

SCOUT NIGHT AT THE FIRE STATION



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Why Hold a Scout Night?

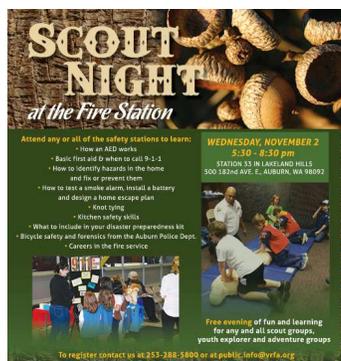
- Provides more than just a basic station tour
- Assists more efficiently in meeting badge requirements
- Reduces the number of evening station tours
- Supports the local scouting community

VRFA Scout Night

- First VRFA Scout Night held October 2010
- Over 200 Scouts and their families attended
- Mostly positive feedback from scout leaders
- Negative feedback – too crowded
- Not a new concept, many fire departments hold scout nights or scouting events

Scout Night Advertising

- 2010 First Year
 - Website
 - Ad in local paper (can be expensive)
 - Email to local scout leaders via Scouting Headquarters and those who had previously requested station tours
- 2011 and beyond
 - Website and Social Media
 - Emails to scout leaders who attended previous year
 - Press release to local paper
 - Flyers distributed through the schools
 - 2017- Advertising on Facebook and Instagram



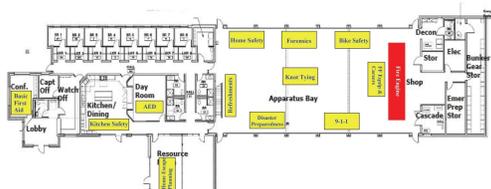
Scout Night Time Frame

- Event starts at 5:30 and ends at 8:30
- Scout groups can arrive at anytime
- Scouts can visit as many learning stations as they want
- Programs or special presentations are scheduled near the middle of the event
 - Ladder truck demo
 - Bike helmet saved a scouts life

Learning Stations

- Up to 12 learning stations are set-up to address badge requirements
- All areas of the station including the apparatus bay are utilized
- Scouts rotate through stations and spend about 10 to 15 minutes at each station
- Signs posted for self guided station tour

Scout Night Map



Self guided Station Tour

- Created signs to post throughout the station
- Description of area and its purpose

PPE Storage Room

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is stored upstairs in a warm, sunlight free environment helping it last a very long time.



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Self Guided Tour Signs

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| <p>Apparatus Bay</p> <p>A firefighters garage. All the vehicles used to provide service are parked here.</p> <p><small>Valley Regional Fire Authority</small></p> | <p>Cleaning Station</p> <p>Designed for easy access from the outside, this room is used to sanitize equipment and clothing used in the course of firefighter duties.</p> <p><small>Valley Regional Fire Authority</small></p> |
| <p>Beanery/Kitchen</p> <p>A beanery is defined as "an inexpensive restaurant or cafe." During some point in history, fire station kitchens acquired this nickname as firefighters became effective at preparing low cost meals.</p> <p><small>Valley Regional Fire Authority</small></p> | <p>Firefighter Lockers</p> <p>Each firefighter needs a locker for bedding, uniforms, toiletries, spare clothing and other essential personal items.</p> <p><small>Valley Regional Fire Authority</small></p> |

Home Safety Station

- **Topics:** Smoke alarms, home hazards, 9-1-1
- **Activity:** Test and install smoke alarm batteries, point out hazards in the home
- **Staffing:** Two firefighters
- **Supplies:** Hazard House, smoke alarms
- **Handouts:** Home hazard handout, smoke alarm handout, older kids 9-1-1 activity book
- **Badge Requirements Met:** Tiger (Safe & Smart Req. 5), Webelos (Fix it Req. 4Q, Project Family Req. 6), Daisy (Safety Award), Brownie (Safety Award), Junior (Safety Award)



Basic First Aid

- Topics: Cool a burn, cuts, bloody nose, choking, bee stings
- Activity: participate in discussion, practice bandaging
- Staffing: One firefighter
- Supplies: blanket, gauze pads, CPR mannequin
- Handouts: Basic first aid training handouts, mini first aid kits
- Badge Requirements Met: Webelos (First Responder Req. 1-6), Brownie (Legacy First Aid), Junior (Legacy First Aid), Cadette (Legacy First Aid)



AED/Recognize Cardiac Arrest & Stroke

- Topics: overall scene safety, protective gloves & goggles, common symptoms of heart attack & cardiac arrest, AED, Stroke
- Activity: practice hands only CPR, AED use
- Staffing: Two King County Medics
- Supplies: Four CPR mannequins, two AED trainers, one AED
- Handouts: Scout First Aid handouts, CPR & First Aid class flyers
- Badge Requirements Met: Webelos (First Responder Req. 2), Cadette (Legacy First Aid – Careers to Explore)



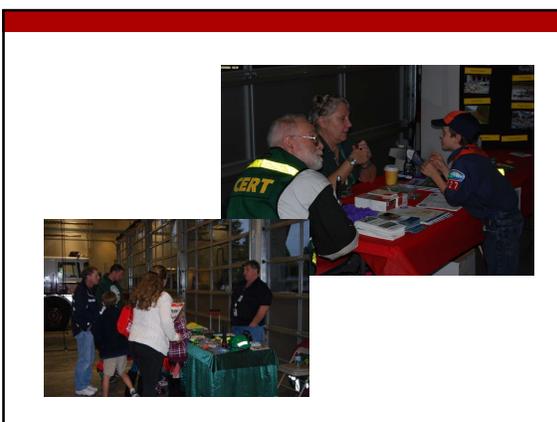
Home Escape Planning

- Topics: Home escape planning, crawl low under smoke, shelter in place, family meeting place
- Activity: crawl low, identify two ways out on white board, identify a family meeting spot
- Staffing: Two firefighters
- Supplies: White board and dry erase pens, blanket, escape ladder
- Handouts: Escape plans, pencils and erasers
- Badge Requirements Met: Tiger (Safe & Smart Req. 3-4), Webelos (First Responder Req. 7), Junior (Safety Award)



Emergency Preparedness

- Topics: Emergency Kits, out of area contact number, CERT
- Activity: Unexpected "earthquake"
- Staffing: Volunteer from CERT Team
- Supplies: Sample Disaster Kit
- Handouts: Disaster kit supplies list, emergency contact cards, CERT Handouts
- Badge Requirements Met: Wolf (Call of the Wild Req. 5), Webelos (Camper Req. 3), Brownie (Safety Award)



Firefighter Tools, Equipment & Careers

- Topics: firefighter tools and equipment, careers in the fire service
- Activity: try on kid size bunker gear
- Staffing: one firefighter
- Supplies: bunker gear, kid bunker gear, tools, engine/aid car
- Handouts: flashlight key chain
- Badge Requirements Met: Tiger (Safe & Smart Req. 6), Wolf (Council Fire Req. 5), Webelo (First Responder Req. 8), Daisy (Sunny's Story 3), Cadette (Legacy First Aid)



Ropes and Knots

- Topics: learn to tie 2 or 3 knots
- Activity: scouts practice tying knots
- Staffing: one firefighter
- Supplies: Rope
- Handout: Knot Tying Handout, sticker badges
- Badge Requirements Met: Bear (Necessities Req. 8), Wolf (Call of the Wild Req. 2) and Webelos (Scouting Adventure Req. 4)



Bike Safety

- Topics: helmet fitting, easy maintenance, safe riding
- Activity: fit a helmet
- Staffing: two police officers
- Supplies: helmets, bike for maintenance demo
- Handouts: Helmet and bike safety handout, reflector give away
- Badge Requirements Met: Tiger (Rolling Tiger Req. 3-5), Junior (Safety Award)



Cooking Safety

- Topics: combustibles too close to burners, pan handles turned outward, microwave safety, burns and scalds, appliances left plugged in, matches and lighters
- Activity: Make microwave S'mores while discussing microwave safety, set up a few hazards and have scouts identify
- Staffing: one firefighter
- Supplies: pot with handle, potholder, towel, metal pan and/or metal mug, microwave safe bowl and spoon, microwave meal with plastic seal on top, toaster plugged into an outlet, matches and lighter, supplies for s'mores, sandwich bags, plastic gloves
- Handouts: Kitchen safety handout
- Badge Requirements Met: Bear (Bear Picnic Basket Req. 1b), Junior (Legacy), Cadette (Legacy)



Additional Learning Station Options

- Pet Safety – Auburn Humane Society
- Forensics – Police
- 9-1-1 – King County E911
- Fire Extinguisher Demo
- Water Safety
- Campfire Safety



Additional Staffing

- Lobby: Two people to greet scouts, handout maps and answer questions
- Runner: One to three people to refill handouts and give-aways, keeps refreshment table stocked, fill in for breaks, take photos

Scout Night Budget

- Staff – Overtime
- Give-aways – mini first aid kits, pencils, bike reflectors, etc.
- Handouts – copying costs
- Refreshments – cookies, water, lemonade, fruit, coffee

Scout Night on a Small Budget

- Partnerships
 - Police
 - CERT
 - Humane Society
 - King County Medics
 - King County E911
- Recruit older scouts to teach
- Provide a list of links to websites to download handouts rather than make copies
- No give-aways
- Just provide water and coffee or look for partnerships with local grocery stores

Details, Details, Details

- Parking – ask neighbors if you can use their parking (churches, strip mall, etc.) and suggest carpooling
- Have scout leaders RSVP and limit the number who can attend (220)
- Ask scout leaders to limit the number of siblings in attendance
- Ask scout leaders to fill out a short evaluation
- Ask scouts to bring non-perishable food to donate to the food bank or unwrapped toy for toy drive

Questions?
