

Greetings Scouts and Scouters,

Mid-Iowa Council BSA presents a Railroad Merit Badge Camporee as our Council-wide Spring Camporee for 2019. This event will provide a program similar to the Railroad Merit Badge Program presented at the National Jamboree over the last 20+ years. Several of our program staff have served at National events in the past and have been part of our events as well. We have provided this program at similar events over the last 20 years.

The Railroad Merit Badge Camporee is open to any Scouts BSA unit in any council or district that would like to attend. Events in the past have exceeded 900 scouts and this event will be open to the first 1050 scouts registered. Registration cost is \$25.00 per person.

As a part of the Merit Badge program each participant will take a ride on the Boone and Scenic Valley Railroad. This will take them over the highest interurban bridge in the world, according to the Guinness Records. Scouts will also rotate through program stations where we will have professional railroaders, model railroaders, and others provide the instruction on the various parts of the Railroad Merit Badge.

Scouts in participating units that have earned the Railroading Merit badge are encouraged to attend; they will assist at a program station while their unit is going through the program, and ride the train with their unit. Please let us know whom they are when you register.

In addition we will provide lunch during the program on Saturday, a religious service, a campfire, and other items.

Patches and T-shirts will be available as part of the event. One patch is provided per participant. T-Shirts will be available by advanced order only. T-Shirts priced at \$15.00 for sizes S-XL and \$17.00 XXL – XXXL. The T Shirts are available as part of the registration process on line.

Please contact Bob Folkmann, Event Co-chair, or Whit Johnson, Co / Program Chair, if you have any questions.

Please drop us a note with your interest. Registration is open on the Council website. [Click Here To Register Online](#). Mark your calendars for May 3 - 5, 2019, and we will see you in Boone, IA.

Sincerely,



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