

MERIT BADGE COLLEGE 2010

Dear Scouts, Parents and Scouters of Troop 715,

Thank you for your interest in the 2010 Blue Ridge Council Merit Badge College to be held on January 23rd, 2010. This is open to all scouts who are First Class rank and above and to Second class scouts who have meet with Mr. Best and obtained his guidance. I will again be coordinating the enrollment and several other aspects of the troop's participation in this great opportunity.

This is the list of offered merit badges, the prerequisites, costs, times and locations. Many of them are Eagle required. If you are going to take a merit badge, please read the directions completely and choose your first, second, and third choices (you can choose more if you want). If you only put down one choice and it is not available, you will not be getting a Merit badge at MBC. All merit badge choices will be reviewed for appropriateness by the advancement scoutmasters.

I **MUST** have **ALL** of the requested information on the form to register you. Due to having to "foot the bill" in the past for some scouts who did not pay in a timely fashion, I will require payment for the most expensive of your merit badge choices at the time you turn your form into me. Of course if your merit badge cost is less than what you paid or none of your choices are available, then the remainder will be returned.

The deadline to have your form and money to me is Friday, December 11th. After that time the merit badges will fill up very quickly and none of your choices may be available. If finances are a problem, please talk to me before December 11th. I want every eligible scout to take advantage of this opportunity.

As in years past, scoutmasters (and parents if so inclined) will be providing transportation from Messiah Lutheran Church, to the various MBC sites and back to MLC. All scouts **MUST** be in **complete** uniform on the day of MBC. You will not be attending MBC if you are not in uniform.

At the conclusion of the MBC all scouts will be able to check off their merit badge forms with a scout master at MLC before being dismissed home. This will allow us to present your merit badge to you, if all the requirements are finished, at the court of honor on January 26th.

A couple of other notes.

- You must be prepared to take the merit badge that you have signed up for. Do not show up without having looked at the requirements and understanding what is expected of you.
- Several of the merit badges (many of the Eagle required ones) have requirements that may take as long as 3 months to complete, like personal fitness and personal management. You will not get the merit badge till all requirements are complete.
- It is your responsibility to start working on your merit badges prior to MBC. You do not have to buy the MB book but you may find it helpful. There are many web sites devoted to Merit Badges linked on our troop's web site and the troop has many MB books in our library. Please make use of these resources.

If you want further information or have questions please contact me at any time. Other information is available at the MBC web site:

<http://74.223.67.165/mcooledge/meritbadge/index.html>

Thank you,
Bob Steck, ASM
Troop 715
(H) 288-2822
(C) 915-9950

**You will need the following information to list and register
Your scouts for the Merit Badge University**

Name _____
Day Time Telephone _____ Evening Time Telephone _____

On the day of the Merit Badge College

Contact Person for Emergencies (Only one) _____

Contact Number for Emergencies (Only one) _____

Parents Email _____ The Total cost of Merit Badge is \$ _____

The following merit badges are currently scheduled subject to the level of interest. Please indicate at least 3 merit badge(s) you wish to take in order of preference. Indicate your preferences with "1" being your first choice, etc. Some class sizes will be limited and classes will be available on a first come first serve basis to troops completing this registration form and returning the registration fee and any surcharge.

Number your preferences with "1" being your first choice.

Choice	Name	Location	Prerequisite	Starting	Ending	Cost
	Dentistry	1405 Brushy Creek Road, Taylors		8:30 AM	12:00	\$10.00
	Railroading	414 Roberts Road, Taylors		8:30 AM	2:00 PM	\$10.00
	Painting	8 Catalina Drive, Greenville		8:30 AM	4:30 PM	\$10.00
	Architecture	BSUMC	Make a sketch of the building you most admire. Part of req 1. Req 3 and 5.	8:30 AM	1:00 PM	\$10.00
	Cinematography	BSUMC		8:30 AM	4:30 PM	\$10.00
	Citizenship in the Community	BSUMC	Bring a camera. a single use disposable camera is fine	8:30 AM	4:30 PM	\$10.00
	Citizenship in the Nation	BSUMC		8:30 AM	4:30 PM	\$10.00
	Citizenship in the World	BSUMC	14+ Years Old	8:30 AM	2:00 PM	\$10.00
	Climbing	BSUMC		8:00 AM	6:00 PM	\$25.00
	Communications	BSUMC		8:30 AM	4:00 PM	\$10.00
	Composites Materials	BSUMC		8:30 AM	4:30 PM	\$10.00
	Electricity	BSUMC		8:30 AM	2:00 PM	\$10.00
	Electronics	BSUMC		8:30 AM	3:00 PM	\$15.00
	Emergency Preparedness	BSUMC	Must have First Aid Merit Badge	8:30 AM	4:30 PM	\$10.00
	Environmental Science	BSUMC	2 days, 1 Month apart. Must have 3e1 or 3e2 Completed	8:30 AM	3:00 PM	\$10.00
	Family Life	BSUMC		8:30 AM	4:30 PM	\$10.00
	Fly Fishing	BSUMC	Field Trip on another Date	8:30 AM	4:30 PM	\$10.00
	Genealogy	BSUMC		8:30 AM	1:00 PM	\$10.00
	Home Repairs	BSUMC		8:30 AM	4:30 PM	\$10.00
	Law	BSUMC		8:30 AM	12:00 PM	\$10.00
	Medicine	BSUMC		8:30 AM	12:30 PM	\$10.00
	Personal Management	BSUMC		8:30 AM	4:30 PM	\$10.00

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	Photography	BSUMC	bring the following photographs: 1) a color, 2) motion, 3) an egg or eggs, 4) something that bugs you, 5) a casual portrait of someone and 6) for extra credit: photograph an emotion	8:30 AM	4:30 PM	\$10.00
	Plumbing	BSUMC		8:30 AM	12:00 PM	\$10.00
	Public Speaking	BSUMC	# 2 / Plan for requirement #4 / Review Roberts Rules of order to be practice and answer questions for requirement # 5.	8:30 AM	12:00 PM	\$10.00
	Soil & Water Conservation	BSUMC		8:30 AM	4:30 PM	\$10.00
	Traffic Safety	BSUMC	13+ Years Old See Scout Letter	8:30 AM	2:00 PM	\$10.00
	Woodworking	BSUMC		8:30 AM	4:30 PM	\$10.00
	Truck Transportation	BSUMC / Roadway Express (Piedmont)		8:30 AM	12:00 PM	\$10.00
	Rifle Shooting	Camp Old Indian		8:30 AM	5:00 PM	\$10.00
	Chemistry	Christ Church Episcopal Upper School	14+ Years Old	8:30 AM	3:00 PM	\$10.00
	Pioneering	Crossroads Community Church 416 Holland Rd, Simpsonville	14+ Years Old	8:30 AM	5:00 PM	\$10.00
	Horsemanship	Dogwood Terrace Stable 233 River Falls Rd, Marietta		9:00 AM	2:00 PM	\$30.00
	Aviation	Donaldson Jet Center		8:00 AM	5:00 PM	\$10.00
	Cooking	Earle Street Baptist Church	This will be a 2 day class	8:30 AM	4:30 PM	\$10.00
	Personal Fitness	Elite Fitness		8:30 AM	4:30 PM	\$10.00
	Engineering	Fluor		8:30 AM	3:30 PM	\$10.00
	First Aid	Greenville County Square Center Entrance	Must have your First Aid kit.	8:30 AM	4:30 PM	\$10.00
	Lifesaving	Middle Tyger River YMCA Duncan		8:30 AM	4:30 PM	\$10.00
	Swimming	Middle Tyger River YMCA Duncan		8:30 AM	4:30 PM	\$10.00
	Astronomy	Roper Mountain Science Center		8:30 AM	2:00 PM	\$10.00
	Surveying	Site Design 420 E Park Ave Greenville, SC 29601	13+ Years Old	8:30 AM	2:00 PM	\$10.00
	Veterinary Medicine	Sunrise Animal Hospital 8 Edwards Mill Road Taylors, SC		8:30 AM	2:00 PM	\$10.00
	Geology	TBD		8:30 AM	2:0 PM	\$10.00
	Pottery	The William Felton School of Crafts		9:00 AM	2:00 PM	\$20.00
	Computers	TPM 1003 Laurens Rd Greenville, SC 29607		8:30 AM	3:00 PM	\$10.00
	Fire Safety	W.H. Fire Dept. 4211 E North St. Greenville, SC.		8:30 AM	4:30 PM	\$10.00