

## **STEAK OUT '24 - SCOUTS BSA PRE REQS**

**ALL SCOUTS ATTENDING STEAK OUT '24 MUST BRING A DAY PACK WITH THE 10 ESSENTIALS FOUND IN YOUR HANDBOOK.**

**DEN CHIEF TRAINING:** No pre reqs

\*Option at registration to purchase Den Chief Handbook (\$11)

**COMMUNICATION MB: (Limit 10 Scouts)**

\*See page 2-3

**AMERICAN CULTURES MB: (Limit 10 Scouts)**

Come prepared with all your requirements for review at Steak Out with the Merit Badge Counselor.

**SCOUTING HERITAGE MB: (Limit 20 Scouts)**

\*See page 4

**CHESS MB: (Limit 6 Scouts)**

Come prepared with all your requirements for review at Steak Out with the Merit Badge Counselor. You will play your matches at Steak Out.

## Communication Merit Badge At Steak Out '24

Hi Scouts! My name is Crystal Bueno, and I am a volunteer leader with Troop 187 and Pack 187.

I have worked in Marketing and Communications in financial services for 25+ years. In my day-to-day job, I do executive speech writing, I write industry reports and white papers, bylines, client communications and internal communications. I also write press releases, I write and design marketing materials, and I write talking points and messaging for our executives to speak with the media. I clearly do a lot of talking and writing! But communication is more than writing and speaking – there's also unspoken communication and listening. I'm excited to work with you to complete this important Eagle-required badge.

If you or your Troop leadership have any questions about what we will be covering in the class, or about the pre-requisites below, please contact me at [crystal@levy.net](mailto:crystal@levy.net). If you have a partial in the badge and want to work with me to finish it, I'm happy to help you with that, too.

**Merit Badge Requirements:** [https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/Merit\\_Badge\\_ReqandRes/Communication.pdf](https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/Merit_Badge_ReqandRes/Communication.pdf)

### Part 1 – 11-12:30

- 1.(c) Introductions (15 mins)
- 2.(a) Personal presentations and sales pitches (15 mins)
3. 5-minute speeches (60 mins)

### Break for Lunch

### Part 2 – 2-4PM

4. Introductions of guest speakers (30 mins)
6. Teaching skills – *we will break into small groups or form partners, and you can teach each other or inform about a topic. Come prepared with your teaching aids.* (30 mins)
7. "Show & Tell," be prepared to share what you made – a letter to the editor, a webpage, or a newsletter, brochure, recruitment flyer for your troop, etc. (30 mins)
9. Discussion of communication careers and education (10 mins)

### **Work to do ahead of time / pre-requisites:**

2(a) Come with your creative aid about yourself. OR / 2(b) Come with your sales presentation.

3. Come with your 5-minute speech written and prepared. Practice it! Time yourself in front of a mirror speaking slowly and confidently, so you know it's 5 minutes. (*Rule of thumb – a 5 min speech will be about 750 words*). You will deliver your speech during the class.

4. Interview someone you know well. Come prepared with your introductions of them as if they were going to be a guest speaker.

5. Send me an email and I will review and approve your “public meeting.” If you cannot find one to attend in person, it is acceptable to join one over Zoom. *Let me know if you cannot find one, and I can give you some suggestions.* After you have attended the meeting, please send me your “objective report” through email and I will read it before our class.

6. Come with your teaching aids. Maybe you want to teach a simple Scout skill, like how to tie a knot. Or teach someone a magic trick. Whatever you choose!

7. Come prepared with your letter, webpage, or newsletter, brochure, Troop recruitment flyer to show and tell. Have fun and be colorful and creative!

8. You are required to serve as the MC at a COH, campfire or interfaith worship service. Your Scoutmaster can email me that was already completed in your Troop.

9. Research three careers in Communication. We will discuss!

## **SCOUTING HERITAGE MB AT STEAK OUT - AT NIGHT**

Scouting Heritage MB Requirements Link

### **Schedule:**

Part 1 — 10am - 10:30am

Part 2 — 4:30pm - 5:45pm

Part 3 — 7:30 - 8:30pm

**Pre Reqs:** To be done ahead of time

**Reqs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6:** Complete these requirements and be prepared to discuss at Steak Out.

**Req 7:** Pick a game from the Scouting Heritage MB pamphlet, reproduce it, bring it with you to Steak Out and we'll play the game.

[https://www.troop109nj.com/app/download/5843964/  
Scouting+Heritage+Merit+Badge+Pamphlet.pdf](https://www.troop109nj.com/app/download/5843964/Scouting+Heritage+Merit+Badge+Pamphlet.pdf)

### **Req 8:**

Option 1: Complete ahead of time and come prepared to discuss.

Option 2: Complete at Steak Out - using the Scout Leaders that are there.