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PROGRAM: WHERE THE FUN IS AT

Welcome to Camp Berry 2019!

We have a lot of new things in store for this summer at Camp Berry. Our program is built upon the foundations of Scouting – gaining experience with lifelong memories. We hope to serve you to the best of our ability and want your camp experience to be outstanding for both you and your Scouts. Our staff is fully committed to supporting your troop with a broad range of activities.

We offer training and programming in all aspects of Scouting: advancement, adult association, Scouting ideals, leadership development, and true outdoor experiences at Camp Berry. We encourage individual, patrol, and troop programs for a well-rounded Scouting experience.

We know that there are many great camps to choose from, and we are honored that your Troop has considered and/or selected Camp Berry to provide this opportunity for the Scouts of your unit.

We hope this 2019 Leader's Guide will answer many questions you have about the program we are scheduling for this summer. Please read this guide thoroughly, as it is the first step in having a successful experience at Camp Berry this summer.

On behalf of the Black Swamp Area Council Camping Committee and the staff, we look forward to seeing you at Camp Berry this summer.

Welcome to your Camp Berry Adventure!

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What's New at Camp Berry

New NOVA Award Merit Badges

To provide opportunities for older Scouts, we will be offering different Merit Badges with the NOVA programs: Start Your Engines will feature the Aviation Merit Badge. Whoosh! Will feature Electronics and Inventing.

Program Area Updates

We are bringing back Handicraft and changing Eagle Trail to Eagle's Nest, which will still feature Eagle required Merit Badges, AND will encompass additional Merit Badges that we feel are important to Citizenship.

Scout Input on Merit Badges

This summer, we are excited to offer the following 4 Merit Badges that were voted on by Scouts last summer: Aviation, Farm Mechanics, Photography, and Electronics.

Senior Patrol Leader Week

This summer, the week of June 16-22 will be Senior Patrol Leader week. This week is designed for SPL's to earn their Merit Badges which will allow them time to serve in their leadership capacity for your Troop during your week of summer camp. We are looking forward to integrating the SPL's in the Leadership structure of Camp Berry. This additional week will be no cost to your SPL.



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General Camp Information

10-Day Out Meetings

The final pre-camp meeting is the 10-Day-Out Meeting. This meeting is held at Gardner Pavilion, with the meal beginning at 6:30 p.m. We strongly encourage you to send your Senior Patrol Leader, Scoutmaster, and one Assistant Scoutmaster—they will eat for free.

Any additional leaders (beyond the first three) that wish to attend this meeting are welcome for \$7.00 each, to cover the cost of their meal. Two weeks prior to your 10– Day Out meeting, please notify the Camp director of the number of persons attending so that adequate amounts of food can be prepared.

At this meeting, the camp leadership will inform you of any last-minute changes, updates, service opportunities, and answer other questions you may have. We will hand out important documents and troop rosters, as well as updated and detailed schedules of your week at camp. But most importantly, your troop will be able to sign up for many of the activities that you will participate in at camp so that when you arrive on Sunday you can move through registration quickly. These sign-ups will include, but are not limited to:

- ❖ Mealtime Grace
- ❖ Flag Raising/Lowering
- ❖ Shower House Cleaning
- ❖ Evening Activities
- ❖ Merit Badge Additions

WEEK OF CAMP	MEETING DATE	RSVP BY
JUNE 23 – JUNE 29, 2019	June 13, 2019	May 30, 2019
JUNE 30 – JULY 6, 2019	June 20, 2019	June 6, 2019
JULY 7 – JULY 13, 2019	June 27, 2019	June 13, 2019
JULY 14 – JULY 20, 2019	July 3, 2019	June 20, 2019

We strongly encourage adult leaders to sign-up to help with the activities, particularly when it involves transporting or chaperoning the Scouts. We are here for the Scouts, and without the aid of each adult, camp cannot operate efficiently.

This meeting is important for the troop as well as the camp. It facilitates a quicker check-in procedure on the Sunday your unit checks-in, and it allows us to better arrange for your week at camp. It is our goal to distribute and collect information from you to relieve some of the stress of Check-In day on Sunday. At this meeting, we expect all units to submit:



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- ❖ Troop Physicals – must be turned in by this meeting, or prior to.
- ❖ Dietary Concerns – must be listed on medical form, as well as submitted on a Dietary Restriction form
- ❖ All Receipts for Camp Fees
- ❖ Pre-Camp Swim Test Form (if completed)
- ❖ Early Release Forms
- ❖ ATV Release Forms

24 HOURS AFTER THIS MEETING, THE DOUBLEKNOT SYSTEM WILL LOCK DOWN. ALL ROSTER CHANGES MUST BE MADE BEFORE THIS LOCK DOWN. TROOPS WILL BE LIABLE FOR ANY RESERVATION THAT IS NOT REMOVED PRIOR TO LOCK DOWN. THIS INCLUDES UN-NAMED YOUTH OR ADULTS.

Troop Check-In

Welcome to Camp! Troop Check-In is from 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM on Sunday. If you will be arriving after 1:00 PM, please contact the Camp Director to make other arrangements. No arrivals will be permitted before Noon. A Troop Guide will greet you at the parking lot to assist you in organizing your Troop for Check-In. We ask that Troops hike back to their campsites. Vehicles carrying troop equipment are allowed into camp from 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM only to quickly unload and return to the parking lot. After you are checked in to your campsite, your Troop Guide will help coordinate the following procedures:

1. One Adult leader will be directed to the Camp Office for Troop Check-In.
2. Medical checks will be done for your Scouts. This will be done at the Health Lodge.
3. Swim checks at the time you sign up for at the 10-Day Out. If you did not sign up in advance, you will do so at check-in.
4. Senior Patrol Leader, and an adult leader, will complete the Campsite Check-In/Out Form.

Camp Tour

This year, the Camp tour will be designed for first year Scouts, and Scouts who have not attended Berry before. However, it is open to all who want to participate. More details on the Camp Tour will be provided at Scoutmaster Orientation Meetings.

Troop Check-Out

The entire camp participates in a closing flag ceremony and a formal dismissal at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday morning at the Parade Field. This all-camp closing ceremony allows your troop time to pack up and it allows our staff to properly prepare your closing packets. You may also review your closing packets and talk with staff members if you have any last-minute concerns. It is our goal to make sure your departure from camp is safe and efficient. To facilitate the check-out procedures on Saturday, we have developed the following procedures:



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- ❖ Breakfast will be delivered between 7:45 a.m. and 8:15 a.m. on Saturday morning. Troop Guides will also be eating with your troop, and will remain with the troop until the Flag Ceremony.
- ❖ Troop Guides will bring the Campsite Check-In/Out Form, which you filled out when you arrived on Sunday, to the Camp Office. This sheet is signed by all parties to ensure the quality of your campsite when you checked-out, as well as to initiate any repairs or refinements as necessary.
- ❖ Troops must remove any/ all trash from the campsite, and take to the dumpster in the parking lot.
- ❖ When your troop has everything packed up and removed from the campsite, send one adult leader to accompany your Troop Guide into the Camp Office to check out. The administrative staff will be available starting at 8:30 a.m.
- ❖ The departure packet will include troop advancement sheets, summer camp patches, and information about Summer Camp 2019. We strongly suggest that you review the contents of your packet before you leave camp. It is very difficult to clear up discrepancies after you leave. These packets, as well as HEALTH FORMS, will be available to pick up on Friday evening after campfire.
- ❖ Vehicles are allowed in campsites after 7:00 a.m., but must be moved to the parking lot by 9:30 a.m.

If you need to make other arrangements, please notify the Camp Director or Camp Commissioner.

Camper Identification

For the safety and security of all at camp, identification wristbands must be worn at all times by all Scouts, Scouters and Visitors. Entry to merit badge sessions and the Dining Hall can be restricted for individuals without a wrist band. In the event an individual loses their wristband, a new one can be picked up at the Camp Office.

If you see any individual without a wristband during your stay at camp, please let a member of Camp Staff know immediately so that the situation can be remedied.



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Flag Ceremonies

All flag ceremonies will be held in the Parade Field east of Donnell Lodge and are mandatory for all troops. We will have troops take turns volunteering a color guard of six (6) Scouts for each ceremony. Those Scouts in the color guard are expected to be in full field uniform, which includes official Boy Scout shirt, pants/shorts, belt, and socks. If we have an International Staff member, we will fly their national flag and the American flag at the same height. Troops are encouraged to bring their unit flag to display alongside the American flag. Each group will be dismissed from the flagpole for meals by the Program Director based on their scout spirit. Except for Friday evening and Saturday morning, flag ceremonies will be held at:

Raising – 7:50 AM

Lowering – 5:50 PM

Dining Hall Procedures

Breakfast & Dinner will be served family style. Each table seats a total of 8 people, which should include at least 1 staff member. Lunch is served in an open style from 12:00PM – 1:20PM. We need 3 adults per the 2 lunch sessions (12 – 12:45PM & 12:45PM – 1:20PM) to help in the open cafeteria style lunch.

Waiters & Staff Seating

One waiter is required for every table in the Dining Hall. These waiters will need to report to the Dining Hall 10 minutes before meals to set up your tables, and stay after the meal to clean up your table and the surrounding area. During the meals, the waiter is responsible for refilling drink pitchers and getting seconds when called.

Totems – in order to ensure that a staff member sits with you in the dining hall, please make sure to take a staff totem off of the serving line. Each totem pertains to a specific staff member, and they will sit wherever their totem is located.

Optional Pack-Out Meal Program

The Pack-Out program reinforces the importance of patrol style cooking. We are providing you the option to cook one or multiple of your meals in your campsite if you desire. This means that when you sign up for this, your Troop will be responsible for preparation, cooking and cleaning up for the meal. The 10-Day Out meeting is the last opportunity to sign up for this program. The Dining hall will provide all food and items needed for preparation. We will not provide dishes, napkins, cups or silverware. Units are asked to provide their own stoves, pots, pans, etc.

Meal Tickets

All visitors who plan on eating at the Dining Hall must purchase a \$7.00 meal ticket at the Trading Post. This includes all visitors who attend Friday's Family Night. Children under 5 years old eat for free.



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CAMP PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Camp Program Schedule

Camp Berry offers 6 program sessions Monday – Friday for all its merit badge, high adventure, adult training, and specialty programs. Some programs may span multiple sessions. Open Program area will be offered in the evenings.

For example; if a Scout chooses to take the canoeing merit badge at 11 AM, he will attend his class every day from 11:00AM to 11:50AM for a total instruction time of over 4 hours. He will earn his merit badge, provided all the pre-requisites are completed, in this time frame. However, if he feels the need to put in extra work on a requirement, or his instructor asks him to, he can come back during the open period and work on requirements.

The ATV program will span across two or more sessions, each day of the week.

Program Sessions

SESSIONS	TIME SLOT
1	9:00AM-9:50AM
2	10:00AM-10:50AM
3	11:00AM-11:50AM
4	1:30PM-2:20PM
5	2:30PM-3:20PM
6	3:30PM-4:20PM



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Special Program Fees

There will be an additional program fee for the following programs. These fees can be paid at the 10-Days-Out Meeting, but may be paid to the Business Manager on Monday of your camp week if there are changes in a Scout's schedule. With the best interest of the Scouts in mind, there is no fee for Rifle, Shotgun, and Climbing during the afternoon and evening program; however, there is still a fee for those particular merit badges.

Archery	\$ 5.00	Rifle (black powder)	\$ 10.00
ATV	\$ 30.00	Rifle	\$ 10.00
Climbing	\$ 10.00	Sculpture	\$ 15.00
COPE	\$ 10.00	Shotgun	\$ 15.00
Leatherwork	\$ 10.00	Start Your Engines	\$ 25.00
Photography	\$ 5.00	Welding	\$ 10.00
Pottery	\$ 10.00	Whoosh!	\$ 30.00



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Merit Badge Registration

To register for merit badges, access your Doubleknot account where you made your initial reservation and payments. Once the unit roster has been created and you have made the \$75 nonrefundable deposit per scout, then you will be able to register all the boys for the merit badges that they want to take. Merit badges go live on **Saturday, April 6, 2019 at 9:00 am.**

Merit Badge Preparation

It is recommended that all Scouts read through the most current merit badge book to ensure they are prepared for the class. Many merit badges have requirements that must be completed prior to coming to camp. To obtain the optimal experience at summer camp, the Senior Patrol Leader and Scoutmaster need to ensure that their Scouts complete these pre-requisites before coming. Preparations for each merit badge can be found in the merit badge list.

Proper documentation proving that a Scout has completed any necessary requirements prior to camp is required at the first meeting of their merit badge group. If proof is not present, the Scout will not be able to complete the merit badge.

Merit Badge Offerings

The merit badges offered will be following the 2019 Requirement Book. To ensure that each Scout receives the proper attention while working to attain a merit badge, most merit badge classes will have a limited number of available seats.

It is the responsibility of the Adult Leaders to sign the scout up for the appropriate merit badges. You know your scouts a lot better than we do. We therefore ask that you use your best judgement in order for the scouts to succeed. The Camp Berry staff does not want to tell a Scout that he is not able to do a merit badge for various reasons, so please help us make sure that your scouts are working on merit badges that are appropriate for them at that particular time in their life.

All camp merit badges can be found on the National BSA website: www.scouting.org/meritbadges.aspx

To keep a wide variety of merit badges available for the Scouts to participate in, Camp Berry rotates some merit badges year to year. The 2019 offerings can be found on the Black Swamp Area Council website.

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Program Capacities

Each merit badge and program has a capacity per class. Slots will be reserved on a first come, first serve basis. Capacities are determined based on equipment, staff, and program demands and limitations. The Camp Director and Program Director will consider the expansion of capacities if the need arises. The last thing we want to do is negatively affect the program quality for other Scouts, due to overcrowded sessions. Please “be prepared” and plan ahead to ensure your unit does not end up in a “last minute” situation.

Switching Merit Badges

We ask that changes to Scouts merit badges be done by your respective 10-Day Out Meeting.

After arriving at camp, Scoutmasters may come to the Camp Office to switch merit badges for their Scouts. We prefer this be done Sunday, prior to the opening Campfire. Please be aware that merit badge availability is limited due to capacities, staffing requirements, supplies, and other variables. It is for this reason, that Scouts will have a limited choice on what merit badges they may switch to.

Advancement Tracking Sheets / Records

At the end of the week, you will receive tracking sheets in your Check-Out packet. These sheets will list all of the Scouts in your unit, as well as the Merit Badges they were scheduled for. Next to each merit badge, we will list if the scout received a Complete or a Partial (remaining requirements will be listed). For Black Swamp Area Council units, this advancement record replaces the blue card system and is recognized as a valid form for advancement by the Council Advancement Committee.

Blue Cards

Camp Berry recognizes that some Troops prefer the use of Blue Cards. If your Troop will need Blue Cards filled out, please plan to provide the necessary Blue Cards. In order for them to be filled out, please make sure the Program Director has them by Wednesday of your week of camp.

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High Adventure

We are excited to once again offer the ATV program, and announce the Expeditions TREK program, as our High Adventure options for Camp Berry. Please see the details below for each program

ACTIVITY	REQUIREMENTS	COST
ATV Safety Course 1 9:00AM – 10:30AM	Participants must have signed waiver submitted to Camp Office. Must also have long pants, long sleeve shirt or jacket and boots that cover the ankles. Minimum age is 14.	\$30
ATV Safety Course 2 10:30AM – 12:00PM	Participants must have signed waiver submitted to Camp Office. Must also have long pants, long sleeve shirt or jacket and boots that cover the ankles. Minimum age is 14.	\$30
ATV Safety Course 3 2:00PM – 3:30PM	Participants must have signed waiver submitted to Camp Office. Must also have long pants, long sleeve shirt or jacket and boots that cover the ankles. Minimum age is 14.	\$30
ATV Safety Course 4 3:30PM – 5:00PM	Participants must have signed waiver submitted to Camp Office. Must also have long pants, long sleeve shirt or jacket and boots that cover the ankles. Minimum age is 14.	\$30
Expeditions TREK Week Long	Participants must have signed waiver submitted to Camp Office. Age 15 or older. River Canoeing Trek to Camp Lakota. More details available at BlackSwampBSA.org .	\$375.00

NOVA Areas for Older Scouts

We are offering a NEW program area this year for Scouts age 14 or older. These block programs will give your Scouts a hands-on experience in a STEM related area. Scouts will have the opportunity to earn a NOVA Award, as well as complete 3 merit badges. These blocks will last for 3 class sessions. They will be offered in the morning and the afternoon. Scouts may even have the opportunity to take a field trip off camp property for a requirement for their NOVA Award. We hope that you will share these with your older Scouts as a new option for them at camp. Here are the options:

- ❖ **The Garage** – Scouts will earn the Start your Engines NOVA Award, as well as have the opportunity to earn the Aviation Merit Badge. Camp Leadership considering adding an additional merit badge to the curriculum.
- ❖ **STEM** (formerly TECH) – Scouts will earn the Whoosh! NOVA Award, as well as have the opportunity to earn the Electronics and Inventing merit badges.

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Baden Powell Program

To best serve the First-Year Scouts, we offer Baden Powell, a program specifically designed for them. As part of Baden Powell, Scouts will work on requirements from all 4 initial ranks, but will mainly focus on Tenderfoot and Second Class.

Baden Powell will have two aspects:

- 1.) Scouts will focus on the skill sets that are required for the specific rank advancement. The actual requirements that will be covered during this program are posted on the camp website.
- 2.) The Scouts will have the opportunity to have fun at camp and explore what Scouting is all about...FUN!!!

Baden Powell Scout Schedule

DAY	MORNING	AFTERNOON
Monday	Baden Powell Program only *Scouts work in Patrols	3 sessions available for Scouts to schedule Merit Badges
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		

Baden Powell Extras

In addition to working on rank advancements, scouts in the Baden Powell program will have the opportunity to work on several additional items, including, but not limited to:

- First Aid Merit Badge (taught in conjunction with teaching First Aid requirements for ranks)
- Totin' Chip - this certification grants a Scout the right to carry and use woods tools. The Scout must show his Scout leader, or someone designated by his leader, that he understands his responsibility.
- Firem'n Chit - this certification grants a Scout the right to carry matches and build campfires. The Scout must show his Scout leader, or someone designated by his leader, that he understands his responsibility.

Baden Powell Swimming Merit Badge option

Since all our Swimming Merit Badge courses are taught in the morning, we now offer a special Swimming Merit Badge class daily during session 4 (1:30PM – 2:20PM). This class is only available to Scouts who are taking Baden Powell during the morning sessions.



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SPECIALTY PROGRAM INFO

Specialty Programs Information

Polar Bear Swim / Mile Swim

The Polar Bear will take place every morning at 7:00AM. Scout must swim one lap of the pool 4 out of 5 days in order to qualify for the award. The Mile Swim practice will take place each day starting at 2:30PM. Each day, campers will progress in the length in which they swim so that they can build up the endurance to swim the entire mile on Friday afternoon.

Open Program Areas

On select evenings, we will offer Open Program Areas. This provides two opportunities for Scouts. The first opportunity is to check out a program area or merit badge that they are not already working on during the week. The second opportunity is for a scout to come back to a program area to put additional work into a merit badge, outside of class sessions. With the best interest of the Scouts in mind, we have decided to remove fees for Rifle, Shotgun, Archery, and Climbing during the open program time.

After open program time, we will offer fun, camp-wide activities! These activities will allow Scouts an opportunity to try new programs, outside of the offered Merit Badges. Things like Berry Battles, Gaga Ball, Tomahawk Throw, Scoutmaster Shoot, etc. **An evening program schedule will be provided at the 10 day out meeting.**

Patch Trading

Patch trading is an enjoyable hobby for everyone, young and old, and the camp setting certainly provides an excellent opportunity to do so. However, youth should only trade with youth and adult leaders should trade only with other adult leaders. Adult leaders should not trade with, or purchase patches from, youth. Patch trading will take place on Thursday night in the Dining Hall. Please encourage your Scouts and Scouters to bring their patches and check out this great opportunity!

Night Climb

So you've climbed the tower before during the day? We think it's time for you to take your thrill seeking attitude to the next level. The tower will offer a Night Climb for those scouts looking to take the scouting adventure to new heights. Please refer to the evening schedule for days and times.

Totem Pole Project

Commemorate your Troop's 2019 Berry Summer Camp experience? Create a section of your weeks totem pole depicting your Troop. These totem poles will then be placed in a place of prominence for the rest of the year, until we convene in 2020 for Summer Camp!

This process can be started before camp or done at camp. Totem pole blocks can be picked up at Camp Berry starting May 1, 2019. Please contact us at campberry.scouts@gmail.com if you wish to pick up your block prior to camp. They can also be picked up at camp when you arrive. Your Troop can go to either the Garage or to the Cultural Center and use our tools and materials. Just talk to those Directors and they can set you up. We hope that these Totem Poles will become a point of pride for all Scouts who attend summer camp at Camp Berry!



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ORDER OF THE ARROW INFO

Order of the Arrow (OA)

Wednesday is Order of the Arrow Day, culminating in the Calling-Out Ceremony that evening. Prior to the ceremony, the OA Lodge will be performing. From dinner through the ceremony, we ask that all Arrowmen wear their sashes with their field uniform in support of Scouting's brotherhood of cheerful service. Arrowmen will also be offered the chance to participate in the Ceremony.

Call-Out Ceremony (OA)

The Dance Team performance will begin at 8:15PM. Call-Out ceremony will start at 8:45PM. All campers are to meet no later than 8:40PM at the dining hall, where a staff member will be waiting to lead all units to the ceremony grounds.

Brotherhood Membership (OA)

OA members who have been active for ten months or more as an Ordeal member are eligible for the next membership level, that of Brotherhood. Brotherhood membership signifies a deeper level of understanding of the customs and traditions of the Order of the Arrow. To become a Brotherhood member, an Arrowman need only to answer a few questions to establish their knowledge of the Order, and then take part in the Brotherhood ceremony which seals their membership. Any Ordeal member meeting the requirements can get a "Brotherhood Information Sheet" from the Summer Camp Chief. All Brotherhood and Vigil Honor members are invited to the Brotherhood Ceremony held each Wednesday evening at 8:00PM.

Out-of-Council Troops (OA)

Troops from Councils outside of the Black Swamp Area Council must have a letter from their Lodge Chief/Adviser stating the name of the Scouts and Scouters from their unit who have been elected in the OA. After the call-out ceremony is done, your Lodge will receive a letter stating its completion.

*** Unit elections must be held prior to summer camp. ***

Cracker Barrel (OA)

On Wednesday evening after the call-out ceremony, all Arrowmen are invited to Donnell Lodge for a special treat and fellowship time.



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ADULT ACTIVITIES

Adult Training

The camp is not just for the scouts; adults are going to have plenty of opportunities to have fun in the Black Swamp as well. From participating in our programs to some of our evening activities, there are a plethora of options out there to take advantage of during their stay at camp. However, many adults participate in our training program. Our Camp Commissioners will help train the adult leaders attending camp. We want your unit to leave camp stronger and more prepared than when they arrived.

Below is a list of trainings offered at camp. Please note that we may add additional training throughout the year if resources become available.

- Youth Protection Training
- Weather Hazards
- Scoutmaster / Asst. Scoutmaster Specifics
- Climb on Safety
- Leave No Trace
- Troop Committee Challenge

Volunteer to Help

We know that many of you have wonderful skills and knowledge in various aspects of Scouting, and we welcome your assistance with making camp a better experience for all. If you have any special skills you would like to put to use at camp, please let us know so that we can find opportunities for you during your stay at camp. Some possible areas to consider include:

- Merit Badge Counseling
- Lifeguarding
- Maintenance
- Baden Powell helper

Dutch Oven Cook-Off

On Wednesday, as part of the camp-wide cook-out, we will hold a Dutch Oven Cook-Off! Come prepared to make us your finest Dutch oven dessert! The Camp Management...I mean Judges...will be ready and willing to try all the delicious treats! If you are interested, you will sign up with the Camp Commissioner after you arrive at camp. If you do not have a Dutch oven available to use, let us know! Camp has several, and we are willing to loan you one for the competition.



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Adult Shoot

This activity is for Adult Leaders ONLY! Come down to the ranges and try your hand at rifle, shotgun and archery. See if you are the top shot among adults at camp during your week. Please refer to the evening schedule for day and time.

SM / Leader Breakfast

On Friday morning, the Administrative Staff would like to invite all Adult Leaders to a breakfast feast! During this time, we will review the week and take comments on how to make camp even better the following year. The hope is that this will be a time where we can grow and assess the camping experience that your Troop had. This can be very beneficial when we have a pavilion full of great minds working towards the common good of the scouts. Please join us on Friday morning as we strive to eat, learn and grow!

Scoutmaster Merit Badge

Being a Scoutmaster is tough, but rewarding work! We want to be able to recognize you for your hard work at camp. We have re-done our SM Merit Badge! Leaders will receive a list of requirements to complete in order to earn the merit badge. The full list of requirements will be provided at the 10-Day Out meetings. This badge is meant to be fun, and is optional for all leaders. Some examples of requirements include:

- ❖ Spend the entire week in camp
- ❖ Attend an Adult Leader Training
- ❖ Take a Nap in your campsite
- ❖ Participate in the Dutch Oven Cook-Off
- ❖ Assist in a Program Area
- ❖ And many more!



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FRIDAY FAMILY NIGHT

Friday Family Night

It is tradition at Camp Berry to invite the parents of the Scouts attending summer camp to come out and see what their youth have been doing all week. This is an opportunity for Scouts to show their parents what they have accomplished during the week and show off their skills in various events.

Entering Camp

Camp Berry is not prepared to handle an influx of visitors at camp before 5:00PM. Please arrive after 5:00PM. Visitors must check in with the staff member at the check-in booth near the parking lot. Visitors will receive a wristband and must wear it for the duration of their stay. Visitors must also walk to campsites unless you obtain a Handicap Pass from the Camp Office.

Meal

Each Troop can prepare their own food if they choose. This can be eaten in the campsite or you may reserve one of our shelter houses to eat in. Food will also be provided in the Dining Hall. Tickets for this will cost \$7.00 and can be purchased in the Trading Post. Please know how many people in your family will be eating in the Dining Hall by Wednesday at the SM/Leaders Meeting.

Family Night Program Activities

The evening program schedule for Friday evenings is currently being re-structured. Camp Leadership will share these details as they become available.



2018 PROGRAM SECTION

AWARDS

Awards

Commissioner's Gateway Award

Gateways are a fun way to display the skill and creativity of those in each campsite. Campsite gateways will be judged by Noon on Thursday, and are evaluated on the proper use of all knots and lashings, as well as originality. Each campsite will be provided with a set number of spars to construct their gateway. If additional spars are desired, DO NOT cut them yourself. Please contact the Camp Commissioner to obtain the additional spars.

Baden Powell Honor Troop Award

Since patrols are really the building blocks of Scouting, this Baden Powell Honor Troop Award is really an honor patrol award. Too often at summer camp, we focus more on individual achievement and experiences and focus less on the patrol and troop achievement. We want to make sure at Camp Berry that we promote the patrol method and recognize those troops that make an extra effort to have the best possible troop experience. To achieve this award, each Troop must complete requirements in the following categories: Patrol Spirit, Patrol Meetings, Camp Activities, camp Service Project, Uniform, Advancement, and Patrol Leaders' Council.

Ranger's Flag Pole Award

Displaying your patriotism and identifying your unit with flags adds a nice touch to a campsite. Flagpoles may be constructed as part of the campsite gateway if desired. All materials used in the construction of the flagpole must be natural, except for the rope and pulley, which we will provide. Contact the Camp Commissioner if additional spars are needed for the flagpole construction. Flagpoles will be evaluated on the adherence to the guidelines, originality, and the proper use of all knots and lashings.

Chaplain's Award

Lord Baden-Powell once wrote, "No man can grow into the best kind of citizen without recognizing an obligation to God." In following this spirit, the Chaplain's Award will be offered to promote the spiritual development of the Scouts who attend camp. All Scouts wishing to pursue the Chaplain's Award are required to attend Sunday evening's Chapel Service. The requirements for this award will be handed out at the Scoutmaster Orientation meetings, as well as at the Camp Office during your week of summer camp.