

# Troop 97

# Activity Flyer

<b>Name of Activity</b>	West Point Scout Camporee
<b>Date (s)</b>	Friday April 24- Sunday April 26, 2020
<b>Time (s)</b>	2:00 PM Friday – 1:00 PM Sunday (Pick up times/locations to be announced.)
<b>Departure Date/Time</b>	2:00 PM <b>sharp</b> Friday April 26th
<b>Departure Place</b>	Camp Natural Bridge check-in area off Route 293
<b>Trip/Activity Location</b>	Lake Fredrick, West Point: Meeting Place at Camp Natural Bridge check-in area off Route 293
<b>**Cost per Person</b>	<b>\$60.00</b> check @ 2/12 meeting or Paypal by 2/14
<b>Activity/Trip Coordinator</b>	PLC w/ ASMs: Carey/ Mason/Rodriguez
<b>Deadline to Register</b>	<b>Friday February 14, 2020</b>
<b>Uniform</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Class A <b>AND</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Class B <input type="checkbox"/> None

### **Text: (explain trip or activity)**

Troop 97 has been selected to participate in the 58th Annual West Point Invitational Scout Camporee which is sponsored by the West Point Scoutmasters Council. There are more than 250 Cadet volunteers and around 6,500 Scout and Scouters from around the Nation participating in this event, so Troops have been limited to 25 spots.

Our Troop is registered as “Light Fighters” which requires us to back pack into our site via a steep trail over challenging terrain both in and out of the Camporee. The hike is approximately three (3) miles of mixed terrain.

During the Camporee Scouts will participate in competitive military themed events and have hands on contact with light and heavy weapons under the guidance of the Cadets. There will also be live action battle scenarios conducted by Cadet actors involving vehicles, weapons and aircraft. Saturday night after religious services there will be a large bonfire with music. We will hike out Sunday morning and take part in a brief closing ceremony requiring class A’s.

### **Events Include:**

- Camouflage Litter/First Aid Knot Tying
- Leadership Reaction Course
- Fire Building
- Wilderness Survival\* Ranger Challenge\*
- Swiss Seat/One-Rope Bridge
- Kim’s Game
- Commander’s Challenge
- Zodiac Challenge / Fitness Challenge
- Weapons
- Knowledge Baseball / TAC Challenge

### **Youth Participation Selection Criteria.**

Obviously, we would like to take everyone but as West Point Scoutmasters Council has only limited us to 25 scouts. **The West Point Cadre has determined that new scouts are ineligible for this trip. Scouts in this troop must have participated in the follow events this past year to be eligible: An overnight camping trip with the troop AND a backpacking trip and /or a hiking trip. Scoutmaster approval is necessary if this criteria cannot be met. Scouts are expected to backpack into and out of the challenging Bull Run mountain with all of their required sleeping gear/personal equipment.** (We hope to do this trip again so hang in there if you are new to the troop. We have been accepted three times to this event! You will get your turn.)

## Required Equipment for Packing

Pack smartly-don't over pack! What you hike in with is what you hike out with!

- Backpack
- 1 Nalgene full of water (water is plentiful at Bivouac site)
- Light Sleeping bag
- Mesk kit
- Raingear/Poncho
- Sweatshirt
- Class A's and neckerchief (for ceremonies)
- Sneakers for PT class
- Hiking boots
- Hygiene gear (tooth brush, soap, etc.)
- 2 brown/tan class B shirts
- Underwear
- Socks: 2 pairs
- Flashlight
- Medications (if applicable)
- Hat (optional)
- Sunscreen (optional)

## Parent Support/Special Notes

Ensure you sign your son out of Middle School/High School and provide transportation to the meeting point at West Point Camp Natural Bridge check-in area off Route 293.

Ensure you sign your son's waiver and send in the signed copy by scanning it to Sara Donohue when the waiver becomes available to the troop.

Medications if applicable: Ensure your son has enough medication for three days and two nights.

Provide your son with a packed dinner/sandwiches for Friday night only.

## Payment

Please make payments at 2/12 meeting or online at our troop website **No Later Than Friday February 14th**. Hard copies of medical waivers can also be turned in as well or you may email them in Sara Donohue.

Equipment / Gear Required:	Pack Class A shirt and neckerchief for ceremonies/Hiking boots/ sneakers for very brief morning exercise class/1 full Nalgene/ back pack/raingear
Special Notes / Handling	Bring bag dinner Friday – Troop Cooking Saturday

**The Registration Form must be received and paid for by the deadline date.**

**If a departure date/time/place is designated above please be on time, as the group will depart promptly at the time indicated.**

## Troop Policy Reminder

**Electronic Gaming Devices are not allowed to be brought on trips by any scout.**

**Cell phones may be possessed by a scout but may not be used except in an emergency situation or by permission of an adult leader.**