

NEW HORIZONS DISTRICT BIG ROCK TALK - SUMMER 2020



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Cub Scout Roundtable Commissioner: Joe Bradley
Scouts BSA Roundtable Commissioner: Tim Trace



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IN MEMORIAM

Rick Camden 1960-2020

Bethel United Methodist Church, Troop 456



Speaking: Troop 456 Scoutmaster Charlie Rooney



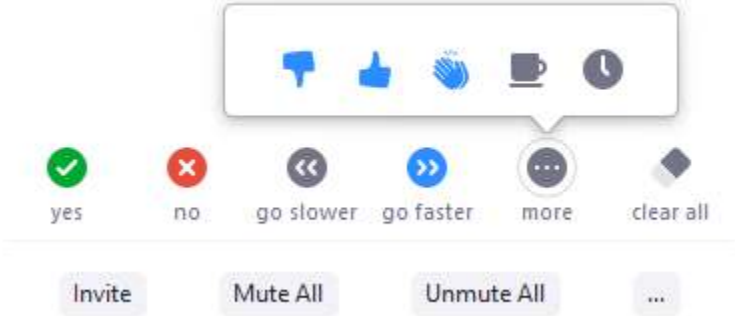
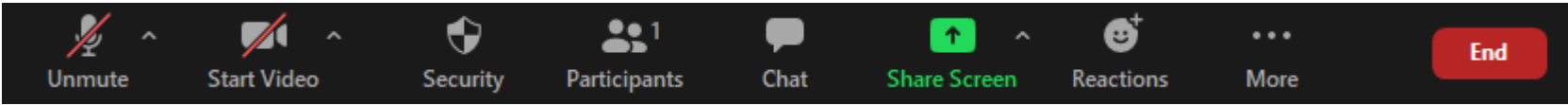
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Zoom Non-Verbals



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**To talk, use Zoom's
"raise hand" feature**

**Or use the chat feature
and we'll read your
question aloud**



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**NEXT
ROUNDTABLE**

JUNE 2 2020

Online Only

Details Soon



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YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING
LIVE IN A ZOOM VIRTUAL CLASSROOM
BY A LOCAL INSTRUCTOR
WHO IS A PRETTY GREAT GUY



Thursday, May 21st 7PM

Advance registration required

<https://bit.ly/ypt2020-2-register>



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LIFE TO EAGLE WORKSHOP

LIVE IN A ZOOM MEETING



Wednesday, May 20th 7PM

Advance registration required

<http://bit.ly/lifetoeagle-register-may2020>



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Scoutmaster Chris Kallaos
St. Mark's Presbyterian Troop 631

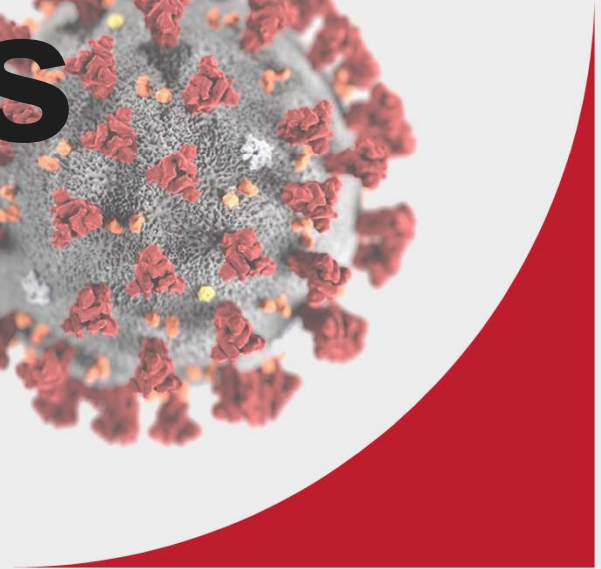
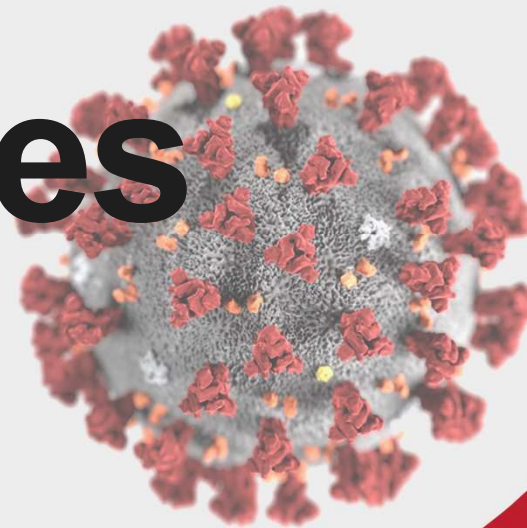


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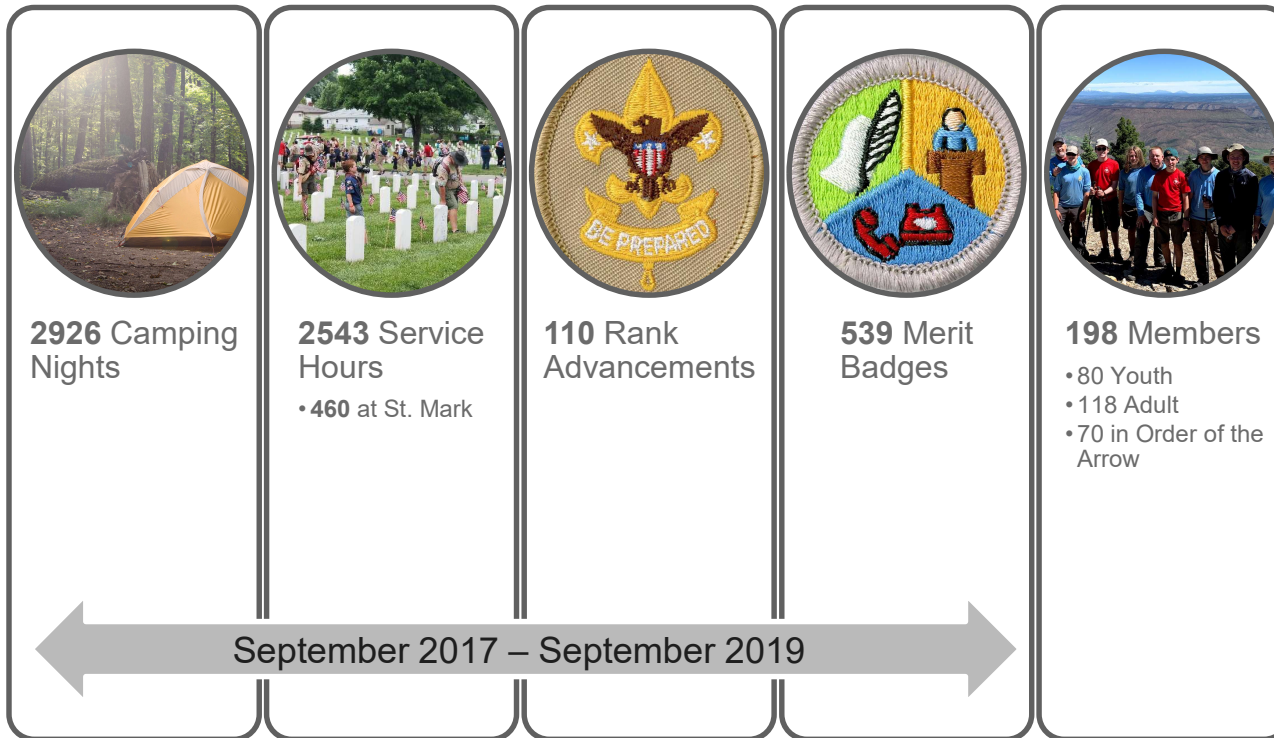


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T631's Quarantivities



TROOP 631 By the Numbers

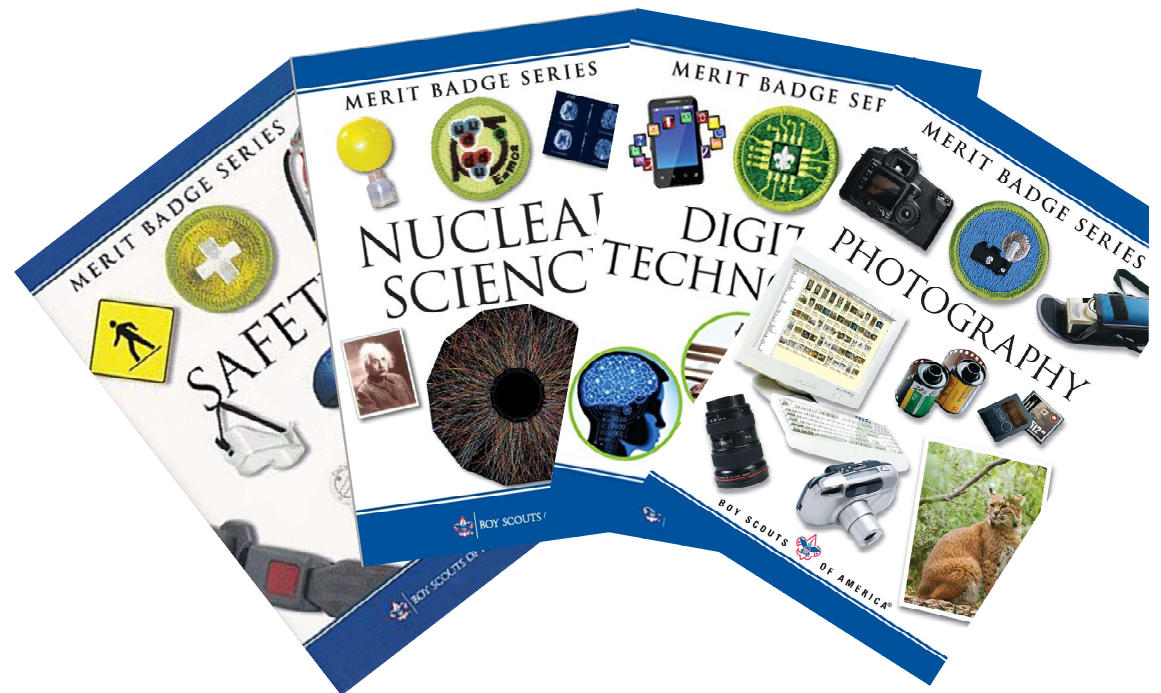


Online Activities

- Mini Merit Badge Workshops
- Cyber Chip Presentations
- Minecraft Campsite Building
- Skills Instruction
- Scout Showcase
- Local Celebrity Interview
- Virtual Campout

Mini Merit Badge Workshops

- NOT a merit badge mill
- Designed to whet the appetite for the merit badge
- Covers a few requirements
- Scouts ask for merit badge cards after the meeting



Cyber Chip

- Each patrol assigned a presentation topic
- Required for Scout and Star Ranks
- Required for Programming and Digital Technology Merit Badges
- Recommended before using online resources for Scouting activities



Minecraft Campsite!

- Patrols worked together to build campsites in Minecraft
- SPLs & ASPLs judged campsites









Skills Instruction

- Instructional video uploaded to YouTube, played on Zoom
- Helps satisfy position of responsibility requirements for rank advancement (Instructor)



Skills Instruction

- Instructional video uploaded to YouTube, played on Zoom
- Reminds scouts of things they may have forgotten in quarantine



Scout Showcase

- Showcase special talents
- Help scouts learn about their peers



Local Celeb Interview

- Interview someone locally famous
- “Famous” can be defined as loosely as you wish
- Do a virtual career day, leader spotlight, etc.
- Interview someone with a job or hobby that will be interesting to your scouts



Virtual Campout



Scavenger Hunt



- Patrols placed in breakout rooms in Zoom call
- Email blast sent with list of items
- Patrol given 5 minutes to strategize
- Scouts left a message in the chat and were called on to present their item.
- Can also use free apps like Scavify

Which patrol will be the most successful? Divide and conquer! Some items may be easier for older scouts, others for newer members of the troop. Patrols will have 30 minutes to complete the scavenger hunt. Winners will be announced at the Virtual Campfire.

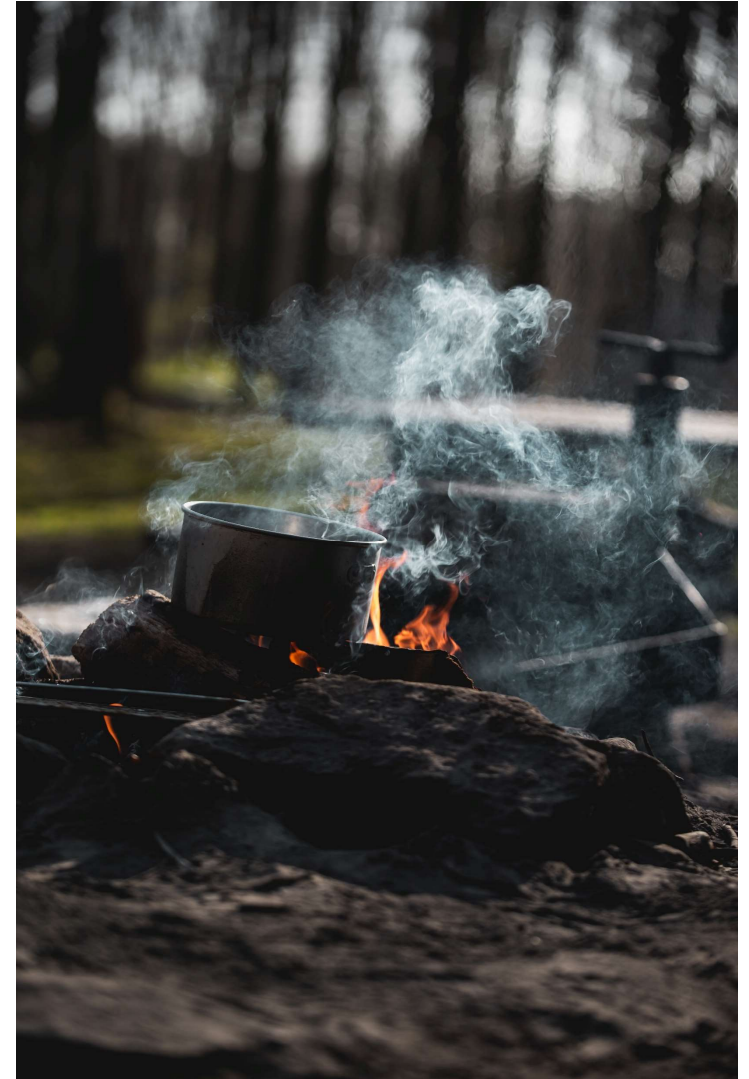
How to get credit:

Bring the item back to the Zoom meeting and check it in with Dr. Heidemann to get credit. If you can't bring it, take your picture with the item and bring the photo back to the meeting for credit.

- Electrical box (breaker box, fuse box)
- Fire extinguisher
- Arrow of Light plaque
- Climbing merit badge
- Marshmallow roaster or roasting stick
- Scout handbook – Thirteenth Edition or older (2016)
- Spanish Peaks Scout Ranch t-shirt
- Smoke detector
- Piece of rope tied into a bowline
- Tiger Cub handbook
- Square lashing (use two sticks, a broom and a mop, two pool noodles, chopsticks, etc.)
- Homemade fire starter
- Pack t-shirt
- The page in the Scout handbook that covers tomahawk throwing
- Matched pair of scout socks (clean)
- Troop 631 anniversary neckerchief (embroidered red and black or special Eagle Scout edition)
- Picture of Mr. Fleming
- Picture of Mr. Ke
- Picture of Mr. Neary
- Picture of Mr. Johnson
- Picture of Mr. Kallaos
- Piece of rope tied into a square knot
- Trekking pole
- Your duty roster for this outing
- Your campsite for this outing
- Hand sanitizer
- Mask or cloth face covering
- Magnifying glass

Dinner!

- Meal plan using ingredients found at home
- Duty roster (!!!!)



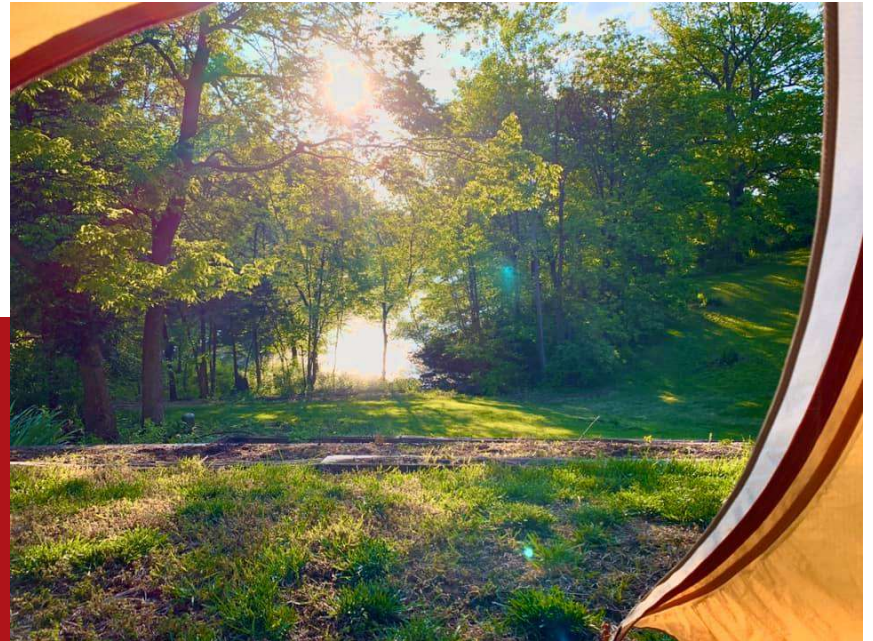
Virtual Campfire

- Just like a regular campfire
- But virtual!
- Don't forget your Scoutmaster Minute



Camping!

- Participants camped in their yard
- (OK, maybe I was the only one)



**Keep it
fun!**



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STEM Minute
Teresa Colletti



- Camp-in-a-box – includes STEM!
- Virtual STEM Fair
 - Being put together by Council STEM Committee
 - More information coming !
- Family Camping
 - STEM in the great outdoors!
 - Geology
 - Plant identification
 - Fire building
 - “Experiment” with S’mores. Constant variables. Changing variables.
- Online Resources
 - stemystuff.org
 - www.scouting.org/stem-nova-awards/council/unit-guide



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Committee Chair Marc Tenholder and
Cubmaster Mat Rogers
Carman Trails Elementary Pack 787



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Cub Scout Engagement During Scouting at Home

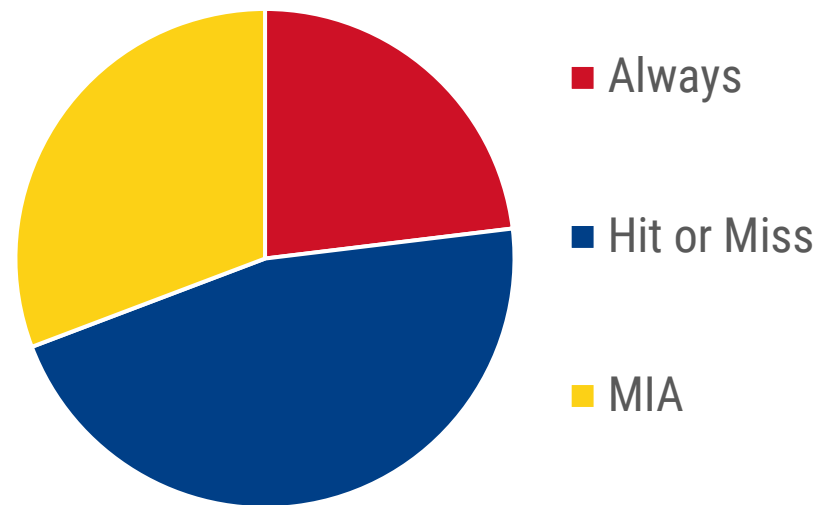


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Everyone is going through a shared experience, but each family's situation is unique.

Den 3 Attendance



Lessons Learned

- Keep up communications
 - Simplicity
 - Future Plans
 - Advancement
- Balance normalcy with innovation
- More frequent, shorter duration interactions
- Provide resources without obligations
- Recalibrate what success looks like
- Get everyone on Scoutbook
- Prepare for the long haul



Tiger Cub Quaradventure

- Gave each Scout bag full of adventure related items (Sky is the Limit)
- Included bag full of jellybeans (make constellations with jellybeans)



Snack included



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Scavenger Hunt when walking around the neighborhood (discussed scavenger hunt sheet on virtual den meeting)

Pack 787

Outdoor Scavenger Hunt BINGO

5 in a Row = BINGO

something in the shape of a Triangle 	Bird House 	Dandelion 	Wild Animal 	the Moon 
Mushroom 	Garden Gnome 	Cardinal Bird 	U.S. Flag 	Bicycle 
Red Door 	Cat 	FREE SPACE 	something in the shape of a Sphere 	Animal Tracks in the mud/dirt 
Water 	something in the shape of a Diamond 	Basketball Hoop 	Pinecone 	Fire Hydrant 
something in the shape of a Cube 	Firewood 	something in the shape of a Heart 	Feather 	Ladybug 

bit.ly/TigerResources



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Communication with Parents

- Sent emails to all parents in den with link to requirements needed to complete Tiger Badge.
- Encouraged parents to input completion of adventure in Scoutbook

Thank you for having Charlie as part of our Tiger den. I have enjoyed having him in the den this year. Charlie only has a few items remaining in order to complete his Tiger Award! He is 70% complete! Below are the items that need to be completed to receive his Tiger award:

Tiger Adventure: My Tiger Jungle

Complete at least two of the items. Requirement 1 complete

Tiger Adventure: Tiger Circles: Duty to God

Complete requirement 1 plus at least two others.

Tiger Adventure: Tigers in the Wild

Complete Requirement 2 and at least one other.

If you have already completed a requirement above, please email/text me and I will mark it complete.

I'm excited for our den to earn their Tiger badge. Let me know if you have any questions.

Yours in Scouting,
Marc



Wolf Resources

Wolf Adventure: Call of the Wild (WHB pp. 25-43; DLG pp. 35-41)



Complete Requirements 1-4 plus at least one other.

1. Attend one of the following:
 - A. A pack or family campout
 - B. An outdoor activity with your ~~den or pack~~ family.
 - C. Day camp
 - D. Resident camp

This can be anything from some backyard nature observing, to a neighborhood walk, to a hike on a nearby trail, to a campfire, to a family campout in the yard. Just pick an activity that seems doable and get outside.

2. With your family or den, make a list of possible weather changes that could happen during your outing according to the time of year you are outside. Tell how you will be prepared for each one.

Talk over with your Scout what you might need to bring on an outing for the following weather conditions:

- Extreme heat and humidity
 - Cold and snow
 - Rainstorms
3. Do the following:
 - A. Recite the Outdoor Code with your leader.

See WHB pp. 31-33 and WHB inside cover.

As an American, I will do my best to –
Be clean in my outdoor manners.
Be careful with fire.
Be considerate in the outdoors.



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Cyber Chip Requirements for Grades 1-3

The Cyber Chip is BSA's program for online safety and must be completed by each Scout every year.

1. Read, commit to, and sign the Level I Internet Safety Pledge.

[Safety Pledge](#)

1. I will not reveal who I am online and will not reveal my personal information.

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This can be modified to meet your local area objectives or substituted with an alternative.



Wolf Adventure: Howling at the Moon (WHB pp. 68-75; DLG pp. 55-64)

Complete the following Requirements.

1. Show you can communicate in at least two different ways.

What two ways of communication are is up for interpretation. Discuss with your Scout that speaking and writing in English is our primary way of communication in the U.S. The U.S. Census Bureau reports that there are at least 350 languages spoken in the U.S.

<https://www.census.gov/newsroom/press-releases/2015/cb15-185.html>

So the second way to communicate could be in another spoken or written language. Does your family speak a second language? Perhaps you'd like to share it with us at a Den meeting. Another option is Butterfly Spanish on YouTube, who is an enthusiastic teacher of Spanish.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JKWVYVZak>

Sign language and braille are other ways of communicating. Here's someone doing the Scout Oath in sign language that your Scout could learn.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Tdt_4fTc0

And here's a BBC video about the invention of Braille.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q9BQ6jzTSI>

Codes, such as the ones we've done at a den meeting, and Morse Code are other ways of communicating. I'm including an expanded version of the Cipher book that includes Morse Code.

2. Work with your den or family to create an original skit.

Start dusting off your drama and productions skills and thinking of a skit your family can do at home and present online to your fellow Scouts. Google "scout skits" or "campfire skits" for ideas.

3. Work together with your den or family to plan, prepare, and rehearse a campfire program to present at a den meeting or pack program.

We will work on this in a Den meeting.

4. Perform your role for a den meeting or pack program.

I'm working on a backyard campfire Scouting at Home program for our Pack.

Wolf Elective Adventure: Adventures in Coins (WHB pp 108-123, DLG pp 85-92)



An adventure on coins is almost purpose-made for doing at home. The U.S. Mint has a great website for kids, with information on coins for this Adventure, but also videos, coloring pages, and online games.

<https://www.usmint.gov/learn/kids>



Wolf Elective Adventure: Code of the Wolf (WHB pp. 143-163; DLG pp. 101-108)

Code of the Wolf is a math course in and of itself and a great addition to math learning at home.

Complete the following Requirements.

1. Complete two of the following:



Wolf Elective Adventure: Collections and Hobbies (WHB pp. 165-175, DLG pp. 109-114)

Collections and Hobbies is another Adventure that's perfect for doing at home, with at least one of the options for each requirement working well for Scouting at Home.

Complete the following Requirements.

1. Begin a collection of 10 items that all have something in common. Label the items and title your collection.

Just do what the requirement says. A collection is a group of items that have something in common. What that is that something? That's up to you. Whether found, gifted, or bought, there is a huge variety in what different people collect – baseball cards, marbles, stamps, coin, rocks, Pokemon, fossils, dolls, bottles caps – the list goes on and on.

2. Share your collection at a den meeting.

This is a great activity for a video chat den meeting. During the sharing time, anyone who has a collection can share it and show everyone.

3. Complete one of the following and tell your den what you learned:

- A. Visit a show or museum that displays different collections or models.
- B. Watch a webcast or other media presentation about collecting or model building.

Of course, Youtube has endless hours of content on everything, including whatever type of collecting you are interested in. Just be sure to have a parent help to make sure the videos are appropriate for kids.

Here's two suggestions on model building. Luke Towan is an amazing Australian model builder who has videos that will make you question what is real and what is a model. Check out this Alaskan river model.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CZVvvaGonM>

and you won't believe the Guinness Book of World Records longest train set in Hamburg, Germany.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2mNbx1_D5fE

4. Complete one of the following:

- A. Create an autograph book, and get 10 autographs. Start with members of your den.

Wolf Elective Adventure: Germs Alive! (WHB pp. 218-233, DLG pp. 141-148)



The Wolves are getting most of this Adventure done simply by living life in 2020. This Adventure intersects with Requirement 4B of Call of the Wild.

Complete at least five of the following Requirements

1. Wash your hands while singing the "Happy Birthday" song.



Wolf Elective Adventure: Grow Something (WHB pp. 234-245; DLG pp. 149-154)

Spring is the time to start the Grow Something Adventure. Planting seeds and growing food doesn't have to be complicated or expensive. The story of plants, flowers, and seeds is a great lesson in ecology and natural history. Here's some videos to get you started on the adventure.

Complete the following Requirements

1. Select a seed, and plant it in a small container. Care for it for 30 days. Take a picture or



Wolf Elective Adventure: Digging in the Past (WHB pp. 191-207; DLG pp. 123-130)

Everyone loves Dinosaurs, especially Wolves, and this Adventure is a great opportunity to explore the variety of dinosaurs that once lived on Earth, how their remains became fossils, and what fossils tell us about the development of life. To get started on this adventure, here's some read-alouds about fossils.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QMBTqHhL8>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bA4_R_hew

a segment on fossils from SciShow Kids

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1FvKmpmOzc>

and here's a great virtual tour from the Smithsonian Museum of Natural History. Just take a right at the elephant to enter the Hall of Fossils.

https://naturalhistory2.si.edu/v33/NMNH/z_tour-072.html

Complete the following Requirements.

1. Play a game that demonstrates your knowledge of dinosaurs, such as a dinosaur match game.

Boost your knowledge of dinosaurs by checking out this directory of over 300 dinosaurs from the Natural History Museum in London.

<https://www.nhm.ac.uk/discover/dino-directory.html>

Then try these dinosaur knowledge games:

- WHB pp. 193-198 has dinosaur facts and then a matching game
- DLG pp. 125-126 has a dinosaur matching card game.
- There's a dinosaur matching game like Memory at <https://matchthememory.com/dinosaurs>.
- Take the Nat Geo Kids Dinosaur Quiz Whiz <https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/games/quizzes/quiz-whiz-dinosaurs/>

2. Create an imaginary dinosaur. Share with your den its name, what it eats, and where it lives.

Raid the recycling bin and art supplies and let the Wolves' imaginations go wild creating a dinosaur from repurposed objects. The Scouts can share what they've made on a den meeting call.

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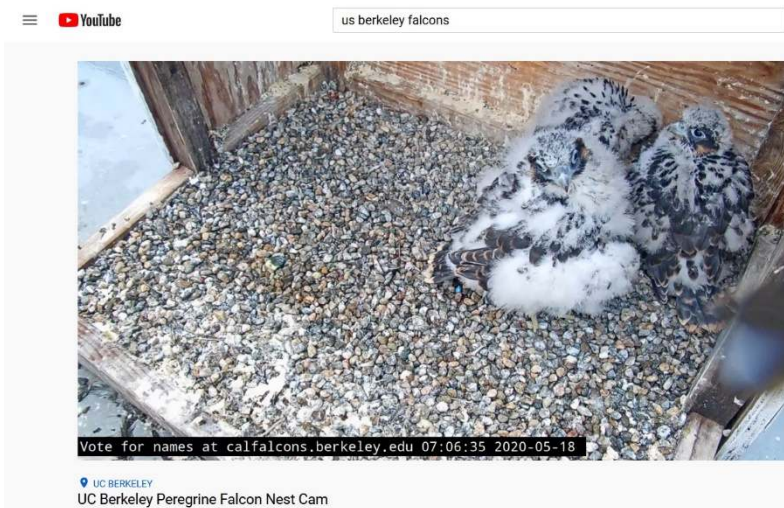


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Pack Engagement

- Regular Facebook Posts
 - Weekly Scout Challenge
 - Boy's Life Trek@2
 - Nature Live Cams
- Rebranded Meetings to “Meet-Ups”
 - Firehouse Tour
 - Campfire
 - Tree Identification
 - Lego Building
 - First Aid
 - Water Treatment Plant
 - Farm Tour
 - Good Turn
 - Hiking Club
 - Cub Awards





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Unlisted

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OA Lodge Updates – May 18, 2020

- Spring Conclave
 - Refunds, Patches, Vigil ceremony rescheduled (Aug 1-2)
- National Policy Updates
 - Induction Date Extension
 - Candidates that were elected February 1, 2019 through July 1, 2020 will have 24 months from the date of election to complete their ordeal
 - Virtual Nights of Camping
 - Virtual camping (i.e., backyard or solo camping) may be counted toward the required nights of camping for OA election eligibility *provided certain conditions are met*
 - No more than 3 nights of virtual camping are to be credited in any month in which government- or council-imposed COVID-19 restrictions are in place
 - Virtual Unit Elections
 - The National OA Director has approved lodges to hold virtual unit elections through July 1, 2020



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OA Lodge Updates – May 18, 2020

- Shawnee Lodge Responses (subject to change)
 - Qualifying Inductions (elected February 1, 2019 through July 1, 2020)
 - Those elected in 2019 (May/June/July/Aug)
 - may take place at 2020 Fall Reunion and 2021 Spring Conclave
 - Those elected in 2020 (Via virtual elections in May/June/July)
 - may take place 2020 Fall Reunion, 2021 Spring Conclave, 2021 Fall Reunion, 2022 Spring Conclave
 - Virtual Unit Elections to be offered through July 1, 2020
 - Communication Plan in development to contact all Scoutmasters & Committee Chairs
 - Units will need to contact the Lodge to schedule a virtual election
 - Call-outs to be via letter on Shawnee Letterhead
 - Pre-Ordeal Ceremonies to be offered on 2 consecutive weekends
 - Prior to the 2020 Fall Reunion (Aug 22 and Aug 29)



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