



NEWS OF THE DAY

WELCOME ABOARD

This month we registered two new Sea Scouts. Please extend your welcome to Nathan and Justin Thompson. Let's help them get going on their advancement.

GREYCEN COMPLETES SEAL

Sea Scout Experience Advanced Leadership training, a.k.a. SEAL, is Scouting's most demanding youth leadership program. The program is offered each summer in various locations, each with their own style of watercraft. Although, scouts need to possess seamanship and navigation skills before attending, it's within the reach of any Ordinary Scout. Application deadline is March 1.

SEA PROMISE UPDATED

No longer will we use the antiquated and biased language in the last line of the Sea Promise. From now on, the Sea Promise is:

As a Sea Scout, I promise to do my best:

To guard against water accidents

To know the location and proper use of the lifesaving devices on every boat I board

To be prepared to render aid to those in need

To let those less able come first.

While most of us know the story of the Birkenhead disaster and can explain why "women and children first" really isn't meant to be exclusive, many people have a negative initial reaction to it, and we really don't need anything in our program that requires a detailed explanation to convince someone that there is depth of meaning that is not obvious. This revised version is clean, gets to the essence of the point, and will serve us well.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

CANOE/KAYAK CAMPOUT

August 21-23

Canoeing, Kayaking, and Swimming! Almost everything a Sea Scout could ask for is happening this weekend. Don't miss out on paddlecraft skill development and swimming advancement.

MERIT BADGES WITH TROOP 242

9AM August 29

If you have already earned Kayaking BSA, then you should come help teach Kayaking MB to Troop 242. Teaching this skill earns you a Level 3 Special Proficiency elective, which counts for Quartermaster advancement

OPCYC YACHT RACE

8AM August 30

Instead of another meeting in the clubhouse, let's get together and race against other experienced sailors. This race is a series of 3 short heats in Willoughby Bay, across from Ft. Monroe. Also, the Tri-Service Cup on September 12 will be raced in Willoughby Bay too.