



Welcome Scouts 2024-2025





Agenda

- **Opening**
- **Summer Review of Activities**
- **What's New?**
- **Administration**
- **Outings Overview**
- **Programs Overview**
- **Special Programs Overview**
- **Development Overview**





Opening Ceremony



“Troop attention” – join in saying Pledge



Summer Look Back



" A week of camp life is worth six months of theoretical teaching in the meeting room."

- Lord R. Baden-Powell

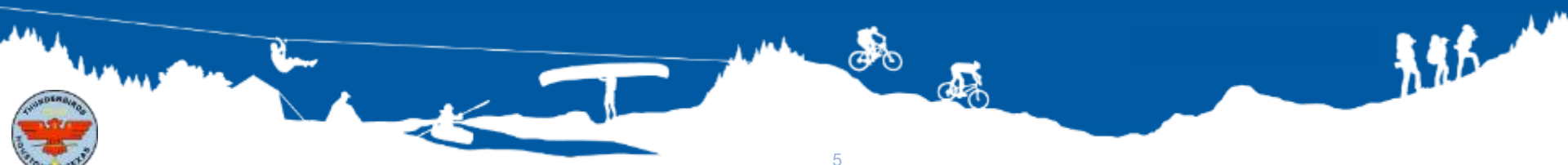




Summer Camp – Camp Orr



HIGH ADVENTURE
BASE





Summer Camp – Camp Orr



- **Number of Scouts & Adults:** 13 Scouts / 5 Adults
- **Merit Badges** 27 completed at Camp plus 26 partials
- **Rose:** Amazing Scenery
- **Thorn:** The Heat
- **Favorite part:** The cooler nights for sleeping, the older boys really enjoyed the high adventure paddling and fishing the Buffalo River



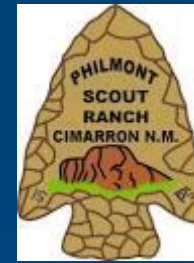


High Adventure – Philmont





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Itinerary 12-20

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66 miles

Camping & Hiking Highlights

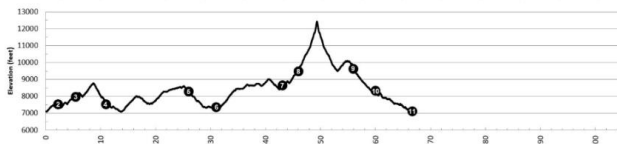
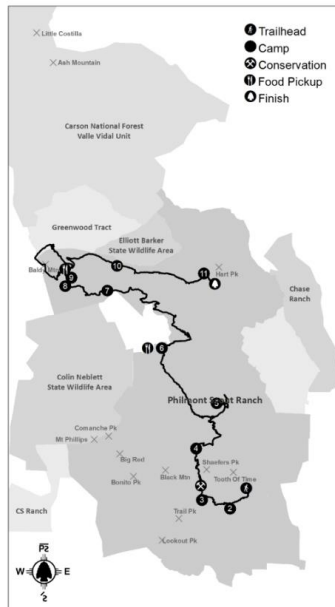
- Baldy Mountain - 12,441 ft.
- South Ponil Canyon
- Ute Park Pass

Program Highlights

- 12-Gauge Shotgun
- Horse Ride
- Gold Panning
- Rock Climbing & Rappelling

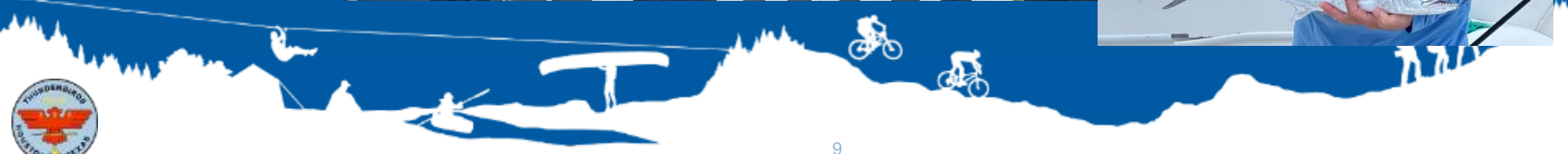
Conservation

- Day 4 - North Fork Urraca
- 7:30am
- Trail Construction





High Adventure – Fishing Adventure





High Adventure – Seabase Adventure



- **Number of Scouts & Adults:** 5 Scouts & 3 Adults
- **Days Fishing:** Four Days Offshore
- **Favorite Camp Site:** Slept in Bunkhouses with AC
- **Rose:** All the fish we caught including many Ciro Mackerel in Jigs!
- **Thorn:** Mr. Paullo losing a fishing rod to the ocean
- **Favorite Foods:** Cooking fresh fish every night





What's New?





2024/2025 Scout Year

“Let's Try Something New”

“Climb the mountain not to plant your flag, but to embrace the challenge, enjoy the air and behold the view. Climb it so you can see the world, not so the world can see you.”

-David McCullough Jr





What we heard from Scouts: *Needs more Attention in 2024 - 2025*

- **Troop:**
 - Recruiting – Major focus this year; lots of events centered around Cub Scouts and recruiting
 - Cub-O-Ree, Open House, Camping with Webelos
 - Better communications Patrol & Troop (eBlast, Patrol Group Chats, and REMIND)
 - Programs will continue to work on speakers and interactive events
- **Outings:**
 - 3-Pot Method for Cleaning – VERY IMPORTANT
 - Patrol Boxes Cleaning, review in patrol corners
 - Language & Behavior Issues - improved!
 - Electronics Policy
 - Patrol Menu's on Outings – themes and competitions





Administration





Administration:

Senior Staff 2022-2023

- **SPL - Dustin Oglesby**
- **ASPL Outings - Jonathan Lackey**
- **ASPL Equipment - Luca Paullo**
- **ASPL Programs - Matthew Le**
- **ASPL Membership - Alden Binion**





Administration: *Troop Guides*

- **Focus on Advancement of FCE Scouts**
 - Justin Mui & Wyatt Binion
 - Scott Lillibridge Special Instructor
 - We can add more see Mr. Paullo





Administration:

Key Dates

- **Courts of Honor (3):**
 - **Fall:** September 24, 2024
 - **Winter:** January 28, 2025
 - **Year End:** May 22, 2025
- **Troop Registration:** Sept 24, 2024 (due)
- **Food Drive:** Oct 1 & Oct 5, 2024
- **All Parent Meeting:** Oct 2, 2024
- **Order of Arrow:** Oct 15, 2024 (Election)
- **Scout Sunday:** February 9, 2025
- **Year End Banquet:** May 22, 2025 -Thursday





Administration: *Greenery*

- Troop 599 will sell Greenery as our primary fundraiser for the Troop
- Same expectations from last year:
 - Sell and distribute \$400.00 worth of Greenery
 - Flat 10% Commission Rate for **all physical sales (no mail order) above \$475**
- More information at [Greenery Kickoff Sept 3th](#) with Mr. Paullo (**We need new Adults to takeover**)
 - Final Day for Sales: Oct 29, 2024 (Tuesday)
 - Distribution: Dec 3, 2024





Administration:

Issues for 2024/2025

- Language:
 - No use of inappropriate language
 - This is **unacceptable** and **repeat offenders** will have **parents called to pickup Scouts** (*we don't want to do this*)
- Class A:
 - Full Class A uniform to be worn to meetings (hat, shirt, pants/shorts)
 - Wear it correctly (tucked in shirts)





Administration:

Continued Policy – 2024/2025

- **Electronics:**



- **No electronics** on campout for Scouts (Adults drivers need to take on arrival)

- No phones out during meetings – PL to enforce

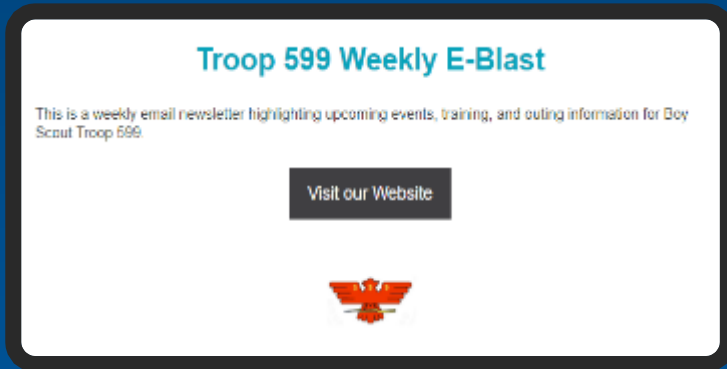
- **Menu:**

- All campout **meals approved** during Patrol Corners with PA so should not be an issue





Administration: *Communications - eBlast*

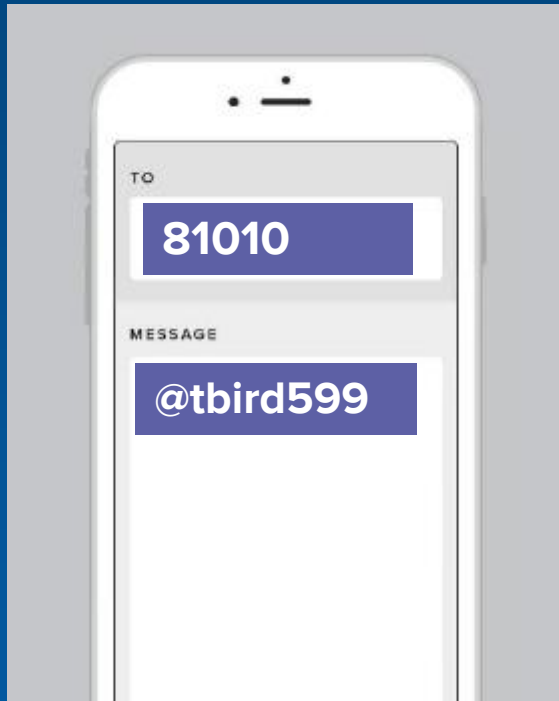


- This is our **primary communications** for the troop!
- eBlast will have all upcoming activities and Merit Badge class announcements
- This is going to be very important for **ALL FALL COMMUNICATIONS** as we have to be flexible
- To subscribe:
 - Go to ScoutTroop599.org
 - At the bottom, click “Sign up to receive troop emails”
- **Everyone should be subscribed including SCOUTS!**





Administration: *Communications - Remind*



- Everyone should subscribe to REMIND
- We will use this for **last minute communications** and to REMIND everyone about **upcoming events**
- Please text “@tbird599” to “81010” to receive important texts from the Troop!
- Trouble using 81010? Try texting @tbird599 to (516) 874-3612 instead.
- After you register, you will be entered into our database to receive immediate notices and updates

standard text message rates apply





Administration: New from BSA & Troop 599

- **New BSA Membership Fee System**
- **Effective April 1, 2024**
- **Annual Membership Fees will no longer be paid by the Troop with its Recharter.**
- **On November 1st , all current T599 scouts and adults will receive an email from BSA concerning renewal of their membership.**
- **The new BSA fees must be paid on-line to BSA by November 15th**





Administration: New from BSA & Troop 599

- Failure to pay the BSA fees on-line by December 31 will result in the lapse of membership.
- A lapsed scout will NOT be allowed to attend meetings or outings or to complete any advancement.
- A scout or adult can be reinstated without completing a new application during January by payment of their fees (and, possibly a late fee).





Administration: New from BSA & Troop 599

- The new fees paid on-line directly to BSA are:
 - Youth \$85.00
 - Scouts Life (magazine) \$15.00
 - Adult Leaders \$65.00
 - Youth and Adult SHAC Insurance \$ 6.00
 - MB Counselors (not also a CM or ASM) \$25.00
- The new annual fee for Troop 599 will be \$75.00





Administration: New BSA Camping Policy

- **Effective September 1, 2023 for ALL adults camping overnight**
- **Adult campers MUST be registered as a paid, adult leader, i.e., a Committee Member or Asst. Scoutmaster.**
- **This requires: Completion of an Adult Leader application
Payment of \$66 fee (\$60 to BSA and \$6 to SHAC)**
- **Completion of Youth Protection Training (72 min) Completion of Completion of CM Training (102 min)**





Outings





Outings

- **Focus 2024/2025 Scout Year**
 - September, is **single night outing**
 - **May will again be a MB clean up day at the Scout Hut**
 - Sign-up will close Monday prior to campout weekend – September will be earlier do to need to reserve canoes> Please **NO EXCEPTIONS**
- **Changes this Year**
 - More cooking (Sat/Sun Breakfast, Sat Dinner)
 - All campouts will have carpools (Meet at Scout Hut)
 - Sunday 9-10am Departures
 - Advancement Focus: ARQ's, SMC, sign-off
 - Patrol Box Cleaning





Patrol Boxes & Tents

- **Patrol Boxes (Focus this year)**
 - Cleaning patrol boxes completely at campouts (9-10am)
 - Patrol Leaders – ensuring patrol boxes have all required materials for campout (gas, paper towels etc)
 - Patrol Corners – inspection of patrol boxes
- **Tents**
 - ASPL Outings & Equipment have gone through all tents and have orders in for new rainfly's
 - **Tent Distribution: September 10th [begin deciding]**
- **ASPL Equipment (Luca Paullo): primary Point of Contact for issues [Patrol Method]**





Outings: 2024-2024

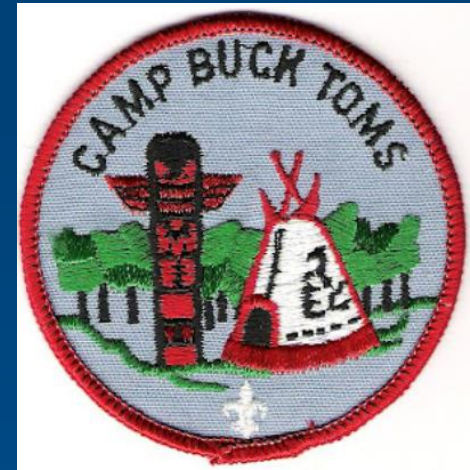
- **September 27-28 Canoeing, San Marcos River (San Marcos, TX)**
- **October 25-27 Cub-O-Ree, Bear Creek (Houston, TX)**
- **November 15-17 Shooting Sports/Climbing/Fishing Webelo Camp Bovay (Navasota, TX)**
- **December 13-15 Mountain Biking Bluff Creek Ranch (Warda, TX)**
- **January 24-26 Climbing/Rapelling Enchanted Rock State Park, TX**
- **February 21-23 Trebuchets/Outdoors Fickes Ranch (Flatonia, TX)**
- **March 21-23 Mountain Man Rendezvous King Ranch (Lockhart, TX)**
- **April 25-27 White Water Rafting (san Marcos, TX)**





Outings: *Summer Camp*

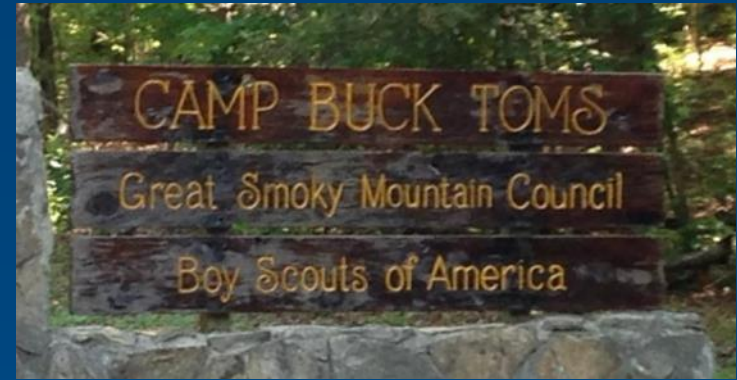
- **Camp Buck Toms**
 - **Date:** June 8th – 14th, 2025
 - **Location:** Rockwood, TN
- Located on the shores of a private cove on Watts Bar lake
- Camping is in Adirondacks with Bunk Beds
- We will Fly into Knoxville TN





Outings: *Summer Camp*

- **Camp Buck Toms**





Outings:

High Adventures 2025

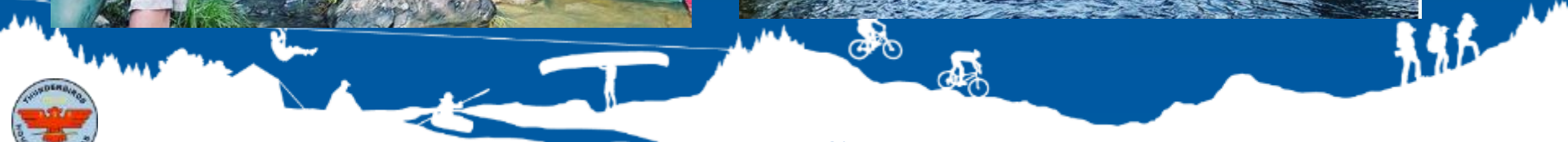


- **Maine High Adventure**
 - **Date:** June 19th - 28th, 2025
 - **Adult Leader:** Don Paullo
 - **Event:** Canoeing the Alagash Waterway
 - **Location:** MHA Patten, Maine





High Adventure – Maine High Adventure





Programs





Programs:

2024/2025 Format

Continue with the traditional schedule

- **Weekly (MDUMC Scout Hut)**

- 6:30 – 7:15pm: FCE and Merit Badge Classes
- 7:30 – 8:30pm: Troop Meetings
- Programming on Patrol Corners nights too

- **During each Outing (Sunday Morning):**

- 9am – 10am: PLC Meeting
- Discuss Outing and areas for improvement





Special Programs

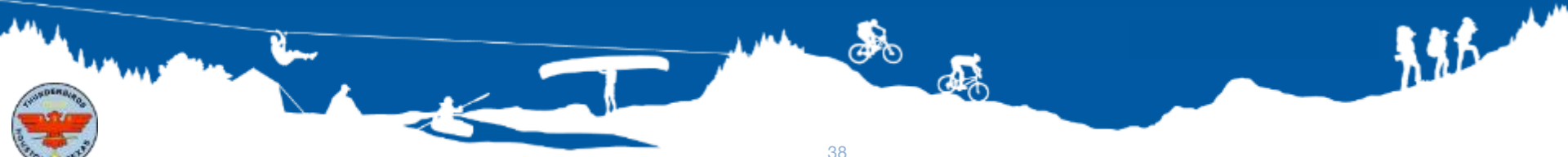




Food Drive - 2024

What Success Looks Like

- **Mr. McCord will leading this effort (thank you!)**
- **Get a bunch of Food for MDUMC Food Pantry**
 - Goal: 15% of houses donate food & 4000+ items
- **Show the Scouts the value of Community Service and the importance of effort to the community (theme for MBs)**
- **Yes door hangers are back for 2024!**





Food Drive - 2024

Logistics and Updates

- Limiting our area back to Memorial between BW-8 to Dairy Ashford and the Bayou and I-10 due to Troop Size ~3000 houses
- We will be using DOOR HANGERS this year so no more bags and stuffing items
- Tuesday and Saturday
- T599 Adult Leadership jobs are considered “once a year, working with adults”
- Service Hours available



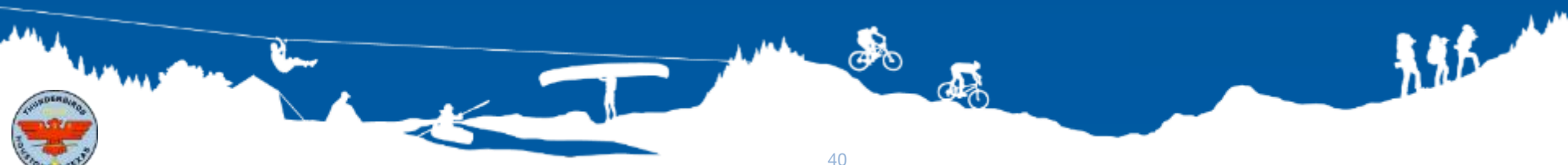


Food Drive – 2024

Volunteer Needs

- **Map Coordinator – Tuesday & Saturday; provide doughnuts (reimbursable by Troop) for participants**
- **Food Drop-Off Leaders (2) – Positioned at Food Pantry to work with Scout Leaders to facilitate unloading of food from cars and control traffic**

Adult Leadership jobs are considered “once a year, working with adults”





Recruiting





Recruiting

- **Growing the Team (Troop) is critical this year due to large number of Scouts aging out & impact of COVID on Scouting**
- **Refocus recruiting on local area**
 - Packs & Schools
 - Den Chief PoR is available
- **Expectations:**
 - Class A uniforms at events
 - Good behavior INCLUDING language





Recruiting: *Key Dates*

- Mustang District Meet the Troops Sept 12, 2024
- Webelos Open House: Oct 8, 2024
- Cub-O-Ree (*Troop Outing*): Oct. 25 - 27, 2024
- Webelos Campout (*Troop Outing*): Nov 15-17, 2024





Development





Development:

2024/25 Format - FCE's

The FCE Program will continue to focus on Scout Skills and advancement towards First Class

- Meetings
 - Meeting Time: 6:30pm – 7:15pm
 - Location:
 - **Family Life Center at MDUMC**
 - **2nd Floor in the Church**
- More to come from Mr. Binion





Development: Board of Reviews (BoR)

- BOR sign up sheet returning to the Scout Hut.
- Sign-ups close at the end of the Troop Meeting the Tuesday prior so we can recruit the right number of adult volunteers.
- **Reminder: BOR occurs the first Thursday of each month.**

Troop 599 Board of Review Sign Up Sheet				
Date of Board of Review:		<u>Thursday, September 2, 2021</u>		
BOR Reminders:		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Scouts are eligible for a Board of Review ONLY after all requirements are met and recorded in your Handbook.• Scouts must bring the signed off Handbook, and be dressed in complete Class A Uniform at the Board of Review.• Scouts attending for Star and Life Boards of Review must bring your individual History Report (HR) to the Board of Review.• Scouts must complete Scoutmaster conference prior to Board of Review.• Boards start at 7:00 PM.		
BOR Coordinator: Steve Stevens Cell: 281-637-4800 / Email: Steve@troop599@gmail.com				
Please remove the sign-up sheet from this area to complete and bring to the meeting.				
Scout Name	Rank for Review	Scout Email	Scout Phone No.	Have you read the BOR Reminders written above?





Development:

Advancement Review Questions (ARQ)

- Each Patrol Advisors is responsible for performing the ARQ.
- Troop Outings are the **PRIMARY location** for all ARQ's so please use 9-10am on Sunday.
- **Reminder:**
 - Sign-off of all requirements (as shown in book or TM)
 - Schedule ARQ with Patrol Advisor
 - Schedule SMC: Star – Mr. Paullo/Binion/Lackey, Life/Eagle – Mr. Paullo
 - Sign-up for BoR – First Thursday of Month





Development: Merit Badges

First Aid	Mr. McCord	Sep3, 10, 17 - Room D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM	2024
Cit in Society	Mr. Eagleson	Sep 24, Oct 8 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM	2021
Sustainability	Mr. Harris	Oct 8 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM	2024
Cooking	Mr. Lackey	Oct 15, 22, 29 - Room D207 or ZOOM and future Troop Outing	6:30PM - 7:30PM	2024
Law	Mr. Harris	Nov 12 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM	2024
Personal Management	Mr. Parks	Nov 5, 19 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM	2024
Hiking	Mr. White	Dec 10 - Room D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM	2023
Camping	Mr. Lackey	Dec 10 - Room D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM	2024
Environmental Science	Mr. Parks	Dec 17, Jan 7 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM	2024
Family Life	Mrs. Oglesby	Jan 14 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM	2023
Personal Fitness	Mr. Bozeman	Jan 21, 28 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM	2023
Cit in the World	Mr. Paullo	Feb 4, 11 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM	2020
Automotive Maintenance	Mr. Lackey	Feb 18, 25, Mar 4 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM	2024
Communication	Mr. Tittle	Feb 18, 25, Mar 4 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM	2019
Cit in the Community	Mr. Harris	Mar 18, Apr 1, 8 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM	2016
Cit in the Nation	Mr. Welborn	Mar 25, Apr 22, 29 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM	2022
Emergency Prep	Mr. Babineck	May 6, 13 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM	2023

Reminder: Citizen in Society now **REQUIRED** Eagle Merit Badge





Development:

Positions of Responsibility

- **If you need a POR for rank advancement, please discuss with your Patrol Advisor ASAP**
- **Focus on Den Chief, Chaplain Aide, Bugler, and Historian (Social Media)**
- **Goal: To fill 100% by September 20th**
- **All POR's require Scouts to complete page 66 from Troop Handbook**
 - Upon turn-in (email to Mr. Bennett & Mr. Paullo): POR will officially begin





Adult Leadership

Managing Committee:

Mr. Burkhart - Committee Chairman

Mr. Paullo - Scoutmaster

Mr. Binion - Outings

Mrs. Oglesby - Programs

Mrs. Smejkal - Advancement / Development

We still need a Treasurer and Greenery Chair





Questions?





Closing Flags





Closing Ceremony

Scout Oath

**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.**

Scout Law

**A Scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind,
obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent.**





Let's Have a
Great Year!!

