

Blackfoot Anecdotes

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Ta Ha Yule

Fun and exciting times await you as you enter the doors to your Patrol Rooms. Blackfoot 34 is here for you. We

welcome you and know that you will have fun as well as learn to “help a boy to be a better man”.

Friendships start here. You will take with you much knowledge..some of it may be hard to grasp at the beginning..but I guarantee that you will get it.

Everyone knows about the one hour of scouting per week. Right? Everyone knows about the scout term Do your best. Everyone knows that it is up to the Leader to lead and the scouts to follow. Our staff is committed to lead you and do our best to keep you on the right path.

In scouting, Course Director, Kelvin Hite

Five Patrols of Blackfoot Learners



Thirty-four Learners are registered with the Blackfoot program to the Learn the Aims of Scouting and how to “Help a Boy to Be a Better

Man”. Blackfoot uses the Patrol Method in delivery of the Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training. Thus, Blackfoot 34 is comprised of 5 Patrols. They are:

- *The Shoe Crew* – Rich Marquis, PL
- *7 Shooting Stars* – Mike Davis, PL
- *Cranky Buzzards* – Andrew Patterson, PL
- *Casual Chameleons* – Kim Oblinger, PL
- *Johnny 5* – Dan Mitchell, PL

Our SM, Kenny Hoffman swore in the new Patrol Leaders as Greg Albright, SPL shook his head

contemplating the Patrol Flags, Yells, Calls, Table Totems, and other Patrol identity materials to come for our next sessions. Greg said, “this is going to be interesting”. It always is, so have fun Learners – it’s your identify. Make it fun while keeping it in the Scouting way.

Earning Your Blackfoot Bolo and Pin



The Blackfoot Bolo is presented to all Learners that complete the Blackfoot program, completing training offered in all three sessions plus 4 Spare time Activities (2 required, 2 optional). The Blackfoot Lapel Pin is presented to Learners that complete 6 STA’s. Learners that go the extra mile and complete all 11 STA’s also receive the White Foot.

The STA program allows Learners to develop scout skills. They also show us the time challenges our scouts face each day in the scouting program as they work on advancement requirements and merit badges. Challenge yourself and demonstrate to your scouts that though goal setting, hard work and dedication you too can achieve higher recognition. Blackfoot leaders are ready and waiting to evaluate your STA’s, answer your questions, and encourage your accomplishment. Along with earning the Blackfoot Lapel Pin you will assemble a tool set of skills and training materials to aid your scouts.



Medical Forms

The Blackfoot Medical Safety staff wants to remind learners to bring their completed Medical Form for Session II. This will aid them in knowing of any allergies or special needs in the event of an emergency.

Session II

Session II is Saturday March 31st at Chief Logan Scout Reservation from 7:00am – 8:30pm. Learners may camp Friday night in the Apache Campsite just off the back end of the parking lot. Lunch and Dinner are provided by Blackfoot staff however, learners camping Friday need to prepare their own breakfast and have campsite cleared before Session II begins.

Note: See Web page

www.BlackfootScoutTraining.com for directions to Chief Logan. GPS instructions to the camp are not accurate and should not be used.

Blackfoot Communications

NewsLetter – Patrols are encouraged to send the Historian an article for the Blackfoot Anecdotes by Wed March 28 for Session II and April 11 for Session III. A short story about Patrol Meetings, Plans, or other Patrol Info and a picture can be sent to govriley@yahoo.com.

WebSite: See the Blackfoot Web page for information on up coming sessions, special handouts pictures, and copies of Blackfoot 34 newsletters. The address is www.BlackfootScoutTraining.com

Google Groups: Learners will receive an invited to join the Blackfoot 34 Google Group. Please confirm this email by following the instructions in the invite. The Google Group will allow Blackfoot Staff to send important communications between sessions to keep you informed of any updates to the program.

Food Drive Service Project

Learners and Staff are encouraged to bring a food donation at Session II. All can goods will be collected and given to First Presbyterian Church (location of Session I) for their Food Pantry Project and as a thank you to them for allowing us to use their facility to our Blackfoot Training program.



Scoutmaster Welcome

Ta Ha Yule!

Welcome learners to Blackfoot 34! We are honored and pleased that you have selected Blackfoot as your Enhanced Scoutmaster Training course.



On Behalf of all of our staff, I want to extend to you an invitation to ask any questions that arise.

WE ARE HERE FOR YOU!

We look forward to working with you and getting to know each of you as we progress through the course.

I am confident that you will have a very memorable experience and have lots of learning opportunities!

Welcome again!

Ta Ha Yule! Kenny Hoffman, SM BF34

Champ-nit Winner Honored

Martin Hirsch is the winner of the Champ-nit Contest. This event recognizes the winner for Effort not being



the fastest or best at tying the square knot. Recognition of your scouts for not quitting, making every effort possible to succeed,

and Doing His Best are great reasons for *rewarding* your scouts. Your doing so will help to reinforce the behavior allowing them to build confidence. Congratulations Martin Great Job!!

Happy Saint Patties Day!

Blackfoot Staff wish you an alert and safe trip home. If celebrating, please do so safely.

