



# Welcome Scouts 2020-2021 “Adaptability”





# Agenda

- Opening
- Prayer
- Summer Review of Activities
- What's New?
- Administration
- Introductions of Staff
- Outings Overview
- Programs Overview
- Development Overview





# Opening Ceremony



**“Troop attention” – unmute in Zoom, & join in saying Pledge**





# Opening 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.





# Prayer

- **Opening Prayer**



*“Almighty Father, as we grieve the loss of Ira Gross, help us to remember his involvement with Scouting. Show us how he lived the Scout Oath and Scout Law. We ask that you comfort us as we will miss his friendship and fellowship.”*

- **Help the Gross Family**

*Sign up to provide meals (either home-cooked or via Grub hub or similar restaurant services) or assist with other tasks (e.g., light household maintenance) over the next few months at*

*<https://mealtrain.com/okw1w1>*





# Summer Look Back





# High Adventure – Seabase





# High Adventure – Seabase



- **Number of Scouts & Adults:** 6 Scouts & 2 Adults
- **Furthest Offshore:** 23 miles in 1550 ft of water
- **Most fish caught in one day:** 26 but only 8 keepers
- **Fish Caught:** Blue Fin Tuna, Barracuda, Mahi Mahi, Mangrove, Yellow Tail, Vermilion & Yellow Eye snapper, Nurse sharks
- **2020 Seabase Records:** Mr. (Bill) Mallin: sandbar shark at 128”; tagged #394993 NOAA
- **Rose:** Fishing and going offshore daily
- **Thorn:** Getting sunburn & “seasick”
- **Favorite Food:** Fresh mahi, Star Fruit, Unripe Papaya cut with plastic knife







# What's New!



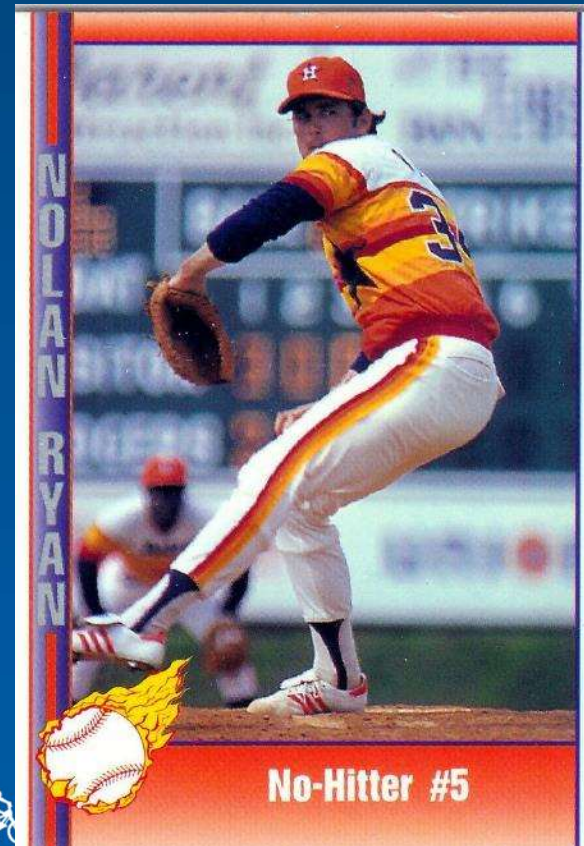


# 2020/2021 Scout Year

Theme for this year: “Adaptability”

“Enjoying **success** requires the ability to **adapt**. Only by being open to **change** will you have a true **opportunity** to **get the most** from your **talent**.”

Nolan Ryan





# 2020/2021 Scout Year

Theme for this year: “Adaptability”

- Focus on: Keeping the Troop Together

How are we  
going to do this?





# 2020/2021 Scout Year

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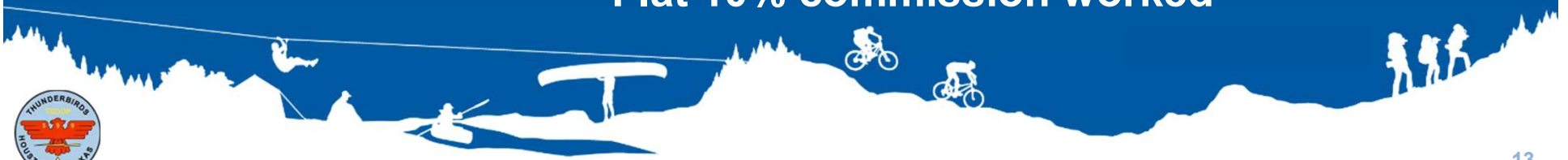
- **Focus on: Keeping the Troop Together**
  - **Fall Scout Year**
    - ✓ **Virtual Continue (more in Programs)**
    - ✓ **Shift to Single Day-Only Outings**
    - ✓ **Advancement, Advancement, Advancement!**
      - ❖ **Merit Badges – Published on Website**
      - ❖ **POR’s – Number of open positions available**
      - ❖ **Week 4 Mtgs – Focused on adv & community svc**





# What we heard from Scouts: *Positive Changes in 2019 - 2020*

- Troop/Scout Level:
  - Cooking (Improvement on menu selection)
  - Scout Skills (knowledge)
  - Increased Attendance (Outings & Troop Mtgs)
  - Bowline Knot (much improved)
- Advancement:
  - Board of Review (increased)
- Recruiting:
  - Recruiting (+20 new Scouts)
- Special Programs:
  - Scout Sunday (Increase)
- Greenery:
  - Very successful (All Scouts contributed)
  - Flat 10% commission worked





# What we heard from Scouts: *Positive Changes in 2019 - 2020*

- **Outings:**
  - **Patrol Boxes (Improved Cleanliness)**
  - **Activity vs Free Time Ratio**
  - **Overall Attendance**
  - **Outing Costs (Covering Costs)**
  - **Trailer and Equipment (Optimization)**
  - **Improved Adult Food (Quality)**
  - **Three Year Rotation (New Experiences)**





# What we heard from Scouts: *Needs more Attention in 2019 - 2020*

- **Troop:**
  - Food Drive Attendance (low) – this is Service Hours so we need all Scouts to help out (very low this year)
  - Communications amongst Patrol & Troop
  - Outdoor Code – Few Scouts Know it (Scoutmaster Quiz)
- **Outings:**
  - Post Outing PLC – Need feedback from Scouts to PL's and ASPL's post campout on issues and improvements
  - Tents – Too many broken tent poles (playing football near tents)
  - Enforcement of 3-Pot Method – Important with Covid
  - Electronics Policy
  - Patrol Menu Outings – Improve Inspections
  - Patrol Method to solve issues





# What we heard from Scouts: *Continue to Focus on 2020 - 2021*

- **Troop:**
  - More Patrol Cohesiveness include FCE's – no separation between patrols and FCE; more spirit between Patrols
  - Communications – eBlast and REMIND
  - Staff: 1) Need to be leading more so less Adult involvement with Patrols and FCE's 2) Overall Attendance at Outings
- **Outings:**
  - Scouts need to be more proactive during Outings and ask for Sign-Off's, Scoutmaster Conferences and ARQ's (don't wait till BOR week!!)
  - Cleanliness at campsite – from Staff to FCE: need to respect the environment and your Patrol & Patrol Boxes
- **FCE's:**
  - Outing - Going to focus Saturday evenings for sign-off's
  - ASPL and Troop Guides – need to make sure following Scout spirit and limit horsing around (broken Tents)







# Administration





# Administration:

## *Senior Staff 2020-2021*

- Zane Black: SPL
- Amry Jaleel-Khan: Programs
- Ben Duong: Outings
- Matthew Lackey: Troop Guides
- Michael Bennett: Patrol Leaders
- Trey Snell & Thomas Ochs: Equipment
- Thomas Babineck: Membership & Special Programs





# Administration: *Troop Guides*

- **ASPL Troop Guides – Matthew Lackey**
- **FCE Patrol 1 - Owls**
  - Harrison Brooks
  - Alex Gross
- **FCE Patrol 2 - Squirrels**
  - Quinn Unger
  - William Mallin





# Administration: *Parent Meetings*

- **Life to Eagle:** **October 14, 2020\***
- **Beyond FCE:** **September 16, 2020\***  
**March 31, 2021**
- **New FCE Parent:** **April 21, 2021**
  
- **Location: Scout Hut @ 7:30pm – 9:00pm**

**\* Virtual Meetings**





# Administration:

## *Key Dates*

- **Courts of Honor (3):**
  - Fall: September 8, 2020 (Virtual)
  - Spring: January 26, 2021
  - Year End: May 20, 2021
- **Troop Registration: Sept 15, 2020 (due)**
- **Food Drive: Sept 29 & Oct 3, 2020 (Live)**
- **Order of Arrow: Nov 3, 2020 (Election, Virtual)**
- **Scout Sunday: February 14, 2021**
- **New Scout Induction: May 4, 2021**
- **Year End Banquet: May 20, 2021 (Thursday)**





# Administration: *Greenery*

- Troop 599 will again sell Greenery as our primary fundraiser for the Troop
- Same expectations from last year:
  - Sell and distribute \$300.00 worth of Greenery
  - Flat 10% Commission Rate for **all sales above** \$350
- More information at [Greenery Kickoff Sept 8<sup>th</sup>](#) with Mr. Paullo
  - Greenery Due (**Live**): Nov 4, 2020 (Wednesday)
  - Greenery Distro (**Live**): Dec 1, 2020





# Administration:

## *Continued Policy – 2020/2021*

- **Electronics:**
  - No electronics on campout for Scouts (Adults drivers need to take on arrival)
  - No phones out during meetings – PL to enforce
- **Contraband Food :**
  - All campout meals approved during Patrol Corners with PA so should not be an issue
  - Patrol Advisors to enforce and not Staff





# Administration: *Communications - eBlast*

## Troop 599 Weekly E-Blast

This is a weekly email newsletter highlighting upcoming events, training, and outing information for Boy Scout Troop 599.

Visit our Website



- 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](http://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\*





# Outings





# Outings

- **Focus 2020 Scout Year (Fall)**
  - Single day events only
  - Close to Houston
  - All 2020 outings require limited carpooling and parents will be required to take Scouts for social-distancing
  - Continue to use On-Line sign-ups for all Outings
  - Camping available but only by “Family” – not a “Troop” overnight outing
- **Back to regular outings cadence in Jan 2021 (Hopefully)**

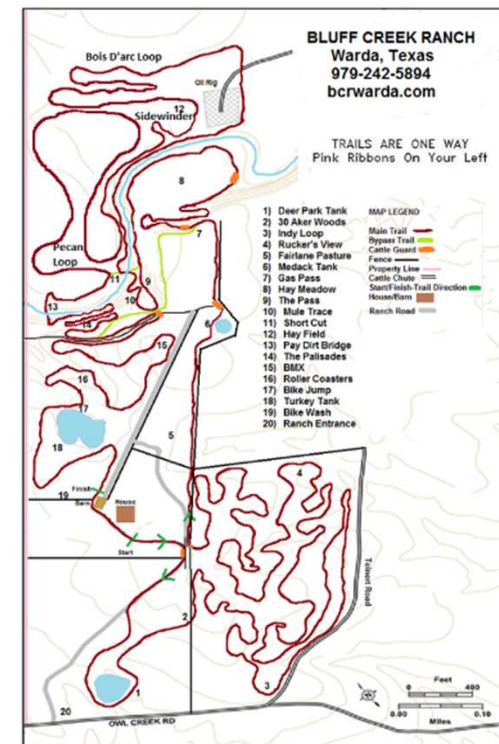




# Outings: September



- **Date: September 19, 2020**
- **Event: Bluff Creek Ranch Mtn Biking (Day Event)**
- **Location: Warda, TX**
  - *There are 8.9 miles of well shaded, rolling, single track trails that wind through hardwoods and pines.*
  - *Camping available by family only (\*\*make YOUR own reservations)*





# Outings: *October*



- **Date: October 17, 2020**
- **Event: Saltwater Fishing (1-Day Event)**
- **Location: Galveston, TX**
- **Seawolf Park located on Galveston's Pelican Island The park offers one of the island's most popular fishing piers, picnic sites and a playground. The park is also home to tourist attractions, including the WWII submarine the USS Cavalla and one of only three destroyer escorts in the world, the USS Stewart.**
- **Merit Badge – Work on all portions during this outing.**





# Outings: *November*



- **Date: November 14, 2020**
- **Event: 52nd King Ranch Alternative**
- **Location: Either Camp Bovay or Strake**
  
- **We will continue the traditions with shooting sports.**
- **This is where we are being “Abapable” this year as we do not know what is going to happen!!!**
- **This is our main recruiting event for Webelos so we need EVERYONE to attend**





# Outings: *December*

SCaVenGER  
HUNt!

- **Date: December 12, 2020**
- **Event: Ultimate Scavenger Hunt and Stealth**
- **Location: Columbus/Sealy, TX**
- **AM: Scouts must be able to read maps and use compasses to find the items to win.**
- **PM: Stealth is back by popular demand. Which Patrol is going to win?**





# Outings: *January*



- **Date: January 22-24, 2021**
- **Event: Rappelling & Climbing**
- **Location: Enchanted Rock State Natural Area, Fredericksburg, TX**
  
- **BACK TO NORMAL (Hopefully)**
- **Climbing, rappelling, and hiking.**
- **Climb-on Safely class to be held on January 13 for this event**
- **We will get the same campsite locations as last year which seemed to work well**







# Outings: *February*



- **Date: Feb 19-21, 2021**
- **Event: Hiking**
- **Location: Pedernales Falls State Park,  
Blanco County, Texas**
  
- **Troop Outings is still working on this event due to State Parks  
not being open**
- **Focus on hiking, orienteering, and fun!!**





# Outings: *March*



- **Date: March 6-7, 2021**
- **Event: FCE Campout**
- **Location: Bear Creek Park, Houston, TX**
- **This is for FCE only to work on specific requirements and sign-offs for rank advancements.**
- **HINT: this is a campout not to miss for sign-off's**
- **Further details as plans are finalized for the outing**





# Outings: *March*



- **Date: March 26-28, 2021**
- **Event: King Ranch**
- **Location: Lazy K Ranch, Lockhart, TX**
  
- **Let the Tradition's continue with King Ranch**
- **Similar format but more Patrol competition focused this year**
- **Who is going to be Mountain Man this year??**





# Outings: *April*



- **Date: April 16-18, 2021**
- **Event: Mustang District Camporee**
- **Location: Bovay Scout Ranch, Navasota, TX**
  
- Troop 642 will be hosting the bi-annual Camporee for Mustang district
- Shooting sports (shotgun, rifle, archery), climbing/rappelling, etc.
- Further details as plans are finalized for the outing





# Outings: *May*



- **Date: May 14-16, 2021**
- **Event: Water Sports & Caving**
- **Location: Inks Lake SP, Burnet, TX**
- **Caving at Longhorn Caverns – this was a blast 3 yrs ago and you get really, really muddy!!**
- **Further details as plans are finalized for the outing**





# Outings: *Summer Camp*



- **New Camp Strake**

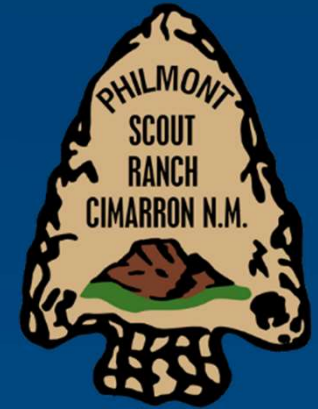
- **Date:** June 20 – 26, 2021\* (not confirmed)
- **Location:** Camp Strake, Coldspring, TX
- Only 90 minutes from the Scout Hut
- Camp Strake has 20 campsites with pavilions and an air-conditioned dining hall
- Activities will include shooting sports (rifle, shotgun, archery, sporting arrows), Wild Hex (aerial adventure tower), zip lines, climbing, rappelling, COPE, swimming, biking, merit badge classes and more.





# Outings:

## *High Adventures 2021*



- **Philmont**

- **Date:** July 15 – July 31, 2021
- **Adult Leader:** Rick Snell
- **Event:** Philmont Backpacking Adventure  
1 Crew for 12-day Trek.  
Max 12 people per crew.  
Scouts must be 14 or completed 8th grade  
and 13 yrs. old.
- **Location:** Philmont Scout Ranch, Cimarron, NM





# Outings:

## *High Adventures 2021*



- **SeaBase**

- **Date:** July 22 – July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021
- **Adult Leader:** TBD
- **Event:** SeaBase Fishing Adventure
  - 1 Crew of 8 people max.
  - Scouts must be 13 yrs. old.
- **Location:** SeaBase – Brinton Center, Summerland Key, FL







# Programs





# Programs:

## *2020 Fall Format – Patrols*

“Adaptability” is the name of the game here so we have adjusted regular meetings:

- **First Week** of the month: **Virtual** Troop Meeting
  - Mostly administrative: discuss Outing, themes, and key info
- **Second Week** of the month: **Virtual** Patrol Meeting
- **Third Week** of the month: **Live** Patrol Meeting – Theme of the Outing
- **Fourth Week** of the month: **Live** Advancement Meeting
  - Bentwood Park: Sign-off of Scout Skills for Scouts (1<sup>st</sup> class and below)
  - Community Service: Hours for advancement
- **Fifth Week** of month: **Live** Special event meetings\*\*\*





# Programs:

## *2021 Spring Format*

**Hopefully back to the traditional schedule**

- **Weekly**

- 6:30 – 7:15pm: FCE and Merit Badge Classes
- 7:30 – 8:30pm: Troop Meetings

- **Fourth Tuesday each month (after Outing)**

- 6:30 – 7:15pm: PLC Meeting
- Discuss Outing and areas for improvement





# Development

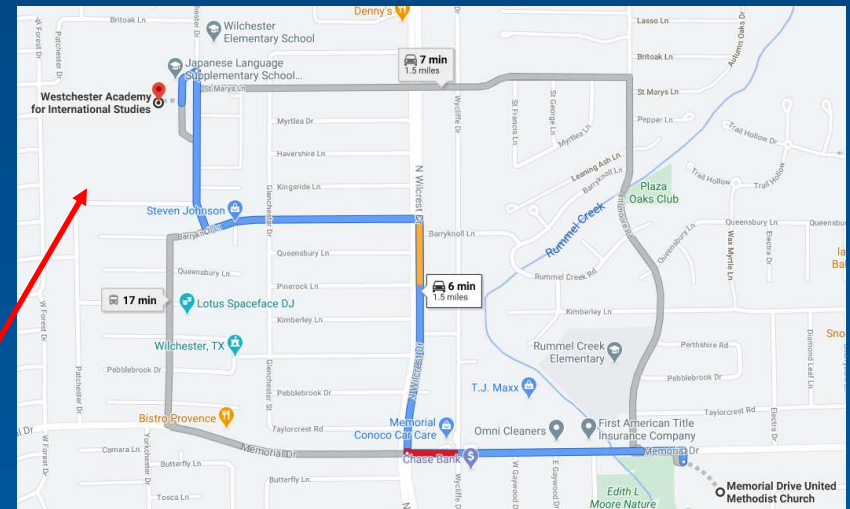




# Development: 2020 Fall Format - FCE's

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

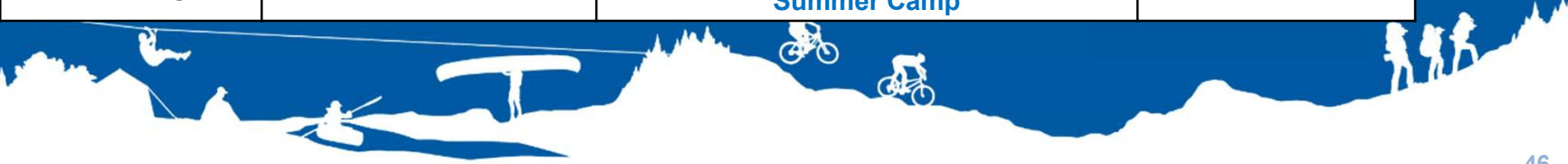
- September Meetings
  - Dates: 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, and 22<sup>nd</sup>
  - Meeting Time: 6:30pm – 8pm
  - Location:
    - *Westchester Academy*
    - *901 Yorkchester Drive 77079*
  - Where: Running track at the back of campus
- This will be the typical schedule but more to come





# Development: Merit Badges

Merit Badge	Counselors	2020-2021	Class Times
First Aid	Mrs. Cerveney, Mrs. Brugo	Aug 25, Sep 1, 8, 15 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM
Cooking	Mrs. MacCrimmon, Mrs. Christiansen	Sep 29, Oct 13 and the October Outing - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM
Salesmanship	Mr. White	Oct 20, 27 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM
Personal Management	Mr. Gibson	Nov 3, 10 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM
Family Life	Mr. Goodwin	Nov 17 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM
Environmental Science	Mr. Escamilla	Dec 8, 15 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM
Personal Fitness	Mr. Bozeman, Mr. Wagner	Jan 5, 12, 19 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM
Cit in the World	Mr. Stuckwisch	Feb 2, 9 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM
Communication	Mr. Tittle	Feb 16, 23, Mar 2 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM
Cit in the Community	Mr. Harris	Mar 9, 23, 30 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM
Radio	Mr. Snell	Apr 6, 13, 20 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM
Cit in the Nation	Mr. Welborn	Apr 6, 13, 20 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM
Emergency Prep	Mr. Balke, Mr. Bozeman, Mr. Babineck	Apr 27 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM
Entrepreneurship	Mr. Welborn	May 4, 11, 18 - Rm D207 or ZOOM	6:30PM - 7:30PM
Camping	Mr. White - One Parent	May 11 - Room D207 or ZOOM, finished at Summer Camp	6:30PM - 7:30PM





# Development:

## *Key Dates:*

- **Patrol Advisors:**
  - Start September 8, 2020
  - *First Tuesday of Month*
  - *Virtual in Fall before Troop Meeting*
- **Boards of Review:**
  - Start September 3, 2020  
(*Live Bendwood Park – Fall*)
  - *First Thursday of Month*





# Development:

## *Positions of Responsibility*

- If you need a POR for rank advancement, please discuss with your Patrol Advisor ASAP
- Goal: To fill 100% by September 15<sup>th</sup>
- All POR's require Scouts to complete page 66 from Troop Handbook
  - Upon turn-in (email to Mr. Bennett & Mr. Snell): POR will officially begin







# Questions?





# Final Announcements





Let's Have a  
Great Year!!

