

ARCHAEOLOGY MERIT BADGE

Because of the change in the class structure this year you will need to finish the highlighted portions of these requirements before camp and present them or explain them to your counselor during class to complete the class

7. Do **ONE** of the following and discuss your findings with your counselor:

a. **Visit a museum to observe how artifacts aid in conveying history.**

b. Present to your counselor a significant family artifact/ heirloom and discuss its history. **Do not bring to camp, a picture will suffice**

c. **Make a list of the trash your family throws out during one week.** Discuss with your counselor what archaeologists might learn about you and your family if they found your trash a thousand years from now.

8. **Research a group of people who lived in your area more than 100 years ago.** Find out about their ways of life, including housing, clothing, arts and crafts, tools, trade and markets, rituals and religions, and diets, and their relationships with other groups of people in the area. **Describe what you would expect to find at an archaeological site where these people lived. Explain how these people influenced your current community.**

11. Under the supervision of a qualified archaeologist or instructor, do **ONE** of the following:

a. Help prepare an archaeological exhibit for display in a museum, visitor center, school, or other public area.

b. Use the methods of experimental archaeology to **re-create an item or to practice a skill from the past.** Write a brief report explaining the experiment and its results.

Bring your report and a picture of your project and present to your instructor

If you have any questions feel free to contact our instructor, be sure to Copy your parent or Scoutmaster to maintain 2 deep leadership - Jim Climo fixitjc@icloud.com