



MACKINAC ISLAND SCOUT SERVICE TROOP 127

Mackinac Island Scout Service Program 2024



May 27 – June 1, 2024

THE FACTS! Revised 1/29/24

Mackinac Island is one of the most visited spots in America. Mackinac Island is Michigan's Summer Capital, with the Governor in attendance on many days.

Because of the nature of this operation, our emphasis is on SERVICE. Our contingent has been selected to serve the State of Michigan and the people that visit the Fort and the Island. This places a heavy responsibility upon each scout and adult leader's appearance, conduct and performance of our assigned duties. Scouting, especially our contingent, is in the public eye. Scouting will be, and always has been, judged by the excellent or unfavorable impression each individual imparts to those with whom he comes in contact. There will never be a better opportunity to exemplify the living of the Scout Oath and Law than your service week on Mackinac Island.

This will be your best chance to live the patrol method that Baden Powell started in the beginning of scouting.

SERVICE DATE: May 27 – June 1, 2024 **COST:** \$300.00 per scout.

TO APPLY: Go to www.misst127.com to fill out the online application.

If you are unable to fill out on line call Dennis Marshall 810-338-9644.

February 1, 2027 application deadline OR until full. Call if you want to go with us.

At the first meeting you attend a deposit of \$75 and the Temporary Personal Health form will be required.

The Scout Signature Sheet with your home scoutmasters signature is required by your second meeting.

You may pay all at once or the balance can be in payments:

After deposit 2/20/24 - \$75, 3/21/24 - \$75, final payment 4/16/24 - \$75.

The cost includes: food, transportation, lodging, bolo, nametag, troop polo shirt, troop hat, troop picture, Mackinac Island Scout Service patch, and footlocker.

GIVE PAYMENTS TO: Margaret Marshall at meetings. Checks or money orders payable to: MISST 127

SIZE OF SERVICE TROOP: 42 - 54 Scouts & 8 - 10 adult leaders. Scouts will be divided into the number of patrols required. This year's SPL along with the adult leadership will choose the ASPL's.

The SPL, ASPL's & Adults, choose the PL's. The PLC & Adults will choose the APL's.

All choices will be based on the online application filled out from the scouts wanting to be leaders.

SCOUT'S REQUIREMENTS:

RANK ----- First class by May 27, 2024.

MINIMUM AGE preferred - 13 by beginning of service, May 27, 2024. (if not enough 13 years old and above sign up then 11 & 12 year olds will be accepted)

SCOUTING TIME - One continuous scouting year as of May 27, 2024.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS --- All Scouts will be asked to sign an agreement indicating that, while with the Mackinac Island Service Troop, the scout will live by the Scout Law and the Scout Oath and participate in the Patrol Method. **Also a signature of the Scout's Home Scoutmaster is required on the application.**

PHYSICAL EXAM: A copy of a **completed Michigan Crossroads Council physical form** is required along with your insurance medical carrier and policy number. A copy of this will be **due to the Troop Health Officer by April 16, 2024.**

CONDUCT AND APPEARANCE: **BEST BEHAVIOR REQUIRED.** Scout Oath & Law followed.

DUTIES: The troop will raise flags in the morning and lower them in the evening at various locations throughout the Fort and nearby park buildings. Scouts also act as guides at locations throughout the Fort and nearby historic park buildings. Scout Guides mainly distribute information and answer questions from the public, as well as assist State Park personnel as required. Guide duty requires about three hours daily for four days; minimal KP duties will also be required. No guide duty is required the day of arrival and the departure day. Our troop will also be responsible for service projects by each patrol while on the Island.

UNIFORMS: Full dress uniform with short sleeve shirt, long trousers, and (nylon scout jacket ordered thru the troop and paid above the main fee) will be required for all scouts during flag raising/lowering, while on guide duty and while visiting the village on the Island. Uniforms will also be worn while visiting Fort Mackinac, any Grand Hotel facility and upon arrival and departure. Additional uniform information will be given when details are available. Uniforms are the responsibility of each scout and **must be complete by April 16, 2024.** ABSOLUTELY NO gym shoes or hiking boots are to be worn while in uniform. Dark Brown leather shoes with dark soles are required.

If you are not sure about them, ask before you buy.

Scouts in uniform ARE NOT ALLOWED to wear sunglasses. Uniforms are not allowed while bicycling. Scouts should be in presentable attire while hiking, bicycling or at recreational activities on the barracks grounds and on the island. Work clothes would be used while on service project assignments.

LIVING QUARTERS: All scouts and adult leaders will occupy the Scout Barracks, a two-story building containing dormitory - type sleeping quarters, (Youth upstairs / Adults downstairs) dining hall, kitchen, lavatory, showers and first aid room. An automatic washer and dryer (**for uniforms only**) are available for use in the barracks (to be operated by the adults only). The barracks is located north of Fort Mackinac.

RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES: The barracks grounds include a baseball diamond and horseshoe court. Volleyball, badminton, basketball, hiking, tennis and bicycling are also available.

Per the Mackinac Island State Parks: *No fishing, swimming or wading is allowed by scouts in any waters surrounding Mackinac Island.* Time will be available for homework, rank advancement and merit badge work. The Historic Trials Award can also be earned during the week if someone is willing to step forward to do this.

MACKINAC ISLAND VILLAGE: Scouts will not be allowed in the village after 6:00PM except with parents. All visits to the village will be done as a group w/adult leader present. All scouts MUST be in full uniform.

TRANSPORTATION: The troop will depart near Flint, MI; the mode of transportation is by bus. Times will be finalized by May 07, 2024 or before.

SNACKS: NO snacks are allowed in the Barracks sleeping area. They will be kept in the adult area (downstairs)

CONTACT INFO:

• Dennis Marshall, 3240 Reamer Rd. Lapeer, MI 48446 - Phone # (810) 338-9644, E-mail: misst127@charter.net

Important dates - 2024 MISST 127

MISST 127 WEEK is May 27 - June 1, 2024

- Tuesday January 16: INFORMATION Meeting for new prospects. – 7-8 pm
- Tuesday January 30: INFORMATION Meeting for new prospects.– 7-8 pm

TRAINING MEETING DATES for 2024:

- Tuesday February 6 : Troop Working Meeting – 1st Parents mandatory Meeting 7-9 pm
- Tuesday February 20: Troop Working Meeting – 2nd Parents Makeup Meeting (if unable to make it to 2/6/24) 7-9 pm
- Tuesday March 5: Patrol Meeting 7-9
- Saturday March 16: Troop Working Meeting 8:30AM-5 PM
- Tuesday April 2: Troop Working Meeting 7-9 pm
- Tuesday April 16: Troop Working Meeting 7-9 pm (Scout Physicals available, Details shared at the Feb. 6 meeting.)
- April 26-28: Working Weekend (Arrival Friday, 6:00-8:00pm ending Sunday 8:00am sharp)
- Tuesday May 7: Troop Working Meeting 7-9 pm
- Tuesday May 14: Troop Working Meeting 7-9 pm
- Tuesday May 21: Final Marching Rehearsal 7-9 pm (Trunk Drop Off - Starting 6 pm – end by 6:50 pm)
- May 27 - June 1: Mackinac Island Scout Service Program

All MISST training meetings above will be mandatory.

**MOST MEETINGS ARE IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL.
Enter in the door on the lower level where the two wings meet.**

**Trinity United Methodist Church (TUMC)
1310 N Main St., Lapeer, MI 48446**

[mapquest link to church](#)



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