

Scout Application for...

West Michigan Mackinac Island Honor Scout Service Camp 2017

Summer 2017

Hosted By...

Troops 290 & 354,
President Gerald R. Ford F.S.C.
Boy Scouts of America

This is a Service Camp for Honor Scouts on Mackinac Island. You will spend a week on Mackinac Island serving the Mackinac Island Historic State Park in daily flag ceremonies and providing information to tourists at various guideposts at the historic Fort on Mackinac Island. You will also have time to explore the Island and enjoy the sights – and enjoy eating the fudge!

Every Scout will be in full dress uniform during all on-duty times and generally in civilian clothes while off-duty. You are constantly in the public's eye both as a representative of West Michigan Boy Scouts and Boy Scouts in general. In Order to maintain the high standards of appearance for all scouts attending the Mackinac Honor Guard, all uniforms must maintain a consistent appearance. Any difference in uniforms is magnified when the entire contingent marches together. So each Scout must provide two complete sets of full dress (Class A) Centennial uniforms consisting of: 2 short-sleeved Scout shirts with *centennial green epaulets & numbers* (non-vented uniform shirt), 2 pair long green Scout pants (must zip off for shorts), *centennial BSA belt*, at least 2 pair green Scout socks, and the official, red, BSA nylon jacket. You must wear brown dock sider-style shoes (non-white sole), our service camp neckerchief, a standard-issue red name badge (provided for first year scouts), and a red beret. The red beret, red nylon jacket, and replacement red name tags can be purchased via signup sheets at the parent meetings. In addition, all scouts must fit all gear, clothes and personal items into their standard footlocker. Foot lockers specifications and purchasing info will be available at the parent meetings (cost is less than \$30) and provides both uniform packing for transport/freight service and a lockable secure storage for the scouts personal items. No additional luggage will be transported to the camp and scouts are forbidden from carrying any items upon arrival on the island (including backpacks), so all items must fit in the foot locker.

You must have a 2017 BSA Annual Health & Medical Record (parts A, B & C) signed by parents and physician, along with a copy of the front and back of your health insurance card, submitted to the Medical Officer no later than the May 4, 2016 marching practice date. ((NOTE: IF THE REQUIRED COMPLETED MEDICAL FORMS & COPY OF INSURANCE CARD HAVE NOT BEEN ACCEPTED BY THE MEDICAL OFFICER BEFORE THE FINAL DUE DATE, AN ADDITIONAL NON- REFUNDABLE \$50 FEE WILL BE ADDED TO THE COST OF ATTENDANCE)). This is the same BSA medical form required by your Troop, summer camp, or other high adventure events. The medical forms & copy of insurance card must be submitted in paper format (HIPPA regulations) directly to the Medical Officer. No copies will be made, no information will be retained, and the forms will not be sent back to you...as they will be destroyed at the conclusion of the event. It is highly recommended that you make a copy of your medical form for re-use at summer camp, other high adventure events and your Troop. All medications must be stored in the Infirmary while attending camp. If you are under doctor's orders for any medication, the medication must be listed on the medical form. Medications must be in their original container and placed in a sealed plastic bag with the patient's name and complete dosing instructions. The Medical Officer will store and dispense all medications.

We will travel by chartered bus to/from the Grand Rapids area to St. Ignace. Bus pickup/dropoff location will be the Mercantile Bank at US-131 and Leonard St. Scouts will not wear their uniform shirts on the bus but will change into them before the ferry trip to the Island. If you choose not to travel with our group in either direction – even if there is a possibility of that – please fill out the top part of the THIRD PARTY TRANSPORTATION form and bring it to the training sessions.

Please fill out all forms electronically and print out/mail them with the check. A paper copy with contact information for each scout is required at the camp so applications cannot be submitted electronically. Since they must also be 100% legible all applications must be filled out electronically (editable PDF) and any handwritten applications will be considered incomplete/rejected. **Return the entire application (printed hardcopy) with a check for \$100.00 made out to “WMMISSC Troop 290” and submit by March 1st to the WMMISSC Committee Chair. (Address below) All applications and checks are due by the March 1, 2017 deadline.**

***APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED MARCH 1, 2017 to:
Jason Clark - MIHSC Committee Chairman
117 Honey Creek Ave. NE
Ada, MI. 49301***

Both Adult and Youth leadership are working hard to help reduce the costs of attending MISSC and we had a 20% reduction in costs last year. The total cost of the service camp for 2017 is anticipated to be between \$150-\$175 in total and will be determined after final budgeting of expenses. The balance payment (after the \$100 deposit) will be collected at the May marching practice date. Per the medical directions above, please note the amount due may increase by an additional \$50 if the completed medical forms & documents have not been accepted by the Medical Officer by the due date.

We have a limited number of available spaces in this camp and demand is high. Eligible Scouts must be under 18 years of age, be in good standing with their troop, be active in their Troop, and have the recommendation of their Scoutmaster to participate. Selection criteria include Age/Maturity, BSA Rank, MISSC prior attendance, Scout's responses to the application questions and the date the application was received. If your application is not accepted, the check will be returned. No refunds are allowed after May 1, 2017 for the MIHSC camp. **Some scouts may be notified they are on the alternate list at this time. Those scouts should continue to attend practices as normal and will be eligible to replace scouts who may drop out due to schedule conflicts or scouts removed for excessive absences from practices.**

MACKINAC MEETING DATES 2017

(Dates are unknown at this time since confirmation of week selected for MISSC 2017 will not be known until after the first of the year)

TBD	10am	Special Instruction Session at DeVos Center for Scouting in Walker Attendance Mandatory for all Scouts (new & returning Scouts)
TBD	7pm-11am	Kickoff Camping Weekend, Marching Practice, Team Building, & Patrol Activities: Attendance mandatory for all Scouts
TBD	7pm	Marching Practice, KOF: Attendance mandatory for all Scouts
TBD	7pm	Marching Practice, KOF: Attendance mandatory for all Scouts & parents. Parent Meeting <i>(Completed Health Forms Must be Submitted by this date or additional fees will apply. Balance Due will also be collected at this meeting)</i>
TBD	7pm	Marching Practice, KOF: Attendance mandatory for all Scouts
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TBD	9am	Marching Demonstration - Jenison Memorial Day Parade
TBD	7pm	Last Marching Practice, KOF: Attendance mandatory for all Scouts & parents. Parent Meeting

Location: KOF - Kentwood Office Furniture/Meridian Corp
3076 Breton Road SE Kentwood MI

All accepted Scouts are expected to attend all practice sessions in full Class "A" uniform.
Scouts are also expected to march in the Jenison Memorial Day Parade as a Mackinac Island Honor Guard unit.

Please Fill Out Application Form Electronically. *(Handwritten applications will be rejected)*

Scout Name (Last, First)		Primary Parent Contact Name:	
Address		Primary Parent Contact Email Address:	
City, State Zip		Primary Parent Contact Phone:	
Scout Phone:		Additional Parent Name:	
Scout Email Address:		Additional Parent Email:	
Troop Number:	Troop City:	Additional Parent Phone:	
Current Scout Rank:			Age
Scout Date of Birth:			
Years you have previously attended MIHSC?			
THE SCOUTMASTER APPROVAL OBTAINED? YES / NO <hr/> Scoutmaster Name: <hr/> Scoutmaster Email: <hr/> Scoutmaster Phone: <hr/>	Flag Duty held at MIHSC		
	Flag Duty desired this year (optional)		
	Guide Post Duty you have performed		
	Guide post duty desired this year (optional)		

MISHG Committee Chair Use Only	
Rec Y/N	ITEM
	<input type="checkbox"/> Deposit Payment Received by deadline
	<input type="checkbox"/> MISSC Application Form and Signatures
	<input type="checkbox"/> BSA Medical Forms Received with Insurance Card Information
	<input type="checkbox"/> Final Payment Received

We have read the fore mentioned dates, times, and location and will attend all practices. If the Scout is unable to attend any practice, **The Scout** must first contact the **Senior Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader**, or secondly the Scoutmaster, or thirdly the Troop Committee Chair and provide notification that the Scout will not be able to attend practice. This will be considered an excused absence as long as it is the Scout that calls. This is the duty of the Scout, not their Parents and parent calls on behalf of scouts will not be considered an excused absence. Scouts are always allowed a single approved excused absence. Veteran scouts with two years of prior MISSC service may be allowed up to two excused absences. Absences beyond the limits stated will result in a scoutmaster/committee review of the scouts participation in the honor guard and could result in the scout's dismissal from the honor guard and being replaced with a member from the alternate list.

An unexcused absence is when the scout fails to contact the leadership before missing the event. While there are allowances for medical emergency situations, be aware that **an unexcused absence can result in immediate dismissal from the honor guard**. There will be no refunds for scouts dismissed due to unexcused absences.

Contraband:

Scouts may not bring any knife, axe or hatchet, or cigarette lighter to this Camp. There are No Exceptions to this policy regardless of any Tote-n-chip or other scout qualifications as this is a State Park Policy. Scouts may purchase souvenir knives on the island, but they must be immediately turned over to the adults to hold until the end of the week. Any violations of the contraband policy may result in being expelled from the service camp. No expensive electronics, boom boxes, or devices which are not used with headphones will be allowed. Scouts may not sell any items to other Scouts or bring items to sell to others. No gambling permitted or allowed. Scouts are responsible for securing all their private items & electronics in their footlocker and locking the footlocker when they are not present.

Electronics Policy:

Scouts are strictly forbidden from using, taking or having a cell phone in their possession at any time they are on duty at the MISSC. Scouts may use their own cell phones, cameras or other electronics during free time or on the bus traveling to/from the camp, ONLY if they have a valid level II BSA Cyber Chip in their possession. Any scout without a valid Cyber Chip shall not be permitted to use any electronics during the camp. Any violations of this policy will result in confiscation of the device, and possible expulsion from the service camp.

Scout Responsibility:

All scouts are to be aware of the policies of the service camp and shall also be aware that if they fail to report violations of the camp policies, they will be held responsible for failing to report violations. Failing to report violations can have consequences as great as those imposed on the violators performing the act.

Camp leaders reserve the right to terminate camp activity for any Scout on the basis of improper or Un-Scout-like behavior. One or both of his parents/guardians or a person identified on the "Third party Transportation Intent – Release Permission" page would be required to transport him home.

THE SCOUT AGREES:

If accepted for Mackinac Island Scout Honor Camp, I agree to follow all rules of the camp and attend all pre-camp training.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

THE PARENTS / GUARDIANS AGREE:

I/We hereby allow our son, identified above, to attend the Mackinac Island Honor Scout Camp June 6-13, 2015. I/We have signed the attached medical and release permission forms.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

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PARENTAL PERMISSION – MACKINAC ISLAND HONOR SCOUT CAMP

I hereby give permission for my son/ward _____ to participate in the Mackinac Island Honor Scout Camp June 6 through June 13 of this year as a member of Troop # _____ of the Boy Scouts of America.

I give permission to the leaders of this activity to render First Aid should the need arise. In the event of a medical emergency, I also give permission to the physician selected by the adult leader in charge to hospitalize, secure proper anesthesia, order injection, and secure other medical treatment as needed. I further agree to hold Troop 290 of the President Gerald R. Ford Field Service Council, Boy Scouts of America, its leaders, and other leaders designated by them for this Camp blameless for any accidents that might occur during this Camp except for clear acts of negligence or non-adherence to BSA policies and guidelines. Additionally, I give my permission for the MIHSC Medical Officer(s) to dispense over the counter medications for common minor ailments such as headache, upset stomach, diarrhea, muscle ache, sunburn, etc.

My son/ward takes NO medication on a routine basis.

My son/ward is under a doctor’s care and has orders to take prescription medications.

There will be a medication and dosing instruction sheet that you will be asked to fill out and return with the medication in a sealed plastic bag on the day we leave for Mackinac Island. These medication forms will be available at any of the M.I.H.S.C. marching practices.

Any medication that will be taken by this Scout during this outing, will be collected by the Medical Officer and must be placed in a **sealed plastic bag with the patient’s name and clearly printed dosing instructions**. The Medical Officer will dispense all medication

My son/ward has the following physical activity restrictions: (If none, please print “NONE”)

The following information is required by the Michigan Department of Consumer and Industry Services, pursuant to Public Act 116 and Administrative Rule 127.1(1).

The health information contained herein is correct as far as I know, and the person described has permission to engage in all prescribed activities, except as noted by me and/or the medical provider. In the event I cannot be reached in an emergency, I hereby give permission to the medical provider selected by a designated representative of the Boy Scouts of America to authorize emergency medical or surgical treatment, routine, non-surgical medical care, hospitalize, secure proper anesthesia, or to order injections(s) for my son. The person herein described is in good health, has all required immunizations current, and I assume the health responsibility for the individual. I authorize my permission that over-the-counter medications may be dispensed to my son, for the relief of common minor ailments such as headache, upset stomach, diarrhea, muscle ache, sunburn, etc.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

PRINT NAME: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

PRINT NAME: _____

THIRD PARTY TRANSPORTATION INTENT/RELEASE PERMISSION

If a Scout and his family choose not to travel to or from the Mackinac Island Honor Scout Camp with the main party, we require notice of that intent and at least one parent or guardian must sign the release form on this page. There will be no reduction in fee.

If any person other than you wants to pick up your son, that person's name **MUST** be listed here. We cannot release a minor into the custody of anyone not so authorized.

My son might travel independently of the main group **TO** and/or **FROM** the Island.
(Check box and circle one or both as appropriate.)

IF the box above is checked, write the names of all people to whom we would be authorized to release your son. If a person's name does not appear on this page, he or she may NOT separate your son from our travel group.

"I hereby allow the Scout leaders to release by son into the custody of one of the following:"

NAME	RELATIONSHIP

STATE OF MICHIGAN REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS

The following information is required by the Michigan Department of Consumer and Industry Services, pursuant to Public Act 116 and Administrative Rule 117 (2)(A).

Scout's Name: _____

Troop Number: _____

In addition to the parents or guardians signing this form, only those individuals listed above are authorized to remove the aforementioned from Mackinac Island Honor Scout Camp

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

PRINT NAME: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

PRINT NAME: _____

SCOUT QUESTIONS

Veterans: Why do you want to return to Mackinac Island Scout Service Camp?

New Applicants: Why are you applying for admittance to the service camp and how did you learn about MISSC?

What does Mackinac Island Scout Service Camp mean to you?

Why do you think Honor Scouts are held to higher standards and are responsible for their conduct anywhere on the island?

Do you think that all electronics, including cell phones should be banned from the service camp? Why or why not?

Veterans: What advise do you have for your new SPL? What issues did you see in prior years and how could they be corrected?