



# Troop 54

Worcester, MA

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### Local Boy Scout Troop Camps Every Month for Five Years Running

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WORCESTER - Boy Scout Troop 54 of Worcester traveled to Chesterfield Scout Reservation in Chesterfield, Massachusetts for its camping trip December 6-8. The troop used a cabin for this trip so it could work on a leadership training course. Meals were cooked outdoors, with such traditional camp fare as Spam and eggs cooked on a camp stove and "Mountainman Breakfast" baked in a Dutch Oven. With fresh snow on the ground, the boys got in their first snowball fights of the season.

That Saturday afternoon, the troop took a break from training for a day trip to the Springfield Armory. The displays there not only covered the history of firearms but also provided some great examples and explanations of the industrialization of manufacturing. While there, two of the younger Scouts applied themselves to a fact-finding scavenger hunt to earn Junior Ranger badges.

Seven Scouts and four leaders participated in the December trip. This marked the troop's sixtieth consecutive month with at least one overnight campout. In those five years, the troop has visited fifteen different Scout camps, camped in various parts of six states and hiked numerous trails across the region. Each camping trip provides the setting for the Scouts to practice leadership skills. Just as importantly, each trip provides fun, adventure and outdoors experiences for our city boys (and leaders).

First chartered ninety-eight years ago, Troop 54 is the oldest troop in the Mohegan Council.

Caption for IMG\_3013.JPG: Troop 54 Scouts cook breakfast. Pictured from the left are Andrew Tran, Jakob Tran and Gavin MacNeal.

Caption for IMG\_3020.JPG: Assistant Scoutmaster Timothy Froimson views a range of long guns.