

Troop 255

Gettysburg

Saturday and Sunday, November 17th and 18th, 2012

Overview: We'll be camping at Gettysburg for Remembrance Day, the annual observance commemorating the Gettysburg Address. On Saturday we'll set up camp first thing, then we'll hike through the battlefield park into Gettysburg, where we'll watch a parade of re-enactors in period uniforms and dress and eat bag lunches. In the afternoon we'll help set out luminaries, and then after dinner at the campsite we'll help with luminary collection. On Sunday, we'll visit the excellent visitor's center, including the museum and cyclorama, and then visit Little Round Top and Devil's Den before heading home.

Assemble: 8:00am on Saturday at CCUMC

Return: 3:00pm on Sunday at CCUMC

Cost: Cost includes transportation, campground, and museum entrance fees. Cost varies by category*:

Youth (ages 6-12): \$23.00
Regular (ages 13-64): \$27.00
Senior, military: \$26.00



Food: Bring a bag lunch and snacks for Saturday. Saturday dinner and Sunday breakfast by patrol. Bring money for fast food on the way home.

Weather: Historical temperature range is mid-30s to low 50s. Be prepared for warmer and cooler, and of course, be prepared for rain.

What to bring:

Wear uniform. Be sure to dress for the weather.

For Saturday you'll want a day pack with your lunch and some water.

We're car camping, so standard camping equipment.



* Because that's how the museum charges

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Gettysburg Address Challenge

Scouts:

Game on! Learn by heart the famous and moving Gettysburg Address in time for our next camp-out to Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, on November 17 and win fabulous prizes! Amaze your friends! Impress the impressionable!

Be prepared to don a stovepipe hat and a beard at the very site where Lincoln delivered this civil war speech in November, 1863. Your fellow scouts and leaders will award prizes based on accuracy and oratory.

Give it try and good luck!

- The T255 Committee to Promote Free Speech and Rote Learning

The Gettysburg Address

Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent, a new nation, conceived in Liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal.

Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battle-field of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field, as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this.

But, in a larger sense, we can not dedicate -- we can not consecrate -- we can not hallow -- this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it, far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us -- that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion -- that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain -- that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom -- and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.

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Trip Permission Slip

SCOUT: _____

TRIP: **Gettysburg Trip**

TRIP DATE: November 17 & 18, 2012

This approval/permission is valid for the trip listed above.

Approval/permission is granted by the parents/guardians of the Boy Scout named above for their son/scout to participate in the activities of Troop 255, Chevy Chase, Maryland, National Capital Area Council, Boy Scouts of America. Approval/permission is granted to the adult members of Troop 255 to authorize treatment of the Boy Scout named above in the event of an accident or emergency.

Adult members of Troop 255 that authorize treatment of the Boy Scout in the event of an accident or emergency shall be released from any or all liabilities. Troop 255 will obtain local and national tour permits when necessary.

(Permission slip needed for scouts only. Siblings accompanied by a parent do not need a permission slip.)

Parent Signature **Parent Name (Print)** **Date**

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PLEASE LIST NAMES AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS BELOW: