

Crew 1948: Monroe County Fair Service Troop Experience

Participant's Packet

This summer, Troop 1948 will be providing a 71st year of service to the Monroe County Fair. It takes many Scouts and Scouters to ensure that Troop 1948 functions efficiently and safely. If you are interested in service to your community and a unique Scouting opportunity, then the Troop 1948 experience may be for you.

Please read over all information carefully and fill out your application completely. If you are of Venturing age, you will also be required to complete a Youth Application to join Crew 1948, which operates the Fair Troop, at no cost to you. Questions and completed application materials may be directed to the T1948 leaders below.

Event Timeline

June 15 th , 2018	Completed application packets for both youth and adults are due
June 30 th , 2018	All applicants will be notified as to acceptance and leadership assignments
July 11 th , 2018	6:30pm, Parent Informational Meeting, Panera Bread, Monroe
July 27 th , 2018	6:30-8:30pm, set up campsite fencing and dining flies at fairgrounds
July 9 th , 2018	12-4p participant check-in and set-up; all participants on-site by Sunday dinner
August 5 th , 2018	Final Clean-up and Family Luncheon

Required Paperwork

- Youth Application (17 and under) including Informed Consent Agreement ~OR~
- Adult Application (18+), including copies of **all applicable trainings and certifications**
- 2014 printing of BSA's Annual Health and Medical Record, Parts A, B & C (will be returned at close of camp)
***Available online at scouting.org/scoutsource/HealthandSafety
- Parental Release Form, *if under 18.*
- Parental Permission to Drive to/from Fairgrounds & Youth Work/Activity Schedule, *if under 18 and applicable.*
- Signed Code of Conduct

What to Bring

- Complete Field Uniform is required--you will wear it several times throughout the week
- Clothing and footwear suitable for working hard and getting dirty, including work gloves
- Rain gear, sun gear, clothing suitable for the season
- Multiple pairs of closed toed shoes
- NO tank tops or sleeveless shirts
- Appropriately-sized tent (or arrange to share one with a tent mate), cot, sleeping bag, etc.
- Personal hygiene kit, towels, etc.
- Scout Handbook, blue cards, notebook, pencils
- NO PLUG-IN ELECTRONICS or appliances, no TVs or DVD players, NO PROJECTILES
- Wristwatch, or other time-keeping device

Thank you for your consideration of service with Crew 1948.

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Monroe County Fair Service Troop Experience Information, 2017

Cost/Participant Selection

Since you will be providing a valuable service to the public, there is no cost to join Crew 1948 to participate in the Service Troop event, however, if you are able, a suggested donation of \$15/participant would be appreciated to defray the cost of t-shirts and patches. Meals, and hopefully some “extras,” will be provided for you, but you will still want to bring personal spending money. Participants must have a minimum 1 year experience in Scouting, be willing to work hard, meet and work with youth from other Units and take direction from Crew 1948 leaders. We have room for 40 event participants; if you are selected to participate, you will be notified by June 30th, 2018.

Leadership

Though we are a Venture Crew on paper, we function largely as a Troop. The Service Troop experience is a yearly event held to provide services to the public through our assistance in keeping the Monroe County Fairgrounds clean. During your time as a member of the Service Troop, you will be under the direction of Crew 1948 leaders, and you are expected to afford our leaders the same respect as you would the leaders in your primary Troop or Crew. Should any problems arise at camp, they will be handled by the adult leaders of Crew 1948, though we reserve the right to consult with your regular Scoutmaster or Advisor, should the need arise.

Uniforms/Behavior/Camp Appearance

Yes, we do some dirty jobs, but to the public we are the face of Scouting, therefore we shall take pride in presenting a neat, clean, uniform appearance. In addition to clothing suitable for working in, you will need:

- Field Uniform with correctly placed insignia. (see uniform inspection sheet/insignia guide)
- Activity Uniform—shirt will be provided upon arrival at camp

Participants in the Service Troop experience are expected to wear the uniform as directed by the adult Scouters and youth leaders of Crew 1948. Additionally, Scouts are expected to keep the campsite, both the common areas and their own tents, in a neat, orderly state. Please remember that you are representing the Scouting Program to the public, and as such your actions, language, and appearance should reflect the Scout Oath and Law.

Camp Accessibility

Being the public face of Scouting, the Troop/Crew 1948 campsite is to remain open to the public during posted hours. Family, friends and the public are welcome in the common areas of camp ONLY; no one should be in or around your tent but you and your tentmate(s). A minimum of two leaders will be available in camp at all times. Separate accommodations are designated for male and female participants. 18-20 year old youth participants may tent together, under 18 will tent with youths of similar age.

Electricity Availability

Except for a *monitored charging station* for cell phones and hand-held/palm-sized gaming devices, you WILL NOT have access to electricity in camp. All electronics must be clearly labeled with the Scout's name; we will provide an acceptable area and set time for game-playing. Do not bring TVs, DVD players, or any electronics other than a cell phone and/or a hand-held/palm-sized gaming device. Crew 1948 cannot be held responsible for any loss/damage to personal property. If you cannot abide by this arrangement, perhaps the Monroe County Fair Service Troop experience is not for you. Remember, we are the *Scouting* Program on display.

Leaving the Campsite

Scouts are expected to notify Leaders whenever leaving the Troop/Crew 1948 campsite. If you are leaving the campsite, but remaining on the Fairgrounds, we ask that you utilize the Buddy System and the “Buddy Board” to indicate your whereabouts.

Leaving the Fairgrounds

In addition to utilizing the “Buddy Board,” if you are under 18 and leaving the Fairgrounds, a parent/guardian **must** sign you out and back in when you return. All Scouts and Leaders who leave the Fairgrounds are required to sign out and in to camp. We are accountable for you at all times. Scouts under 18 with a valid driver's license and a vehicle on-site must have a parental permission slip on file in order to drive themselves to and from the Fairgrounds. Similarly, Scouts cannot be released to anyone other than a parent/guardian without the parent's/guardian's written consent. These rules are for the safety of all our Scouts and Leaders.

****Participation in this event affords Scouts much freedom and expects a great deal of personal responsibility on the part of the Scout. Our leaders are well-trained to operate this “High Adventure” camp which focuses on personal management skills while performing service work. If you have questions or concerns about allowing your minor child to participate in an event of this nature, please feel free to contact one of our Leaders to discuss the expectations for those who join Crew 1948 for the Service Troop experience.****

Primary Unit Leader (Scoutmaster or Advisor) Information:

Name _____ Troop/Crew _____ Best Contact Number _____

I certify that the above named applicant has attained a minimum of one year experience in Boy Scouting or Venturing, is a member in good standing of Troop/Crew _____, and has my recommendation to participate in the Monroe County Fair Service Troop 1948.

Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Information:

Mother _____

Address (if different from applicant's) _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Parent Cell Phone _____

Parent E-mail address _____

Father _____

Address (if different from applicant's) _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Parent Cell Phone _____

Parent E-mail address _____

Informed Consent Agreement, 2018

I/we understand that participation in the Monroe County Fair Service Troop Experience offered by Crew 1948, Running Waters District, Southern Shores FSC, Michigan Crossroads Council, Boy Scouts of America, involves a certain degree of risk. I/we have carefully considered the risk involved and consent to participate and/or allow my son/daughter to participate in the Monroe County Fair Service Troop 1948 July 29-August 5, 2018.

Scout's Name _____ Scout's Signature _____

Parent's Name _____ Parent's Signature _____
(if Scout is under the age of 18)

Parent's Name _____ Parent's Signature _____
(if Scout is under the age of 18)

Parental Release Form, 2018 (For leaving the Monroe County Fairgrounds)

Must be completed for Scouts under 18

In addition to the parents listed above, Crew 1948 has my/our permission to release my/our son/daughter _____ to the following adult (over the age of 18) individuals only:

Name _____ Relationship to Scout _____

Name _____ Relationship to Scout _____

Name _____ Relationship to Scout _____

I understand these individuals will be required meet with a Crew 1948 leader to personally sign my/our son/daughter out of camp. Scouts will not be released to anyone who is not listed on this form.

Parent's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent's Signature _____ Date _____

Parental Permission for Youth Drivers, 2018

As of February 10, 2017 the 'Transportation: Automobiles, SUVs, and Vans' Section of the Guide to Safe Scouting, (scouting.org/scoutsource/HealthandSafety/GSS, 2017 Printing) BSA states that:

General guidelines are as follows:

1. Seat belts are required for all occupants.
2. All drivers must have a valid driver's license that has not been suspended or revoked for any reason. If the vehicle to be used is designed to carry more than 15 people, including the driver (more than 10 people, including the driver, in California), the driver must have a commercial driver's license (CDL).
3. The drivers must be currently licensed and at least 18 years of age. **Scouting youth (under age 18) are not insured under the Boy Scouts of America commercial general liability policy.**
4. Trucks may not be used for transporting passengers except in the cab.
5. All vehicles must be covered by automobile liability insurance with limits that meet or exceed requirements of the state in which the vehicle is licensed. It is recommended, however, that coverage limits are at least \$100,000 combined single limit. Any vehicle designed to carry 10 or more passengers should have limits of \$1,000,000.
6. Obey all laws, including the speed limit.
7. Driving time is limited to a maximum of 10 hours in one 24-hour period regardless of the number of drivers available. Driving time must be interrupted by frequent rest, food, and/or recreation stops. The intention is to include sleep and thorough rest breaks while traveling long distances. Don't drive while drowsy. Stop for rest and stretch breaks as needed. Fatigue is a major cause of highway accident fatalities.
8. Drivers must refrain from using hand-held cell phones while driving. Text messaging while driving is prohibited. Hands-free units are acceptable, but must be used sparingly while driving.

The commercial general liability policy is excess over any insurance, including local council owned, non-owned, hired, or leased automobile liability insurance, which may be available to a volunteer for loss arising from ownership, maintenance, or use of a motor vehicle while engaged in an official Scouting activity.

Scouts who meet these applicable conditions, and have parental permission if under 18, will be allowed to sign themselves in and out of camp and drive themselves, unaccompanied and unsupervised, to and from the Fairgrounds.

I, _____, understand that my minor son/daughter _____ does not meet the criteria set forth in the BSA Driving Policy, but I hereby give him/her permission to drive him/herself to and from the Monroe County Fairgrounds, unaccompanied and unsupervised, for the purpose of participating in the Monroe County Fair Service Troop 1948. I further give him/her permission to sign him/herself out of camp in order to leave the facility ***for the dates and times indicated on the back of this form ONLY.***

Parent's Signature _____

Date _____

Troop/Crew 1948 Youth Work and Activity Schedule

If your Scout needs to leave the Monroe County Fairgrounds for any reason (employment, doctor's appointment, etc.), please indicate the necessary times and dates below. If your son/daughter has your permission to drive to and from camp, ***these are THE ONLY instances*** when he/she will be allowed to sign him/herself out of camp, otherwise a parent/guardian must personally come to the Troop 1948 campsite to sign him out.

Scout's name _____

Sunday July 29th _____

Monday July 30th _____

Tuesday July 31st _____

Wednesday August 1st _____

Thursday August 2nd _____

Friday August 3rd _____

Saturday August 4th _____

Sunday August 5th _____

Troop & Crew 1948 Code of Conduct, 2018

To ensure that all Scouts and Scouters have a good experience as part of the Monroe County Fair Service Troop, we ask that all Scouts, parents, and Leaders read carefully and sign below.

1. As a Scout, I agree to obey the Scout Oath and Law.

The Scout Law: A Scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent.

The Scout Oath: On my honor, I will do my best, to do my duty to God and my country, to obey the Scout Law, to help other people at all times, and to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

2. I will follow all rules of the BSA, Crew 1948, and Service Troop 1948.
3. I will follow all safety rules.
4. I will listen to all Leaders and do as they instruct me to, unless I feel uncomfortable, in which case I will then let that leader know that I am uncomfortable, or I will let another adult leader know.
5. I will participate in all activities while in attendance, unless excused by a Scoutmaster/Advisor.
6. If I have any problems, I will inform my Patrol leader. If I am not comfortable talking with him, or the SPL, I will speak to a Scoutmaster/Advisor.
7. I will not humiliate my fellow Scouts in any way.
8. I understand that profanity will not be tolerated.
9. I will not break or destroy Fair Board, Crew, Troop, or personal property.
10. I will show respect to all fellow Scouts and Scout leaders. I will, in turn, receive respect.
11. Rule violations will be handled by the Patrol Leader Council (PLC). In extreme cases, or when the PLC is unable to resolve the issue, adult leaders will be involved. Each violation will be handled on a case-by-case basis. I understand that not following these rules may lead to IMMEDIATE dismissal from the Service Troop.
12. All adults, both leaders and parents, are expected to comply with the intent of this Code of Conduct.

I/we have read the Code of Conduct and I/we agree to follow the Code of Conduct at all times.

Scout's Name _____ Scout's Signature _____

Parent's Name _____ Parent's Signature _____
(if Scout is under the age of 18)

Parent's Name _____ Parent's Signature _____
(if Scout is under the age of 18)

~OR~

Crew 1948 Leader's Name _____

Crew 1948 Leader's Signature _____

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Adult Application

Monroe County Fair Service Troop Experience: July 29-August 5, 2018

Completed applications are due by June 15th.

Must be 21 and complete all necessary training/certifications before the start of camp.

Must be registered with Crew 1948 (no charge to you)

Name _____ Primary registration: Unit _____ District

Current Scouting position(s) _____ Held how long? _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

E-mail address _____

Will you be at least 21 years of age by the start of camp? yes no

→→→→→→→→→Please circle your T-shirt size adult M adult L adult XL adult XXL other _____

What leadership position are you seeking with Crew 1948?

Assistant Scoutmaster/Associate Advisor Committee Member

What experience do you have in this capacity? _____

Training and Certification Requirements

*Please be prepared to provide copies of the following documents. *denotes online trainings*

*Current Youth Protection Training Certificate

*This is Scouting (or New Leader Essentials) Certificate

*Current Weather Hazards Training Certificate

*Fast Start: Boy Scouting Certificate

*Troop Committee Challenge Certificate (for Committee Members only)

Outdoor Leader Skills Certificate (for Advisors & Associate Advisors only)

*Youth Protection Training – Venturing Version Certificate

*Fast Start: Venturing Certificate

State of MI Central Registry Clearance Letter (must be applied for yearly)

Individuals requesting a Central Registry clearance on themselves who are Michigan residents should complete the Central Registry Clearance Request - DHS-1929 form (available online at michigan.gov). Mail or hand-deliver the completed DHS-1929 form and a copy of your picture identification to your **local DHS office**. To pick up the results in person, you must present picture identification. To have the results mailed, a copy of your picture identification must be provided with the DHS-1929. **Note:** Results will only be mailed to the address on the picture identification. Turnaround time to receive your clearance letter is a little over a week. Please apply for this a.s.a.p. to ensure it arrives in time.

Adult Leader Availability

While we need several leaders to live on-site for the duration of the event, we also need day leaders who can come in to supervise camp, help with evening activities or otherwise relieve the on-site staff. There are many ways for leaders to support the Service Troop.

- I can help with pitching camp. (July 27th, 2018 at 6:30 pm)
- I will be living on-site for the duration of this event.
- I will not be living on-site; I am available the following dates and times:

Sunday July 29th (12-4 is check in for Scouts and Leaders)

Monday July 30th _____

Tuesday July 31st _____

Wednesday August 1st _____

Thursday August 2nd _____

Friday August 3rd _____

Saturday August 4th _____

Sunday August 5th (final clean up and luncheon)

Please attach copies of certificates for all required trainings, your State of Michigan Central Registry Clearance Letter, a signed copy of the Troop & Crew 1948 Code of Conduct, and your BSA Annual Health and Medical Record Parts A, B, and C (2014 revision) to your application.

Your application cannot be considered complete until ALL paperwork is in order.