

465 Alumni, Inc. Mission Statement

WHEREAS; BOY SCOUT TROOP 465, UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF SCOUTMASTER GEORGE LINGEFELT, HAS, OVER THE PAST 30 YEARS, ACHIEVED A HIGH DEGREE OF RECOGNITION IN THE COMMUNITY AS WELL AS IN THE ATLANTA AREA COUNCIL OF THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA, OF ITS ABILITIES IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF A BOY SCOUT TROOP AND,

Whereas; the core philosophy employed over the years Troop 465 was derived by Mr. Lingefelt from The Scoutmaster's Handbook, Sixth Edition, 1972, it is hereby agreed that the philosophies having been used with success in the operation of Troop 465 over the past 30 years shall be extended in perpetuity.

A PARTIAL LISTING OF THE PHILOSOPHIES AS WRITTEN IN THE SCOUTMASTER'S HANDBOOK AS LISTED ABOVE INCLUDES:

- 1. A GOOD SCOUTMASTER WORKS FROM THIS BASE: NEVER DO ANYTHING FOR A BOY THAT THE BOY CAN DO FOR HIMSELF.
- 2. A SCOUTMASTER CONTROLS, BUT DOES NOT COMMAND. HE CALLS THE SIGNALS BUT IS RARELY "UP FRONT". A SCOUTMASTER IS MORE LIKE A COACH THAN A COMMANDER. HIS WORK IS DONE BEFORE THE ACTION TAKES PLACE. A GOOD SCOUTMASTER WORKS HIMSELF INTO THE BACKGROUND AND THE BOY LEADERS INTO THE FOREGROUND. HE SPENDS MORE TIME TRAINING BOYS THAN DOING THEIR WORK.
- 3. A SCOUTMASTER'S GOAL SHOULD BE THAT OF TRAINING FUTURE LEADERS BY GIVING THE OPPORTUNITY TO LEAD, THEN MOLDING AND GUIDING THAT LEADERSHIP.