

Troop 380
Court of Honor Script

MC1

Audience, please rise.

Color Guard, attention.

Troop, attention.

Color Guard, forward march.
(Wait for the Color Guard to reach the front of the room.)

Color Guard, halt.

Color Guard, prepare to post the colors.

Post the colors.

CG1

Please join me in the Pledge of Allegiance.

I pledge allegiance...

CG2

Please join me in the Scout Oath.

On my honor, I will do my best...

CG3

Please join me in the Scout Laws.

A scout is...

MC1

Color Guard, reform.

Color Guard, forward march.
(Wait for the Color Guard to reach the back of the room.)

Color Guard, halt.

Dismissed.

Welcome scouts, scouters, parents, and family members to our _____ Court of Honor.

MC2

My name is _____.

MC1

And I am _____ and we will be your Masters of Ceremony this evening. I would like to ask
_____ our Chaplain's Aid to lead us in our opening prayer.

CHAPLAIN'S AID

Please remove all non-religious headgear.

[Prayer]

MC1

Thank you _____.

MC2

Welcome again to everyone. We are glad you are here to celebrate with us this evening.

Our troop has been very active since our last Court of Honor.

(List all activities (camping trips, service projects, etc.) that the troop participated in since the last Court of Honor.

For example:

“In August, we held our annual 50-mile bike ride along the Little Miami River Scenic Trail in Ohio.

In September, we went hiking and backpacking in Red River Gorge, and worked on our cooking skills.

In October, we visited Carter Caves State Park and explored the Cascade Cave.

In November, we helped Vaughn Ramirez and Nick Sanders on their Eagle Scout Projects, went hiking in Mammoth Cave National Park, and participated in Scouting for Food.”

Remember: there may have been activities that you did not participate in.

Work with others to remember all of the activities.)

In _____, we _____

In _____, we _____

In _____, we _____

In _____, we _____

MC2

Participating in these activities helps a scout to learn and to grow, and also helps him earn Merit Badges and Rank Advancements.

MC1

Scouts can earn any of 135 different Merit Badges in areas ranging from Art to Kayaking and from Camping to Search and Rescue. To earn a Merit Badge, a Scout picks a subject and reads the Merit Badge Book. A Scout develops his skills and knowledge. When he is ready, his Merit Badge Counselor tests him.

Today we are awarding a number of Merit Badges, which represent a lot of hard work by our scouts. When you hear your name called, please come to the front to receive your Merit Badges.

The Scouts who have earned Merit Badges are:

Announce each scout, in alphabetical order, and each merit badge they have earned. For example:

John Doe: John has earned the Cooking and First Aid merit badges.

Scout	Merit Badges

MC2

Next, we will recognize those Scouts who have earned Rank Advancements. The Boy Scouts of America recognizes your achievements by awarding badges of rank. The first 4 are Scout, Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class. Next comes Star and Life. Finally, the highest rank is Eagle Scout.

When you hear your name called, please come to the front to receive your Rank. Parents are invited as well to help celebrate your achievement.

The first rank is the Scout rank. Throughout the year we have the pleasure of welcoming new Scouts to our Troop. When each new scout joins the troop, he is encouraged to quickly earn the Scout Rank. To do this, a boy must learn the Scout Oath and Law as well as the Scout Sign, Salute, and Handshake.

In addition to earning the Scout Rank, each scout is also awarded a Troop 380 neckerchief to wear as part of their uniform.

We have _____ new Scouts that have earned the Scout rank.

These Scouts are:

Announce each Scout who earned the Scout rank, in alphabetical order.

Scout Name

MC1

Tenderfoot requirements offer a taste of the great adventures awaiting you in Scouting and can give you the basic skills you'll need to begin taking part in those adventures. You meet many challenges in earning the Tenderfoot badge and are to be congratulated.

We have ____ Scouts that have earned the Tenderfoot rank.

These Scouts are:

Announce each Scout who earned the Tenderfoot rank, in alphabetical order.

Scout Name

MC2

To earn Second Class, a Scout must learn how to use a map and compass, how and when to build a campfire, and to safely use pocket knives and wood tools. Second Class Scouts have proven their abilities in camping, first aid, and swimming, and other Scout skills.

We have ____ Scouts that have earned the Second Class rank.

These Scouts are:

Announce each Scout who earned the Second Class rank, in alphabetical order.

Scout Name

MC1

The founder of Scouting, Lord Baden Powell, said that all Scouts should earn First Class. Now you have tested yourself even more. You have tried greater adventures and practiced your Scout skills many times. With the confidence and knowledge you now have, people will expect more of you, and you will expect more of yourself. You are prepared to be more of a leader in your patrol, your troop, and your community.

In addition to earning the First Class Rank, each scout is also awarded a Troop 380 neckerchief trimmed in yellow to wear as part of their uniform signifying their progress.

We have ____ Scouts that have earned the First Class rank.

These Scouts are:

Announce each Scout who earned the First Class rank, in alphabetical order.

Scout Name

MC2

As you earn your Star Rank, you have more freedom to choose the direction that interests you. The focus shifts from basic Scout skills to earning the first six merit badges you will need for Eagle. Requirements now include service to others. The Star Rank also requires the Scout to be active in his troop, serve his troop in a position of leadership for at least four months, and take part in at least one service project.

We have ____ Scouts who have earned the Star rank.

These Scouts are:

Announce each Scout who earned the Star rank, in alphabetical order.

Scout Name

MC1

The Life Rank is one of the rarest ranks. This is the last rank before Eagle. You could complete your Eagle Rank now in as few as 6 months. We congratulate you and encourage you to reach for that next step. You have earned more than half of the merit badges required for Eagle. The Life Rank also requires the Scout to be active in his troop, serve his troop in a position of leadership for at least six months, and take part in at least one service project.

We have ____ Scouts who have earned the Life rank.

These Scouts are:

Announce each Scout who earned the Life rank, in alphabetical order.

Scout Name

MC2

The Eagle Rank is Scouting's highest award. Only a small percentage of scouts have ever reached this lofty goal. The Eagle Rank is presented in a special Eagle Scout Court of Honor and not here this evening.

We have ____ Scouts who have earned the Eagle rank

When you hear your name, please stand to be recognized.

Announce each Scout who earned the Eagle rank, in alphabetical order.

Scout Name

MC1

Please join us in congratulating all of these Scouts for their hard work!

MC2

Are there any scout, or adult, announcements?

Allow time for announcements to be made.

MC2

We would now like to ask _____ to please give a Scoutmaster's Minute.

Allow the Scoutmaster to deliver a Scoutmaster's Minute.

MC1

Would the Color Guard please assemble for our Closing Flag Ceremony?
(Wait for the Color Guard to assemble.)

Audience, please rise.

Color Guard, attention.

Troop, attention.

Color Guard, forward march.
(Wait for the Color Guard to reach the front of the room.)

Color Guard, halt.

Color Guard, prepare to retrieve the colors.

Retrieve the colors.

Scout salute.

Color Guard, reform.

Color Guard, forward march.
(Wait for the Color Guard to reach the back of the room.)

Color Guard, halt.

Two.
(Everyone may drop their salute.)

Dismissed.

MC2

This concludes our Court of Honor. Thank you for joining us this evening.