







Saturday, May 14, 2022 & Sunday, May 15, 2022





Dear scouters, adult leaders, parents and friends of scouting,

I am excited to announce that the Scouting BSASoutheast Louisiana Council - Cypress District is hosting a Merit Badge College for the sixth consecutive year! Attendance increased last year and we look forward to another great day this year.

This particular Merit Badge College will be offering (18) different merit badge courses. The intent for this Merit Badge College is for our scouts to be able to leave with completed merit badges. In some cases, it will be necessary for requirements to be completed in advance. The pre-requisite requirements are listed in this leader guide on pages 8, 9, and 10. Please be sure to follow the pre-requisite requirements. We found that very few scouts, who left the 2021 Merit Badge College with only partially completed merit badges, actually followed up with the college's merit badge counselor.

We are encouraging each troop to bring and display your troop flag during the event. Furthermore, if any troop would like to present the colors and participate in the opening ceremony, please email me at <a href="Detsgt712@gmail.com">Detsgt712@gmail.com</a>.

Thanks for your dedication to scouting and we look forward to seeing you at the 2022SELAMerit Badge College.

Yours in Scouting,

Thomas Gai Committee Chair Troop 11, Chalmette, LA Eagle Scout 2002





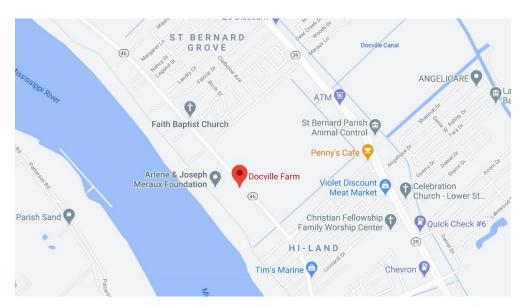
#### **\*** General Information:

#### ~ Information - Docville Farm ~

The location of the event will be held at the Docville Farm, located at <u>5124 East St. Bernard Highway</u>, *Violet*, *Louisiana* 70092. The site of Docville Farm is located in St. Bernard, Louisiana, and has been approved for use by the Southeast Louisiana Scout Council. Violet, Louisiana is located on the east bank of the Mississippi River, and is approximately 7.5 miles southeast of New Orleans. St. Bernard Highway, or LA Highway 46, intersects with Paris Road (LA highway 47), which can be accessed by Interstate 510. Interstate 10 intersects with Interstate 510 and is the last Chalmette exit (Exit 246A).

Named after Dr. Louis "Doc" Meraux, Docville is a historic property that stretches from the Mississippi River to Lake Borgne. Today, the Meraux Foundation has designated over 130 acres of Docville as an educational learning center that hosts art series, workshops, and a number of community events.

The Docville Farm campus features the Main House, a turn-of-the-century structure the Foundation resurrected after the hurricanes of 2005; the Dave Thompson Event Barn; the Arlene Meraux River Observation Center (AMROC); working stables with livestock; and educational installations, including sugar cane and citrus crops, a live crawfish pond, and an augmented reality sandbox.







- Merit Badge College Fees, Requirements, and Class Information:
  - o **Regular Registration** is \$15.00 per scout. All fees must be paid online via Doubleknot through the Southeast Louisiana Council (SELA) website. Fees paid through Doubleknot by one scout or adult may be transferred to another scout or adult. The transfer would include the class schedule. The scoutmaster for each scout or adult involved in the transfer must agree in writing to the transfer. The letter is encouraged to be in e-mail form to <a href="Detsgt712@gmail.com">Detsgt712@gmail.com</a>. All monetary fee will include entrance to the event, all costs associated with the venue, patches, and lunch. Lunch will include chips, a drink, and a desert. The main course will most likely be pizza, but is tentative to change.
  - Changing Merit Badges College Scouts and Scouters may opt to change their course selections through Doubleknot provided there is availability. Changes for Session "1" must be completed prior to 8:00 a.m. on the day of the event; changes for session "2" must be completed prior to 1:00 p.m. on the day of the event.
  - Expectations Scouts are expected to secure and read the merit badge pamphlet (merit badge book) for each merit badge course they are taking at the SELA Merit Badge College
  - o **Merit Badge College Program** Class sized are limited to 12 class except as otherwise noted. Most classes will be conducted in a single 3 ½ hour session; however, there are three courses, which require the full 7 hours of instruction and will take up both the morning and afternoon sessions.
  - Pre-Requisites Many of these merit badges have requirements that cannot be accomplished in the classroom setting. These requirements need to be completed prior to attending the SELA Merit Badge College so that the scout can finish the merit badge at the Merit Badge College. Several of the merit badges have requirements that need to be researched so that they can be discussed with the Merit Badge Counselor. Scoutmasters should encourage scouts to take the advantage of the winter break to complete all pre-requisites for their selected merit badges.





- Merit Badge results and Documentation No later than the month of May, merit badge results will be sent to the unit leaders. The documentation will show the requirements that the scout completed. Courses will be shown as "COMPLETE" if the scout completed all merit badge requirements to the satisfaction of the Merit Badge Counselor or "PARTIAL" if there are requirements that were not completed. "PARTIAL" reports will include the requirements that were completed during the Merit Badge College.
- Unit leaders shall be responsible for checking the documentation and ensuring course completion information has been provided for each scout and scouter. Please notify the Cypress District staff of any errors on the unit report by email to <a href="Deputy661@Bellsouth.Net">Deputy661@Bellsouth.Net</a> or Mr. Harry Deimel -Deimelh@Bellsouth.Net.

It is the unit's responsibility to have an authorized leader sign for a scout's completion of any requirements completed prior to or after the Merit Badge College.

If scouts complete Soil and Water Conservation Merit Badge (If offered) they are on their way to National Outdoor Badge for Conservation. It also counts towards the following Nova Awards: Let it Grow, Splash, Harris Bronze Supernova, and Edison Silver Supernova STEM.

Merit Badge College and University of Scouting Schedule:





Time:	Activity:	Special Information:
7am - 8 am	Registration	Health Form A & B are required to be on site for
		every participant and must be present at
		registration
8 am - 8:30am	Opening	Troops are encouraged to bring their troop flag for
	Ceremony /	the opening ceremony
	Announcements	
8:30am - 12pm	Session "1"	Merit Badge Counselors may take breaks as
		needed during session
12pm - 1pm	Lunch	Lunch will be served starting at 11:45am for classes
		that end early
1pm - 4:30pm	Session "2"	Merit Badge Counselors may take breaks as
		needed during session
4:30 pm - 5pm	Satisfaction	It is every scout's responsibility to remember the
	survey and	outdoor code and the 11th point of the scout law
	cleanup	CLEAN! Leave the area better then you found it.

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Session "1" (Morning)	Lunch	Session "2" Afternoon
8:30 a.m 12:00 p.m.		1:00 p.m 4:30 p.m.
Collections		TBD
Mr. Mike Bovia	-	Mr. Mike Bovia *
*Citizenship in the Community*		* Citizenship in the Community *
(Requires both sessions)	-	(Requires both sessions)
Mr. Tony Evett		Mr. Tony Evett
*Citizenship in the World*	-	* Citizenship in the World*
Mrs. Amy Geiman		Mrs. Amy Geiman
Safety	-	Astronomy
Mrs. Christina Zeringue		Mrs. Christina Zeringue
* Citizenship in Society*	_	* Citizenship in Society*
(Requires both sessions-limit 5)		(Requires both sessions-limit 5)
Dr. Paul Gregoire		Dr. Paul Gregoire
Engineering & Composite	-	Engineering & Composite
Materials		Materials
Mr. Wes Geiman		Mr. Wes Geiman
(Requires both sessions)		(Requires both sessions)
Search and Rescue		* Citizenship in the Nation*
Mr. Paul Marchiafava & Mr. Ron Bald	-	Mr. Ron Bald
Electricity	-	Electricity
Mr. Lester Langford		Mr. Lester Langford
(Requires both sessions)		(Requires both sessions)
Photography	-	Photography
Mr. Carl Kluttz		Mr. Carl Kluttz
(Requires both sessions)		(Requires both sessions)
*Family Life*		
Mrs. Hope Bald		
Dentistry		
Dr. David Hildebrant		
Disability Awareness		
Mrs. Suzette Roberts*		
Adult Nova Counselor Training		
Mrs. Catrina Garrett		





Class Schedule Sunday, May 15, 2022)
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Session "1" (Morning)	Lunch	Session "2" Afternoon
8:30 a.m 12:00 p.m.		1:00 p.m 4:30 p.m.
*Communication*	-	Life to Eagle
Mr. Ron and Hope Bald		Mrs. Hope Bald
Photography	-	Photography
Mr. Carl Kluttz		Mr. Carl Kluttz
(Requires both sessions)		(Requires both sessions)
Robotics / Programming	-	Robotics / Programming
Mr. Scott Smith		Mr. Scott Smith
(Requires both sessions)		(Requires both sessions)
Auto Mechanics	•	Public Speaking
Pending Councilor		Mr. Ron Bald