

Historian- Troop 420



GENERAL INFORMATION

Type: Appointed

Term: 6 months

Reports to: Assistant Senior Patrol Leader

Description: The true value of a good Historian may not show up until years later. The Historian provides material for displays and presentations of current activities. In addition, the work of the Historian provides a link with the past.

QUALIFICATIONS

Age: None

Rank: None

Experience: None, however the Historian should have an interest in photography and preserving scouting memories.

Attendance: Must be an active member of the Troop, meaning has been attending most Troop Meetings and other outings.

PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

Training: You must attend the troop Junior Leader Training even if you have attended in the past.

Attendance: You are expected to attend

- 75% of all troop meetings (3 of 4 each month),
- 5 of 6 Patrol Leaders' Council meetings and
- At least ½ of all outings, events and service projects.
- If your attendance is low, or if you have three (3) unexcused absences in a row, you can be removed from office.

Effort: You are expected to give this job your best effort and to use the ASPL for advice and direction when needed.

GENERAL LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

Uniform: Set the example by always wearing your uniform correctly. This means that you will wear all of the parts of the troop uniform, shirttail tucked in, with all required badges in their correct locations.

Behavior: Set the example by living the Scout Oath and Law in your everyday life. Show Scout Spirit in everything you say and do.

Attendance: Set the example by being an active Scout. Be on time for meetings and activities. *You must call the Assistant Senior Patrol Leader if you are not going to be at a meeting or if you have an emergency and cannot attend a meeting, outing or activity you have committed to. You should have an alternate ready to assume your responsibilities anytime you are absent. You are to plan ahead and "**Be Prepared**" for any duties assigned to you by the ASPL.

SPECIFIC LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

Takes pictures or assigns others to take pictures at **all** Troop activities and events.

Writes a summary (2 paragraphs) about each camping trip or other activity for the newsletter and web site.

Gathers the pictures and facts about troop activities and keeps them in a historical file or scrapbook.

Prepares and presents a slide show or movie at Troop Courts of Honor (A copy should be saved to the online site).

Ensures equipment is available and set-up in advance for historical presentations.

Works with the Troop Membership Chair to provide a copy of the most current slide show or movie at recruitment events.

Takes care of troop trophies, ribbons and souvenirs of troop activities.

Meets **monthly** with the ASPL (and Scoutmaster if requested) to evaluate the program, your responsibilities and the performance of your duties.

Attends Patrol Leader's Council meetings to ensure knowledge of upcoming troop activities requiring documentation.

Creates and maintains a historical log of Troop Eagle Scouts.

Sets a good example for the other Scouts.

- Be the first to reflect the scout sign
- Maintain a positive and enthusiastic attitude.
- Exhibit good self-discipline.
- Have an excellent attendance record.
- Meet your obligations on time and with full effort.

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- Have fun but not at the expense of everyone (Goofing off without purpose wastes time and loses the interest and respect of the other scouts).

RESOURCES AVAILABLE

Assistant Senior Patrol Leader

Other Junior Leaders

Assistant Scoutmaster

Scoutmaster

Troop Membership Chair

Boy Scout Handbook, No. 33105

Junior Leader Handbook, No. 33500A Fieldbook, No. 33104

Boys' Life magazines

Troop and patrol rosters

Activity calendar (troop)

BSA Supply catalog

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Troop 420 Leadership Contract with _____
(neatly printed name)

Scout's Agreement

I have read the job requirements for the position of **Historian**. I understand the duties and responsibilities of this position, and I agree to carry them out to the best of my ability. I agree to lead by example, and I make these commitments to my fellow Scouts, the adult leaders, and myself. In addition, I will help other scouts whenever possible; be especially supportive of younger and less experienced scouts and will do my best to have fun while helping the scouts of Troop 420.

If I find that I am unable to meet this commitment, I will promptly ask to be removed from this position. I understand that I will receive FULL leadership credit if I follow the above stated commitments. I may not receive credit if the above commitments are not met.

I will do my best to uphold the duties of this position from _____(start date) to _____(estimated end date).

(Signature)

(date)

Approval

(Scoutmaster's Signature)

(date)

This scout has served in this leadership position through (Actual End Date): _____ (Scoutmaster's Initials) _____

Comments: