



Merit Badge Fair 2008 Scout & Leader's Guide

Session I: March 8

Session II: April 12

YOU MUST ATTEND BOTH SESSIONS

Purpose

This program is presented by the Doug-Fir District to assist boys in Scouting Units to meet merit badge counselors and introduce them to the merit badge process.

Earning merit badges gives a Scout the kind of self-confidence that comes from overcoming obstacles to achieve a goal. Through the merit badge program, a Scout also learns career skills, develops socially, and may develop physical skills and hobbies that give a lifetime of healthful recreation.

Location / Times

The program is broken down into two sessions. This is to provide the boy and counselor an opportunity to follow up on the merit badge work. Each session will be held at the LDS Church at **2001 W. Bertha St. in Roseburg**, on the hill off of Harvard, unless a class is specified to be held elsewhere. Must attend both sessions:

Session I: March 8
Session II: April 12

Classes are scheduled with a start time between 9 am and 3 pm. Please refer to the schedule in the back of this guide for individual times.

Process

Once the Scout determines what badges they want to work towards, the Unit Leader must approve by signing a Merit Badge Application. This is then presented it to the merit badge counselor at the first session. **NOTE:** No boy may begin a merit badge without this application.

Once the boy is approved, he may sign up for the badges by emailing the fair chairman, Curt Pedersen, at cjpedersenfarmers@hotmail.com.

Curt will then email back a confirmation. It is recommended that alternative badges be selected in the event that the boy's first choice is unavailable due to a full session. If confirmation is not received back from Curt make additional effort to contact him. **You may NOT sign up before 2/23/08. Any e-mails received before this date will be deleted.**

The last day to sign up is 3/5/08. Registration is on first come first serve basis; a waiting list will not be established. Remember to leave time for your lunch.

The boys will attend the first session and meet his counselors. He will be expected to do all the work to complete the badge. Work may be required between sessions I and II. If the work is not completed during the course of the fair, the boy will be responsible for maintaining contact with the counselor to finish the work.

Once the badge is completed, the counselor will present the boy with the completed application. The boy will then turn the application over to his unit leaders so the award can be purchased and presented at the next Court of Honor.

What to Bring:

Please bring with you what you will need for the classes as described in the course descriptions. You should also come in uniform and bring a notebook and pencil. Having read the merit badge book prior to meeting with your counselor is advised. Bringing the book with you is also advised. Don't forget your lunch and no caffeine. No food is allowed in classrooms or hallway.

You can review the merit badge requirements in the merit badge book or on-line at <http://www.meritbadge.com>. You can also acquire the merit badge book by checking with your troop library, buy it at "The Put On Athletic" on Stephens St. in Roseburg, or buy it from the Oregon Trail Council Service Center in Eugene. They can take payments over the phone and mail the book to you.

Rules

When working on Merit Badges, it is imperative to remember the following rules:

- Scouts must never be alone with an adult
- A buddy must be present during any meeting with a counselor
 - Buddies may be other Scouts, siblings, friends, or parents
- No boy will begin work on a Merit Badge prior to obtaining a Badge Application approved by a unit leader
- No boy will work with a Merit Badge Counselor who is not approved by the District and registered with the local council.
- No counselor may require more or less than the requirements of the badge. However, he or she may teach or *instruct* more as deemed appropriate.
- There are not any limits to the length of time it takes to earn a badge. Partial merit badge work is good until the boy turns 18.
- A merit badge cannot be taken away once it has been earned, provided the counselor is a registered counselor for the merit badge.

Scout Leader/Parent Event Checklist:

The following is a checklist for you to use in promoting and utilizing this event.

- Each boy should get a copy of this booklet at the first available opportunity
- Help each boy work out a schedule that will fit his abilities and needs
- Present each boy with the appropriate number of approved merit badge applications to bring with him to Session I
- If a class is full and your son wants to attend you may be asked to participate in the class to allow him and others to attend the class. Boy Scout rules indicate you can not have more than 10 boys per adult and our classes on a general rule have only 1 adult present, a 2nd adult allows for more boys to participate.
- Make sure each boy understands his responsibilities
 - *Sign up for sessions*
 - *Complete pre-requisites*
 - *Bring Merit Badge Applications*
 - *Bring appropriate materials*
 - *Do the work and finish the badge*
- Follow up
 - *Check with boys to see how they are doing*
 - *Encourage finishing what they start*
 - *Collect signed applications and present awards*

!!!!ADULT TRAINING WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE ON SITE THIS YEAR!!!!

Take advantage of the Adult Leadership classes we have scheduled this year. These classes provide a valuable assistance to your boys experience in Scouting. We are asking adults to sign up before the class so that our teachers will be better prepared with handout materials but it is not required.

Don't Drop and Run, Stay and Learn!

<u>Time</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Instructor</u>
9 -11	Youth Protection	Russ Moan
11 -1	The Trail to Eagle	Jim Stuntz/Dan Bouck
1 – 3	Troop Committee Challenge	Russ Moan

Web Resources:

- www.dougfirdistrict.org (Doug Fir District)
- www.meritbadge.com
- <http://www.usscouts.org/usscouts/meritbadges.asp>
- <http://www.emf.net/~troop24/scouting/mb-pages.html>

Contacts:

Merit Badge Fair Chair:

- Curt Pedersen cjpedersenfarmers@hotmail.com or 673-5622

Merit Badge Counselor Coordinator:

- Jim Stuntz brewmaster2@charter.net or 440-6837

Advancement Chair:

- Chris McCullough hitower697@msn.com or 673-5305

District Executive

- dougfirde@mcsi.net

Other District contacts may be found at www.dougfirdistrict.org/email.html

During this event all scouting rules will be followed.

Please remember, before you leave your class, thank your Counselor for his time and willingness to teach the merit badge class.

A Scout is both KIND and COURTEOUS.

2008 Merit Badge Fair Badge List

Questions regarding sessions or merit badges should be directed to the counselors.
Questions regarding registration should be directed to Curt Pedersen
at cjpedersenfarmers@hotmail.com or at 673-5622

Badge	Counselor	Phone	Time	Prerequisites	Class Size
American Business	Brenda Rees	672-6623	12 to 1	Bring book	2 to 10
American Heritage	Mike Baker	440-0580	1 to 3	Bring book	2 to 10
Aviation	Brian Bennett	677-7260	1 to 3	3 rd session to be scheduled at airport \$5 cost	2 to 10
Bird Study	Chris Foster	679-0265	12 to 2	Bring book	2 to 10
Citizenship in Community	Stu Carlson cands@rosenet.net	677-0521	1 to 3	Read & bring book, be in full uniform, must be 2nd class	2 to 10
Citizenship in Community	Mark Smalley	673-4318	10 to 12	Read & bring book, be in full uniform, must be 2nd class	2 to 10
Citizenship in Nation	Stu Carlson cands@rosenet.net	677-0521	11 to 12	Read & bring book, be in full uniform, must be 2nd class	2 to 10
Citizenship in Nation	Kyle Miller	459-4723	9 to 10	Read & bring book, be in full uniform, must be 2nd class	2 to 10
Citizenship in World	Stu Carlson cands@rosenet.net	677-0521	9 to 11	Read & bring book, be in full uniform, must be 2nd class	2 to 10
Climbing	Ed Coughlin	672-8358	12 to 3	1st session only. Additional class to be held in Eugene at another time. Cost: at least \$15. Must be 12 by 3/8/08 Must hold 2nd class rank.	2 to 10
Coin Collection	Jim Davy	677-9374	10 to 11	Bring book	2 to 10
Collections	Jim Stuntz	440-6837	9 to 11	Bring book. Bring your collection if you have one.	2 to 10
Communications	Coreen Harker sixscrapers@msn.com	672-1169	9 to 11	Bring book	2 to 10

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Boy Scouts of America

Disabilities Awareness	Shannon Hull	677-0415	12 to 1	Bring book	2 to 10
Environmental Science	Mike Rice	679-4505	10 to 12	Bring book. Must be 1st Class. or above	2 to 10
Family Life	Shannon Hull	677-0415	10 to 12	Bring book and project ideas.	2 to 10
Family Life	Jane Brown	673-3614	1 to 3	Bring book and project ideas.	2 to 10
Fingerprinting	Gerry Dutton	672-3203	9 to 11	Bring book	2 to 10
First Aid	Steve Mountainspring	673-5541	9 to 11	Bring book probable cost \$5 may need a 3rd class to complete	2 to 10
First Aid	Steve Mountainspring	679-0480	11 to 1	Bring book probable cost \$5 may need a 3rd class to complete	2 to 10
Genealogy	Beverly Wellington	957-0939	12 to 2	Bring with you names, dates and places of births & marriages, for you, your parents, and siblings	2 to 10
Genealogy	Brenda Rees	672-6623	9 to 10	Bring book	2 to 10
Home Repairs	JA Johnson	680-6756	10 to 12	Bring book	2 to 10
Journalism	Becky Holm	817-3472	11 to 1	Bring book	2 to 10
Leatherworks	Mary Hollinger	459-2309	11 to 1	Money may be involved	2 to 10
Painting (house)	JA Johnson	680-6756	1 to 3	Bring book	2 to 10
Personal Management	Ronald Brown	673-3614	12 to 2	Bring book Age 14 or above	2 to 10
Personal Fitness	Tom Leech	672-2083	11 to 1	Bring book	2 to 10
Public Speaking	Jim Davy	677-9374	9 to 10	Bring book	2 to 10
Railroading	Preston Batman	679-7449	1 to 3	Bring book	2 to 10
Stamp Collecting	Mark Smalley	673-4318	9 to 10	Bring book	2 to 10
Weather	Jim Stuntz	440-6837	1 to 3	Bring book	2 to 10

Class Timetable Graph

9 to 10	10 to 11	11 to 12	12 to 1	1 to 2	2 to 3
Citizenship In World		Journalism		Family Life	
Citizenship Nation	Citizenship in Community		American Business	Citizenship in Community	
Communications		Citizenship Nation	Bird Study		xxxxxx
First Aid		First Aid		American Heritage	
Stamp Collecting	Coin Collecting	xxxxxx	Disability Awareness	Railroading	
Public Speaking	Environmental Science		Personal Management		xxxxxx
Fingerprinting		Personal Fitness		Painting (House)	
Collections		Leatherworks		Weather	
Genealogy	Home Repairs		Genealogy		xxxxxx
xxxxxx	Family Life		Climbing		
xxxxxx	xxxxxx		xxxxxx	Aviation	

Notes: