

**Submit your pictures to the Troop Historian**

As Patrol Historian, your job is to provide photo documentation of your patrol's activities for each month during your tenure. Provide your pictures to the Troop Historian as soon after each activity as possible. Your pictures must be in two forms: 1) one set of regular photographs, and 2) a CD with digital copies of your photographs. Provide your regular photos in an envelope labeled to show 1) Your patrol's name, 2) the Patrol Historian's name (your name), 3) the name of the outing or event that you have photographed, and 4) the date of the event. Label your CD as well.



**Thank-you for your service as a Patrol Historian!**



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**Patrol Historian's Guide**

**Patrol Historians:  
Building a window  
to the past for  
future generations.**

The almost everything you need to know guide to being an exceptional Patrol Historian!



# Patrol Historian's Guide

Thank-you for volunteering to be a Patrol Historian! Your service in this role is important to Troop 32, because you will be adding to the permanent historical record of the troop, which has been in existence for over 75 years!

As Patrol Historian, your job will be to take pictures of your patrol's activities and adventures and to submit them to the Troop Historian once per month during your term of service. See the section below for a quick summary of your duties.

## Patrol Historian Duties

- Take at least 48 pictures per month of your patrol's activities
- Once every month, turn in your new photos to the Troop Historian
  - 1 set of photographs
  - 1 CD with photos in JPG format
- Be sure to label each photo envelope and CD with your name, your patrol's name, the month and year, and the events that you have photographed



**Turn in photos and a CD with JPG files once every month.**

## Events to Photograph

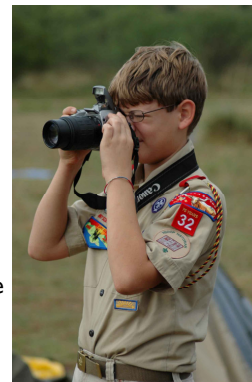
Here are some ideas of troop activities you can photograph.

- Monthly troop outings
- Regular weekly troop meetings
- Special patrol meetings
- Patrol Leader Council Meetings
- Court of Honor
- Volunteer Activities
- Eagle Projects

## Things to Shoot at your Monthly Outings

At every event you shoot, remember that you are telling a story with your photographs. All great stories have a beginning, middle, and an end. Tell the story of the event you are shooting in the same way. Take pictures of:

- Getting ready to go
- Meeting your friends at the pre-trip gathering
- The drive to your outing
- Arriving at the camp site
- Unloading your gear and setting up camp
- Cooking breakfast
- Free-time activities; card games, football, etc.
- The main outing event!
- The campfire



- The Sunday morning religious service
- Breaking camp
- The trip home
- Saying goodbye to your friends after you arrive back home

## Tips for Better Photographs

To take better photographs, the first thing you need to do is to earn your Photography Merit Badge! Stay alert at your troop meetings for announcements of the next Photography Merit Badge course. Also watch the activities calendar at [www.t32.org](http://www.t32.org).

Until then, get out there and start taking pictures!.

**And, most of all, have fun!**



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