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# **Webelos to Scout Orientation**

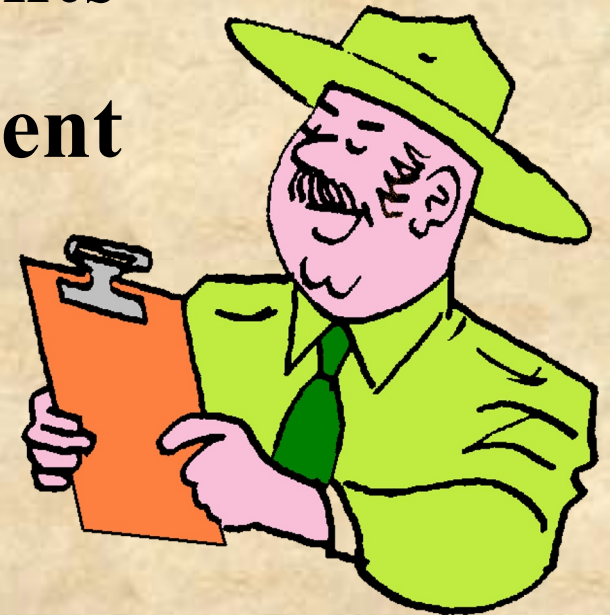


# Discussion Topics

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- Troop Organization
- How to Visit a Troop
- Boy Scout Advancements
- Camping and Equipment

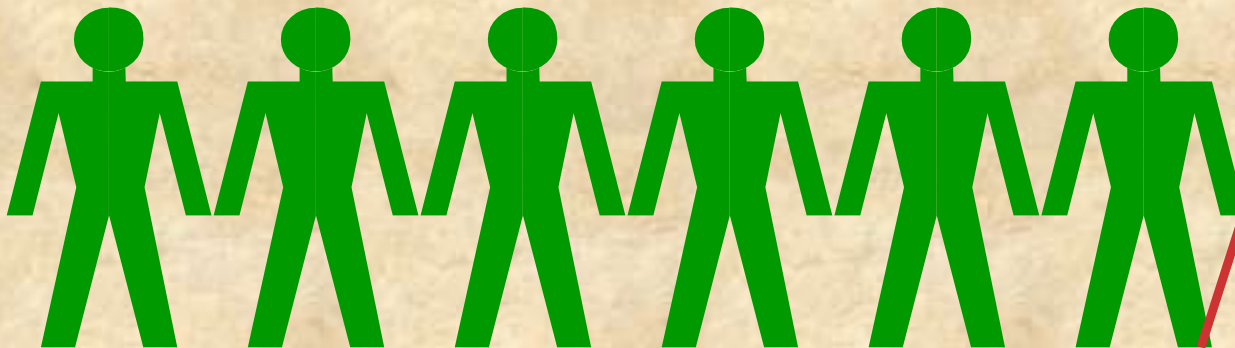


# Troop Organization

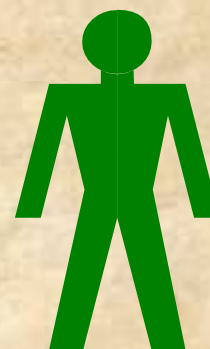
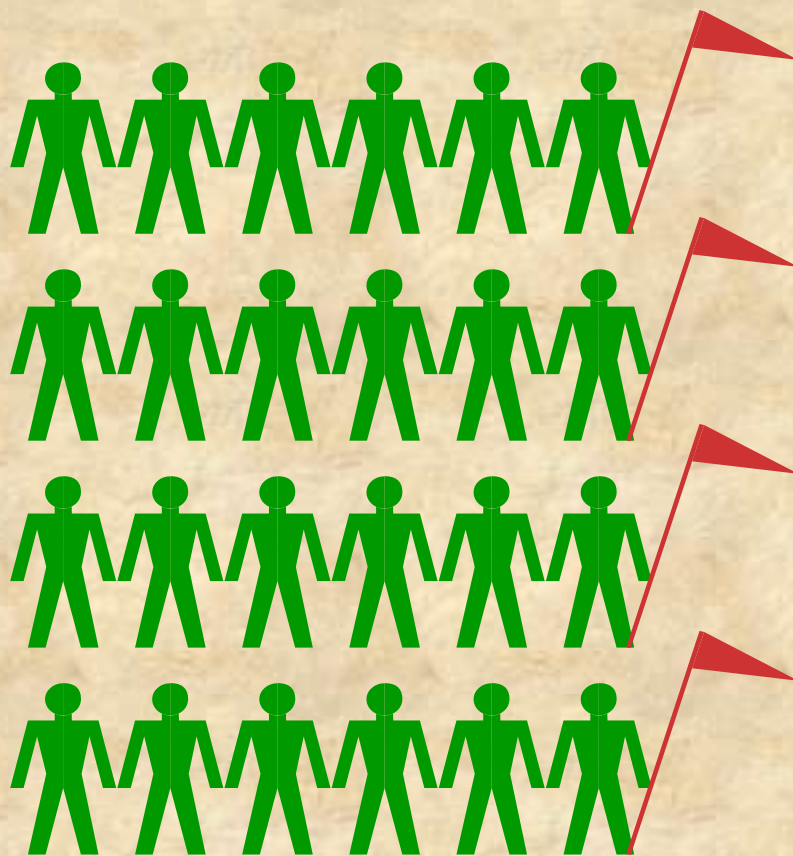


## The Patrol Method

- What is a Patrol?
- What does a Patrol do?
- The “New Scout” Patrol



# Troop Organization



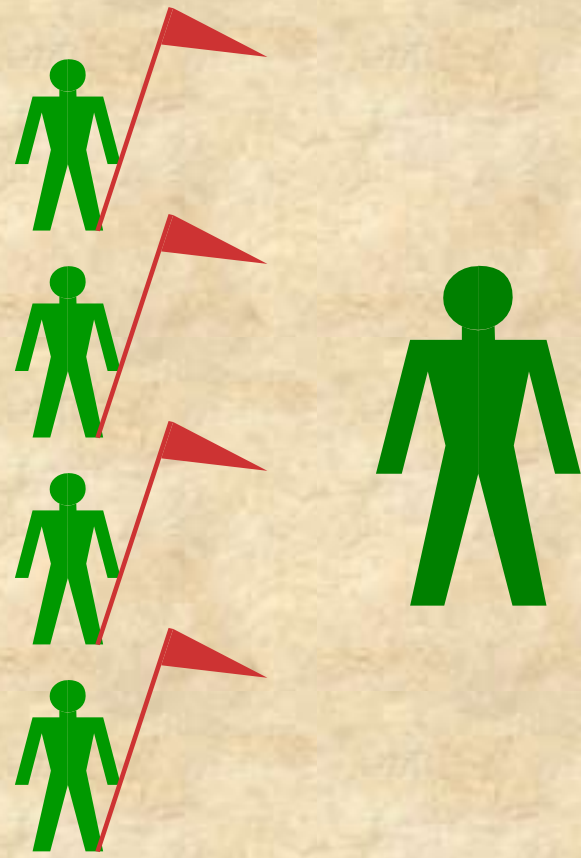
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# Troop Organization

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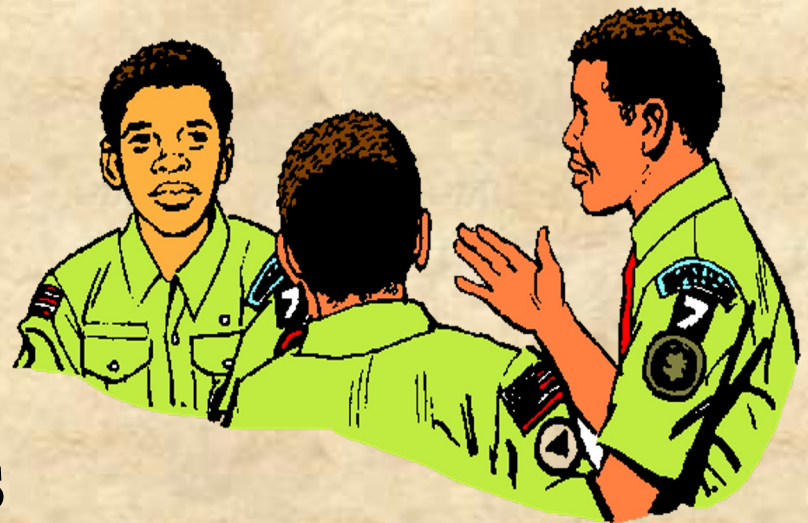
# Troop Organization

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## Meetings

- Troop Meetings
- Patrol Meetings
- Campouts
- Service Projects



# Troop Organization

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## What do the adults do?

- Cubmaster
- Webelos Leaders



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# Troop Organization

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## Scoutmaster

- Train the youth leaders
- Mentor ASMs
- Sign Requirements
- Conduct SMCs / ULCs



# Troop Organization (cont'd)



## Committee



- ❑ Approve PLC's plans
- ❑ Boards of Review
- ❑ Approve Eagle Projects
- ❑ Typical positions:
  - Chair
  - Advancements
  - Treasurer
  - Eagle Advisor
  - Events
  - Webelos Coord
  - Chaplain
  - Equipment



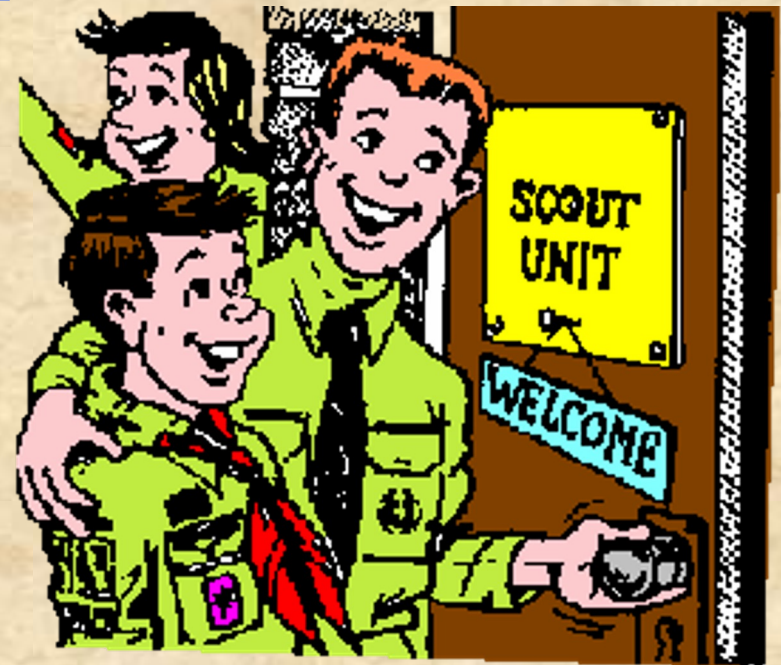
# How to Visit a Troop

## □ Who to Call

- Scoutmaster
- Troop Webelos Coordinator
- District web page or Unit Commissioner

## □ When to Visit

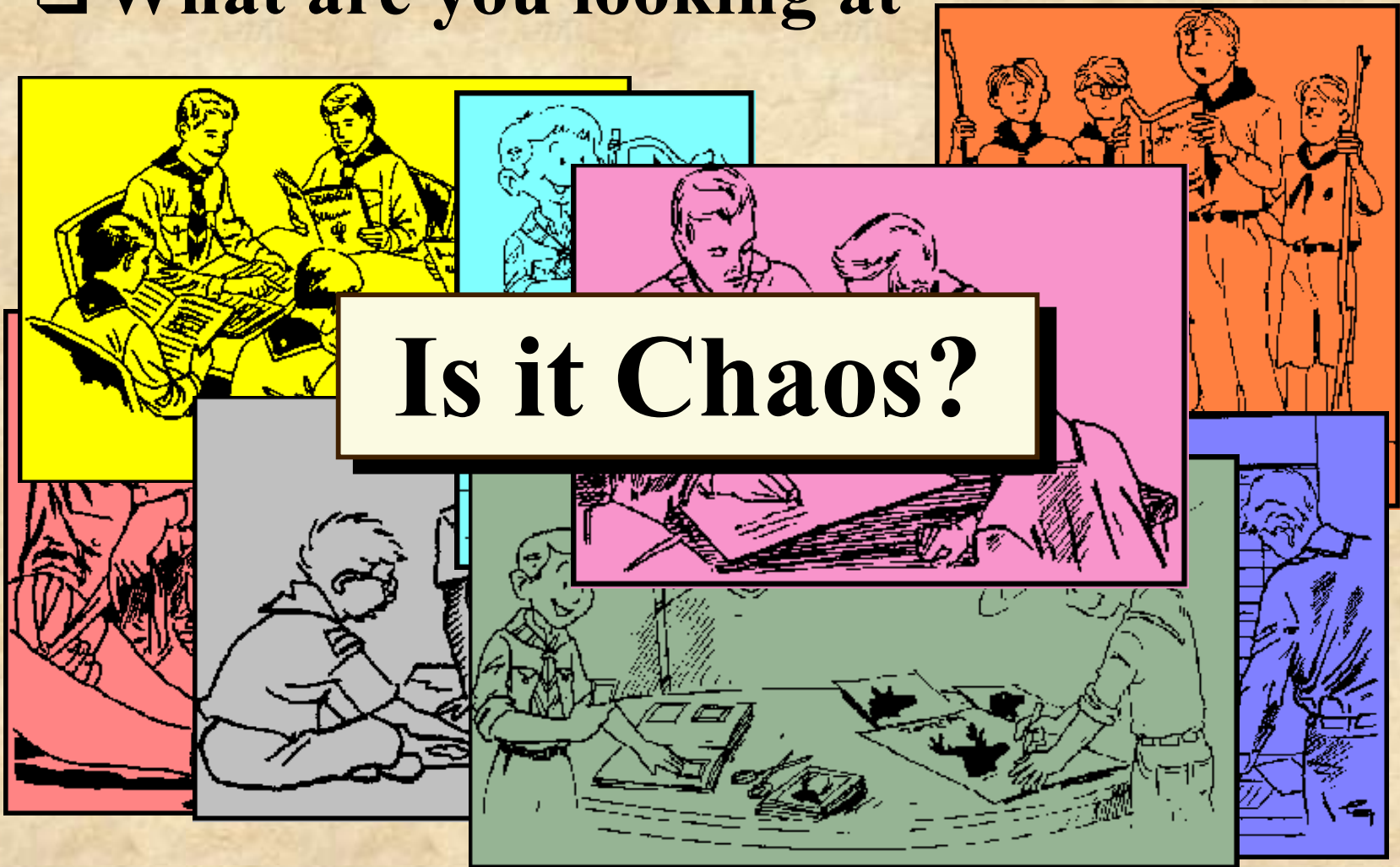
- Open House
- Regular Meetings



# How to Visit a Troop



□ What are you looking at





# How to Visit a Troop

## Deciding on a Troop

- Meeting Time and Place
- Size of Troop (small, medium, or large)
- Age and Rank Distribution of Scouts
- Chartering Organization
- Activities Offered
  - Camping
  - High Adventure
  - Service Projects
- Fundraising & Dues
- Friends in Troop



# How to Visit a Troop



## □ When can you join?

- Completed the fifth grade
- 11 years old
- Earned the Arrow of Light and be at least 10 years old

Fulfilling any of these three requirements allows someone to join a Scouts BSA Troop



# How to Visit a Troop

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## Crossover

- Transition ceremony
- Attend Troop meetings as soon as you hand in your application, don't wait for the ceremony

# Advancements

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## Scout Rank



- **Pledge of Allegiance**
- **Scout Sign, Salute, Handshake**
- **Square Knot**
- **Scout Oath, Law, Motto, Slogan, and Outdoor Code**
- **Scout Spirit**
- **Pamphlet Exercises**
- **Scoutmaster Conference**

# Advancements



## 1st Year Program



- Can be done in 1 year
- Signoffs by Scoutmaster (+?)
- Can work on all 3 at the same time





# Advancements



**FIRST CLASS Rank Requirements**  
Effective January 1, 2010

	Leader initial and date
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1. Demonstrate how to find directions during the day and at night without using a compass. (Pages 368–371)	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2. Using a map and compass, complete an orienteering course that covers at least one mile and requires measuring the height and/or width of designated items (tree, tower, canyon, ditch, etc.). (Pages 346–351, 372–374)	
<input type="checkbox"/> 3. Since joining, have participated in 10 separate troop/patrol activities (other than troop/patrol meetings), three of which included camping overnight. Demonstrate the principles of Leave No Trace on these outings. (Pages 247–250)	
<input type="checkbox"/> 4a. Help plan a patrol menu for one campout that includes at least one breakfast, one lunch, and one dinner, and that requires cooking at least two of the meals. Tell how the menu includes the foods from the food pyramid and meets nutritional needs. (Pages 102–106, 306–317, 320)	
<input type="checkbox"/> 4b. Using the menu planned in requirement 4a, make a list showing the cost and food amounts needed to feed three or more boys and secure the ingredients. (Pages 321–323)	
<input type="checkbox"/> 4c. Tell which pans, utensils, and other gear will be needed to cook and serve these meals. (Page 324)	
<input type="checkbox"/> 4d. Explain the procedures to follow in the safe handling and storage of fresh meats, dairy products, eggs, vegetables, and other perishable food products. Tell how to properly dispose of camp garbage, cans, plastic containers, and other rubbish. (Pages 328–330)	
<input type="checkbox"/> 4e. On one campout, serve as your patrol's cook. Supervise your assistant(s) in using a stove or building a cooking fire. Prepare the breakfast, lunch, and dinner planned in requirement 4a. Lead your patrol in saying grace at the meals and supervise cleanup. (Pages 325–327, 343)	
<input type="checkbox"/> 5. Visit and discuss with a selected individual approved by your leader (elected official, judge, attorney, civil servant, principal, teacher) your constitutional rights and obligations as a U.S. citizen. (Pages 70–72, 81–82)	

Downloadable requirements checklists for all ranks and videos to guide you through the First Class rank requirements may be found on the Handbook Web site, [www.bsahandbook.org](http://www.bsahandbook.org).

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## Scout Handbook

- Guide for learning Scoutcraft, Woodcraft, Campcraft
- Rank requirements sign-offs

# Advancements

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## Scoutmaster Conference



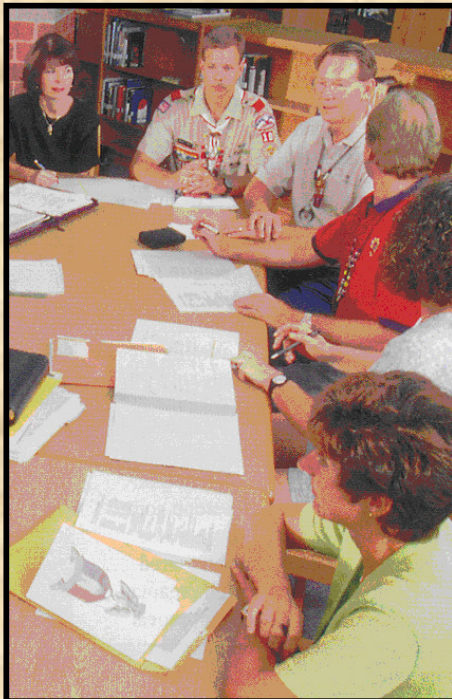
- Review requirements
- Set goals
- Share ideas

# Advancements

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## Board of Review



- **Quality of Troop experience**
- **Scout spirit**

# Advancements

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## Court of Honor



- Recognition of Advancements and Honors
- Done at regular intervals

# Advancements

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## The Path to Eagle

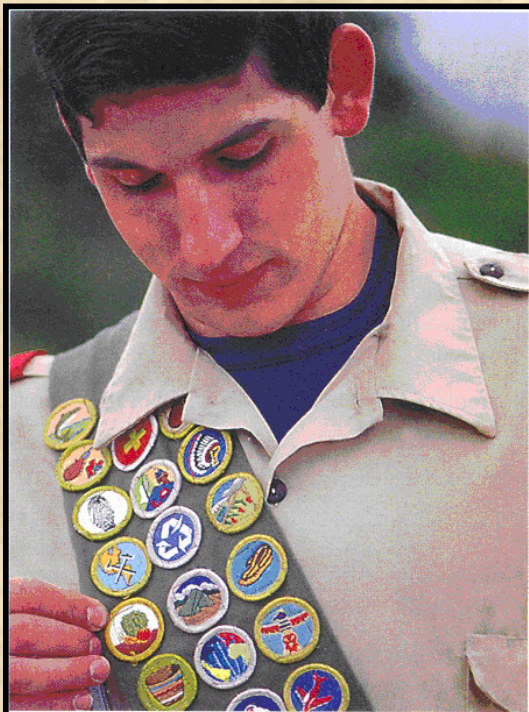


- Merit Badges
- Leadership
- Service Projects
- Scout Spirit

# Advancements



## Merit Badges



- Earned by All Scouts
- Eagle Required Badges
- Merit Badge Counselors

**APPLICATION FOR  
MERIT BADGE**

Name Matthew Steiner  
Address 205 South Johnson Rd.  
City Sterling, VA 20164

is a registered  
 Boy Scout  Varsity Scout  Explorer  
of Troop No. 261  
(troop, team, post, ship)

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and is qualified to begin working for merit badge noted on the reverse side.

Date 3/29/99 Signature of merit badge counselor [Signature]

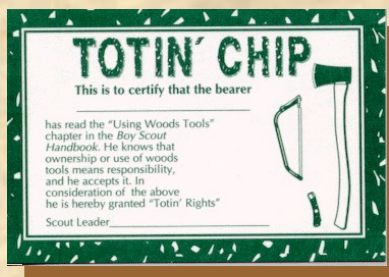
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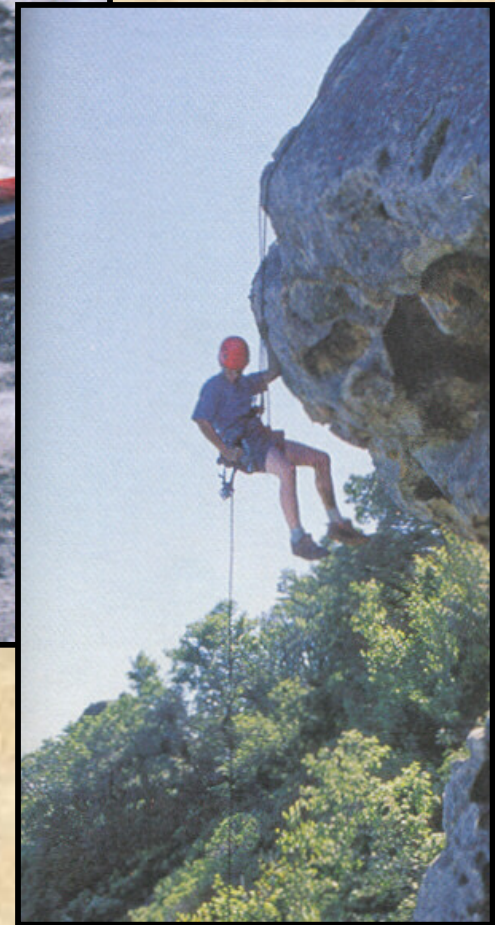
# Advancements



## Other Awards



# Camping and Equipment





# Camping and Equipment

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- Learning skills
- How a patrol works

# Camping and Equipment

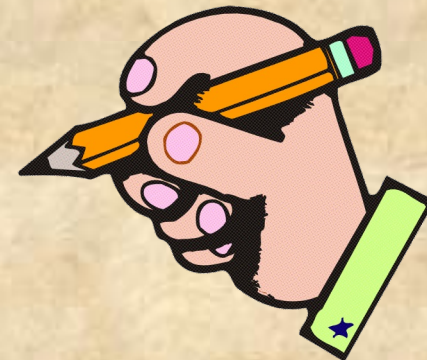
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## Summer Camp

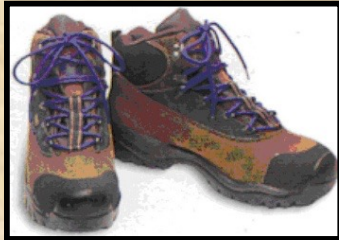


- One week long
- Focused on merit badges and first year requirements





# Camping and Equipment



## Equipment



- Troop/Patrol Gear
- Backpacks
- Sleeping bags
- Boots
- Flashlights
- Mess kits
- Raingear
- Water Bottle



# Camping and Equipment

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## Packing



- Scouts pack, not the parents
- Checked by older Scout
- Leave the electronics home

# High Adventure



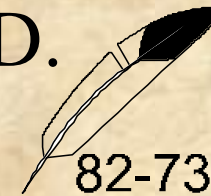


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