



TROOP 629

Adventures in Scouting

May 2021 Newsletter

Upcoming Events

May 20: Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops

May 31: Memorial Day: **No troop meeting**

June 7: Summer Meetings Begin - Class B (Red) shirts only, no Class A (Khaki) required

June 20-26: Woodruff Summer Camp

[More Events on Troop 629 Calendar](#)



Scoutmaster Minute

by Jason Sutton

Congratulations to Troop 629's newest Eagle Scout – Garrett Hundt! Garrett passed his District Board of Review on March 25th and is our first Eagle in 2021. He will have a recognition ceremony in the near future, but until then be sure and congratulate Garrett the next time you see him!

As the school year comes to a close and summer begins, how you are planning to participate in scouting? We have Summer Camp at Woodruff in June. NYLT begins on May 30th and offers 3 weekly sessions, and we have a crew sailing in St. Thomas in July! Of course, we'll continue over the summer with our weekly Troop meetings but starting June 7th they are red t-shirt only (no Class-A Khaki required) with games and advancement (no structured program). As you can see, there are plenty of opportunities for outings and advancement.

SPL and PL elections were held during the Monday May 10th Troop meeting. Our ILST and PLC/Annual Planning for all old and new leadership positions will be held on Thursday May 20th from 5-9pm (please sign up so we know you are attending). Our next year's program will be developed at that Annual Planning and will be posted online for all to see on the Troop calendar.

Events and Outings

Register at least 2 weeks in advance

Woodruff Summer Camp

June 20 - 26, 2021

Summer Camp Reminders!

All Summer Camp **Forms and Payments** are due now.



All **BSA Health Forms** are due now. You must submit Parts A, B1, B2, C and the Front & Back of your Health Insurance Card.

Drop Off: Parents drive their scouts to Woodruff and arrive on Sunday, June 20 by NOON.

Pick Up: Parents pick up their scouts at Woodruff on Saturday, June 26 between 8:00 - 9:00 AM.

Cost: for food, trip, etc. is \$365.00 for scouts and \$185 for adults plus additional fees as selected for certain events. \$100 deposit is due February 22nd; second payment of \$100 is due March 15th; final \$165 payment is due by the May 3rd meeting. More information is available on our [troop website](#).

High Adventure



Florida Sea Base to Saint Thomas 2021 July 20th - 26th

Sea base has been changed to St. Thomas Sailing Crew. You can read more about it at the [Sea Base Website](#). Packing list and other details are available on the [St. Thomas Guide](#). To make a payment, contact [John Benton](#).

Announcements

2021 Camp Cards

Congratulations to Keegan S., Troop 629's Top Camp Card Seller!! Way to go Keegan!!



Congratulations to all of Troop 629's Graduating Seniors Best of Luck to all of you!!

Sam B.
Jacob G.
Garrett H.
TJ (Thomas) M.
Nick R.
Patrick R.
Hunter S.
Wesley S.

Small Group Meetings

Troop Committee Chairs

Our next Troop 629 Committee Meeting will be Sunday, June 6, at 5pm on Zoom.

Patrol Leader's Council

The next PLC meeting will be ILST and Annual Planning on Thursday, May 20, 5:00pm - 9:00pm

Assistant Scoutmaster Meeting

ASM Meeting To Be Announced

Adult Volunteers

Interested in Helping? Please see Troop Committee Chair Kelley Hundt at our weekly meeting or contact her via email at kellyhundt@gmail.com to see where you might be able to support our Scouts.

Volunteers Our troop is seeking a replacement leader for Popcorn Sales. If you are interested in leading this vital fundraiser, please contact [Kelley Hundt](#)

Merit Badges

The Merit Badge Process



There are more than 135 merit badges a Scout can earn!

1. Choose a Merit Badge that interests you: [BSA Merit Badge page](#).
2. Obtain a Blue Card from Mr. Sutton at a meeting for permission to start working on the badge.
3. Ask Mr. Sutton for a counselor to help plan any work on the badge.
4. Complete the [Merit Badge Requirements](#). Please remember: Troop meetings are for group development and NOT for Merit Badge time. The only exception on Mondays is that a Scout may opt to work on Merit Badges during game time.
5. Read the Merit Badge Book cover to cover. Books may be obtained from the Scout Store, other scouts, our Lending Closet or the library. Scouts occasionally come forward without reading the whole MB book. This is not negotiable, and it doesn't matter where the MB was started or with whom.
6. Meet with your pre-approved Counselor, or ask m Mr. Sutton for a counselor, to review your work. Bring any paperwork and be prepared to explain, show or complete the requirements as detailed. It's not a memory test - it is about comprehension and covering the material as stated.

The 13 specific MB required for Eagle Scout can be found [Here](#).

Merit Badge Help Night Tuesday, June 8, 2021

Keep Up to Date!

The Troop calendar has all events. Take a look ahead to see which adventures you don't want to miss!

[Click here or on the calendar image to see!](#)

Newsletters

All previous newsletters, pictures, calendars and events are on the website. If you have any newsletter questions, please contact [Edie Gibson](#), the Communications Chair.

Life to Eagle

Check the Troop web site to see where you are in the process. Randall Jackson has updated everyone's records. Please be sure to follow the directions for the Eagle advancement process; it will help you be sure to get everything done on time.

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