MERIT BADGE Extravaganza – December 26-28, 2019

Location: University of the Incarnate Word
Date: December 26, 27 and 28

MBU Agenda/Schedule
7:00 AM Administration / Registration opens.
7:45 AM Opening Ceremony
8:00 AM First Period Starts
11:30 AM First Period Ends, Start Lunch
12:25 PM Lunch Ends
12:30 PM Second Period Starts
4:00 PM Second Period Ends
4:00 PM MBE Clean-up Activities
4:15 PM Troops travel home

Helping Feed Our Community Food Drive
We will be asking each scout attending MBU to bring 5 cans or dry goods of food.

The Scouting Slogan is “Do a good turn daily”. This is an opportunity for the scouting community to make a difference in the lives of citizens in our community.

Registration: Troop Contact (Nov. 11)
- Troop Contacts (TC) must register online
- Only TC can register scouts for MBU
- TC responsible for troop payment during online registration process.

Registration: Scout (Dec. 5)
- Cost - $75
- Registration – Dec. 4 – Dec 20 with A&B Health Form Submitted
- Includes lunch, t-shirt and support materials.
- You will be required to enter t-shirt size for each scout during registration process.
- Registration will close at 450 scouts
- Only TC can register scouts for MBU
- Classes chosen after scout is registered
- Classes are on a first come basis

Registration Closes: (Dec 20 or until full)

Schedule Changes:
- TCs can make necessary.
- No Schedule Changes after Dec. 20
- No Schedule Changes at Event

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# Merit Badge List

## Eagle Merit Badges (half day)
*(Note: Scouts may only sign up for 2 Eagle MB)*
- Citizenship in the Nation (E)
- Citizenship in the World (E)
- Family Life (E)

## Merit Badges (half day)
- American Heritage
- Astronomy
- Bird Study
- Chemistry (F $5)
- Chess
- Coin Collecting
- Crime Prevention
- Fingerprinting
- Fire Safety
- Forestry
- Landscape Architecture
- Mammal Study
- MovingMaking (F $5)
- Music* (bring proof of band, choir, etc.)
- Oceanography
- Photography*
- Public Health
- Public Speaking
- Pulp & Paper
- Radio
- Railroading
- Robotics (F $20)
- Scouting Heritage

## Eagle Merit Badges (full day)
*(Note: Scouts may only sign up for 2 eagle MB)*
- Citizenship in the Community (E)
- Communications* (E)
- Emergency Preparedness* (E)
- Environmental Science* (E)
- Personal Management* (E)

## Merit Badges (full day)
- Automotive Maintenance
- Aviation
- Bird Study (Saturday – (Audubon Society))
- Climbing (F $20) (limit 2 per troop)
- Geocaching (must bring GPS)
- Golf (F $15)
- Space Exploration (F $10)
- Wood Carving (F $10)

### Scout Leader Activities
- Dutch Oven Cooking
- High Adventure Planning

**WANT TO PARTICIPATE**
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**DISCLAIMERS:** SCOUTMASTER APPROVAL IS REQUIRED. NO BLUE CARDS WILL BE ACCEPTED OR ISSUED. MERIT BADGES MAY HAVE PRE-REQUISITES, WHICH CAN BE FOUND UNDER THE EVENT UNDER ACTIVITIES. SOME MERIT BADGES MAY NOT BE COMPLETED AT MBU AND PARTIAL CREDIT WILL BE EARNED.

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**Counselors / Staff Needed!**
John Haines – MBU Chair
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Mark Sanchez – Staff Liaison
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FAQ:

- **MBE Limitations and Policy**
  - Scouts may only register for a total of 2 eagle merit badges.
  - The goal is to provide opportunities for all scouts to earn eagle merit badges.

- **Exceeding 2 Eagle Merit Badge sign up limitation**
  - If a troop contact registers a scout for more than 2 eagle merit badges for this event then a merit badge will be removed.
  - The merit badge that is removed will randomly picked.
  - No notification will be provided.

- **Personal Management Merit Badge**
  - No more than 2 scouts from the same troop can be enrolled.
  - This is to allow scouts throughout the of the council the opportunity to attend this merit badge.
  - Exceeding the 2-scout limitation will result in scouts being dropped from the class until the proper limit is reached. Scouts removed will be at our discretion.
  - Personal Management will be taught on 2 days.
    - Dec. 26th – Incarnate Word
    - Mar 28th – Council Office

- Information Resources
  - **Pre-Requisites** - Click Activities to display further information.
  - **Class Availability** - Click Activities to see which merit badges are still available.

- **Class Availability**
  - You may check for availability by looking under the “Activities” tab on the event.
  - Please check availability of classes before signing up.

- **Schedule Changes**
  - No schedule changes will be performed at the event.

- **Health Forms**
  - Must be turned in within a week of registering.
  - Health Forms must be physically submitted to council office.
    - Drop them off at the front desk or mail them
      - Alamo Area Council Service Center
      - 2226 N.W. Military Hwy
      - San Antonio, Texas 78213-1894
      - Attention: Winter MBE 2019 – Troop XXXXX
  - Registration requires forms to be submitted by Dec. 20
Uniforms
- All Scouts must wear tan field uniform or venturing green shirt.
- Depending upon class, scout may need change of clothes (auto mechanics)

Scouts
- Your registration fee includes merit badges, lunch and t-shirt.
- Scouts **must** bring a current merit badge book, pen or pencil and notebook.

Troops
- At least one adult for each troop should be attendance to help manage and monitor their units.
- A driver, if a scout has field trip then an adult will be asked to assist in providing transportation for the merit badge field trips
- Troops who schedule a large group of scouts in a class are discouraged. Many times, there are behavior issues. If a situation arises where behavior of a group of scouts from the same troop occurs then the entire group of scouts will forfeit earning the merit badge. A minimum of TWO warnings will be provided before the group before forfeiting the merit badge.

Weather
- If Weather the local weather forecast 24 hours prior to the event is for rain of 1” per hour or more, the event will be cancelled.

Expulsion from MBE
- Scouts leaving without signing out
- Scouts with poor behavior and not following instructions from MBE Administrators or MBE Instructors
- Scouts expelled from MBE will receive no credit for any classes from the event.

Troop Contact Responsibilities
- Provide Scout Schedules to Scouts
- Provide Campus Maps to Scouts
- Ensure A&B Health Form are turned by deadlines (lose discounts)
- Inform Scouts of Expulsion for leaving without Checking out
- Inform Scouts of No Schedule Changes
- Remind Scouts to bring 5 cans of food for Food Drive

Scout Schedules
- MBE will not be providing schedules at the event

T-Shirts
- Scouts will be given a T-shirt if registered by Dec. 13th
- Some extra shirts will be order but remember the deadline
• Food Drive
  o We will be conducting a food drive to help families in need. Since the Boys Scout slogan is Do a Good Turn Daily, we would like to request that each boy bring 5 dry good items such as cans of food. This will allow our Scouts to “Do a Good Turn” to our fellow citizens of San Antonio! The food will be donated to a foodbank as our way of saying “Thank You” and to help assist with their outreach program.

• MBU Results
  o Results take – 2-3 weeks to process. Results will be emailed to troop contact.
  o Results are only sent to troops who are in good standing with the council, which means the following:
    ▪ Troop Rechartered
    ▪ Scout is registered
    ▪ All Fees have been paid for MBE

• Class Information
  o Dec. 26 & 27 – University of the Incarnate Word
  o Dec. 28 – Mc Gimsey Scout Park
  o Aviation – Stinson Airport
  o Golf – San Pedro Par 3 – City Course