

BSA Troop 918 Committee Meeting Agenda – 27 Feb 2017

ATTENDEES:

Len M

Maureen W

Deb W

Dani R

Pete H

Aaron K

Jessie P (visiting Scout Darion's mom)

Robin R

Greg W

Gary B

SECRETARY REPORT – MAUREEN W.:

- Meeting minutes for 1/23/17 Committee Meeting were approved by the Executive Committee and posted on Scoutlander.
- Been working on ScoutBook with Dave N.

CHARTERED ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVE REPORT – GARY B.

- Church Council reports:
 - David C installing bike rack
 - Jeremy W installing a fence
- Gary inquired about how we can better let the OSLC community know about what the Scouts have been doing. He suggested he would put a note in the OSLC bulletin if we notify him.
- Greg W suggested a plaque be installed to indicate if the Scouts complete an Eagle project onsite.
- Wednesday is the beginning of Lent. Will be full parking lot for OSLC. PLC should be made aware.

TREASURER REPORT – GREG W.

- Current Account

Bank Account Balance	\$8021.70
Scout Accounts	\$1053.00
Pending MBM	\$299.00
<u>Summer Camp Deposits</u>	<u>\$3110.00</u>
Balance	\$3559.70

- Aaron Keel would like to know about attending summer camp for a couple days; how to pay, what would the cost be. Maureen will provide info to Aaron.
- Greg Weight suggested we prorate by \$5/month for Scouts that join mid-year.
- Based on historical data, the following Special Meeting Refreshment Expense Guidance was presented and approved by the committee for inclusion in budgeting and the handbook (as appropriate):

- Court of Honor Food/Drink - \$50 (~3X/yr.) - \$150 total/yr.
- Lock-In Food/Drink - \$200
- PLC Mtgs Food/Drink - \$50 (~9X/yr.) - \$450 total/yr
- Annual PLC Mtg Food/Drink - \$100

This is "guidance" - if the food provider runs over, the costs will be reimbursed, but they will be reminded about the guidelines for future events.

- The following was also presented to the committee for informational/educational purposes:

The "general" fund is fed mostly by four sources:

- annual troop dues
- fundraising (popcorn, et al.) proceeds
- leftover cash from weekend camping (food budgets) that may go to the general fund to reimburse the SM for camping-related expenses (propane, etc.) though on occasion, this goes directly to the SM for those items
- Scout account moneys when a Scout has left the troop
- This "income" does **not** include annual registration fees that just pass through.

The "general" fund is depleted on a recurring basis by four main categories of expenses:

- advancement materials (~\$700 this past year)
- campsite reservation fees (~\$700 this past year)
- "special" meeting food/drink (~\$900, see above)
- reimbursement for incidental, camping-related expenses (propane, etc.), but that is mostly offset by leftover food money
- This does **not** include nonrecurring capital expenses (trailer, shed, projector, etc.) or annual registration fees that just pass through.

As for campover fees, Greg said that currently, ALL of the \$25/Scout and \$15/Adult fee goes to Grubmasters for buying food. Any leftover \$\$ has been returned to the SM or to the general fund for incidental expenses associated with camping (propane, etc.)

Greg was concerned about the amount of food that is being brought back from campovers, so recommends that we leave it at \$25/Scout, but let the SM dispense Grubmaster \$\$, so he can provide only \$20/Scout to force the Grubmaster to shop better and minimize leftovers. That would be the SM's discretion. He would have the extra \$\$ on hand if something additional is needed during a campover. Greg also recommended that we increase the adult fee to \$20/adult to be on par with Scouts.

Note that campsite reservation fees have been drawn from the "general" fund, not from the moneys collected from Scouts for a campout.

For the past few years, the aforementioned income/expense pattern has left us with about \$3K per year in the overall account - a number that Greg believes is a good target to ensure we have a buffer when we have to pay for registration fees, summer camp deposits, etc. that may be out of sync with collection.

ADVANCEMENT REPORT – DAVE N.

- Tyler K completed Tenderfoot & Second Class;
- Dave is working on Scoutbook;

MEMBERSHIP REPORT – DAVE N.

- Darion G is visiting tonight, he's a friend of Darek

OUTDOOR PROGRAM REPORT – DEB W.

- See detailed OPC report & Canoe Trip Handouts, all attached;
- March 27th deposit due (\$25 each outing); sign ups need to open soon.

SUMMER CAMP PREP – (ALL)

- Registration Status—boys can register via Scoutlander until 3/13/17
- Summer Camp T-shirt design; Maureen will pass info to Robin.
- Payment Status—registration with deposit of \$50/Scout due 3/31/17.

SPL REPORT – JACK W.

- Camp Henson-yurt camping, rifle range was fun and some people got signed off. Nothing went wrong.
- Following week, Jack out with flu and no meeting last week.
- Patuxent camping trip coming up.
- Camporee Day Trip coming up.
- Scouting for Food will be the next two weekends. Passing out bags on Saturday March 4th, pickup will be on Saturday, March 11th. Assignment is Carrollton Manor this year.

SCOUTMASTER REPORT – MIKE B.

- Key decisions made:
 - Request to keep expense for a regular Scout campover at \$25, but adjust “grubmaster” allocation to \$5/meal/Scout (\$20) per weekend. The Scoutmaster will distribute that \$20 per Scout per weekend, but that amount may vary depending on the situation. The remainder will be used to cover incidental expenses and re-stock troop inventory.
 - Raise price for adults to \$5/meal/Adult per weekend (\$20/campover). This was approved by the committee.
- Canoe Trip:
 - Requirements to attend: Must be age 14 & Second Class Scout or Age 13 & parent must attend

- Budget numbers need to be communicated to eligible canoe trip attendees
- Summer 2018
 - Those wishing to attend Philmont in 2018 should apply through Baltimore Area Council; the Troop Committee will not coordinate a trip. If a Scout/Parent wants to arrange a Philmont trek, or other high adventure trip, they can do it on their own.
 - Mike suggested we still consider a 4-5 day local adventure trip (e.g., a canoe, hike, or bike trek) each summer in addition to resident summer camp.
- Patrol Info:
 - Would like to have an ASM dedicated to each Patrol;
 - Also would like to have an ASM to handle advancement across all Patrols, working in conjunction with Dave.

CALENDAR REVIEW – (All)

- March 1 - PLC
- March 18 – Heroes II Camporee (Day Trip)
- March 24-26 – Patuxent River Campover
- March 20 – BoRs/Comm Mtg
- April 1-2 – Merit Badge Madness (Individual)

WEBMASTER REPORT – LEN

OLD BUSINESS

- Staffing – Succession for Treasurer, OPC, Secretary; Assistance for Advancement (Len)
- Scoutbook (Dave N.)
- 2018 High Adventure Trip Planning (Mike B.) (see notes in Scoutmaster section above)
- Updating medical records (Dani R.); Dani sent emails notifying parents if Scouts had paperwork to turn in.
- 3rd popup/canopy – Greg has priced and will be purchasing tomorrow night. Funds were approved previously.
- Getting “graduated” Scouts to return/help; Robin checking with Trevor to see if he wants to do this.
- Expense guidelines for Lock-ins, Christmas parties, PLCs, CoHs, Grubmasters; this was discussed in the Treasurer section, noted above.

NEW BUSINESS

- Camp Cards; we will not be selling these at this point.
- New youth membership policy; transgendered now accepted. Gary noted that OSLC is open to everyone.
- PA system procurement; motion made to put \$300 aside for a small PA system; Mike to research.

February 2017
Outdoor Program Coordinators Report

January 2017 Our Shepherd Lutheran Church. Lock-In January 27, 2017.

Had 23 Scouts attend the Lock-In. Finished by noon on Saturday.

February 2017 Yurt camping at Camp Henson, February 3-5, 2017

15 Scouts/6 Adults attended. Shooting and other activities, with a focus on Dutch oven cooking. Enjoyed by all.

March 2017 Four Rivers Camporee at Anne Arundel County Fairgrounds, March 17-19, 2017

Day activity only, no camping. Cost is \$15 per boy

Patuxent Research Refuge – North Tract for Camping, March 24-26, 2017

Have received confirmation from Jeff Bolden coordinator for the Patuxent Research Refuge North Tract.

April 2017 Merit Badge Madness April 1-2 will be only a day experience – no camping

Ed Knox coordinating registration for merit badges. Scouts and their families are responsible for transportation. Scouts will need to bring their own lunch, water and snacks. Still require adult coverage. Tim Whittington has volunteered, but need one more adult during the day on Saturday.

Deep Creek Lake – Swallow Falls Tent Camping April 21-23, 2017

Confirmed camping at Swallow Falls Youth Camp Site #1 (25 campers). Mike Binnix coordinator/camp leader.

May 2017 Antietam Creek Canoe, Saturday, May 13, 2017 (tentative)

Skill proficiency instruction towards Canoeing Merit Badge. Scouts will be divided into two groups – older Scouts going on 50 mile trip, and younger Scouts or those not going on the 50-miler but interested in the Merit Badge. Both groups will receive Canoeing Merit Badge after completion of water training. Troop is responsible for “land” training.

Camp Dancing Bear (Hereford, MD) Tent camping, May 19-21, 2017

Confirmed with Mr. Al Henneman. (Contacted Baltimore Council regarding insurance requirement. Hold request for “Request for Certificate of Insurance” until after March 1, beginning of new BSA insurance year.) Boys will be tubing on the Gunpowder. Darren Roe coordinator/camp leader.

June 2017 Canoe Shake-down Trip, June 17, 2017

Confirmed for one night camping at Sandy Point State Park. Scouts will put in on either the Severn or the Magothy and canoe to Sandy Point. Darren Roe coordinating

Annual Patrol Leaders Council (APLC) to be determined

July 2017 Summer Camp at Horseshoe, Chester County, PA, July 2-8, 2017

We are confirmed for Camp Horseshoe.

TOTAL COST FOR SCOUTS: \$410 if paid in full by 5/1/17 (Troop 918 t-shirt included in cost).
Schedule for payments is: Feb 13th = \$105 (includes \$50 non-refundable deposit), Mar 13th = \$105, April 17th = \$100, May 15th = \$100

TOTAL COST FOR ADULTS: \$100 if paid in full by 5/1/17 (Troop 918 t-shirt NOT included in this cost). Weeks can be split with other adults, let us know if you prefer a half week by marking in the NOTES section of sign up. Schedule for payments: Feb 13th = \$50 (non-refundable deposit), April 15th = \$50, (Thank you Maureen Whittington & Ed Knox for taking care of this!) Camp website is: <http://cccbsa.org/boy-scout-camp-horseshoe>)

August 2017 50 mile canoe trip -- August 3 (Thursday evening)- August 7 (Monday evening) (more details, including cost, in attached handout)

September 2017 September 24-26 Marsden Tract Group Campsite, Carderock/Great Falls
Confirmed tent camping for 30 at Marsden, located at Mile 11.5 on the C&O Towpath.

**October 2017 Catoctin National Park, Poplar Grove Youth Group Campground,
October 13-15, 2017**

Confirmed tent camping for 20.

November 2017 Camporee (tbd)

December 2017 Assateague State Park (cold weather camping & surf fishing)

Assateague State Park is closed from end of October to end of April each year.

Assateague Island National Seashore is open for camping, but cannot request reservations until **June 8, 2017** (Group site 3, tent camping for 25)

January 2018 Lock-In

Boy Scout Troop 918
Our Shepherd Lutheran Church
Severna Park, Maryland

2017 Canoe Trip Information Packet

50 Miles Down the Mighty
Potomac River

Departing
Thursday, August 3

Returning
Monday, August 7



Requirements

- Scout Requirements (age, training, experience)
 - Four adults will be on the paddle trip
 - Two adults will serve as a land-based crew (not camping or eating on site)
 - Approximately 12 Scouts will be able to participate
 - All must be BSA swimmers, and the Troop will organize a swim test -- date to be determined.
- Scouts wishing to go on the trip must complete the training scheduled for Saturday, May 13 at Antietam Creek Canoe. The cost is \$60 per participant, and you will need to **pack your own lunch, snacks and water**. This is a 7-8 hour instruction day, and participants will get wet in the afternoon with “rescues, towing, etc.” A non-refundable deposit of \$25 is due no later than March 27.
- Scouts participating in the 50-mile canoe trip will also need to participate in the one day “shake down” paddle scheduled for Saturday, June 17. Details are still being worked out, but the Scouts will put in on either the Severn or the Magothy and canoe to Sandy Point State Park where they will camp for one evening. The cost of this day is \$25 per Scout, but will include lunch, dinner, snacks and cracker barrel.
- After completing the training both on the water (with Antietam Creek Canoe) and off water requirements being tackled at the Troop level, the Scouts will have earned the Canoe Merit Badge.
- After completing the 50 mile, 5 day canoe trip, and a 10 hour service project, the Scouts will be eligible for a “50-Miler Award.” (Patch)

Costs, Etc.

Place: Potomac River from Spring Gap, Maryland to Hancock, Maryland

Date: Thursday, August 3-Monday, August 7, 2017

Departure Time: 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 3, from OSLC
(Have dinner or a bagged dinner for the trip.)

Return Time: 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 7, to OSLC (this time approximate)

Cost: \$ 50.00	For canoe rental per person (\$100 per canoe for the trip.)
\$ 10.00	For two night camping at the Paw Paw Tunnel. Other camping free.
\$ 100.00	For 11 meals, 4 Cracker Barrels, and snacks
\$ 30.00	Transportation costs, miscellaneous expenses

For a total of **\$190.00** for the 5 days. Don't forget, however, that there are costs for the training (\$60) and shake down paddle (\$25). You also might want to include a few dollars if the guys decide to stop for some fast food on their way home!

Other costs may be associated with buying personal items such as moisture-wicking clothes, knee pads, or Texas or Keens water sandals (apparently, you do not want to use Crocs). Although the outfitter will supply Personal Flotation Devices, some Scouts might prefer to bring their own because of a more comfortable fit. Canoe seats and paddling gloves might be preferred by some, as well.

It is anticipated that we will be able to borrow the necessary gear for the troop such as dry bags, emergency throw lines, etc. As the trip gets a bit closer, gear lists will be developed and the word will go out about what gear is needed. Also, if your Scout is over 16 and would like to fish, they need to obtain a Maryland Fishing License (\$20.50). No need to obtain a West Virginia license.

Canoe Outfitters: Mr. Mike Sweeney with Tom's Run Outfitters at www.tomsrunoutfitters.net (although his web site has not been updated since 2007) he works with many Boy Scout Troops and is the same outfitter that Troop 918 has used in the past.

Float Plan

DAY	DATE	DESCRIPTION	MILES	TOTAL EACH DAY
Thursday	Aug 3	Leave church at 5:00 (eat or bring dinner on trip). Travel to Paw Paw Tunnel Campground. Make camp.		
Friday	Aug 4	Depart Paw Paw Campground at 9:00 (leaving tents & taking only food); Drive to Spring Gap Parking area to meet outfitter (Mr. Mike Sweeney)		
		Leave Spring Gap and canoe to Old Town for Lunch (P)	6.6	
		Leave Old Town and canoe to Paw Paw Campground (Ground crew will have fresh water.)	9.9	16.5
Saturday	Aug 5	Break Camp. Leave Paw Paw Campground at 9:00 and canoe to Sorrel Ridge Hiker/Biker/Paddler campground for lunch (No auto access)	6.7	
		Leave Sorrel Ridge and Canoe to Bonds Landing (located in Green Ridge State Park) (Ground crew will be place holding camping space and will have fresh water.) Make Camp (P)	4.7	11.4
Sunday	Aug 6	Break Camp. (Scouts' Own Service, perhaps). Leave Bonds Landing at 9:00 and Canoe to Little Orleans Campground for lunch. (Ground crew to supply enough water for evening camping, and following breakfast and lunch.) (P)	8.5	
		Leave Little Orleans and canoe to Cacapon Junction and make camp. No auto access.	7.3	15.8
Monday	Aug 7	Break Camp and leave Cacapon Junction at 9:30 and canoe to Leopards Mill Hiker/Biker/Paddler camp area for lunch. No auto access.	3.7	
		Leave Leopards Mill and canoe to Hancock to end trip. Meet Mr. Sweeney to return canoes. Ground crew takes drivers to retrieve cars. Leave Hancock and return to church (ETA 3:00)	5.7	9.4
		Total Miles		53.1

Boy Scout Troop 918
Our Shepherd Lutheran Church
Severna Park, Maryland

2017 Canoe Merit Badge Water
Saturday, May 13, 2017
Antietam Creek Canoe



This outing is designed for all Scouts of Troop 918. The only requirements are that we have enough adults to assist with the outing, and that all the Scouts be BSA swimmers. The Troop will organize a swim test – date to be determined.

Antietam Creek Canoe has been reserved on Saturday, May 13, 2017, for two groups of Troop 918 Scouts. One group – no more than 12 Scouts plus 4 leaders -- will be training together in anticipation of the 50-mile canoe trip scheduled for August 3-7

The other group will consist of younger Scouts, or Scouts not completing the 50-miler but still interested in obtaining their Canoeing Merit Badge. Both groups will have American Canoe Association (ACA) certified instruction trainers. The Troop will be responsible for all “off water requirements,” and the Patrol Leadership Council (PLC) hopes to work these requirements into regular Troop meetings. Antietam Creek Canoe will instruct in all “on water merit badge requirements.”

The cost is **\$60 per participant**, and you will need to **pack your own lunch, snacks and water**. This is a 7-8 hour instruction day, and participants will get wet in the afternoon with “rescues, towing, etc.” You might want to send a few dollars if the group is able to stop by Nutters Ice Cream in Sharpsburg. Greg, owner of Antietam Creek Canoe, said it is a must stop for Boy Scout Troops! A non-refundable deposit of \$25 is due no later than March 27.

Included in this document is the Parent/Guardian Permission Form (for paddlers under 18) and the Waiver and Release of Liability for adults. Also included are the requirements for the Canoeing Merit Badge.

Directions to Antietam Creek Canoe:

From Baltimore come West on I-70 and exit MD Route 66. Turn left at bottom of ramp. Route 66 ends at Alt 40 in Boonsboro. Right on Alt 40, left within a mile on MD 68. Go about 2 miles to Creek and Devils Backbone. They are on the left, just after you cross the bridge. Devils Backbone Park is on the right.

Canoeing Merit Badge

1. Do the following:
 - a. Explain to your counselor the most likely hazards you may encounter while participating in canoeing activities and what you should do to anticipate, help prevent, mitigate, and respond to these hazards.
 - b. Review prevention, symptoms, and first-aid treatment for the following injuries or illnesses that could occur while canoeing: blisters, cold-water shock and hypothermia, dehydration, heat-related illnesses, sunburn, sprains, and strains.
 - c. Discuss the BSA Safety Afloat policy. Tell how it applies to canoeing activities.
2. Before doing the following requirements, successfully complete the BSA swimmer test. Jump feet first into water over your head in depth, swim 75 yards or 75 meters in a strong manner using one or more of the following strokes: sidestroke, breaststroke, trudgen, or crawl; then swim 25 yards or 25 meters using an easy resting backstroke. The 100 yards or 100 meters must be swum continuously and include at least one sharp turn. After completing the swim, rest by floating.
3. Do the following:
 - a. Name and point out the major parts of a canoe.
 - b. Describe how the length and shape of a canoe affect its performance.
 - c. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of the different materials used to make canoes.
4. Do the following:
 - a. Name and point out the parts of a paddle. Explain the difference between a straight and bent-shaft paddle and when each is best used.
 - b. Demonstrate how to size correctly a paddle for a paddler in a sitting position and a kneeling position.
5. Do the following:
 - a. Discuss with your counselor the characteristics of life jackets most appropriate for canoeing and tell why a life jacket must always be worn while paddling.
 - b. Demonstrate how to select and properly fit the correct size life jacket.
6. Discuss with your counselor the general care and maintenance of canoes, paddles, and other canoeing equipment.
7. Do the following:
 - a. Discuss what personal and group equipment would be appropriate for a canoe camping trip. Describe how personal and group equipment can be packed and protected from water.
 - b. Using the containers and packs from requirement 7a, demonstrate how to load and secure the containers and other equipment in the canoe.
 - c. Using appropriate knots, including a trucker's hitch, tautline hitch, and bowline, demonstrate how to secure a canoe to a vehicle or a trailer, or if these are not available, a rack on land.
8. With a companion, use a properly equipped canoe to demonstrate the following:
 - a. Safely carry and launch the canoe from a dock or shore (both, if possible).
 - b. Safely land the canoe on a dock or shore (both, if possible) and return it to its proper storage location.
 - c. Demonstrate kneeling and sitting positions in a canoe and explain the proper use for each position.
 - d. Change places while afloat in the canoe.

9. With a companion, use a properly equipped canoe to demonstrate the following:
 - a. In deep water, exit the canoe and get back in without capsizing.
 - b. Safely perform a controlled capsize of the canoe and demonstrate how staying with a capsized canoe will support both paddlers.
 - c. Swim, tow, or push a swamped canoe 50 feet to shallow water. In the shallow water, empty the swamped canoe and reenter it.
 - d. In deep water, rescue a swamped canoe and its paddlers by emptying the swamped canoe and helping the paddlers safely reenter their boat without capsizing.
10. With a companion, use a properly equipped canoe to demonstrate the following paddling strokes as both a bow and stern paddler:
 - a. Forward stroke
 - b. Backstroke
 - c. Draw
 - d. Pushaway
 - e. Forward sweep
 - f. Reverse sweep
 - For stern paddling only:
 - g. J-stroke
 - h. Rudder stroke
11. Using the strokes in requirement 10, and in an order determined by your counselor, use a properly equipped canoe to demonstrate the following tandem maneuvers while paddling on opposite sides and without changing sides. Each paddler must demonstrate these maneuvers in both the bow and stern and on opposite paddling sides:
 - a. Pivot or spin the canoe in either direction.
 - b. Move the canoe sideways or abeam in either direction.
 - c. Stop the canoe.
 - d. Move the canoe in a straight line for 50 yards.
12. Use a properly equipped canoe to demonstrate solo canoe handling:
 - a. Launch from shore or a pier (both, if possible).
 - b. Using a single-blade paddle and paddling only on one side, demonstrate proper form and use of the forward stroke, backstroke, draw stroke, pushaway stroke, forward sweep, reverse sweep, J-stroke, and rudder stroke. Repeat while paddling on the other side.
 - c. While paddling on one side only, paddle a 50-yard course making at least one turn underway and one reverse of direction. Repeat while paddling on the other side.
 - d. Make a proper landing at a dock or shore (both, if possible). Store canoe properly (with assistance, if needed).
13. Discuss the following types of canoeing:
 - a. Olympic canoe sprint
 - b. Flatwater and river touring
 - c. Outrigger
 - d. Marathon
 - e. Freestyle
 - f. Whitewater
 - g. Canoe poling

PARENT/GUARDIAN PERMISSION FORM [for paddlers under 18]

I hereby grant permission for my child, or as guardian take full responsibility for my Charge [herein "my child"] to participate in whitewater rafting, kayaking, canoeing, tubing, with Antietam Creek Canoe/Greg Mallet-Prevost [ACC] And I hereby agree as follows:

I fully understand and acknowledge that: (a) risks and dangers exist in my child's use of rafting, kayaking, canoeing, tubing, equipment and my child's participation in rafting, kayaking, canoeing, tubing, activities; (b) my child's participation in such activities and/or use of such equipment may result in injury or illness or disability or death or damage to personal property (c) these risks and dangers may be caused by other participants, or by accidents, or by the forces of nature or other causes. Risks and dangers may arise

from foreseeable or unforeseeable causes including, but not limited to, selection of trail or river route, water level, weather conditions, risks of falling out of, from, or during a raft, kayak, canoe, tube, and such other risks, hazards and dangers that are integral to recreational activities that take place in a wilderness, outdoor or recreational environment; and (d) I hereby accept and assume these risks and dangers. I have been advised that my child must wear an approved personal flotation device at all times while on the water. I affirm that my child will not be under the influence of alcohol or controlled substance, and will not carry, use, or consume these substances before or during his/her scheduled activities. Any claims or dispute arising from my child's participation in ACC activities or use of ACC equipment shall be venued in the Washington County District Court for the State of Maryland. My child is in good health. I understand that strenuous physical exertion may be

required and my child has no known physical disabilities or health problems, which will present any risk to his/her participation in the activities. Information on my child's physical handicaps or medical problems which I feel ACC should know about will be given in writing in advance of the scheduled trip. I release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees from any and all liabilities incident to my minor child's involvement or participation in these programs as provided above, even if arising from the negligence

of the releasees, to the fullest extent permitted by law. Furthermore, The above agreement shall be binding on my heirs, successors, assigns, administrators and executors.

I HAVE READ THE ABOVE AND BY SIGNING IT AGREE. IT IS MY INTENTION TO GRANT PERMISSION FOR MY CHILD OR MY CHARGE, TO PARTICIPATE IN Antietam Creek Canoe/Greg Mallet-Prevost RAFTING, KAYAKING, CANOEING, TUBING, ACTIVITIES, AND TO ASSUME AND ACCEPT ALL RISKS ASSOCIATED THEREWITH.

Group Name (if applicable) _____

Parents/Guardian Name[s] _____
Signature[s] _____ Date _____

Name[s] of Child/charge _____

For group trips indicate the # of minor participants for whom you are responsible and for whom you give permission to participate and attach a list of those by name.

I understand and accept that I am responsible for returning all equipment rented in "as received" condition or replace at cost. Cost of boats \$400 to \$1000, Life Jackets \$25, Canoe Paddles \$35, Kayak Paddles yellow \$125, White Black \$50. tubes \$40. Initial as accepted _____

TIME ON WATER _____ EST TIME _____
OFF _____ TAKE_OUT _____
PADDLERS _____
EQUIP _____

WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY (please read carefully)

In consideration of Antietam Creek Canoe/Greg Mallet-Prevost [Here-in ACC/ GMP] furnishing services and/or equipment to enable me to participate in ACC/GMP activities, I agree as follows:

I fully understand and acknowledge that outdoor recreational activities have:

- (a) inherent risks, dangers and hazards and such risks, dangers and hazards exist in my use of ACC/GMP equipment and my participation in ACC/GMP activities;
- (b) my participation in such activities and/or use of such equipment may result in injury or illness including, but not limited to bodily injury, disease, strains, fractures, partial and/or total paralysis, death or other ailments that could cause serious disability;
- (c) these risks and dangers may be caused by the negligence of the owners, employees, officers or agents of ACC/GMP; the negligence of the participants, the negligence of others, accidents, breaches of contract, the forces of nature or other causes. Risks and dangers may arise from foreseeable or unforeseeable causes including, but not limited to, guide decision making, including that a guide may misjudge terrain, weather, trail or river route location, and water level, risks of falling out of or drowning while in a raft, canoe, kayak, or tube and such other risks, hazards and dangers that are integral to recreational activities and/or use of equipment.

I hereby assume all risks and dangers and all responsibility for any losses and/or damages, whether caused in whole or in part by the negligence or other conduct of the owners, agents, officers, or employees of ACC/GMP, or by any other person. I, on behalf of myself, my personal representatives and my heirs hereby voluntarily agree to release, waive, discharge, hold harmless, defend and indemnify ACC/GMP, owners, agents, officers and employees from any and all claims, actions or losses for bodily injury, property damage, wrongful death, loss of services or otherwise which may arise out of my use of ACC/GMP equipment and,or my participation in ACC/GMP activities.

I specifically understand that I am releasing, discharging and waiving any claims or actions that I may have presently or in the future for the negligent acts or other conduct by the owners, agents, officers or employees of ACC/GMP. The Venue of any dispute that may arise out of this agreement or otherwise between the parties to which ACC/GMP or its agents is a party shall be either the Circuit Court, State or District Court in Hagerstown, MD.

I HAVE READ THE ABOVE WAIVER AND RELEASE AND BY SIGNING IT AGREE. IT IS MY INTENTION TO EXEMPT AND RELIEVE Antietam Creek Canoe/Greg Mallet-Prevost FROM LIABILITY FOR PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR WRONGFUL DEATH CAUSED BY NEGLIGENCE OR ANY OTHER CAUSE.

[I am over 18]SIGNATURE Print name DATE e MAIL

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TIME ON WATER _____ EST TIME

OFF _____ TAKE_OUT _____

PADDLERS

_____ EQUIP _____

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