

FREE HEAT

As with your broiler at home that produces dry heat, food can be placed above coals on a stick, a spit, or a rack to create the same cooking condition.

Larger items such as chicken should be kept at a distance; the heat will penetrate and cook the food all the way through.

Vertical Spit

Chicken and other items may be cooked with this method, which is like an uncovered oven.

- Drive four 3-foot-long metal stakes into the ground 12 to 14 inches apart, forming a square.
- Cut four pieces of 1-inch mesh chicken wire 2 feet long and 9 holes wide (leave 9 holes and cut tenth in half).
- Fasten the two long sides of each roll together, making long, tube-like wire cages.
- Slip each wire cage vertically down over each metal stake and fill each wire cage with briquets (one row of briquets from ground to top of cage) (fig. 83).
- Light the briquets. After they are hot, wrap aluminum foil around the outside of the four stakes to hold the heat in the enclosed area (fig. 84).
- Make a tripod out of three sticks or lengths of metal about 4 feet long, tying them together at the top with rope.
- Place the tripod over the four stakes so that the top of the tripod is centered over them.
- Tie the wings and legs of a chicken (fryer) to its body.
- Tie a length of heavy string to the legs of the chicken long enough so that when the other end of the string is tied to the top of the tripod, the chicken will dangle about 3 to 4 inches above the ground (fig. 85).

It will take about an hour to an hour and a half to roast the chicken. When you baste the chicken with barbecue sauce, do it the last 15 minutes, or the sauce will burn.



Fig. 83. Briquets in wire cages

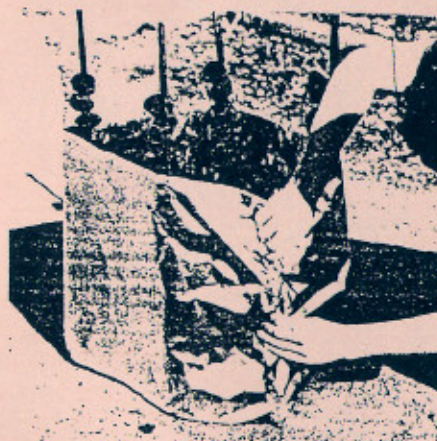


Fig. 84. Wrapping foil around



Fig. 85. Tripod centered over stakes suspending chicken

At the 1984 SHAC Scout Fair, Boy Scout Troop 1332, Polaris District, first introduced the use of the "Free Heat Vertical Spit." The plans and method* required modification, however, in order to "Roast Turkeys."

1. Space stakes (re-bar) to form a 3 foot square
2. Use thin wire (not string) to wrap and support turkey
3. Use Extra Heavy foil overlapped & taped with Aluminum tape
4. Small amount of Matchlight charcoal used at bottom of wire cages then filled with regular charcoal; No liquid starter used
5. A 12# turkey cooks in 2 1/2 hours; 18# in 3 1/2 hours

* Roasting It Easy #2, by Dian Thomas, Copyright 1977, Warner

Welcome to Troop 1332

We are glad you are taking the time to learn about our Troop; what we do and how we have fun. The Scouts and leaders of Troop 1332 are proud of the Troop and our 26+ years of accomplishments. The Troop's goal and mission is to work with young men so they will become proud, productive members of our society. They will have fun as they learn.

What Should You Know About Us?

The Troop meets every Tuesday night from 7:30 - 8:40 p.m. and has merit badge sessions, Boards of Review and Scoutmaster Conferences from 7:00 - 7:30 p.m. and again from 8:45 - 9:30 p.m.. There are often merit badge classes and activities for rank advancement before each meeting.

For more information...

If you have questions, please call anyone of the following adult leaders. They are here to answer the questions you may have about the Troop.

Wayne McLeland Scoutmaster
281-514-5165
Blaney Guillory Patrol advisor
Rick Meeks Patrol advisor
Ryan Guillory Patrol Advisor
Bruce Price Patrol advisor
David Moore Patrol advisor
Don Markey Patrol advisor
Jay Streckfuss Patrol advisor
Zachary Cross Venturing Liaison
Alan W. Cross Venture Patrol
John Davis Life-to-Eagle
Jonathon Cross C.O.P.E., Climbing

Karen Stancik Committee Chair
Montye Holmes Treasurer

"Scouting is a game with a purpose"

Visit our Troop

You do not have to call - just stop by for a visit. Your son will be placed in an existing Patrol and encouraged to participate in the evening activities as if he were a Boy Scout. We ask that the youth be in their uniform. An Assistant Scoutmaster and a senior Scout will deliver a "parent talk", the time to hear more about our Troop and an opportunity to have all your questions answered.

Scout's Outdoor Program

- o Troop Junior Leader Training
- o Jamboree-on-the-Air
- o Polaris District - Camporee
- o Climbing campout
- o Games campout
- o Texas City Preservation (conservation)
- o Winter Camp (Camp Strake)
- o First Aid / CPR training
- o Wilderness Survival
- o 1st Aid Meet
- o Enchanted Rock / Pedernales Falls
- o Scout Sunday
- o Biking campout
- o Field Sports campout
- o Canoeing campout
- o Scout Fair
- o Beach campout and saltwater fishing
- o Summer Camp

In addition to the camping and outdoor program, we also participate in activities such as

- o Order of the Arrow Pow Wow
- o Order of the Arrow Conclave
- o University of Scouting
- o Cub Scout Pow Wow

and many, many more activities throughout the year such as Red Cross First Aid and CPR training, Wilderness First Aid Basic training, flat-water canoe and kayak training, and more. We had 14 youth and adults attending the 2005 National Jamboree at Fort A. P. Hill, and two full Crews who trekked the wilderness at Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico for 12 days.

Boy Lead, Boy Run

Never do anything for a boy that he can do for himself.

- Baden-Powell

Troop 1332 prides itself on being a boy lead, boy run Unit. The skills and experiences of leadership are carefully crafted under the guidance of qualified adult leaders. The leadership youth of the Troop are given every opportunity to succeed, and to learn positively from mistakes.

Our youth leadership begins with the Patrol Leader of each new Patrol formed in the Troop, and continues on to all levels. All of our youth leaders attend Troop Junior Leader Training twice a year, many of our youth attend the Council's Junior Leader Training Conference, and we are especially proud of our many youth who have been selected to attend the National Youth Leadership Instructors Camp held at Philmont Scout Ranch.

The youth in the Troop are fully supported by a corps of highly trained adults; from the introductory basics for Unit positions to Wood Badge, C.O.P.E., Leave No Trace, all field sports, aquatic-based activities such as flat-water canoeing; tower and hard-rock climbing, and high adventure including Powderhorn, shooting sports, and more. Our training is a life-long commitment from us to the youth of the Troop.