



Paws for Action (Duty to Country)

Complete requirement 1 plus two others from requirements 2-4.

1. Learn about our nation's flag. Display it at home for one month. Say the Pledge of Allegiance and learn its meaning.
2. Do at least one of the following:
 - a. Find out about two famous Americans. Share what you learned.
 - b. Find out where places of historical interest are located in or near your community. Go and visit one of them with your family or den.
3. Do at least two of the following:
 - a. With your school or den, visit a sheriff's office, police station, or fire department OR talk with a fire safety officer or law enforcement officer. Find out what skills the officers use to do their jobs. Ask questions that will help you learn to stay safe.
 - b. Make a list of emergency numbers and discuss with your family where the list should be kept. Show your family that you know how to call for help in an emergency. Talk with your family about people who could help you if a parent is not available.
 - c. With your family, develop a plan to follow in case of an emergency, and practice the plan at least three times. Your family can determine the emergency, or you can develop several plans.
4. Do at least one of the following:
 - a. Do a cleanup project that benefits your community.
 - b. Participate in a patriotic community parade or other civic event that honors our country.

Week of October 26:

- Activity: Honor the Flag (Requirement 1)
 - Learn how to properly display and care for a flag. Each Scout will receive a flag that they should display according to flag etiquette.
 - Say the Pledge of Allegiance and discuss what it means.

Week of November 2:

- Activity: Make a Plan (Requirements 3b and 3c)
 - Make a list of emergency numbers and discuss with your family where the list should be kept. Your list should include 911, other assistance numbers (Poison Control, police non-emergency line, PAWS, PSE, your veterinarian if you have a pet), and the numbers of at least one trusted neighbor, one local family friend, and one non-local family friend. If you do not have a personal phone, discuss with your family how you can make emergency calls if necessary.
 - Make emergency plans. Emergencies you should consider: house fire, earthquake, medical emergency, lost pet. Ask your family to practice how to handle one or more of these events.

Week of November 9:

We'll be talking about history, both of Seattle and Kirkland. Additional expertise is appreciated here! If any of my Scout parents are well-versed in Seattle history and would be willing to step up, please let me know.

- Activity: History is All Around Us (Requirement 2b)
 - Learn a little about Seattle's history with MOHAI Minute or equivalent

Week of November 16:

Our community has to work together to keep itself clean, healthy, and beautiful. From Green Kirkland to the Kirkland Weeds volunteers, everyone has a place in maintaining our home.

- Activity: Clean Up Kirkland (Requirement 4a)
 - With your family, make a plan to clean up trash at a local place that's important to you.