

# Troop 1794 Newsletter



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## **A Message from the Scoutmaster:**

Scouts, what's the second point of the Scout Law? That's right, "A Scout is loyal. " Our Scout handbook explains that a Scout is loyal to his family, Scout leaders, friends, school and nation. A scout is also loyal to his team. The team might be his patrol or sports team.

Your patrol or soccer team can't be as good as it should be if you goof off a lot or constantly complain about your teammates or your patrol leader or coach. A winning patrol and a winning team, must have a winning attitude. That means that every member must be willing to do his part and not spend time griping because the patrol's plans or the game are not going his way. That doesn't mean that you have to be close friends with everybody in your patrol or team or even like all of them. It doesn't mean to overfill your plates while your patrol members have to eat less, or it doesn't mean to sleep late in the tent while the rest of your patrol prepares breakfast, or to pack up your belongings and leave camp early while your patrol members do the put down and clean up. But it means that when you join, you commit yourself to the success of the patrol or the team and pledge to give it your best effort. In Scouting and sports, it's teamwork that makes winners. So whenever you're with your patrol or sports team, remember, "A Scout is loyal". Tr. Sơn

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## ***Troop Camp - 3/30 - 3/31 - Little Bennett, MD***

**Attendees Boys:** Minh, Nathan L, Kevin N (kevin2), Brian N, Brian M, Mason, Tony, Minhdang, Nathan N, Dillian\*, Richer, Thanh, Louis, Leo, Vinh, Daniel, David, Khoa\*, and Patrick

**Attendees Girls:** Tammy, Janelle, Tien, Kathleen, Emily, Vy\*, Nina, Caitlyn

**Adult:** Tr. Tam, Tr. Son, Tr. Peter, Tr. Thinh, Tr. Tuan, Tammy, Vy, and Emily's mothers.

\* Day camp only

Submitted by Brian Nguyen

This camp was special, it was the first time Brian Mach hosted and planned a camping trip also it was primarily the new scouts. This camp will foreshadow the state of the troop once all the older scouts leave. During the camping trip, our scouts learned and practiced orienteering. We were all split into three groups, each having a different set of directions. Thankfully no one got lost. After that, totin chip was taught to all the new scouts. Totin chip has three parts: Saw, knife, and axe. The instructors were Mason Huynh with Lewis Nguyen as his assistant for pocket knife. The axe instructor was Thanh Luu, and the saw instructor was Brian Nguyen. After which all scouts split into groups again to be taught when to use a light-weight stove and a camp stove, how to handle and transport food, dishwashing procedures, and when to make a campfire. With that knowledge in mind, all the scouts dispersed to their respective patrols to begin cooking. Beo made macaroni and cheese, Rong made pasta and sausages, Ung and Ho worked together to make Teriyaki noodles, and Gau Trang made macaroni and cheese as well. Tr. Thinh also contributed meatballs to our pasta filled potluck. After we had campfire with Nathan Ngo and Thanh Luu handling the fire MCed by Brian Mach. We had rounds of songs provided by Tr. Son. Then followed Ho and Ung who had skit on ABC improv with its performers being Mason Huynh and Lewis Nguyen. Then Rong also did ABC improv with its performers being Brian Nguyen and David Le. Beo then made a skit about what you can do with pasta. Gau Trang also did made a game for trios to practice synchronization. Then we had rounds of bang hosted by Brian Mach and another game where people have to guess who has a stick behind their back. We then all disperse and went to our tents for the night. Up in the morning we had all our campsites cleaned up and closing and all went home. Overall, the camp was booked as a success, and many appreciated the pace the camp had unlike many other camps. Also goes to show that Brian Mach is a reliable leader that the troop has at its disposal.











## Summer Camp - 7/21 - 7/27 - Camp Rodney, MD

This year, troop will be attending summer camp at Camp Rodney. The camp is located on the north side of the Chesapeake Bay.

Attendees of the camp:

Emily	Vy N	Dillon	Minh	Phi	Vinh
Tammy	Brandon Lam	Kenny	MinhDang	Quan	Vu
Vi	Brady	Khoa	Nathan L	Thanh	
Vy H	Daniel	Mason	Nathan N	Tony	

This year, the following are the top 5 merit badge: First Aid, Engineering, Swimming, Animation, and Basketry. On the other side of the scale, Minh signed up for the most interesting class, Wilderness Survival. Minh will filter water from the lake and build his own shelter for the night. We hope that he doesn't have to hunt for his own food. Let's all hope for good weather.

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### \*\*\*Patrol Leader Council:

SPL (Evelyn Phạm/ Ben Nguyễn); ASPL( Kimberly HỒ/ Chân Toàn Hà); PLs (Anna Pham, Katie Pham, Janelle Vo, Melanie Pham, Minh Hong, Nathan Huynh, ): IN (Nolan Vo, Khang Do); HIS (Brian Nguyen); QUAR(Brandon Le, Damon Nguyen); SCR (Kenneth Le); TG (Vincent Dang, Brian Mach); DC (Co Tu Do, Evan Le).

\* Ong Patrol: Nina Võ, Vy Nguyễn, Melanie Phạm, Cassidy Phạm, Tammy Nguyễn, Nina Võ, Caitlyn Nguyễn2

\* Gau Trang Patrol: Kathleen Nguyễn, Janelle Võ, Tiên Tran, Emily Tran

\* Dai Bang Patrol: Caitlyn Nguyễn, Katie Phạm, Kimberly HỒ, Tiffany Nguyễn, Lizzie Mai, Trúc Lê, Massie Tran

\* Hong Hac Patrol: Evelyn Pham, Anna Pham, Xuan Anh Cao, Allison Ly, Co Tu Doan, Kathy Ho, Hong Nguyễn

\*Ho Patrol: Tony Tran, Khang ĐỖ, Chan Toan Ha, Francis Nguyen, Brandon Le, Preston Nguyen, Mason Duy Huynh

\*Ung Patrol: MinhTrung Ha (PL), Evan Le, Vincent Dang, Ben Nguyen, Kevin Nguyen2, Nathan Huynh, Louis Nguyen, Kenneth Le, Vincent Nguyen, Vinh Dinh Le

Rong Patrol: Damon Nguyen, Kevin Nguyen1, Nolan Vo, Justin Pham, Brian Nguyen, Brian Mach, David Le , Phi Huynh, Thanh Luu.

Beo Patrol: MinhHong, Leo Khoa Nguyen, Richer Quang Nguyen, MinhDang Ho, Nathan Ngo, Nathan Le, Daniel Pham, Dilton Huynh,Khoa Hoang

### \*\*\*Adult Leadership:

SM: Son Nguyen

ASM: Tran Chau Le, GS patrol advisor

ASM: Nhung Tran, GS patrol advisor

ASM: Long Pham, patrol advisor

AMS: Nguyen Nguyen, patrol advisor/round table

ASM: Peter Le, patrol advisor/outdoor event

ASM: Nghia Tran, patrol advisor

Position code: SPL (senior patrol leader), ASPL (assistant SPL); PL (patrol leader), APL (assistant PL); TG (troop guide); QUA (quartermaster); IN (instructor); HIS (historian); SCR (scribe); DC (Den Chief); OG (Outdoor Ethics guide)

SM (scoutmaster); ASM (assistant SM); JASM (junior ASM)

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JASM: Thomas Tran, PLC advisor

Committee Chair: Chung Nguyen

BoR/CoH coordinators: Chung Nguyen  
Do Chieu

Treasurer: Chi Thuan

Parent coordinator: Phong Huynh, Phuc Pham

### SCOUT SPIRIT

It is hard to evaluate Scout Spirit. We believe that prior to each rank advancement, participation in the following activities exemplifies the essences of Scout Spirit:

1. A minimum of 2 hours community service from Troop or Liên Đoàn.
2. Participate in Troop nursing home visit monthly.
3. Participation in at least 1 fundraiser.
4. At least 4 troop outdoor activities per year.
5. Good deeds done outside of scouting.

### SCOUT ADVANCEMENT PROCEDURE

If a scout has finished all his requirements for the next rank, it is mandatory that you:

a. Contact SM for the scoutmaster conference (SMC) (must be at least 1 week before the Board of Review). SMC are on the first and second week of the month.

b. If you "pass" the scoutmaster conference, you must contact Mr. Chung Nguyen/Mr. Chieu Do(BoR coordinators), and Mr. Chung Nguyen (Committee Chair) to schedule your Board of Review (BoR). BoR is at the last week of the month.

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**Editors:** Kevin Nguyen<sup>1</sup>, HIS; Peter Le, ASM; Son Nguyen, SM

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### Troop's schedule

#### January- First Aid

4: Cabin camping

5: Cabin Camping and CoH (#)

11: meeting

19: meeting/nursing

25: No meeting

26: skiing at Ski Liberty

27: fundraising at chợ Tết Northwestern HS, Maryland (#)

#### February- Pioneering

1: meeting

8: No Meeting (Tet Feb 5)

9-10: Wimporee MB in VA

15: Meeting

16: Hội Tết HD at Centreville High School 6001 Union Mill

Rd Clifton, VA 20124 (\*)

18: White Oaks MB day (#)

22: Meeting

#### March-

1: No meeting/2: Troop MB day at LBC (#)

8: Meeting

15: Meeting

16: nursing (Hỗ)/LD fundraising (\*)

22: Meeting

29: No meeting

30-31: Camping at Little Bennett State Park

#### April- Science

5: Meeting

12: Meeting/13: nursing (Ung)

19: No Meeting/17-22: MCS spring break  
26: No meeting  
26-28: LD Spring Camp at Tuckahoe State Park, MD (\*)

**May- *Swimming***

3: Meeting  
4: Swimming test  
10: Meeting /11: nursing (Rồng)  
17: Meeting:  
24: No meeting. Memorial weekend  
25: Biking?  
31: Meeting

**June- *Sports***

7: Meeting  
8. Basketball tournament at LBC.  
14: LD Picnic/Court of Honor (\*)/15: nursing  
21-23: Trại Lửa Việt  
29: Water drafting?

**July:**

#21-27: Summer Camp (#)  
July 22- Aug 2: 14<sup>th</sup> World Jamboree

**August:** off