

Crew 1948: Monroe County Fair Service Troop Experience

Participant's Packet—PLEASE KEEP THIS PAGE FOR YOUR REFERENCE

This summer, Troop 1948 will be providing a 73rd 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 , 2021	Completed application packets for both youth and adults are due
June 30 th , 2021	Applicants will be notified as to acceptance and leadership assignments no later than this date
July 15 th , 2021	6:30pm, Orientation Meeting for first time participants, Location TBD, Monroe
July 30 th , 2021	6:30-8:30pm, set up campsite fencing and dining flies at fairgrounds
August 1 st , 2021	12-4p participant check-in and set-up; all participants on-site by Sunday dinner
August 8 th , 2021	Final Clean-up (we typically are able to dismiss Scouts no later than 1pm)

Required Paperwork

- Youth Fair Week Application (20 and under) ~OR~
- Adult Fair Week Application (21+), including copies of **all applicable trainings and certifications**
- 2019 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
- Informed Consent and 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 and extra socks
- NO tank tops or sleeveless shirts
- Individually-sized tent (no sharing this year), 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, 2021

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. 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 Scouts BSA or Venturing, be willing to work hard, meet and work with youth and adults from other Units and take direction from Crew 1948 leaders. We have room for up to 25 event participants; if you are selected to participate, you will be notified no later than June 30th, 2021.

Leadership

Though we are a Venturing 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 youth leaders and adult Scouters 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. A minimum of two leaders will be available in camp at all times. Separate tenting areas are designated for male and female participants, and for Scouts under the age of 18, Scouts aged 18-20, and Scouters aged 21+. There will be no sharing of tents this year, except in the case of family members tenting together.

Electricity Availability

Except for *monitored charging stations* 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 of or damage to personal property.

Leaving the Campsite

Scouts are required to notify leaders whenever leaving the Troop/Crew 1948 campsite. If you are leaving the campsite, but remaining on the Fairgrounds, we insist that you utilize the Buddy System. Everyone in camp will use the “Buddy Board” to indicate their whereabouts.

Leaving the Fairgrounds

In addition to utilizing the “Buddy Board,” if you are under 18 and leaving the Fairgrounds, a parent/guardian/approved adult 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 requires 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.******

Youth Application

Monroe County Fair Service Troop Event: August 1-8, 2021

All youth applicants must have a minimum 1 year experience in Scouts BSA (formerly Boy Scouting) or Venturing by the start of camp. Completed applications are due by June 15th, 2021. A youth applicant is defined as a person registered in Scouts BSA or Venturing who will not turn 21 before the completion of camp. Youth applicants are expected to participate the entire week; exceptions to these rules *may* be made on a case-by-case basis.

Applicant Information

Name _____ Primary Unit _____

Current Rank _____ Leadership Position(s) Held _____

Youth Trainings/Qualifications Order of the Arrow NYLT other _____

Address _____

Age _____ Birth Date _____

Home Phone _____ Youth Cell Phone _____ (parents' numbers on next page)

Youth E-mail Address _____ (parents' email on next page)

Please list any LIFE-THREATENING ALLERGIES: _____

→→→→→→→→→Please circle your T-shirt size Adult: S M L XL XXL 3XL 4XL

I will bring my own tent (footprint is ____ x ____) I need to borrow a tent _____ (NO SHARING THIS YEAR)

→→→→→→→→→Number of previous years of service in Troop 1948 _____

Youth Leaders for Service Troop 1948 must be available to be on-site the entire duration of the Fair.

Please circle any Troop 1948 youth leadership position(s) you are interested in:

Senior Patrol Leader (Life/Pathfinder Rank or higher) Assistant Senior Patrol Leader (Life/Pathfinder Rank or higher)

Patrol Leader (Star/Discovery Rank or higher) Assistant Patrol Leader (Star/Discovery Rank or higher)

This Section for Troop/Crew 1948 Leadership Use

Additional Notes/Information _____

- Youth Application complete
- Informed Consent Agreement signed
- Parental Release Form signed ~or~ N/A
- Code of Conduct signed
- Annual Health and Medical Record (Parts A, B, C)
- Supplemental Medical Permission, if applicable
- Parental Permission for Youth Drivers, if applicable
- Youth Activity Schedule, if applicable

Youth selected? Y N

Date informed _____

Crew 1948 application complete? Y N/A

Primary Unit Leader (Scoutmaster or Advisor) Information:

Scout's Name _____ Troop/Crew _____

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

Signature _____ Date _____ Best Contact Number _____

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, 2021

I/we understand that participation in the Monroe County Fair Service Troop event offered by Crew 1948, Running Waters District, 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 August 1-8, 2021.

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, 2021 (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 child _____
_____ 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 to meet with a Crew 1948 leader to personally sign my/our child 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, 2021

As of August 2019 the 'Transportation: Automobiles, SUVs, and Vans' Section of the Guide to Safe Scouting, (scouting.org/health-and-safety/gss, 2021 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 child _____ does not meet the criteria set forth in the BSA Driving Policy, but I hereby give them permission to drive themselves 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 my child permission to sign themselves 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 Activity Schedule

If your Scout needs to leave the Monroe County Fairgrounds for any reason (e.g. a doctor's appointment), please indicate the necessary time(s) and date(s) below. If your child has your permission to drive to and from camp, ***these are THE ONLY instances*** when they will be allowed to sign themselves out of camp, otherwise a parent/guardian must personally come to the Troop 1948 campsite to sign them out.

Scout's name _____

Sunday August 1st _____ 12-4 is check-in for ALL Scouts and leaders

Monday August 2nd _____

Tuesday August 3rd _____ DEMOLITION DERBY NIGHT—ALL HANDS REQUIRED

Wednesday August 4th _____

Thursday August 5th _____

Friday August 6th _____

Saturday August 7th _____

Sunday August 8th _____ FINAL CLEAN UP DAY—ALL HANDS REQUIRED

Troop & Crew 1948 Code of Conduct, 2021

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 Boy Scouts of America, Monroe County Fair, 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, difficulties, or concerns I will inform my Patrol leader. If I am not comfortable talking with my Patrol Leader, or the Senior Patrol Leader, I will speak to a Scoutmaster/Advisor/Committee Member.
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 Association, Crew, Troop, or personal property.
10. I will show respect to all fellow Scouts and 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

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Completed applications are due by June 15th.

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

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: S M L XL XXL 2XL 3XL 4XL

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 trainings available online*

*Current Youth Protection Training Certificate

*Current Weather Hazards Training Certificate

*Troop/Crew Committee Training Certificate (for Committee Members only)

Outdoor Leader Skills Certificate (for Scoutmasters/Advisors, Assistant Scoutmasters/Associate Advisors only)

*Position Specific Training 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 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 30th, 2021 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 August 1st (12-4 is check-in for ALL Scouts and leaders) _____

Monday August 2nd _____

Tuesday August 3rd (Demolition Derby Night—extra help appreciated) _____

Wednesday August 4th _____

Thursday August 5th _____

Friday August 6th _____

Saturday August 7th _____

Sunday August 8th (final clean up—extra help appreciated) _____

Please attach copies of certificates for all required trainings, your 2021 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 (2019 revision) to your application.

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