

Troop 255

Gettysburg Remembrance and Campout

Saturday and Sunday, November 15th and 16th, 2014

Sign up as soon as possible
Permission slips and payment by Nov 11

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 clothing. We will eat bag lunches while watching the parade.



In the afternoon we'll help set out luminaries, then return to the campsite for dinner.

After dinner we'll conduct a flag retirement ceremony then return to the cemetery to help with luminary collection.

On Sunday, we'll visit the excellent visitor's center, and then visit Little Round Top and Devil's Den before heading home.

Assemble: 7:30am Saturday, Chevy Chase Elementary School

Return: 2:00pm Sunday, Chevy Chase Elementary School

Cost: \$30 per participant.

Sign-up: Sign-up by email to Mr. Watson at jwatson99999@gmail.com.

Payment and Permission Slips: Payment and permission slips to Ms. Davis by the Tuesday 11/11 meeting, or make alternate arrangements by contacting her at amanda.davis2@verizon.net.



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Be Prepared

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. Sunscreen is always a good idea.

What to bring

Wear uniform.

Be sure to dress for the weather. Include layers, gloves, hat.

Bring a day pack for Saturday. We'll be leaving camp around 11am and returning after dark. Have everything you need for the day.

We will have easy access to the vehicles at the campsite.

Checklist for Day Hike

- Day pack
- water
- lunch
- layers
- flashlight

We will be leaving camp at 11am and returning after dark. Have everything you need for the day.

Checklist for Camping

- Backpack
- 2 liters of water
- sleeping bag and pad
- your share of your tent
- your share of your food
- eating utensils (bowl/cup/spoon)
- toiletries
- flashlight
- clothes
- rain jacket
- sunscreen/bug repellent
- money for Sunday lunch
- pocket-knife (optional)
- book/cards (optional)

T255 policy is that electronics are ALLOWED IN THE VEHICLES ONLY on trips. Be sure to turn electronics over to an adult for safekeeping upon exiting your conveyance. Bring electronics at your own risk.

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Gettysburg Address

Abraham Lincoln

November 19, 1863

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 battlefield 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 Remembrance and Campout**

TRIP DATE: **November 15 & 16, 2014**

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

WHO SHOULD WE CONTACT IN AN EMERGENCY OR FOR CHANGE OF PLANS?
PLEASE LIST NAMES AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS BELOW: