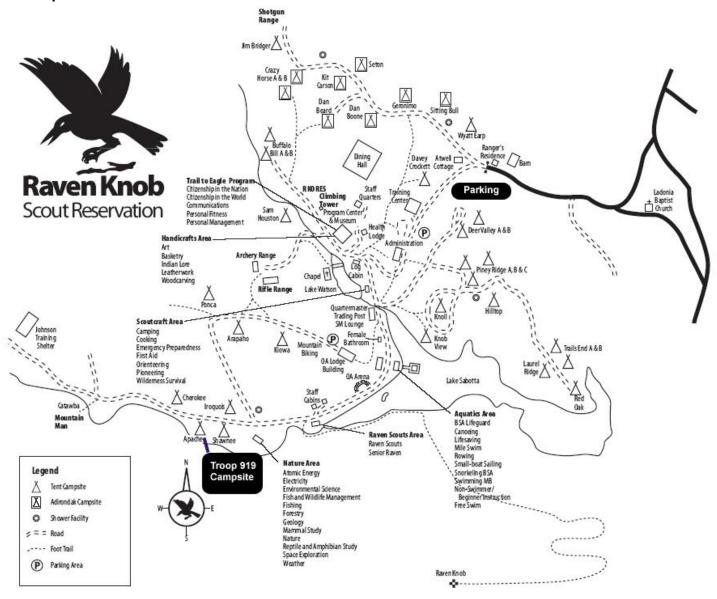
9a. Safe trip afloat

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

# Directions to Camp



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

offered through Troop 919 of the involves a certain degree of risk the benefits to be derived and after cathat the Boy Scouts of America is full confidence that precautions whave given (son's name) Troop activities as outlined in the section below). In case of emerge the event I can not be reached, I adult leader in charge to secure particular surgery or injections of medications.	Old Hickory Council, E hat could result in injurance fully considering the an organization in whill be taken to ensure Troop calendar (unlessency, I understand eventuely give my permisoroper treatment, inclusion	Boy Scouts or y or death. It is risk involved ich membersthe safety ar mess specifically ary effort will assion to the property of the propert	of America, during 2015, and consideration of the led, and in view of the fact ship is voluntary, and having and well-being of my son, I led y consent to participate in led y excluded in the notes be made to contact me. In only sician selected by the
Scout's Printed Name & Signature	e		
Parent/Guardian Name & Signatu	ıre		
Parent/Guardian Name & Signatu	ıre		
Parent/Guardian Home Phone	Work P	hone:	Cell:
Parent/Guardian Home Phone	Work P	hone:	Cell:
Other person to contact if unable	to reach parent/guard	ian in event	of emergency:
Name:	Phone	Work	Cell:
Any other instructions or contact i	nformation in the ever	nt of an eme	rgency:
Date this form was signed:			
Notes:			

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