



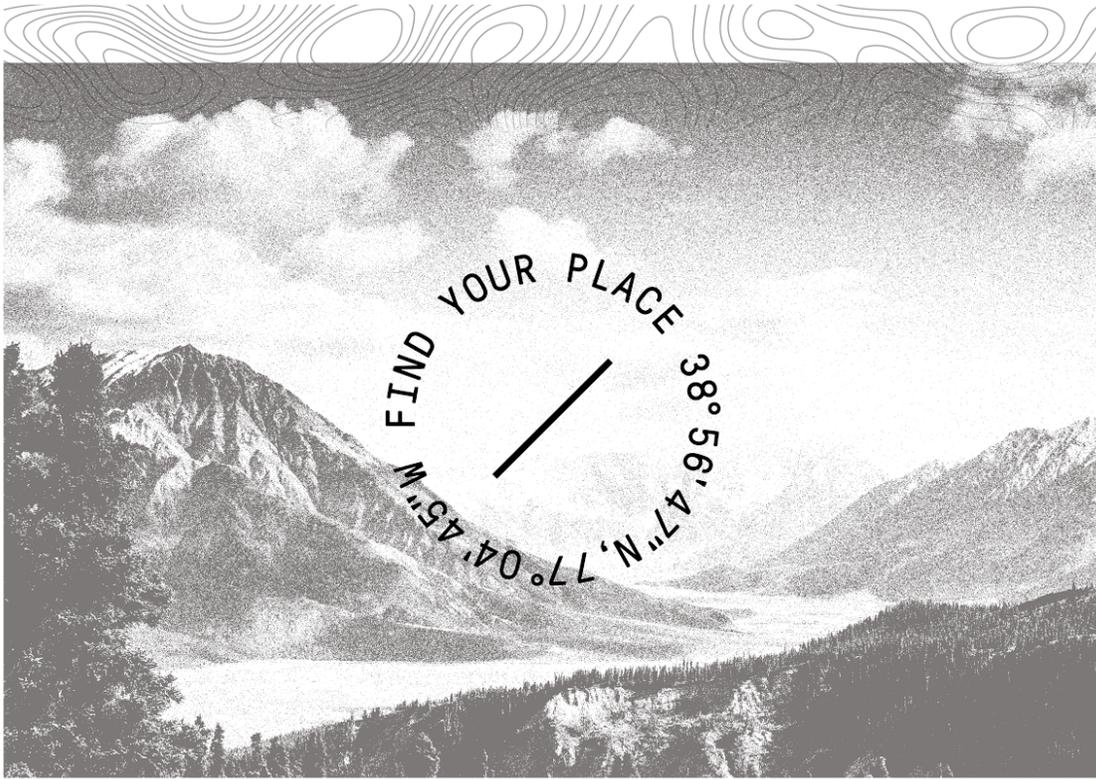
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# Troop 100 Roster

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## Scoutmaster's Minute

Edwin Acajabon

Since our last Council Fire, there have been many changes as a result of the pandemic that sent us virtual in March of 2020. A full year has passed since the last Council Fire, and life now approaches a new normalcy. The Troop and its Scouts have navigated many changes with resilience. We began the year with a continuation of weekly remote meetings and ended it with a return to in-person camping.

The year began with the Scouts continuing to meet virtually. The Scout leaders of the Patrol Leaders' Council (PLC) had a plan for each meeting, and they led each session. The monthly themes that had been determined at the PLC Retreat prior to Covid, served as a guide for each month. Scouts experimented with technology to create engaging



meetings that included, topical videos, PowerPoint presentations, scavenger hunts, and Scout skills quizzes using online games. Each month the Troop met on the first and third Saturday for socially distant time together practicing what they were learning online as well as a hike each month exploring different areas of D.C. Once a month, visitors to Rock Creek Park would spot a dozen or more Scouts traveling across various trails searching for flora and fauna to complete rank requirements.

Finally, in June the Troop held its first in-person meeting at St. Ann's Church. Initially those meetings were held outdoors, but the Scouts were overjoyed to be getting things back to normal and to be together instead of staring at squares on a screen. Resilience at virtual meetings gave way to excitement to be together again learning and having fun.



Over the summer Troop 100 remained busy. There were many trips undertaken by the Scouts and they got the chance to meet some other Scouts from the Midwest. The Troop returned to Camp Goshen in person after two years. Aside from the masks, things at Goshen had an air of normalcy. For many, it was their

first time at Goshen, while for others, it was their last time they would be there as Scouts. The Troop distinguished itself by earning the Troop of the Week through their hard work. A Troop from Indiana that was biking across the country spent a night at St. Ann's thanks to Msgr. Watkins' willingness to host visiting Scouts once again this year. We are thankful to have such a friend to the Troop and to Scouting. At the end of Summer, a small group of Scouts made their way to Camp Rodney located on the Chesapeake Bay for a week of merit badge work and while there earned the Troop of the Week honor as well. While that group of Scouts were busy at Rodney, another group of older Scouts were backpacking through the Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico. They spent ten days on the trail stopping at various camps where they got to enjoy learning about life in the southwest. The Troop had a busy summer.



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The Court of Honor in September showcased all the accomplishments by way of ranks, merit badges and other awards the Scouts of the Troop had earned over the summer. As the new program year began, the Scouts continued their weekly meetings outdoors, but soon returned to their monthly camping trips, which had been postponed since March 2020. The last camping trip the Troop took was to Marsh's Farm in February of that year. Now they were back at camp. Scouts are also about service to others and Troop and Pack 100 held a joint Scouting for Food event where they collected a metric ton in donations for those in need. While once again the annual pancake breakfast was canceled, the Troop was still able to hold its annual Christmas Tree sale.

The Troop has survived the challenges of a world turned on its ear and looks towards the future. The mantle of leadership has been passed on to a new group of Scouts that will continue to carry the legacy of Troop 100 forward. We are Troop 100! We are the Century Troop!



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## Scout Skills at Fort Reno

March 2021 | Jackson Mello

Last March we learned about knife safety. Knife safety is very important in Scouts because sometimes we are required to use them to either complete a requirement or help around a campsite. One of the most important parts of knife safety is something called a blood circle. A blood circle is an invisible circle that you make with your hands around you to prevent anyone from getting within poking distance while you are using your knife. Another key component of knife safety is making sure both parties know that a knife is being handed to them. You make sure of this by having the recipient say, "Thank you I have it". This makes sure that they know they have received the knife, are holding it firmly, so they don't accidentally drop it. Finally, there is some basic logic such as always keep the blade facing away from you and if you are moving, close the knife. It was very fun to learn these skills and I hope we don't have any incidents.



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## Soapstone Trail Hike

March 2021 | Quentin Colon Roosevelt

The Soapstone trail hike took place in March 2021 and it was the first in-person troop event I had been on in a while. I had mainly stayed inside for the past few months and only recently went out to spend time with friends I hadn't seen in person since before the pandemic. I had also recently gotten my first dose of the Covid vaccine, so I felt much safer going to an event with as many people as a Troop hike usually included. Immediately, I got the typical comment I always receive after coming to a troop event for the first time in some time: "Look who finally decided to show up."

After getting over the strangeness of seeing everyone in person again, I was hit by another realization: many of these Scouts had no idea who I was, and I had no clue who they were. Over the past year, we'd had many kids join Troop 100 online, with no in-person events to go to and

very little face-to-face talking due to Scouts' inclinations against turning cameras on when using Google Meet for troop meetings. This resulted in a rather large group of kids I had no prior experience with, aside from hearing their voices during our online sessions. In the past year or so, I had also declined to cut my hair, partly out of fear of going into a full barbershop and partly out of an even



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greater fear that I would make a grave mistake if I attempted to do it myself. This resulted in numerous comments throughout the hike, such as one parent saying I looked like a “70s rocker,” and many people just not recognizing me.

Throughout the hike, however, I was able to get to know many of the new kids. I tried to talk to each of them. There was Gabo Rodriguez-Seoane, who became very interested in talking to me after finding out I was a semi-professional video game player, Arjun Bhat, who wanted to learn more about how the troop functioned and advancement in the unit, and Ian Condon, whose height (which we could not tell over online meetings) caused me to talk about basketball with him immediately. I also got to catch up with older scouts, including Nico Acajabon, who had left the troop the year before after earning Eagle rank but was at the hike, back in D.C. on break from college.

At some point, we came to a rather large stream. You could tell a lot about each new scout from how they attempted to cross it. Some made extremely deliberate steps from rock to rock, keeping the balance but taking a while to cross the water. Others saw it as an opportunity to expend all of the energy that they had been unable to use during online meetings and raced as fast as they could to the other side, hopping from rock to rock and hoping not to make a mistake that would end up with them in the river. One Scout slipped and fell in.

Despite the one accident, most of the troop emerged from the hike unscathed and having gained a better understanding of their fellow Scouts. I got to meet kids who I had only heard on Google Meet for the past year and was able to talk in person again with Scouts my age who I had not seen in months. Over the following months, we would begin to slowly transition back to in-person meetings, and I would get to know all the new Scouts better while joining them again in the activities that I knew and loved and had missed out on so much during the pandemic. I also decided (thanks to peoples’ reactions on the hike) that it was probably time to cut my hair.

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## Knollwood Hike

April 2021 | Edwin Acajabon

The Troop gathered on Western Avenue at the trailhead of the Pinehurst Brant Trail. The Scouts stepped out of the sleepy Hawthorne neighborhood into the wooded Pinehurst tributary of Rock Creek Park. Scouts walked past Chestnuts, Poplars, Oaks, Maples, and Beech trees, many of which lent their names to the surrounding streets. The Scouts navigated a number of bridge crossings as they walked through Pinehurst Park, emerging on Oregon Avenue, before crossing and entering Rock Creek Park to continue the hike. The trail is believed to predate the founding of the nation, having served as an old farm path.



After reaching a junction of two other trails, the Scouts turned back towards Western Avenue where their parents would meet them. The hike was just over 3 miles.



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## Map and Compass

April 2021 | Gabo Rodriguez-Seoane

It was at Fort Reno during a chilly morning in April. We were all waiting for the scavenger hunt to start, but how did that happen? It all started when we got dropped off in the morning around ten. Once everyone arrived, we started the survival skill lessons. They were put into practice like stations where you would rotate between them. The first station was setting up tents and taking them down. They were standard troop tents and the most interesting thing during that station was finding things in the tents which included a Philmont belt, a knife, and a dead spider. The second station was for earning the Totin' Chip Badge. We had lessons on how to use certain tools such as a saw, handsaw, knife, ax, and hatchet. We learned about cutting zones and blood circles. The third station was focused on teaching us how to orient a map and compass for an activity that we would do later. Finally, we got back to where we started, and the scavenger hunt began. The twist was we had to find the final point with a compass and coordinates with a total of 4 stops along the way. Once that was done, we broke out into our patrols for advancement and slowly got picked up when the meeting was over.



## Scout Skills at St. Ann's

May 2021 | Kunal Bansal

We did a lot of different Scout skills and worked on Scout spirit. We learned how to work with the camping stoves, and we practiced using them with the guide of experienced Scouts. After we learned how to use the stoves, some of us did fitness requirements for the Tenderfoot rank, while others did advancements for other ranks. The requirement we did was 6a, which was recording how many pushups and sit-ups we could do in 60 seconds;



went over the patrol cheers and memorized them. That day was an extremely productive day, with us learning, doing fitness, and individual patrol spirit.

how much time it took to go 1 mile; and how far we could stretch. We did this so we could do requirements 6b and 6c one month later. That involves having a plan to exercise and doing the fitness test again to see how much we improved in 30 days.

For the Scout spirit part of the day (which everyone was a part of), we took out our patrol's flags, and each patrol talked about their own flag. We also



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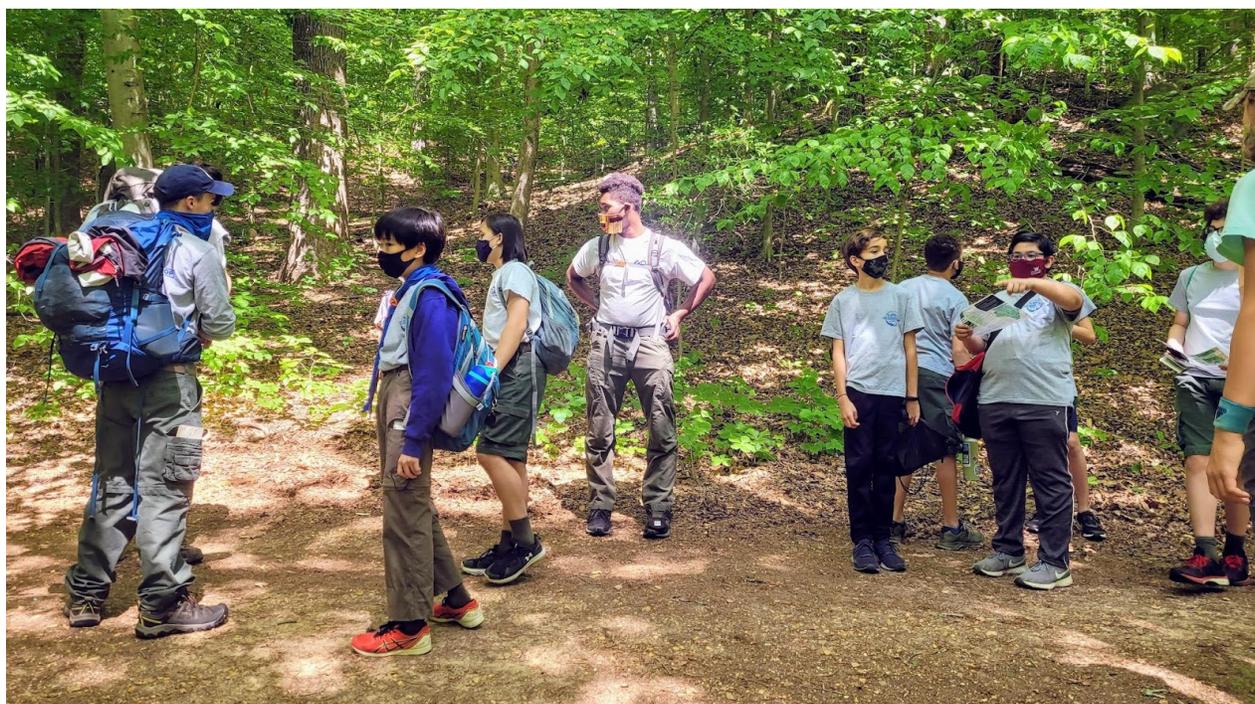
## Rock Creek Park Nature Center

May 2021 | Grady Jiggins

The hike started in the morning. We arrived on the corner of two streets, and waited for everyone else to show up. Then we set off through Rock Creek Park.

It was a warm day, in the 50s to 60s if I remember right. For most of the hike, the trail followed the creek. Some Scouts worked on requirements along the way, including finding 10 wild animals, or first aid skills. We saw a few woodpeckers, some squirrels, and a few minnows. After about an hour or so, we returned to the start of the loop and gathered at the corner once more to be picked up and go home.

This hike was fairly standard: meet up, start out, finish, and go home. And as always, it was fun.



## Pack 100 Pinewood Derby

May 2021 | Tomas Parodi

The Pinewood Derby, as most of you might already know, is a Cub Scout event where all of the Cub Scouts come together and race small cars that they make out of a pinewood block for this annual event. This can become very competitive for the young Scouts, because this is one of, if not the biggest events of the year for them.

I came to the event late, apparently, and some other Scouts had already left. The event took place in Ian Condon's front yard because his father is the Pack's Cubmaster. There was a big, long metal track with 4 lanes, one lane for each car. The only bad thing about the location was that it was supposed to rain that day and it was outdoors. My dad provided two canopies originally meant for shade, but they were quickly repurposed to keep the water off the track. Luckily, it didn't rain too hard, and it didn't rain for too long

either,  
so we  
were all fine.



During the event, Arjun Bhat, Luke Voss, and I were helping out with the races, be it transporting the cars from the end of the track back to the start, or recording the times and places of all of the racers, or placing the cars on the track correctly. There was a surprising amount of people in the pack, as I had never seen every single one of them. And one of the great things was, each car looked completely unique. This was a great chance for the Cubs to show off their creativity. I felt like each car was a representation of their personality.

I didn't get to see the end of the Pinewood Derby, (I don't exactly remember why) but it was nice to see the little Scouts have a fun time, and also to see some potential future Troop Scouts.

## First In-Person Meeting During Covid

June 2021 | Ewan Conroy

When the Covid-19 lockdown started Troop 100 was forced to move into virtual meetings. Everyone in the Troop stepped up and worked together to make these virtual meetings work. We also got to go on day hikes in D.C. as a Troop. I found virtual meetings difficult when it came to paying attention, especially after a long day of online school. So, in June 2021 when the news came that we were meeting in person again I was extremely excited to get back.

The first in-person meeting was located outside of St. Ann's Church



where the Troop assembles on fire drills or in the event of an emergency. It felt so unreal to be back in person and I was finally able to catch up with so many people. I also got a chance to talk to so many new Scouts who had never been to an in-person meeting before. It was so much easier to step into my leadership position of Assistant Patrol Leader when we were not separated by a screen.

Now, we are meeting inside, and it feels like we have come such a long way from that first in-person meeting, but it is a meeting that I will surely never forget.

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## Final Hike

June 2021 | Luke Voss

Early one Saturday morning in June (which happened to be Father's Day weekend), members from the Beaver, Fox and Stag Patrols met at the corner of Beech Street and Western Avenue NW, ready to hike. It was a typical D.C. summer day; hot, with barely a cloud in the sky. Some of the older Scouts who were going to go to Philmont carried their camping backpacks which were filled with weights to simulate carrying 40 pounds of camping gear. Thankfully, my drawstring backpack only carried my water bottle and a few snacks since I was a new Scout and wouldn't be going to Philmont. After everyone had arrived, we headed down the trail by patrol. We went up hills, crossed the Pinehurst Branch Creek until we arrived at a few picnic benches, marking the half-way point of the trail. We sat down, had some water and worked on advancement. After a little while, we headed out and walked the rest of the loop until we were back where we started, having walked 3.1 miles (or a 5k) in all. We said our goodbyes and headed home to celebrate Father's Day weekend with our families.



## Goshen 2021

July 2021 | Gabo Rodriguez-Seoane



The First Day: It started at St. Ann's Church early in the morning around 7:00 AM. We all made sure we were fully packed and brought a lot of troop gear with us. We stopped at a nearby gas station and 7-11 to get some

snacks and fuel for the ride to camp. Then we had the long car ride to Camp Goshen. We stopped for lunch along the way. Once we finally got there we checked-in then unloaded all of our gear. Once that was done, we broke into patrols for a bit to settle into our patrol sites. Like an inexperienced scout, I (1) did not spray my entire tent with bug spray, (2) dumped all my things out, and (3) didn't learn how to prepare my tent from the older Scouts. With the mix of these things, I had already made my tent a mess. Shortly afterwards, we had our swim test and dinner prepared by the camp, which both went decently well. In the evening we did "Roses, Thorns, and Buds" and then called it a night. [Troop 100 conducts Roses, Thorns, and Buds at Goshen to allow each Scout to reflect on what went well for each of them, what didn't, and what they could have done better in hindsight.]

Thursday: Thursday was the day of the banquet; I woke up at 6:00 AM as I had started to do during my time at Goshen. Grady, Ewan, and I all went to take showers and get breakfast supplies so that we could cook when we got





back. Once we were back everyone was awake, and the patrol started cooking with the supplies we brought. After we were done eating breakfast, we started our first period merit badge work or continued working on KP [kitchen patrol], if you didn't have a first period merit badge. At noon, Ray and Grady went to get lunch supplies, while we prepared the stoves and started brainstorming for meal invites. Once we had one ready, Ray and Grady were back, so we started preparing lunch. We ended up finishing lunch, doing KP and then heading to fourth period badges. A few of the Stokes [combined Stags & Foxes patrols] did not have merit badges yet and we all played a game of Uno. Ewan and I headed to the swimming merit badge and completed the diving requirement during fifth period. When we got back to our campsite, we began work on a camp gadget for the day. That day we made a volleyball net for our camp gadget using rope and fallen logs we found. After we played a few games with it we sent some people to go help with the

banquet. While the adults cooked for the banquet both patrols got dressed in uniform and prepared some skits. Once dinner was ready, we all went to the table and ate. Once that was done, each patrol started to make their custom ice cream. After we had the ice cream and wrapped up the banquet with our skits, we held the evenings, "Roses, Thorns, and Buds" before going to sleep.

Last Day: Once we woke up everyone started packing for the trip home. That's when I realized that I committed a horrible mistake. I dumped all my clothes on the other cot. It ended up taking me an hour and a half to completely pack so that I was ready to leave in the car. I also had bleeding blisters on my feet at this point. Once we were done with the individual tents, we packed the troop gear and put it in the back of the U-HAUL. We all got into cars by patrol to get breakfast, then headed home. On the way back we stopped for brunch, since we





would not be stopping at 7-11. Finally, after a long car ride we made it back to the church where I was picked back up by my family and proceeded to shower and sleep for 16 hours.

### Ray Matano

It was my first time at the Goshen Scout Camp. I experienced so many new things!

When I arrived at Goshen, I thought the view was incredibly beautiful! The green mountains and shimmering lakes were part of this picturesque view. But the most beautiful view was when the sun was going down. I really hope I get to see this lovely view again next year.

The night sky is also amazing! Because it was so dark out in the country, I was able to see brilliant stars. There were so many stars in the sky and, for the first time in my life, I saw a shooting star. It's not possible to see this kind of night sky in D.C. or Tokyo.

I was so happy that I was able to go swimming, canoeing, and earn Merit Badges. I learned how to do fingerprinting, too. Our Troop was named the Troop of the Week, and we received an award.

I like Goshen very much because of



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the spectacular night sky and breathtaking views. The food was even delicious! I stayed seven days in Goshen. I look forward to going back to Goshen next year. I hope those who couldn't come this time can make it next year.

This summer, I'll also go to Camp Rodney (for the 1st time), with the Boy Scouts. I plan on earning six Merit Badges. I can't wait to see what the Rodney campsite looks like!

### Daniel Snee

This trip to Camp Goshen was the first one we had since quarantine, and a first for a few of the Scouts there. The Staff kept offering Alex Penberthy a job there, and he always tried to dodge the offers. We attended an Order of the Arrow (OA) ice cream social under a pavilion one night where we met some other Scouts from different troops. [The OA is Scouting's honor society] Astute readers may realize that I am not in the OA, but the people there never bothered me about it, and I left the party a bit early. The Troop's annual costume party we had was fun. I remember Alex and I dressed up as Sponge Bob and Patrick, and the staff made sure to express their enthusiasm for our tradition. We had a lot of fun at the water carnival, and other competitions that day, even though we didn't win. While this was not my first trip to Goshen by a long shot, I'm sure the younger scouts loved it.



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## Indiana Troop 343 Visit

July 2021 | Tomas Parodi

I had read an email saying that there was a troop from Indiana coming through D.C. on a big biking trip and that Msgr. Watkins had offered for them to sleep in the basement of St. Ann's Church. The email also said that we would be meeting them that evening so that they could tell us the story of their trip. I found it interesting, so I went over to the church.

When I got to the church, I found that Sam Snee, Alex Penberthy, William Wales, and Daniel Snee were already there, as well as the troop members from Indiana. If I remember correctly, there were 4 Scouts, an Assistant Scoutmaster, and their Scoutmaster. They already had their sleeping bags on the floor of the room. I greeted them and shook hands with the Scoutmasters, and they told the story of their trip.

They said that they would bike all day, and that they had never been to some of the states that they passed through, so they were going in and discovering the places for the first time. In return, we told them a bit about our troop history. We also decided to look for a good gift for them. We all went to the storage room to find one. (Keep in mind, this was the old storage room, where it was a messy collection of 50+ year-old junk.)

I had always found it interesting to go into the old storage room because each time, you would find something new that had probably been long forgotten several decades ago. This time it was an old, broken Goshen Troop of the Week oar, a rusted pair of badminton racquets, and best of all, a century-old backpack that looked more like a beige shopping bag that had two 1.5-foot-long poles attached to it. The coolest part about it, though, was the fact that the backpack had all of the major

camping trips of its time written on it, including Mexico 1944, and the oldest one, Harper's Ferry 1922.



After watching the Scouts from Indiana almost burn their chili, we all took the rusty badminton racquets and their corresponding birdie to the big room to play troop vs. troop baseball (without shoes on, to maximize slide, of course). I don't remember who won, but it was probably the other troop. After all of that, I went back home, overall having had a fun time.

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## Philmont 2021 - Notes from the Trail

**Crew:** Alex Penberthy, Daniel Snee, D’Jhanir Harris Smith, William Wales, and Gareth Meikle

**Assistant Scoutmasters:** Sam Snee and Blake Franko

**July 24, 2021 | Day 1: Before Philmont**

**Alex Penberthy, SPL and Crew Leader**

Hello, my name is Alex Penberthy, I am the current SPL [Senior Patrol Leader] of Troop 100 and the Trek Leader of Philmont this year. I woke up at 2:30 am (to eat a homemade egg sandwich and gather my things). My father and I got out the door at 2:55 to pick up Gareth, a fellow Scout and Blake. From there, we meet up with the rest of the crew, minus William, as he was in Texas. We headed to the airport and arrived at 4:30ish for a 6:00 am flight... We met up with William and got a rental [car] to head to Kirtland Air Force Base. I’m proud to say that morale is high as the day was filled with banter containing funny stories and jokes. I’m also thankful for Troop 85 who is letting us stay in their Scout Room. Dinner was at the Thunder room on the military base which was not amazing but could be worse. All and all, we are off to a good start. Also, I forgot to mention lunch at Chili’s which was amazing.

**July 25, 2021 | Day 2: Kirtland Air Force Base**

**Daniel Snee, ASPL and Chaplain’s Aide**

After waking up at 8 am (10 eastern time which was nice), we ate a surprisingly nice breakfast at the diner and drove to a petroglyph site some 30 minutes away. We walked off trail for awhile and it took us longer than it probably should have to find the trailhead but we eventually figured it out. We saw some interesting petroglyphs, climbed to the summit...and headed back down. We had lunch at a Whataburger at which we had Part 2,000 of the milkshake debate and had, in my humble opinion, some quite good



food. We drove to the Museum of Nuclear Science, which I enjoyed profusely, and at which we saw some really interesting restored aircraft. We then drove to REI [camping and outdoor store] to pick up some last minute supplies and drove back to the Air Force Base.



We ate dinner around 6 pm and turned in because we were going to wake up around 5 am the next day.

### July 26, 2021 | Day 3: Philmont Camp

#### Daniel Snee

Hello, my name is Daniel Snee and I am the Chaplain's Aide for the Philmont trek. Please pardon my writing, as I write this on my knee in a tent.<sup>1</sup> We woke up around 5:30 am and cleaned the Scout hut before leaving to make our way to Philmont. It was a long drive but the van driver was kind enough to let us take a lunch break at Subway, God Bless his soul. I slept to classical music to slow down on the car ride... We checked in around 11 am, and got what were probably the best tents I've ever had the



<sup>1</sup> The Troop 100 Philmont Crew kept a joint handwritten journal on the trek which is transcribed here.



pleasure to sleep in. They have 22 pieces, door flaps, canvas floor, and 4 window flaps. At base camp, I met a guy from North Dakota... At the lecture for Chaplain's Aide, they said my role is important. If the Wilderness Pledge Guia (Guide) fails, the wilderness is worse off, but we live, if the leader fails, someone else has to be ready to step in, if I fail, we are at each other's necks, and we need to go home. Any future Chaplain's Aides also should be ready to confront and correct their crew mates.

**July 27, 2021 | Day 4: Sioux Camp (7300 feet)**

**William Wales, Stags Patrol Leader and Wilderness Pledge Guia (Guide)**

Today was our first real day on the trail. The bus took us from Base Camp to Ponil. During the ride, the staff gave some history of the ranch and told us about the Circle brand.

During our navigation training at the Ponil trailhead, there were horses that kept messing with us. Aside from the really cool terrain, there is a lot of flora and fauna to see. Several turkeys wandered through the site and Alex

showed us that the Ponderosa Pines have a very unique smell. I'd love to see an elk or bear from a distance, so I'm keeping an eye out.

Today was only about two miles but I'm already starting to feel a little sore and tired.

Tomorrow we hike back down the valley towards Pueblano and eventually Baldy, which I'm looking forward to... As best I can, I try to note what the Crew Leader, Alex, does. The other four crew members will age out of the Troop pretty soon leaving me as the only older Scout. I need to know how everything works for when the time comes to train the next generation of Troop 100.

Note – I need a new foam pad. This one is several years old and several feet too short.

**July 28, 2021 | Day 5: Sioux, Pueblano Ruins**

**D'Jhanir Harris Smith**

Today is Friday, July 30, the 7<sup>th</sup> day of the Trip, and the 5<sup>th</sup> day of Philmont on the trail. We just hiked up Baldy mountain, but that is not my story to tell. Here's the tale of Day 3 of Philmont.

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It was 5:30 and crew leader Alex is calling everyone out of the tent. The night before was the first night on the trail. The difficulty of that night cannot be described in mere words, so I will describe it with a ride – the Joker at Six Flags. You’d think we were rolling with bears. It was a roller coaster. We quickly dismantle our tents and organize our packs to get ready to go. We really wanted to get on the trek early. We took down bear bags, the dining fly, and headed to Ponil.

The site of Ponil was a modest one. Many activities, fun staff, and not that many horses made it very attractive. We quickly stopped, had breakfast, and went on our way.

This is where the real story starts. Day 3 of Philmont was unfortunately our longest day. We had already hiked about 2 miles from Sioux to Ponil, but that wasn’t the brunt of our trip. Ponil to Pueblano was a lengthy 6 miles and that wasn’t our ending point for the day! Another 2 miles had to be hiked from Pueblano to its ruins! It was a wicked and long hike, but we pushed through! We climbed quite a bit for the first mile and then we encountered the switchbacks. The switchbacks were many and tiring. We still pushed through. We eventually arrived at Pueblano for brunch. We tired but accomplished Scouts felt good. Fast forward 7 hours later, we were at Pueblano watching the campfire. It was a joyous time.

**July 29-30, 2021 | Day 6-7: On the Trail**

**Alex Penberthy**

Hello, this is Alex again. Today we hiked on the Pueblano ruins to Baldy town. It was a long and hard hike mostly uphill but there were a few moments where we had an amazing view of the mountains and hills. Baldy town is a nice camp but the campsite we got was horrible. The camp was on a hill and



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lacked good places to put tents. We also had food pickup today and picked up 60 bags of food and extra snacks. We also took time to learn more about the history of Baldy Mountain and the mining operation that took place. We learned Baldy Mountain was a copper and gold mine... We also learned that young girls were used to tell if the mines were safe, which I was shocked to learn. I'm not too concerned about Baldy being fun to climb in my opinion, but you need the right mindset when climbing. All in all, I look forward to tomorrow.

**July 30, 2021 | Day 7: Baldy Summit**

**Gareth Meikle**

My personal favorite of our days so far – on day 7, we summited Baldy. We woke up at 5:30 and in all honesty didn't make great time getting on the trail. We ate breakfast and took our day packs to Baldy town to refill water... In the end, I think we made it out at 7:30.

The path up Baldy was far and away the most difficult we've trekked but there was some relief in that we were only carrying day packs. We walked slowly, stopped frequently, and hiked many a switchback but we eventually reached the tree line where the "bald" section of Baldy began. We then walked up a few hundred feet of this steep rockface before summiting. The top of Baldy is gorgeous – save for one small town, you can see wilderness for miles. We took some pictures, rifled through a geocache, and



began our descent. We essentially slid down what was more or less 3,000 (vertical) feet of rockface all the way down into the valley between Baldy and another adjacent ridge. After making it into the valley, we stopped to eat lunch and refill on water. Water from a stream that came from Baldy Mountain (a copper mine) and in which all the plants were dead. Turns out, somewhat unsurprisingly, that the water had copper in it and caused a couple of us to be briefly sick. We got over that and hiked through this beautiful valley path, through copper valley camp (where we got drinkable water) and used a service road to return to Baldy town. My favorite day so far by a wide margin, I won't soon forget that Summit.



**July 31, 2021 | Day 8: Thunder and Hail**

**Daniel Snee**

Again, my name is Daniel Snee, the crew's Chaplain's Aide. We leave out of base camp with a few errands in the town, including misreading prices, red roofs, and spicy pickles. It was a pleasant walk, but about an hour after we got there, we got rained on for the first time. For about an hour, there was



on and off hail and thunder every 30-50 seconds. After around 2 hours, after it stopped hailing, the rain let up enough for us to hike. We rushed to the campsite and quickly went to bed. While the day was miserable, in the afternoon, it was fun joking about Alex's claims about July thunderstorms and him being proven wrong a lot regarding the weather. The [staff were in costume from 1838] and acted appropriately. They threw knives into the floor and gave us a lesson in tomahawk throwing until it rained. The staff let us on their balcony and gave us hot water bottles to warm up. Despite the rain, we met some people from other crews, which we don't always get to do.

We also got to see Mount Baldy covered in snow/hail, which is a sight to see.

**August 1, 2021 | Day 9: Seventh Day on the Trail**

**William Wales**

Waking up in Ringtail camp, everything was still wet. With the rain showing no sign of stopping, our crew packed up and started the first leg of our hike on switchbacks, made especially brutal by the mud and cold.

When we arrived at the Head of Dean camp, things were a bit chaotic. The site had recently been raided by staff from Santa Claus camp. I wonder how many times a day the staff hear jokes about their respective site names.

Our group took a minute to warm up on the porch while the hummingbirds from the feeder investigated our clothes as potential flowers.

A group from North Dakota, who as it turns out is our sister crew, arrived just after us. The timing gave us the unique opportunity to complete COPE together. COPE is a series of team building exercises including scaling a 12 foot wall and getting everyone through without touching the ropes. I was particularly proud of my COPE performance. The ranger told me afterward the goal was "seeing how I would lead under pressure."

The final step of the day's trip was a hike through the 2002 Ponil complex fire zone to Santa Claus. We ended the day by making our own shells which was cool and there was a very impressive improv Q&A campfire performance from Santa Claus himself.





August 2, 2021 | Day 10: Santa Claus to Dean's Skyline

D'Jhanir Harris Smith

...Today's wake up was later than usual. Our activity, shotgun shooting, was set at 11:30 so we had a little leeway in terms of sleep. We started eating

breakfast around 8 am and finished around 9. We then packed up our tents and headed to shotguns. Communication was very poor at Santa Claus, so our shooting time was delayed. The first POW didn't go off until 12:30. The guns we shot were cool. They were 12 gauge over-under shotguns.

We started heading to Dean's Skyline, which is a bit away from Santa. There is a campsite between Santa and Dean's Skyline called New Dean. Guess what we saw there! Bear...poop and prints...that were still fresh. This had us on our toes for quite awhile.

We stopped at New Dean for a little and then headed up to the Skyline. That hill was steep! It felt like forever while climbing.

We eventually made it to the Skyline and were met with a beautiful sight of the mountains. We hiked a little and eventually found the sign for the campsite. We looked at it for a bit and continued walking. We eventually had a problem, we couldn't find a site. We continued searching and eventually we talked to another crew that said that the map was upside down!

August 3, 2021 | Day 11: Ninth Day on the Trail

Alex Penberthy

We started the day at 5:00 am and were greeted by big, beautiful sunshine. This is Alex by the way. It took us a few hours to get out of the site... The trek was full of beautiful views and was nice and short. We arrived at Ponil and signed up for Cowboy action shooting...a lot of fun and involved a .38 gauge revolver and...a double barrel shotgun. The rest of the crew then went to conservation while I hung back to get food for the next few days. I was also able to get bear bags.

We headed off to our conservation project which involved repairing a trail. The project was cut short by rain and we headed to Ponil's chuck wagon dinner. The chuck wagon dinner consisted of beef stew



with biscuits on top and peach cobbler both cooked in a Dutch oven. During this, we heard rumors of a bear in camp. The chuck wagon dinner was great and a nice change. The bear rumor was true and we got to see a bear from across a field. The camp staff went into a bit of a panic over it as the bear got

into two packs and needed to be put down. That the whole ordeal took place in the rain only added to the atmosphere. All in all, I am glad we got bear bags and got to see a bear but a lot happened today which left me a little drained.

#### August 4, 2021 | Day 12: Ponil to Anastasi

Gareth Meikle

We woke up around 5:30 again to what was definitely the muddiest campsite we've been in all week. I took a bit of a slow morning because the advisors were going to take a shower that morning. I packed up my tent with more or less double the weight in mud and finished packing up. From the ledge at site H in Ponil, we heard a crowd of people singing happy birthday at the church which we eventually realized was directed at the bear we had seen last night, who we saw leave the tree line and immediately return after it saw everyone look at it. A skunk (we named Maurice) essentially harassed William; it tore through his bag, took some food, then tore a hole in his sweatshirt for no reason. After a late start (and a nice breakfast) we began our hike to Indian writings, then Anastasi. First, we walked a steep trail up Hart Mountain behind Ponil, which was an achievement in the past, but it pales in comparison now to the hike up Baldy. We took a break up top, took a picture by a sign, and continued along possibly the worst maintained trail we've been on yet. We hiked through a valley, Alex and I walked through a lake and almost got trench foot (everybody else walked around) and had a very pleasant lunch on top of a canyon. We pushed through some brush to get to Indian writings – where we took a petroglyph tour before it was cut short because of rain and the potential for flooding. We stopped for a minute then, taking some liberties for the trail along the way, walked through tall grass and brush in heavy rain to get to Anasasi. Luckily, the rain slowed down and eventually stopped as we arrived and it would be the last rain we'd have at Philmont.



### August 5, 2021 | Day 13: Blazing Trails

Daniel Snee

We got up as usual, which was fairly late. The sister Troop kept beating us places. So we tried to beat them today. We started hiking around 9:30 and went to see the only T-rex footprint recognized in the world. We got to Ponil where we were on a flagged route, which means there are colorful stripes on trees and bushes. This continues on for about 3 miles where we stopped at the most overgrown road I've ever seen. We went down the road and up very steep hills and the trail blazes for a few hours in the canyons. We got to the campsite at around 6:30, and the trail we blazed was around a 9 mile trek, and I ended up with around 11 blisters. The place had no running water and that made me worry because it was our second to last day. I think everyone just wants to go home.

### August 6, 2021 | The Last Day, Twelfth Day on the Trail

Alex Penberthy

We woke up and got right to work on packing. The crew had a new commitment to it. Everyone was looking forward to something at home and I can't blame them. We hit the trail by 7:40 and walked 3 sub 20 minute miles in a row. This was due in part to the fact that we were on a flat road and due to our drive for nice beds and flushing toilets. We arrived at the pick up spot at 10:30. The stop being 6 miles

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away. We ran into our sister crew and then hiked on... At base camp, we turned in our gear and turned in some paperwork which took a few hours. My feet were sore as can be and every step sent pain through my legs. That being said, when it was all done, I enjoyed ice cream from the snack shop, which was a nice way to relax and rejoin civilization.



**August 7, 2021 | Day 14: Basecamp to Best Western**

**D’Jhanir Harris Smith**

We did it! Wooh! Finally, back at basecamp.

Today was a good day, today was different. You could feel it as soon as you woke up. Especially because we slept in! We woke up around 7 and started to pack. By 7:30 breakfast was starting to be eaten. Now explain to me this, is a cinnamon Danish a cinnamon bun? No, right? Then WHY did I get a bun? Never mind. Calm. We continued packing after breakfast. By 8:30, we were out of our tents. The most difficult part of the day was ahead of me, it wasn’t pretty. It was the souvenirs. I spent about an hour searching for souvenirs because the store had been ransacked the day before. That’s not even the



most important detail. I won't discuss numbers, but let's just say I got 3 free books. We then headed to the National Scout Museum, where we learned about the history of Scouting. It even has a merit badge available. We left around 11. The Museum was surprisingly small. Our bus was leaving at 12, so you know where I was going to be. "Uh oh, back to the Trading Post again, oh no, back to the Trading Post again, again, you messed up! Back to the Trading Post again!" I returned to the Trading Post to finish up my purchases. Fast forward a bit and our bus arrives. We sleep for most of the ride until we arrive at the Best Western. We go to see the pool and hot tub, then finally take showers again! The Village Inn was the last destination we went to before we hit the hay. There the great pie debate was held. Daniel and I were on the right side of history siding with triple berry instead of the gelatin lemon meringue.



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## Rodney 2021

August 2021 | Ewan Conroy

Camp Rodney 2021 was one of the best Scouting experiences that I have ever had. It was just a small group consisting of myself and three others. We called ourselves the Boxes patrol because we were a mix of Beaver patrol members and Fox patrol members.

Our campsite was beautiful and overlooked the Chesapeake Bay.

I was the Acting Senior Patrol Leader which I did not believe I was well qualified for because my only other leadership experience at that time was as an Assistant Patrol Leader. I was required to attend Senior Patrol Leader meetings each day, keep track of schedules, and organize service projects.



It was nice getting to know the three other Scouts that attended Rodney with me. We fired shotguns together, swam in the pool together, cleaned up the beach together and so much more. I have fond memories of playing Uno with the Troop whose campsite was across from us and playing football with other campers in our spare time.

In total, I earned six merit badges and learned so much from the experience. Everyone in our Troop was a part of the after-dinner Mammal Study Merit Badge which afterward we had to rush to our evening activity.



Camp Rodney happened after Camp Goshen, so we were all aware of the importance of keeping our campsite clean. This paid off because we got a 100/100 on every campsite inspection that we had each day, which ended up getting us the Clean Campsite Award. We also got the Honor Troop Award for attending events, participating in service projects, having a clean campsite, and all-around being a good Troop. We attempted the Athletics Award, but we were not able to beat the other Troops. In the end, Rodney



had its ups and downs, but I will always cherish the memories that I made there.

### Ray Matano

My first time at Camp Rodney I learned a lot of things, so I want to write about what I did and what I felt at Rodney.

What I liked about Rodney were the campfires, food, merit badges, showers, and the view from our campsite.

First, the campfire in Rodney was very spirited, counselors and Scouts sang songs and performed skits. It was different than a normal campfire, a lot of people were singing with the counselors and the fire made everything more spirited and exciting.

Second, Rodney's food was very good too. Counselors at Camp Rodney prepared meals and Scouts served us. It was very delicious and different than Camp Goshen because we didn't need to make our own food.

Third, I worked on a lot of merit badges at camp. One of the best things about Rodney is that I could take at least seven merit badges in just one week. My favorite merit badge was "Pulp and Paper": we made paper from scratch and then used it on the last day to eat our potato chips while we played games of chess.

A fourth good thing about Rodney is that I can get showers every day and they are clean. At Goshen, we didn't have enough time to go shower every day.

Fifth, the view from our campsite was perfect! We were on the Chesapeake Bay and at night we saw a lot of stars.

Last, when I chose my tent, there were a lot of spiders inside of it and I was so surprised!

Camp Rodney is a good place to earn merit badges and have fun during the summer.



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## First Court of Honor

September 2021 | Alex Penberthy

In September of 2021, Troop 100 held its first Court of Honor since going virtual. After over a year in virtual we finally had an opportunity to reward our Scouts for their effort and commitment. At the time I was the Senior Patrol leader (SPL) and the Master of Ceremony (MC) for the Court of Honor. As the MC I was in charge of opening and closing the Ceremony as well as transitions between events. When it came to the Court of Honor, Edwin, our Scoutmaster, did most of the talking. We held the ceremony outside on a basketball court located on Saint Ann's Catholic Church and had to yell over the sound of a nearby air conditioning unit. While it was around 8:30 pm it was already dark out, so we had to use a flashlight to illuminate our "stage". I remember there was a large parent turnout which made sense as we were handing out a lot of awards, and for many Scouts and Parents, it was their first Court of Honor. If I recall, most of the Troop received a merit badge and many Scouts received 3 or more. I believe the award of most merit badges goes to Ray who received 9 or more (I lost count). We also had a few Scouts move up in rank. All and all it was good to be back and to recognize our Scouts. As the SPL I was proud and happy to see the amount of commitment our Scouts have been putting in.



## Setting Up Tents

September 2021 | Joshua Monash

As we were getting ready for our first camp out, we had a meeting on how to set up our tents. We learned how to use our tents, and how to set them up. Towards the end of the meeting, we did a group run-through of setting up tents. The groups needed to set up the tents fast, and well. It was very windy outside, so the tents were blowing all around. After we finished everything, we got requirements signed off for rank advancement.

We had fun learning how to set up our tents, and it helped us a lot when we went on our camp out.



## First Aid Rock Creek Park

September 2021 | Edwin Acajabon

The Scout leaders of the Patrol Leaders' Council (PLC) wanted to review first aid skills with the members of the Troop.

A picnic spot was reserved in Rock Creek Park to allow the Troop to gather for skills training and practice.

There were about a dozen Scouts present and the PLC covered various first aid skills, including splints, bandaging, and carries.



## Walkersville Watershed

October 2021 | Anthony Rankin

When I first went camping with Troop 100 it felt amazing, I loved being surrounded by people laughing as we went camping. It was an incredible time driving to the campsite and stopping at 7-11, where some may have gotten questionable things for a camping trip. In the end we all laughed about it. But before that, we had to prepare in the weeks prior. Choosing who was doing what, and who was going where. I went to get supplies for the campout, along with a few others from my patrol. Now that we had all we needed, we were off to go camping.

As we drove, we stopped at a 7-11 to get some snacks. After that we were back on the road. We had been talking for a while about some scary movies we had seen and discussing which was the scariest, and before we knew it, we made it to the campsite. We had unloaded and unpacked as we set up our tents; a test to see how much I retained from the weeks prior. I, among many others, had a semi-successful attempt, but in the end we all got



our job done. As we set up, we waited for our first meal of many on our camping trip. Some sandwiches and snacks had quenched us. A couple hours later, it was near night. We had gotten a fire started, and we were preparing to do some songs, some skits, and overall having a good time. I got to get my neckerchief and woggle [traditionally provided at Scout's first campout with the Troop], and after that we went to sleep.

As the next day came, it was forecasted to rain. This slight setback did not discourage us at all, instead we worked on advancements for most of the day. As we woke up, we got ready for breakfast,



which was oatmeal and other foods like sausage, and we were supposed to have eggs, but by the laws of gravity and nature, our eggs met a bitter fate; spilled onto the floor. As we were almost done with our trip, packing up in the rain wasn't exactly ideal. We still pushed through though.

I loved spending time with Troop 100, and I'm thankful that I got to go on this trip. For the first campout with Troop 100 it was an incredible experience, and a great start to my time with Troop 100.



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## Sycamore Island Campout

November 2021 | Grady Jiggins

The view from Sycamore Island was truly beautiful. The island is shaped like an elongated teardrop, sitting very close to the Maryland side of the river. One side looks across the channel to the Maryland side, while the other side of the island shows you the Virginia shore, about 300 meters away. At night, the reflection, and the land blend into one another, making the barrier very hard to distinguish.

It was cold, but not extremely cold yet. That would come the next morning. For the time being, there was nice weather and piles of leaves everywhere.

Additionally, there was a zipline and a swing on a tree. Enjoying the zipline and swing took up a lot of time that could have been used more productively, and many Scouts, myself included, often had to be called away from it to help cook or help clean dishes. The food was pretty good on this campout, with the classic, “sandwiches for lunch to avoid K.P. [kitchen patrol or cleanup]”. After that, Will Wales led



a hike around the island, which was short as the island is not very big. After this, all Scouts were pretty much left to their own devices. Most Scouts did advancement or helped light the campfire. Ewan told me that there was trash on one end of the island, so I went with him to pick it up. It turned out that by



trash, he meant an old tire. We spent the next hour and a half digging it up and packed it out with us when we left. We even got service hours for it. Soon after this, it was time to start cooking dinner. My patrol made ramen and kielbasa with onions and peppers for dinner. Ewan made brownies for dessert. By the time we served dinner, it was dark, and temperatures were in the thirties. The soup was pretty good though. After both patrols finished K.P., there was a campfire. Both patrols performed skits and songs.

Afterwards, Will made popcorn in the campfire, and accidentally melted a plastic cup in the process. The popcorn was pretty good and was a good after dinner snack. Shortly after this, everyone went to bed.

I was one of the first up in the morning, and so I had to wait for other people to get up. When they did, we started cooking breakfast. My patrol made sausages and scrambled eggs with hot chocolate to drink. After eating, we did K.P. and packed up our gear. After this, we started a patrol line to look for anything left behind, especially trash. This was pretty much the end of the campout, as shortly after, we took the ferry back to the mainland and went back to the church.



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## Scouting for Food

November 2021 | Ian Condon

I arrived at St. Ann's Church and saw my Troop already hard at work, so I walked over and clocked in, and put myself to use. Soon cars were starting to roll in with food to donate. My job was to take food from the cars and weigh it, so an accurate count could be made to provide the food bank. Sometimes 3 or 4 cars would show up and I would need help, but the rest of the time I spent waiting for other cars to arrive. While waiting I helped sort the food and move it into boxes. At times the Pack 100 Cub Scout dens came to help our Troop. After all was sorted and placed in boxes, we moved the food into a truck to take it to the food bank, but we had too much food! So, some of it stayed behind for pick up later.



## Tree Sale

December 2021 | Matteo Sdravovich

I should likely begin with saying that this was my first holiday tree sale so I cannot compare it to the previous ones. The date for the tree sale could have been better as Janney Elementary School and Deal Middle School also had tree sales on the same day as our Troop. Janney was troublesome because it occupied more space, had additional items, was right next door, and probably had more trees on sale.

However, the weather was good, and it was not overly cold, so the day that the tree sale was held had both its pros and cons.



It was an interesting thing for me as I had never before done anything similar to the tree sale.

Delivering trees was especially strange as directions also got mixed up and we would occasionally go into other people's houses which was strange, considering Covid.

To say that the tree sale was a bad experience would have been



untruthful, but it certainly was strange at least for me. But overall, I believe we sold as many trees as possible, the date was ok, and it was a good experience to have.



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## Holiday Party

December 2021 | Miguel Souto Learman



Every year, Scouts and Scoutmasters gather for the Annual Troop Holiday Party. It was a cold night when I joined my patrol to celebrate my first holiday party. During the party, there was a gift contest where Scouts bring gifts well-wrapped for other Scouts to open. I brought my bag with tools and my gift to the Scout room.

When all Scouts were inside, the Scoutmasters started the party with the gift competition, explaining that there were two prizes. One of them was a two-prize for the Scout that had their gift opened last. Each gift was assigned a number. Then, each

Scout pulled a matching number out of the hat. When I went to my assigned number, instead of finding a gift, I found a card. The card gave instructions to look for a box. I found it outside. There was an initial layer of duct tape, then cardboard, and then another layer of tape. After I removed all these layers using scissors, I found a metal box. Since there were screws, I tried unscrewing them. It did not work because some of them spun in place. I decided to smash it with a hammer – fun! It would occasionally make sparks, which I really liked. Eventually, the smashing strategy worked!

When I was done, I checked if the other Scouts were done with their gifts. There was only one Scout left, and he was working on the gift I wrapped up. I had won the competition! After the gifts were opened, all of us were tired and hungry. The very best advantage of getting the two-dollar prize was that my patrol got to eat first: there was pizza and root beer floats. It was a great night. I really look forward to it again next year.



## PLC Retreat

January 2022 | Jackson Mello

Every year the PLC (patrol leaders council) gets together for a planning and training retreat. This year we held it on Sycamore Island. It was pretty cold that day, so we had a woodburning stove going to keep us warm. During this retreat we watched a few videos on leadership and learned how to be a good leader.

We also learned the key steps to starting a movement and why the first follower is the most important. Another thing we did was we planned out the next year of meetings including what we will do at the meetings and when they were going to happen. We had

broken the months into different themes, so it was not too hard, but this was my first time planning the meetings, so it was a bit difficult at first, but I got the hang of it eventually. We ended up getting



done in a reasonable amount of time, so I went outside and got some requirements for the 2nd Class Rank. I liked the retreat, and I got some valuable knowledge out of it, so I will probably go again next year.



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# 2021 Troop Advancement

## Scout



Kunal Bansal  
Gabriel Rodriguez-Seoane  
Grady Jiggins  
Jordan Woodfield  
Ray Matano

## Tenderfoot



Kunal Bansal  
Jackson Mello  
Ian Condon  
Gabriel Rodriguez-Seoane  
Grady Jiggins  
Ray Matano  
Luke Voss

## Second Class



Ewan Conroy  
Grady Jiggins  
Ray Matano  
Jackson Mello  
Tomas Parodi

## First Class



Ewan Conroy  
Tomas Parodi

## Life



D'Jhanir Harris Smith  
William Wales

# 2021-2022 Nights of Camping

	Total Nights 2021 - 2022	Total Camping Nights with T100
Kunal Bansal	7	10
Arjun Bhat	4	7
Ian Condon	13	16
Ewan Conroy	19	28
Ethan Crawford	1	2
D'Jhanir Harris Smith	26	50
William Holzwanger	1	1
Grady Jiggins	14	28
James Khan	0	6
Miguel Souto Learman	1	1
Janis Liepins	0	4
Sebastian Linell-Simmons	0	6
Ray Matano	19	19
Gareth Meikle	24	34
Jackson Mello	6	15
Joshua Monash	6	9
Tomas Parodi	18	24
Alex Penberthy	25	111
Anthony Rankin	1	1
Quentin Colon Roosevelt	4	25
Matteo Sdravovich	3	3
Gabriel Rodriguez-Seoane	12	12
Daniel Snee	25	107
Luke Voss	6	6
William Wales	26	62
Jordan Woodfield	0	0

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Nico Acajabon – Unit College Scouter Reserve

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## Dedication

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Yours in Scouting,  
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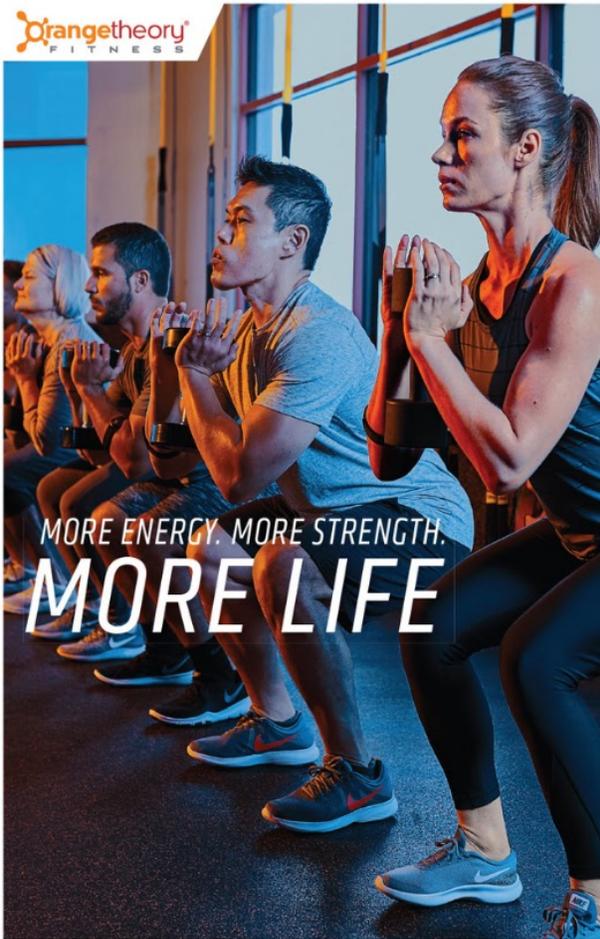
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