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On the weekend of 25-27 January, the Aeronautics Laboratory hosted a lock-in for 17 Boy Scouts in Troop 78 which meets on Tuesdays in the historic scout huts on Community Center Drive. The event was coordinated by Lt Col Kurt Rouser (DFAN), Lt Col Scott Putnam (DFAS), Lt Col Thomas Swaim (DFMI), and Maj Douglas Kaupa (DFAS). On Friday evening, Dr. Devin Della-Rose (DFP), Lt Col Christopher Wohlwend (DFP), and Maj Cory Lane (DFP) toured the scouts through the Observatory and covered requirements for the Astronomy merit badge. On Saturday, Lt Cols Rouser and Putnam toured the scouts through the Aeronautics and Astronautics Laboratories and helped them accomplish requirements for the Engineering and Space Exploration merit badges. On Sunday morning, the scouts concluded the weekend with a fly-off for balsa gliders that they designed and built. Cadets Thomas Dickinson, Jie Zhou, Warren Saunders, Aaron Goins, Caitlin Faimon, Tyler Hudson, Regan Rogers, and Ian Ferguson (DFAS) helped with the astronomy workshop, and cadets Evan Rishel, Brian Lagrange, Christopher Shannon, Thomas McKenna, Richard Guttman, and Joshua Rivey (DFAS) helped with the glider workshop.



Scouts from Troop 78 pose with their balsa gliders.

On Friday, 18 January, the USAFA Physics is Phun team supported **Discovery Canyon's Space Day** by presenting 5 interactive science shows for approximately 125 students ranging from grades 1 through 5. The team consisted of Col Rex Kiziah, Dr Francis Chun, Dr Stephen Spicklemire, Dr Kimberly de La Harpe, Maj Nathan Terry, Capt Tony Vincent, Dr Fred Kontur (All from DFP), C1C Matthew Masters (CS-33), C2C Will Dickinson (CS-35), and