

The purpose of this continuity book is to help the adult who has volunteered to fill the "Outdoor Activity Coordinator" role—to "spin up" into the new role, and as a handy reference while in the role. It is full of ideas—just "Do your best."



What does the "Outdoor Activity Coordinator" do?

This job is created as a part of the Troop Committee in the BSA's Troop Committee Guidebook (Available for purchase at: http://www.scoutstuff.org/guidebook-troop-committee.html#.VeotNTZRFaQ, or you can find versions of it online). It is also known as the "Outdoor/Activities Chair." You can find our troop's description of this job at: http://www.troop52.org/abouttroop52.html.

Outdoor/Activities Chair



GENERAL INFORMATION

Type: Appointed by the Committee Chair Term: Appointed annually during unit recharter

Reports to: Troop Committee Chair

Description: The Unit Outdoor/Activities Chair is appointed by the committee chairman to secure tour permits and permission to use camping sites, serve as transportation coordinator, and ensure a monthly outdoor program.

Comments: A member of the Troop Committee

QUALIFICATIONS

Age: 21 or older

Rank: Registered Scouter Experience:None required.

Comments: Adults citizens, or adult non-citizens who reside within the country, may register with the Boy Scouts of America in any capacity if they agree to abide by the Scout Oath or Promise and the Scout Law, to respect and obey the laws of the United States of America, and to subscribe to the precepts of the Declaration of Religious Principle. All leaders must be 21 years of age or older, except assistant Scoutmasters, assistant den leaders, assistant Cubmasters, assistant Webelos den leaders, and assistant Varsity Scout coaches, who must be 18 or older.

PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

Training:

- 1. Youth Protection training is required for all BSA registered volunteers, regardless of their position. New leaders are required to take Youth Protection training before they submit an application for registration. The certificate of completion for this training must be submitted at the time application is made and before volunteer service with youth begins.
- 2. Fast Start
- 3. This is Scouting.
- 4. Troop Committee Challenge

Attendance: You are expected to actively attend troop committee meetings, troop meetings, and activities/campouts. Effort: You are expected to give this job your best effort.

GENERAL LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

Uniform: Set the example by wearing your uniform correctly. This means that you will wear all of the parts of the troop uniform, shirttail tucked in, with all required badges in their correct locations.

Behavior: Set the example by living the Scout Oath and Law in your everyday life. Show Scout Spirit in everything you say and do.

Attendance: Set the example by being an active Scouter. Be on-time for meetings and activities. "Be there."

SPECIFIC LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

Supervise, promote and coordinate attendance at unit, district and council camps and events

Supervise youth leadership to arrange leadership/chaperons, transportation, tour permits, facility/camp reservations and first-aid for all outings. Approves all arrangements and documents.

Promote the National Camping Award.

Promote, through family meetings, attendance at troop campouts, camporees, and summer camp to reach the goal of an outing per month.

Participate in Scouting for Food.

Takes advantage of all district and council events and activities.

Report to the troop committee each month.

Has all adult leaders review the Guide to Safe Scouting.

TROOP COMMITTEE GUIDEBOOK

Figure 1 Duty Description from Troop52.org website

What is the Activity Program supposed to be?

In simple terms, what the Scouts want (tent camping nearly every month, do fun activities when the troop meeting can't be held, do a Summer Camp, have a High Adventure opportunity, hold a lock-in in winter, camp in cabins, go ne places, etc).

The Scouters groom it to ensure Rank Advancement and Merit Badge / Outdoor Award / Major Events are factored in. The Troop Committee grooms it to fulfill the goals of the *Journey to Excellence* (http://bsaseabase.org/Home/Commissioners/Journey.aspx) scorecard that is filed annually for the unit.

	2015 Journey to Excellence - Troop 52 - St Clair District December 31, 2015								Troop 52 of St Clair District 2015 Scouting's Journey to Excellence								
Item			User	Calculated	Bronze	Silver	Gold		20	115 Scouting's J	ourney to Excel	lence					
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		Date: Troop committee adopted annual program plan & budget	8/20/15						Planning and Budget				Total i	Points:	200		
	Planning and Budget:	Date: Planning meeting involving youth leaders	1/15/15						Planning and budget: Have a program plan	Have an annual program plan	Achieve Bronze, plus troop committee meets at least six	Achieve Silver, plus troop					
	Have a program plan and budget that is	Date: Committee meeting #1	1/15/15					#1	and budget that is regularly reviewed by the committee, and it follows BSA policies related to	and budget adopted by the	times during the year to	conducts a planning meeting involving youth leaders for the	50	100	200		
	regularly reviewed by	Date: Committee meeting #2	2/18/15						fundraising.	troop committee.	review program plans and finances.	following program year.					
1	the troop committee,	Date: Committee meeting #3 Date: Committee meeting #4	3/19/15 4/16/15				200		Membership				Total F	Points:	500		
	and it follows BSA policies relating to	Date: Committee meeting #4 Date: Committee meeting #5	5/21/15							Have a membership growth	Achieve Bronze, and either	Achieve Silver, and either					
	fundraising.	Pate: Committee meeting #6	6/18/15					#2	Building Boy Scouting: Have an increase in Boy Scout membership or maintain a larger than	plan that includes a recruit-	increase youth members by	increase youth members by	50	100	200		
	-	Count: Total number of committee meetings		6					average troop size.	ment activity and register new members in the troop.	5% or have at least 25 members.	10% or have at least 35 members.			200		
	Program							_									
		Percent: Advancement rate prior year						#3	Retention: Retain a significant percentage of youth members	Reregister 75% of eligible members or have improvement	Reregister 80% of eligible members.	Reregister 85% of eligible members.	50	100	200		
5 8	Advancement: Achieve	Count: Current membership		41					youth members.	over prior year.	members.	members.					
		Count: Boys advancing one or more ranks during the year							Webelos-to-Scout transition: Have an			Achieve Bronze, plus provide					
	Scouts earning ranks.	Percent: Advancement rate		0.0%				#4	effective plan to recruit Webelos Scouts into the	With a pack or Webelos den, hold two joint activities.	Achieve Bronze, plus recruit two Webelos Scouts.	at least one den chief to a pack and recruit five Webelos	25	50	100		
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		Date: Overnight campout #3 Date: Overnight campout #4 Date: Overnight campout #5	3/3/15					#5	Boy Scouts earning rank advancements.	advance one rank or have improvement over prior year.	advance one rank.	advance one rank.	50	100	200		
	Short-term camping:		4/17/15						Short-term camping: Conduct short-term or	Conduct four short-term	Conduct seven short-term	Conduct nine short-term					
6	Conduct short-term or		5/15/15				200	#6	weekend campouts throughout the year.	overnight campouts.	overnight campouts.	overnight campouts.	50	100	200		
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		Date: Overnight campout #8	8/28/15					#7	Long-term camping: Participate in a long-term camp with a majority of the troop in attendance.	term camp.	60% of Scouts attend a long- term camp.	70% of Scouts attend a long- term camp.	50	100	200		
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How does the Outdoor Activities Coordinator job "fit in" with the Scouters and Scouts?

You will find it much easier to perform your job if you attend weekly troop meetings, monthly troop committee meetings, the patrol leaders council meeting(s) where they build the annual program plan, and being on campouts is a real plus. Your roles in these forums are to coordinate, communicate, cajole, and coach.

The first thing to remember is "Never do what a Scout can": Scouts are in Scouting to learn, experience, and develop (sometimes not in that order!). Try hard not to "do it for them", instead "lead them to water." It will not be as easy or clean as doing it yourself, but this is a key difference between being in a Scout organization versus a Father/Son club.

The second thing to remember is "Use the chain of command." As a troop committee member, don't go straight to the Scouts. Ensure you are in sync with the Scoutmaster (topic and timing), and work through the Senior Patrol Leader.

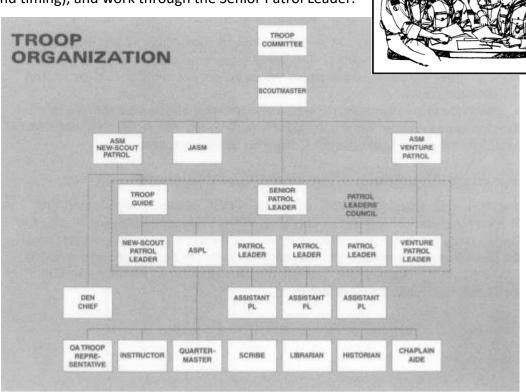


Figure 2 Troop Organization (from BSA's Troop Committee Guidebook)

If a future outdoor activity requires preparing the Scouts with new skills, you may want to work through the SPL/ASPL and the Instructor to ensure that gets done. You may also want to work through the SPL/ASPL and the Quartermaster (and Troop Equipment Coordinator, who is a Scouter on the Troop Committee with you) if an upcoming activity has different equipment needs (i.e., moving sleds from the shed into the Scout trailer, provisioning mosquito netting,

Outdoor Program

Outdoor activity is the most appealing feature of the Scouting program. Youth are drawn to it because it offers fun in hiking, camping, swimming, boating, canoeing, high-adventure experiences, and touring. This appeal is woven into the program from Cub Scouting through Boy Scouting, Varsity Scouting, Sea Scouting, and Venturing. Underlying the appeal of fun and adventure in the outdoors are the serious purposes of Scouting. Outdoor activities provide a vehicle for the achievement of Scouting's primary goals, which are to provide youth an effective program designed to build desirable qualities of character, to train them in the responsibilities of participatory citizenship, and to develop in them personal fitness, thus helping in the development of American citizens who:

- Are physically, mentally, and emotionally fit
- Have a high degree of self-reliance as evidenced in such qualities as initiative, courage, and resourcefulness.
- Have personal and stable values firmly based on religious concepts.
- · Have the desire and skills to help others.
- Understand the principles of the American social, economic, and governmental systems.
- Are knowledgeable about and take pride in their American heritage and understand America's role in the world.
- Have a keen respect for the basic rights of all people.
- Are prepared to fulfill the varied responsibilities of participating in and giving leadership to American society and the forums of the world

Camping and Outdoor Program Committee Guide, 2011.

having enough tents / etc). Until you "get the hang" of when to do this, confer with the Troop Committee Chairman and Scoutmaster if you are in doubt.

Get to know the parents/guardians of each Scout! Some will be registered Scouters, and some will just hang around from time to time—the Troop Committee Chair can help you know who is "card carrying" and who isn't. You need to build relationships with these adults—proactively talk with everyone, every meeting—because you will want their help to lead activities, to attend activities so we have proper adult coverage, to transport Scouts to and from activities, to tow the Scout trailer (if needed), etc etc. If you don't build these relationships, you will not become fully successful in this job. You can't plan, coordinate, and lead every activity across the whole year—and even if you do, that means other troop adults lost opportunities to contribute their time and talents (thereby also becoming more invested in the Scouts lives). Caution: don't expect that every adult will lead an activity—only Scouters should be the official leader of activities (they have been vetted via a background check); there may be some adults who shouldn't be around other Scouts. Again, consult with the Troop Committee Chair and ScoutMaster to ensure you know "who's who in the zoo".

The Troop is a part of a District (St Clair), which belongs to a Council (Lewis & Clark), which belongs to the BSA. There is a group at the Council level who are responsible for the official camping and outdoor program—they are officially

known as the Camping and

Outdoor Program Committee (COPC). You may find it helpful to attend their meetings, and may enjoy taking on some of the opportunities they have for volunteers to help make Scouting activities better in our area. Even if you don't participate in their work, at least get to know the Professional Scouter (a person who gets paid for their job) who leads this committee (You will probably have to deal with them at some point, and better to know them first). Also, at least surf the Council website—our Council website has information all over the place that will be helpful to you: for starters, get to know Activities (http://lewisandclarkbsa.org/activities), Camping



Figure 3Council COPC Roles

Boy Scouting

Outdoor adventure is the promise made to boys when they join Scouting. Boys yearn for outdoor activities that stir their imagination and interest. In the outdoors, boys have opportunities to acquire skills that make them more selfreliant. They can explore canoe and hiking trails and complete challenges they first thought were beyond their ability. Hiking, campouts, extended camping trips, tours, and expeditions are a vital part of the Boy Scout experience. The lure of these adventures is the reason most youth join. Attributes of good character become part of a boy as he learns to cooperate to meet outdoor challenges that may include extreme weather, difficult trails and portages, and dealing with nature's unexpected circumstances. Scouts plan and carry out age-appropriate activities with thoughtful guidance from their Scoutmaster and other adult leaders. Good youth leadership, communication, and teamwork enable them to achieve goals they have set for themselves, their patrol or squad, and their troop or team. Learning by doing is a hallmark of outdoor education. Unit meetings offer information and knowledge used on outdoor adventures each month throughout the year. A leader may describe and demonstrate a Scouting skill at a meeting, but the way Scouts truly learn outdoor skills is to do them on a troop outing. The simple skills essential to living in a primitive setting are inherent in the Boy Scout program. The boy learns to respect and conserve his natural surroundings. Camping and outdoor activities put meaning into the patrol method. Troop meetings offer an opportunity to prepare for monthly campouts. Monthly campouts help a Scout prepare for the troop's annual long-term camping experience.

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(http://lewisandclarkbsa.org/councilCalendar), and Useful Info (http://lewisandclarkbsa.org/info). Tip: Each Council Camp Property has it's *own* calendar!! If you think you have a reservation, but don't show up on the Camp's Calendar, the Ranger will not be expecting you!!

On the Troop Committee, you will want to know each committee member—these are the die-hards who "have your back." The Troop Committee Chairman sets the expectations for your area and should stay in touch to see how things are going—to inform, inspire, and innervate you. They will ask you to give a monthly update on the activities, and will help make you aware of new opportunities that the District told them about. You will probably need to coordinate with the Troop Equipment Coordinator for major trips, and you want them to tell you if there are equipment problems well before any activity that is dependent on equipment. You will also have to work with the Treasurer after each campout to ensure the campout revenue and expenses were closed out correctly. The Advancement Chairman and the ASM for First-Year Scouts should be able to help you identify what kinds of advancement-related events or training should be provided during a given campout for which Scouts—and what SM conferences and Boards of Review might then be needed. Finally, the Training Coordinator is the Scouter who connects adults who need training with those resources there are a number of things you may try to do as activities that require specific numbers of specifically-trained Scouters; plan ahead!

If you are in the Order of the Arrow, get to know the Lodge Chief and his staff. Our Lodge is Nisha Kittan. If you aren't a member, work through the SPL/ASPL with the OA Representative. The Lodge is required to maintain a "Where to Camp" guide for your area—you will want that!

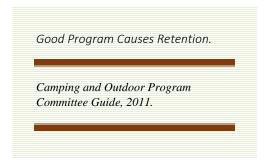
Who makes outdoor activities happen?

It is a team effort, but you create and lead that team. To start with, ask the Troop Committee Chair to find you an "understudy"—you can give them a variety of small tasks so they can gradually learn your job, and ideally become the heir apparent when you move on to a new

role. Talk them into signing on as a Scouter! The PLC is a team you need to help be successful—the Scouts should set the program concept for the year, and you help them make it happen. The Scoutmaster and his ASMs are the first folks you will want to ask to lead campouts—or at least have one of them in attendance at each campout. Camping is where Scouting really happens—and a trained adult leader is critical to making an activity an event and not just an encounter. You can also pull from the list of Scouters to lead activities, and the list of adults to meet the Safe Scouting / Youth Protection requirements (mandatory!). Try hard to not ask the same two or three people to lead everything—spread around the opportunities, and watch out for problems (someone who runs the campout before summer camp but also leads summer camp or someone who has a committee report to prepare but also would lead a campout that next night, etc.).

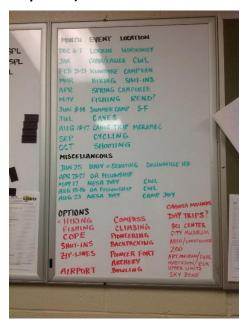
When you ask someone to lead an activity, they are commonly then called the "CampMaster" or "EventMaster"—but since CampMaster is a special Council role, many troops also use the term "Camp Leader." Nearly all activities will be "generally" planned months in advance by you (date, location reservations, theme/goals, Troop notifications, Scout sign-ups, Tour Permits, know if transportation should to be feasible, develop driving route maps, develop permission slips, hand-off trailer key, hand-off medical forms, etc.)—the exception are logistically complex activities (summer camp, high-adventure, long-distance trips, long-duration trips, planningintensive trips like floats, etc). You or a specifically appointed leader will do all planning and execution for complex activities, fairly much from start to finish (they don't "hand-off" easily). For the majority of weekend or day-long activities, you will fully transfer the planning work to the responsible Camp Leader the beginning of the week of the event. The Camp Leader then finalizes the sign-ups, publishes his/her plan to the participants, ensures the food/etc is purchased and on-hand, then meets with the group and heads out. The Camp Leader facilitates the activity, then afterward ensures all the troop equipment got returned in serviceable shape and closes out the revenue and reimbursables with the troop treasurer. You will want to know what the final headcount was of adults, Scouts, and visitors (and probably by-name, in case Scouts want their camping nights annotated in their handbooks). Keep this information for historical records—it will be important to the Committee Chair at the end of the calendar year for their Journey to Excellence report, and it will help inform next year's program planning or your successor as to which activities were last done when, where, and how many Scouts attended. If the Camp Leader is not the SM/ASM, then they should concentrate on making the activities logistics flow seamlessly, which allowing the SM/ASM to shepherd the Scouts. The Camp Leader shouldn't be direct tasking Scouts—instead, "suggest" to the SPL what is needed, see what they plan to do about it, and if acceptable, let them work through making that happen. The Camp Leader should be thinking ahead by a half-day or more—otherwise the climate becomes reactionary and less fun for all. It is common for the Camp Leader to ask other adults who are participating in the activity to help in some way—for example, being a safety observer and cooking mentor in the kitchen operations or for the axe yard or for the fire. The adults are not to do the work or give the instruction, but they are to ensure it is done safely and isn't superficial or in error.

The SM and PLC will prepare an annual calendar, and present it to the Troop Committee for approval. You can



help by giving them guidance in advance, remind them what happened in the last year(s), and by researching key dates in advance.

Key dates are either dates to conform to (i.e., when the District has scheduled it's Camporees or when the Council scheduled Summer Camps or Scouting for Food) or dates to avoid (Mothers Day, Popcorn Blitz weekend, graduation finals, major band or sports events, Pack and Crew major



events, the State hunting seasons, etc). The guidance you give them in advance should help them dream bigger than what they've done before—where can they camp? What can they do? What kinds of things must they do to keep the merit badge and rank advancement timing work (biking on a campout, hiking on a campout, backpacking on a campout, canoing on a campout, etc)? What are trouble areas (i.e., High-Adventure things that would be limited to older Scouts only)?

Outdoor/Activities Coordinator

Secures reservations for troop activities/camp outs, coordinates transportation, process Tour Permits and necessary paperwork required to conduct the outdoor program. Appointed by the Committee Chair and serves at the satisfaction of the Committee Chair, Scoutmaster, and the Troop Committee

Reports to: Committee Chair

Duties:

- After the PLC's annual calendar has been approved by the Scoutmaster and Troop Committee this person will work closely with the Scoutmaster to make necessary reservations to accommodate the planned activities.
- Secure permission and reservations to use camping sites and facilities
- Coordinates with the Treasurer to ensure camping fees are paid.
- Maintain map library for use in making copies for camp out drivers.
- Secure Tour Permits for all troop activities
- Attend Troop meetings when Permission Slips are due and collect Permission Slips.
 - Serve as transportation coordinator for troop outings.
 - Ensure enough drivers are available for each outing.
 - Prepare maps and driving directions for drivers
 - Publish a driving roster for each outing Identify emergency contact person for each trip.

 - Keep Tour Leaders Binder updated and in the hands of the Tour Leader for each outing. This includes the annual update of Medical Forms prior to Summer Camp
 - Work with Database Coordinator to ensure council has updated drivers/vehicle list for Tour Permits.
- Promote attendance at troop camp outs, district/council activities (camporees, expos. camporall, etc.), and summer camp to reach the goal of one outing per month.
- Promote the National Camping Award.
- Keep Tour Leader(s), Scoutmaster, and Committee Chair updated on any issues or potential problems with reservations or travel.
- Act as or appoint an Emergency Contact for each outing
- Report to the Troop Committee at each meeting

Figure 4 Example of Troop 981's OAC Duties

Be familiar with Troop Guidelines (http://www.troop52.org/guidelines.html) so you don't run afoul of general expectations.

Be familiar with the National Outdoors Awards, and help the troop earn all of them (http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/BoyScouts/Youth/Awards/NOA.aspx).









What are these "Tour Permits?"

The troop is insured through the local BSA Council. If camping in Council properties, this paperwork generally isn't required—but if going somewhere else, or doing something more than simple camping, the Council will want to review your plan to ensure they agree with it. There are a lot of rules, but you can read the highlights at http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/HealthandSafety/TourPlanFAQ.aspx.

Note: These go by many names—Tour Permits, Tour and Activity Plans, Trip Plans, etc.

You need to submit the Tour Permit 21 days prior to the event—and you may need a day or two of contacting people to get all the details you will need in order to submit it. You don't have to have a fully finished plan; for example, you don't have to have the permission forms collected and all the training finished—but you need a plan that gets you there before the event.

You will normally submit the plan via an online system—just log into http://www.myscouting.org/ and select Tour and Activity

Plan under "Unit Tool":

If you don't see this link, then you are not registered with the Troop Committee or you haven't associated your account with the local Council, or you have multiple Scouter accounts. Call the Council office and work with

them to resolve it.

If the system is down, then

ACTIVITY STANDARDS Where swimming or boating is included in the program, Safe Swim Defense and/or Safety Affoat are to be followed. If climbing and rappelling are included, then Climb On Safety must be followed. At least one person must be current in CPRIAED from any recognized agency to meet Safety Affoat and the safety Affoat and activities. Basic First Aft is recommended for all bours and activities. Basic First Aft is recommended for all bours and activities. Basic First Aft is recommended for all bours and activities. Basic First Aft is recommended for all bours and activities. Basic First Aft is recommended for all bours and activities. Basic First Aft is recommended for all bours and activities. Basic Patients and the process of the Safety Affoat and activities are jeopardizing their insurance coverage. PLEASE DO NOT PUT YOURSELE AFT RISK. INSURANCE AT RISK. INSURANCE

you can submit the old manual form. However, that form collects different information and won't help you by identifying rules you have to comply with—you have to know them yourself. You can find the manual form at: http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/680-014.pdf

Chronological Planning Guide for the Outdoor Activity Coordinator

Troop 339 created an excellent guide for their OAC, arranged chronologically. What follows is an adaptation of that guide (http://www.troop339.org/planning.pdf):

Outdoor Activity Coordinator Planning Guide

This guide has been prepared to provide a relatively complete, chronological reference for adults who are planning troop activities. Note: Many activities need not consider all the steps.

3 to 6+ months prior to the activity

Check community (http://www.belleville.net/, http://www.swanseail.org/) and school calendars (https://sites.google.com/a/wbsd113.org/wolf-branch-district-113/, https://website.bths201.org/index.php/events-calendar-new) to ensure activity dates don't conflict with major community activities or educational programs (graduation, band concerts, trips, etc.). If a serious conflict exists, consider rescheduling the activity. Normally, the troop activity calendar has considered this and attempted to schedule around known conflicts—we have historically attempted to camp on the 3rd weekend of each month to provide predictability for parents.

Determine if any reservations (campground, travel, etc.) are required for the activity. Make reservations if needed.

Note: Pay attention to any group size restrictions & first-come/first-served campsites.

Note: Troop 52 usually reserves space for 12 – 25 scouts and 4-5 adults.

Note: Take time to Google / research the location and date—ensure you don't schedule the troop into a nudist or biker weekend at a site or a campsite that is underwater due to flooding.

Determine if any additional permits other than the BSA LOCAL TOUR PERMIT (Required) are needed, and if so, apply for, and obtain as quickly as possible.

Note: These could include Wilderness Areas, U. S. Forestry Fire Permit, Fishing Licenses, etc.

Attend troop committee meeting or troop meeting and request troop check from the Troop Treasurer for any reservation or permit fees. If you charge the troop account at the Council for a Council camp, be sure to let the Treasurer know how much you charged and why the bill was what it was—this is critical to getting the bookkeeping to balance after the event's memory is long gone.

Send activity information to the troop webmaster (usually the Troop Committee Chair, unless a Scout Webmaster is performing that role) to update the troop's activity calendar, this information is just top level, such as a description of the activity, location, estimated costs, etc...

Determine if any special equipment is needed for the activity, find out who can supply the equipment and what the lead time is to get this equipment. If necessary, reserve the necessary equipment.

Attend troop committee meeting or troop meeting and obtain Scoutmaster approval for the activity.

Attend troop committee meeting or troop meeting and obtain Committee approval for the activity.

Read "Guide to Safe Scouting". (Available online @ www.scouting.org)

4 months prior to activity

Never do what Scouts can ... unless they don't and it will harm the troop. If the SM and PLC haven't developed a program concept for the activity that is 4 months out, then Troop 52 guidelines (http://www.troop52.org/guidelines.html) give you the authority and responsibility to put something together for the troop. Present the concept at the Troop Committee meeting to gain agreement and to alert the troop committee that the troop program isn't running right.

2 months prior to activity

Make announcement at the troop meeting about activity, have signup sheet (signup_sheet.doc) available, which should include participant's names whether individual is scout or adult and a column for adults who can/will drive scouts to and from the activity.

If activity involves High Adventure, make sure a properly trained trip leader is signed up for activity, if not, recruit one.

Note: BSA policy prohibits non-registered, untrained adults from leading High Adventure troop activities.

Make final arrangements/payments for obtaining any special equipment needed for activity.

Confirm all reservations

Consider a pre-planning trip if route or activity area is unfamiliar or new.

Work with the Patrol Leader's Council to develop an activity program / schedule.

1 month prior to activity

In conjunction with assigned scout trip leader, finalize itinerary, meeting place, times, return time/date, transportation logistics, and costs. Send details to troop webmaster.

If activity involves hiking/backpacking, have trip leader do a detailed route plan that includes identifying trails to be used, elevation changes, water sources, and prominent landmarks. Make sure time on trail matches planned itinerary.

Create emergency evacuation plan with scout trip leader. Find and record point of contact for activity area (park ranger or sheriff) and Emergency Contact Person. Record on the Activity Emergency Contact Sheet. Determine where the closest 24-hour medical facility is & record contact information.

Review outing checklist and permission slip with trip leader, modify as necessary, send to webmaster for downloads.

Fill-out and submit Local Tour Permit to Council. (Required NLT 21 Days before Activity starts)

Use Driver's Information List (drivers list.doc) to comply with driver's listing / insurance requirements.

Fill-out and submit National Tour Permit to Council. (May be required)

Make sure all other permits and reservations are obtained or will be shortly.

Have individual patrols plan meals for activity. Review proposed menus with Patrol Leader's Council input, ensure menus are appropriate for activity, especially if individual patrols are responsible for meals.

Assign activity program responsibilities to individual patrols at the Patrol Leader's Council (PLC).

2 weeks prior to activity

Make a master roster list of participants (activity_roster.doc). Have space for fees, permission slips, special documentation (such as shooting release), and actual attendance.

Submit a complete list of scouts and adults that will be participating in the activity to the Troop Medical Forms Coordinator so that he/she can insure that the Troop Medical Binder is complete and up to date.

Note: All adults going on the activity should have at the least a Class 1 medical form filled out Hold meeting for all adult participants to discuss logistics and transportation.

Note: It is especially important to identify all those adults who are providing transportation for scouts to and from the activity. Assign drivers to transport troop and personal equipment.

Hand out permission slips and personal gear checklist to scouts and adults.

Assign Grubmasters from each patrol to buy food. Notify boy's parent/guardian personally by phone of boy's responsibility. Send assigned Grubmasters home with troop supplied food boxes and ice chests.

Assign boys from "New Scout Patrols" to eat and sleep with established patrols.

Ensure troop adult Quartermaster has adequate supply of consumable items available for activity / outing.

1 full week prior to activity

Final submission for all paperwork and fees from activity participants.

Note: This week is the deadline to be able to signup for participation in the activity.

Make maps and printed directions for drivers for transportation to and from activity.

Perform gear inspection (pack check), with scout trip leader, if warranted.

Verify and update as necessary all cell phone numbers of individuals on the Driver's Information List all drivers who are transporting scouts to and from the activity. Contact all drivers to ensure they are still intending to transport to/from on this activity, know how to get to starting point, know not to stop alone with boys, and meet all driver qualification requirements.

Contact and document the individual on the "Safety Telephone List" who will be acting as the "Emergency Contact Person" in town for the duration of the activity.

Patrol leaders submit equipment lists to troop quartermaster.

Meeting Prior to Activity

Finalize activity roster with names, addresses, and telephone numbers of all scouts and adults participating in the activity.

Make and deliver four (4) copies of roster to the following people:

- 1 for the Scoutmaster
- 1 for Troop Senior Patrol Leader or his designate
- 1 for Hometown Emergency Contact Person
- 1 for Adult Trip Leader's use during the trip (later given to the Troop Advancement Chairman for advancement purposes.)

Quartermaster issues equipment to patrol leaders.

Load and secure required equipment for the activity into troop trailer.

Beginning of activity

Use final roster to check-off participant's attendance. Make sure all required paperwork for each scout and adult is available and complete.

Make sure all participants (scouts and adults) are adequately prepared for the activity, both physically and materially.

Note: If an individual is not prepared for the activity, do not compromise the individual's or group's safety by allowing them to go on the trip. Look for unsafe footwear!

Note: If the Camp Leader doesn't have a signed permission form for a Scout or guest, that Youth <u>cannot</u> go or remain on the trip!

Make sure drivers have a list for all passengers traveling in their vehicles.

Pass out a copy of the Driver's Information Sheet to every driver driving to and from the activity.

Pass out a copy of the activity map and written directions to every driver.

Make sure the troop's first aid kit is on trip.

End of activity

Ensure that each diver has a map and directions for the return trip home.

Make sure drivers have a phone list with the scout's parents' home and cell phone numbers to arrange for the scout's pickup at the return point.

After activity

Contact Troop Advancement Chairman before the next meeting with a list of awards and patches earned during the activity so that they will be available for presentation at the next troop meeting.

Complete and ensure accuracy of the Activity Finance Form. (activity_finance.doc)

Next Troop / PLC Meeting

Submit Local Tour Permit, final roster of attendees, and all completed blue merit badge cards to Troop Advancement Chairman for awards and patches earned during the activity.

Note: This is necessary for each participating scout's advancement in rank

Submit Activity Finance Form, to Troop Treasurer for troop financial bookkeeping.

Note: This is necessary next year's troop budgeting process & to get you reimbursed

Return Troop Medical Information Binder to the troop travel box.

Note: This is necessary next activity

Pass out rank awards, merit badges, and patches at the next meeting.

Discuss with PLC any changes that would improve this or future activities.

Reality

Each month, you should expect to be working various stages of eight different activities, with about 12 major task groups (see Figure 6 Excerpt from OAC Annual Schedule). Some activities are much less intensive than others. However, it is possible that you may have multiple activities in a single month (for example, in Nov a Scouting for Food Campout with bag distribution and another weekend for food pickup and sort).

The job will be easier if you work consistently on it, a little at a time, and have a solid plan by at least four months out. Ensure the PLC has integrated your plan into their troop meeting plan (http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/34425.pdf) for each meeting so they are knocking out the needed special training, menu planning, equipment inspections, etc.

Date	TROOP MEETING PLAN Week		
Activity	Description	Run by	Time
Preopeningminutes			
Opening Ceremonyminutes			
Skills Instructionminutes	New Scouts Experienced Scouts Older Scouts		
Patrol Meetings minutes			
Interpatrol Activityminutes			
Closingminutes Total ninety minutes of meeting	Scoutmaster's Minute	SM	
After the Meeting			

Figure 5Troop Meeting Plan

4 months prior	☐ 3 months prior to activity	☐ 2 months prior to activity	☐ 1 month prior to	2 Full weeks prior to activity ☐ 1Full week prior to activity ☐ Meeting Prior to Activity	☐ Beginning of Activity ☐ End of Activity	☐ After Activity ☐ Next Troop/PLC Mtg				6 months prior		<u>=</u>		_		10				_		_	_		
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Figure 6 Excerpt from OAC Annual Schedule

Required Paperwork Worksheet

() Local Tour Permit (BSA Form 3446C)
 Completely filled out by activity planner, submitted and approved by Baltimore Area Counci Representative
(BAC approved copy is kept in Activity Planning Binder)
() Driver's Information Sheet (Local product)
• (Kept in Activity Planning Binder)
() Permission Slip for each participating scout.
• (Kept in Activity Planning Binder)
forms for Scouts
() Medical Form for each participant (Scouts and Adults).
(Kept in Troop Medical Information Binder)
forms for participants
() OTC medicine form for each attending scout.
(Kept in Troop Medical Information Binder)
forms for scouts
() Prescription Medicine form for each scout needing one.
(Kept in Troop Medical Information Binder)
(Form filled out completely and signed by parents/guardians)
(Prescription medicines will be in their original containers with proper labeling)
forms for Scouts

Activity Emergency Contacts List

() Ensure there is at least one cell phone available for emergency use.
1. Name:
Telephone Number: Cell ()
2. Name:
Telephone Number: Cell ()
() Emergency Contact Person in Hometown Area
Name:
Telephone Number: Home ()
Telephone Number: Cell ()
Telephone Number: Other ()
() Nearest Medical Facility to activity / Directions
Name:
Address:
City / State:
Telephone Number: ()
Telephone Number: ()
() Ranger / Police / Sheriff Contact near the activity
Name:
Address:
City / State:
Telephone Number: ()
Telephone Number: ()
() Qualified First-Aid Provider at activity
Name:

Safety Worksheet

- () What are the Safety Requirements for this activity? Ref: "Guide To Safe Scouting"
- () Find out and document the name and address of the nearest medical facility to the activity on the <u>Safety Telephone List</u>.

(Activity Emergency Contacts List)

() Appoint and document the name, address and phone numbers of an adult that will act as an Emergency Contact Person that will be available and accessible in town during the duration of the activity.

(Activity Emergency Contacts List)

() Document the name, address and phone numbers of a Park Ranger, Policeman or Sheriff that will be available and accessible in the activity area.

(Activity Emergency Contacts List)

Equipment Worksheet

() Number of Patrol Boxes Needed

Check with Troop Quartermaster to ensure all patrol boxes are clean and complete.

() Is Scout Trailer Needed

Ensure you have arranged for someone to tow it there and back!

Meal / Duty Roster Planning Worksheet

General

Meal Planning is described in the Boy Scout Handbook pages 100-122

All scout patrols will use the same menu for the entire weekend to minimize costs (\$5/person-meal) Each patrol will plan 1 or 2 meals

Menu planning should be done 3 – 4 weeks before the activity

Menus will be approved by members of the PLC

How many meals are required?

	Scouts	Adults		Bkfast	Lunch	Dinner	СВ
Fri Dinner		+	=				
Fri Crackerbarrel		+	=				
Sat Breakfast		+	=				
Sat Lunch		+	=				
Sat Dinner		+	=				
Sat Crackerbarrel		+	=				
Sun Breakfast		+	=				
Sun Lunch		+	=				
		Totals					
				Note: l	Jse these	e totals on	the Budget Worksheet
() Ensure each par	rticipatin	g patrol ha	ıs a fill	led out P	atrol Du	ty Roster i	for the activity.
() Assign a Grubm	aster for	each patro	ol.				
Falcons							
Buffalo							
Batmen							
Dragons							
() Provide a shopp	oing list f	or each gru	ıbmas	ter.			
() Ensure adequate supply of Troop supplied consumables.							
() What special co	oking eq	uipment is	need	ed?			
() How will food b	e safelv	transporte	d?				

Transportation Worksheet

() Validat	te how many s	scouts and a	dults will be going on the activity					
Н	low many pec	ple will be a	ttending the activity?					
		Scouts Adults						
F	ri							
Li	ate Arrivals							
S	at							
L	ate Arrivals							
Е	arly Depart							
S	un							
Е	arly Depart							
() Map to	and from act	tivity						
	lote: Name, a nap	ddress, and t	elephone number of the location of the activity should be on the					
() Writte	n directions to	o and from a	ctivity					
N	lote: Include r	mileage mark	xers, familiar landmarks, and any other items that will help drivers					
	all drivers tra	-	outs and equipment to and from the activity are annotated on the					

() Assignment to transport vehicles - Going To Activity Driver: Scout 1 _____ Scout 2 Scout 3 _____ Scout 4 _____ Scout 5 _____ Scout 6 _____ Scout 1 _____ Driver: _____ Scout 2 _____ Scout 3 _____ Scout 4 _____ Scout 5 _____ Scout 6 _____ Driver: _____ Scout 1 _____ Scout 2 _____ Scout 3 _____ Scout 4 _____ Scout 5 _____ Scout 6 _____ Driver: _____ Scout 1 _____ Scout 2 _____ Scout 3 _____ Scout 4 Scout 5 _____ Scout 6 _____ Driver: _____ Scout 1 Scout 2 _____ Scout 3 _____ Scout 4 _____ Scout 5 _____ Scout 6 _____

() Assignment to transport vehicles - Coming Home From Activity

Driver:	Scout 1
	Scout 2
	Scout 3
	Scout 4
	Scout 5
	Scout 6
Driver:	Scout 1
	Scout 2
	Scout 3
	Scout 4
	Scout 5
	Scout 6
Driver:	Scout 1
	Scout 2
	Scout 3
	Scout 4
	Scout 5
	Scout 6
Driver:	Scout 1
	Scout 2
	Scout 3
	Scout 4
	Scout 5
	Scout 6
Driver:	Scout 1
	Scout 2
	Scout 3
	Scout 4
	Scout 5
	Scout 6

Budget Worksheet

() Camping Fee				
How ma	any people will b	oe attending th	ne activity	γ?
	Scouts	Adults	Fee	
Fri		X		=
Sat		X		=
Sun		X	:	=
			Total	(A)
() Food Costs				
Total Number o	f Breakfasts	X\$	5.00 =	
Total Number o	f Lunches	X\$	5.00 =	
Total Number o	f Dinners	X \$	5.00 =	
Total Number o	f Snacks	X \$	3.00 =	
			Total	(A)
() Equipment Re	entals			
Equipment	X\$	X Particip	ants =	
Equipment	X \$	X Particip	ants =	
Equipment	X \$	X Particip	ants =	
Equipment	X\$	X Particip	ants =	
			Total	(B)
() Activity Fees				
Activity	Fee X \$	_ X Participant	s =	<u></u>
		Total		(C)
() Transportation	on Costs			
	Miles (to)			
plus	Miles (from	ı) +		
times	drivers	X		(our troop only reimburses trailer tow
times	mileage rat	e X .55		
divided by	scouts	-:		
	Total		(D)

Planning Guide Time Line Tour Permits Driver's List Permission Slips Master Roster Payment Sheet Budget Worksheet Program Worksheet Food / Menu Worksheet Map / Directions Worksheet Required Equipment Worksheet

Drivers/Transportation Worksheet

Tabs for Camp Leader's Activity Book

Example Camp Leader Package 1 (full info):

Mike,

Thank you for volunteering to be the CampMaster for Troop 52's Nov Campout! This note may get a little long, but I hope it provides all the info--and more--that you may be looking for—both about CampMaster duties as well as this particular campout. If it falls short, please give me that feedback.

NOTE: I think I may be a late arrival to the campsite (and perhaps Carl) unless late-day meetings move off my Friday work schedule.

Here is the Troop Committee concept for this campout:

CAMPOUT-SPECIFIC INFO:

DATE: 8-9 Nov

I estimate we should have about 12 Scouts and 5 Adults overnight** on this campout (see ATCH Sign Up). You will need to select a Camp SPL since Dylan G, Carson G, and Matthew B are all not attending.

** I believe Three Scouts and Five Adults will "jump in" to help with the event, and the Bishops will "jump out" prior to the bag distribution. We've told the jumpers to be at the campsite by 9AM. This may swell the ranks of folks who will want a hot lunch after distribution.

LOCATION: Catholic Knights and Ladies of Illinois (Swansea, off Hwy 159 behind Wendys)

The troop will be camping at <u>C. K. & L. of I. Country Club</u> at 2800 N Illinois St, Swansea, IL 62226. Their web page is: http://ckloficountryclub.com/. It was reserved by Tim Fisher for 8-10 Nov. The phone number to the main facility is (618) 235-2420, but that won't work to contact us while camping.

It is a two-minute drive time from Wolf Branch Elementary School. It is a direct drive there, so you won't need to plan for convoy re-group/rally points.

I could not locate a map of the campsite for reference, but Google Maps Satellite View is accurate: we campat 38.543427, -89.981484. There are two ways into the site, and neither is gated/locked. Up the hill is a picnic pavilion with electrical power and bathrooms, which I expect to be open. The main building offers free WiFi, and I think the password is CKBINGO.

THEME: Scouting For Food Bag Distribution, Sports, Cycling

We will camp in tents. We will make camp in the clearing next to the ball field in the valley. We can have a campfire in our fire pit, but likely must bring wood. There are flush toilets in the camping general area, and potable water is near the campsite.

I have heard that the Webelos 2 wish to join us (just for the campout), but have seen no headcount and do not have a POC—I think Paul Pulse knows the POC.

It is important to help the Webelos/new scouts/their parents understand our tenting rules (Father/Mother+Son or Scouts or Adult(s), but not Adults+Scouts in a tent, and we discourage a single Scout camping alone—buddy system), and that while the troop has some tents, it is a good idea to bring some—and chairs, mess kits, troop cups (for hot beverages), etc. However, what gets brought on a campout is brought at personal risk. Not all troop tents are serviceable. You should get an e-mail from our Troop Quartermaster that details the food contents of the trailer—please attempt to use some of that.

You will need to send out the Hold Harmless Agreement: I've begun the Template, but please tweak it as you need it. Since some parents may not have various software packages, it is safest to send out attachments that are PDFs—everyone seems to be able to open those.

FEES: There is no site use fee. You will need to burden the cost to Scouts/Adults to pay for food, trailer tow, Propane, etc. I have estimated this at the Troop-policy [http://www.troop52.org/Guidelines/Troop52Policies.rtf] standard cost of \$25/Scout and \$5/Adult. Larry Youck is the Troop 52 Treasurer, and he can provide the details on how to handle troop money/bills.

WEATHER:

It appears that we will have a dry campout, but moist ground, with high temps of 61 and lows of 41. http://www.weather.com/weather/weekend/Belleville+IL+62226:4:US

TRAILER:

Gary Church will pull the trailer. We reimburse the driver a mileage fee: this will be 4 miles total.

EVENT SPECIFIC INFORMATION:

The Focus Event for this campout will be Scouting For Food. I believe Paul Pulse has the bags and the area assignment for this year. I have heard that it changed from last year, but have no details. I believe that Paul was going to work out the Youth Protection coverage/driving routes/driver maps, but you should check with him just in case—these are logistics that must be settled before departing for the camp. I cant find any useful information online, but did find this site: http://www.stlbsa.org/programs/sff/Pages/Scouting-for-Food.aspx I believe some of these hours will count as community service hours for scouts, so we will need to keep track of which Scouts help/for how long.

Some Scouts may need rank requirements or badge requirements worked on; while this is a short campout, if time and adult talent permit, It would be nice to help Scouts complete items.

After the Scouting for Food bag distribution completes, we usually grab a hot lunch, break camp, and the Scouts play a sports game or two. Paul Pulse will probably organize the sports activity, but it would be a good idea to ensure that we have the required equipment (football/etc) to support the sport.

Paul Pulse had mentioned wanting to accomplish a 15mi Bike Ride for at least one Scout while on this campout, to help fulfill a merit badge requirement. The ride would take place on the MetroBikeLink Trail (http://www.traillink.com/trail/metrobikelink-trail.aspx). I don't know if this remains an active plan or not—perhaps it would occur after the rest of the campout ends. Two adults must participate.

This trip will not require a Trip Plan. Please avoid high-adventure / risky activity. A copy of the last-known-good Medical forms for Scouts are kept in the Scout Trailer.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. The Sign-Up Sheet
- 2. Hold Harmless Template
- 3. Driving Directions (not this time)
- 4. Campsite Map/Brochure (not this time)
- 5. Reservation Form (if any)
- 6. Trip Plan (if any)

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- c. Do you need to know in advance who will drive (both ways/right days) & #Scouts they can carry?
- d. How do people contact you?
- e. Etc.
- 2. Safety & travel [aka, "Permission" or "Hold Harmless"] forms get made/collected/stored in the CampMaster Folder
- a. It is a best practice to bring spare forms—many forget them!
- b. I've attached a draft form for you; it needs the total Fee filled in.
- c. I or Mr Fisher take care of Trip Plans—if they are needed: you will get a copy.
- 3. Meals get planned/bought/prepared, ** Delegate to new scouts who need to earn rank...but closely coordinate with them! [Fri Eve is usu a Cracker Barrel, Sat AM is hot breakfast, Sat Noon is sandwiches or a warm meal, Sat Eve is a hot meal, and Sun AM is bug-out food--no cooking. When serving food, we do so in increments to minimize wastage/shortages.]
- 4. The trailer gets hauled (and Treasurer told so they get reimbursed),
- 5. There are enough adults/drivers/rides,
- 6. Drivers have maps so they know where to go...and know how to contact each one/how they call you!
- 7. Keep a headcount of who is "on campout" / "at event" & never leave anyone behind
- 8. Events get pre-planned so we have the right stuff/instructions to carry them out, and
- 9. Costs get planned/collected/resolved, ** Troop aims to normally charge about \$25/Scout and \$5/adult...special fees like Campsite/Event fees add to that.
- 10. Medications get collected/given,
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- 12. If this campout needs some kind of special supplies, ensure the Quartermasters know in advance.

Sometimes, Scouts will sign up for a campout but then not come...or tell you they aren't but do. Use your judgment when you have no-shows. In general, if Scouts don't formally cancel before Wed the week of the event, they get charged—especially if the food was already bought. However, expect to get last-minute e-mails/etc...is it best to tell folks to call you after Wed (positive contact).

If you have to leave due to emergency/etc, hand over the CampMaster duties to another adult—and ideally ensure the Scoutmaster (Mr Pulse) and/or Troop Committee Chair (Mr Bishop) know!

The campmaster is not a Master-Of-All: instead, think of yourself like a Symphony Conductor! Once the campout begins, sub-divide the execution of these responsibilities amongst the other adult leaders who attend the campout...but especially ensure the Scout leadership is prodded at the right times to ensure the Scouts work on them too. For example, during "down time" at the Campsite, ensure the Senior Patrol Leader knows to organize Scout events, and how long they have to get them done—i.e., who needs to peel off when to get meals prepared/etc. Our troop is encouraging the Patrol Method--i.e., Scouts organize into set Patrols, and the SPL works with those Patrol Leaders to get the right things done.

Most of all, have fun!

YiS, Ward Walker

8-9 Nov 13	Scouting for Food	Camp-Out				
Fri, 8 Nov		Quantity		V	Scouts	Adults
	Cracker Barrel				12	
		2 pkgs	Hot chocolate			
		2 sticks	Summer sausage			
		2 blocks	Block cheese			
		2 boxes	Ritz-type crackers			
		2 cont.	Grog			
		12	Bananas			
Saturday						
	Breakfast	30-40	Tortillas		12	5
		2 doz	Eggs			
		5 pkgs	pre-cooked Turkey sausage			
		2 pkgs	Instant oatmeal			
		1 lg can	Coffee	Т		
		2 pkgs	Hot chocolate			
		1 bottle	Hot Sauce			
		12	Bananas			
				Т		
	Lunch			Т		
		2 #10 Cans	Wolf Chili		15	10
		2 lg cans	Kidney beans			
		2 boxes	Saltine creackers	Т		
		2 5# bags	Apples	Т		
		1	Onion		T	
		2-8 oz pkgs	Grated cheese			
		1 cont.	Chili powder			
			Pete's hot sauce			
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Going? Y / N	Campout Notes (Adult Going [who]? Carry # Scouts? Buy Food? Pull Trailer?)	Not camping but will be there on Sat to distribute bags or drive Scouts on routes: Tell us in this column
YES	YES (Kathryn)	
TBD		YES, YES (Kathy): SUV +2 PAX
YES	YES (Jeff)*Only Fri Eve, Chris leaves Sat 10AM	
	Chambers, Gene: NO	
YES	YES (Gary)	
YES	NO	
YES	NO	
YES	NO	*, YES (John)
YES		
NO		
	Harrier, David:	
YES	NO	
		YES, YES (Roberta)
YES		*, YES (Bob)
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	Madei, Zach:	
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2013 Nov 8 ScoutingForFood Sign-Up_20131105.docxTroop Policy on Cancellation w/ Refunds: http://www.troop52.org/Guidelines/Troop52Policies.rtf

Troop 52 Permission Slip/Hold Harmless Agreement	Transportation Vehicle Make / Model / License Plate:										
As the parent or legal guardian of I hereby give my permission for this Youth to participate in an outing with:	Campmaster Record of Fees Receipt										
Activity Fees Location	Youth Charge My										
Scouting For Food \$15 = Weekend (Youth) C. K. & L. of I.	Description Adult Last Name First Name Due Cash Check Account (explain) Date										
8-9 Nov 2013 \$5 = Weekend (Adult) \$2000 N. IIII005315 \$5 for Lunch only on 9 Nov 618-235-2420											
6 Nov Noon = last registration Campmaster: Mike Marek Check-in Time: 8 Nov 13, 5:00 - 5:30 PM at CK&Lofl Camp Site	Casport 6-0 Nov 2013										
Break Camp: 9 Nov 13, 2:00 PM at CK&Lofl Camp Site											
Boys who need a ride home will be taken home	(Insurance info: Company: Liability is current/meets state minimums?)										
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Hold Harmless Agreement Indestand that participation in Scouling activities involved and have given consent for impell or my child to participate in degree of risk. I have carefully considered the risk involved and have given consent for myself or my child to participate in these activities. I undestand that participation in these activities is entirely voluntary and requires participants to abode by applicable rules and attandards of conduct. I release the Boy Scouts of America, the local council, the activity coordinators, and all employees, volunteers, related parties, or other organizations associated with the activity from any and all claims or liability ansing out of this participation. Signed: X Date: [Parent or Guardian] Emergency Information I approve sharing the information on this form with BSA volunteers and professionals who need to know of medical situations that might require special consideration for the safe conduct of Scouting activities. In case of an emergency involving me or my child. I understand that every effort will be made to contact the individual listed as the emergency contact person. In the event that this person cannot be reached, permission is hereby given to the medical provider safected by the solid teacher in charge to excure proper freshment, including loopidization, anesthesis, surgery, or infindings, test results, and treatment provided for purposes of medical evaluation of the participant's ability to continue in the program activities.	Troop 52 "Cancellation w/Refund" Guidelines If you cannot make a campout, please inform the Camping Chairman immediately. You must cancel no later than Noon on the Wednesday prior to the campout**. If you do not cancel prior to this time (except in cases of family emergency), you will be charge for the campout as food and other supplies were already purchased for your scout to attend. For reference, Troop 52 Policies can be found here: http://www.troop52.org/Guidelines/Troop52Policies.rtf "Council, District or other activities not run by Troop 52/Special Circumstances > In some cases the Council, District or other organizations (eg. Summer Canp, Camporees) will collect the source of the council policies of the organizations (eg. Summer Canp, Camporees) will collect the source of the council policies of the organizations (eg. Summer Canp, Camporees) will collect the campout of the c										
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Medical Info/Instructions	,										
Adult can provide: Can Pull Troop Trailer? (Yes / No) Note: Trailer Lights are flat three-prong connector; trailer is heavy											
Can provide travel to/from Camp (Yes / No) Total PAX Seats with belts											
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Example Camp Leader Package 2 (summary detail):

Paul,

Thank you very much for volunteering to be the CampMaster for the campout this weekend! Since you are a seasoned pro at this, I'll just supply the essential details.

I have attached the sign-up as of Monday night, and turn over headcount to you effective immediately. There are 12 scouts camping (plus Marcel, who will just be there to ride) and Nine adults camping (plus David Harrier, who will just show up to ride).

I have attached the Hold Harmless Agreement for this campout. I do not know what you plan to charge, so I entered the "routine" figures of \$5 for adults and \$20 for scouts--adjusted with the knowledge that this campout will not require much food/supplies purchase.

As you know, we do not have a volunteer to plan menus/purchase food. I have the leftover food in my freezer and garage; you can reach me at 618-310-3913 to collect it. If I am not there, Renee knows what is what. See earlier e-mail with the inventory of what I have plus the adjusted inventory of what is in the trailer. I suggest picking up paper towels. You will need to make some purchases to "fill in the holes" to complete a menu: we have some parts to do the cracker barrel Fri night, a warm breakfast Sat AM, sandwiches Sat Noon, and maybe some kind of scout soup Sat Eve with a cold breakfast Sun AM. Zachary Gebhardt does want to cook on Sat Eve in order to work on his rank.

I have attached the adjusted sign-up form for Warren Levis. We are booked into the Ouatoga site, and have paid \$30 from the troop account. We asked to do a service project after biking; please check with the Ranger to see what they may need done. There will be a couple cub scout groups there, in sites along the lake.

I expect that David Harrier will be back in time to run the biking; we are only doing the 25mi course, so that will cut down on logistics. However, we need a chase vehicle. It needs to haul lunch and water. If a Scout breaks down and needs to be picked up, there will need to be two adults in the chase vehicle. If anyone is left at camp, we are required to provide two adults.

It looks like we could have rain this weekend (30% on Friday); I defer to you to decide if/when to call it.

Please send out an email announcement to those going so they know where to be/when and to establish that they should now contact you about the campout. Kathryn Barnsley and Ian haven't camped with Scouts before, and she is a little spooked; she wants Ian to stay with other scouts, so hopefully we can find some who will warmly welcome him into the troop without stress.

I don't have a copy of Zach Madej's "fill in these blanks" sheet for the new scouts, but have seen a note that he is as far along with them as he can get without accomplishing things on a campout--perhaps there is some opportunity there.

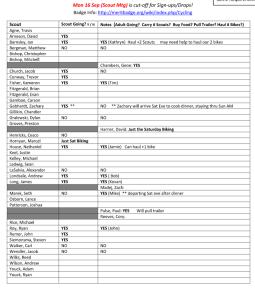
If you have any questions I haven't answered, please sing out!

Thank you again for volunteering to lead this campout, and I look forward to a great roses/buds/thorns after-action session!

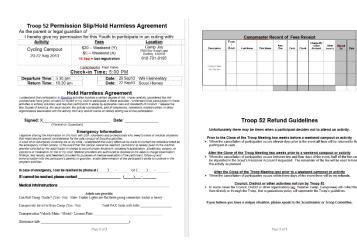
YiS,

Ward Walker

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- 1. Cycling Sign-up sheet
- 2. Hold Harmless Form [we used to create our own]
- 3. Campsite Reservation Record



20-22 Sep 2013 cycling Campout Sign-Up
Troop 52 Event Leader: Paul Pulse
Location: Warren Levis + Madison County Trails (II)
Major Activity: Cycling [25mi; 50mil/freedy]



	Cam	p Warren Levis	s R	eservation Form	1		
RESERVATIO	NS MUST BE MA	ADE 14 DAYS PRIO	R T	O EVENT IN ORDE	R TO B	E APPROVED.	
Name of Group: Boy Scout Troop 52				Contact Email: wardisme@gmail.com			
Person in Charge: Ward Walker CampMaster will be Paul Pulse (ScoutMaster)				Title: Outdoor Event Coordinator			
Address: 101 Bourdelais Dr				Phone:H: 618-310-3913 C/B:			
City: Swansea			State: II		Zip: 62	2226	
Purpose of Eve	nt: September Can	nping Event, and will	Bik	te Madison County T	rails		
Arrival Date: 20 Sep		Time: 1815ish	Departure Date: 22 Sep		Time: 0930is		
Attendance: N	Men: 2 (tbd)	Women: 0 (tbd)	Во	ys: 8 (tbd)	Girls: 0)	
Facilities Requested							
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Camp Leader Package Example 3 (Winter Cabin Campout):

Mr Chambers,

Thank you very much for volunteering to be the Campmaster for our next campout!

RESERVATION:

I have reserved the North and South Bunk Houses for two days (Fri night, Sat night) at \$35/house-night (one for male adults, one for scouts). The Council says Max capacity/Bunk House is 22 persons.

I estimated 25 people (20 boys, 5 men) would attend: the camp charges \$1/person-day...so we've paid \$50 toward that. When we have the final headcount, we will need to settle with the Council.

- ** If women attend, that will cause us cabin problems--staff cabins run \$15/night and the rock house runs \$50/night--but we shouldn't assume they will be available...therefore, we need to know real soon if any moms intend to attend, & their costs will be higher.
- ** If more than 20 scouts attend, that will cause us men/scout separation issues and might drive the adults into tents...something to watch out for.
- ** I have not yet put out a sign-up sheet for this campout. We should do that Monday. I will most likely not be able to attend the Scout Meeting due to a work commitment.

We have also paid a security deposit on the cabins; it was supposed to be \$100/building-night, but Larry Youck got us a big discount with Alice, knocking that down to just \$70. Larry paid the Council \$260 by check to cover these costs, and once we show clean cabins to the ranger we should be able to get our deposit back from the Council (and adjust the daily use fees for the actual number of attendees).

Our reservation shows up on the Council Camp Calendar

now: https://www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=c0uf70a6gfu8m39bmocmkim3ag@group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America/Chicago&gsessionid=OK

-- The reservation has my contact info, but shows as Troop 52.

Maps, directions, etc for Camp Sunnen are at this website: http://lewisandclarkbsa.org/camping/camps/campsunnen

** I've lost the contact info for the Park Ranger, so will have to contact the Council again. They said that position was unfilled, so someone was handling the duties temporarily...I didn't have a full phone number anyway...I'll chase that detail down. I think we need that contact info in order to get on site / get into/out of the cabins.

TRAVEL:

It appears to be a 2 hour drive (not including breaks), so we will have a late arrival on Friday eve.

We probably need to work through vehicle details in advance to ensure we can get all the scouts there/back. Since this is a longer drive, parents may need to be warned so they maximize travel economies.

MEALS:

- ** We need to solicit volunteer(s) to do the meal planning. I have not been to Sunnen, and don't know exactly how the bunkhouses are configured/stocked for cooking/water...I've found no information about that online.
- ** Cost recovery for meals will need to be included in the fee structure charged to scouts//adults. Our fixed cost thus far is \$190: If we have 20 scouts, we would need to charge \$9.50 EA to recover that cost alone. Perhaps budget +\$10/scout for food and \$5/adult?

TRAILER:

** I assume that we will want to bring the trailer in order to access our cleaning supplies/pots/etc. If so, we need to solicit a driver.

SAFETY/EVENTS:

Since this campout is within Council jurisdiction, a trip plan is not required and I haven't done one.

** As normal, we will need to put out a safety form for parents/guardians to sign.

Since we are a long way from home, we probably need to ensure we have enough adults on the trip so if a scout has to be taken home/to medical care, we have dual coverage for both that scout as well the campsite.

There is a mud cave nearby, and if the scouts are allowed to go into it, we should have adult supervision and plan for them to emerge cold/wet/muddy into Jan temps.

I assume no one will want to go swimming this time of year, but there is a scout swimming area near the lake.

We could probably do some hiking...maybe backpacking if scouts brought their stuff. We will need to be flexible on outdoor activities, as the temp's that time of year could be very low...or warm like now.

I did not reserve the archery range, boats, rifle range, or climbing tower. There would be additional charges to use any of those & some require certifications.

I've got at least one due-out to get back to you on (Park Ranger Contact Info).

If you need additional assistance/info, please let Tim Fisher or me know (Tim will be very busy with his work until after the Holidays).

Thank you again for volunteering to be the Campmaster for this campout!

YiS,

Ward Walker

618-310-3913

Camp Leader Package Example 4 (Out of Council Camp):

Matt,

Thank you for volunteering to be the CampMaster for Troop 52's March Campout! This note may get a little long, but I hope it provides all the info--and more--that you may be looking for—both about CampMaster duties well as this particular campout.

CAMPOUT-SPECIFIC INFO:

The troop will be camping at Ferne Clyffe State Park, II. It is a two-hour drive time from WolfBranch Elementary School, but pretty easy of a drive

(https://maps.google.com/maps?f=d&source=s_d&saddr=Wolf+Branch+Elementary+School,+Huntwood+Road,+Swansea,+IL&daddr=Ferne+Clyffe,+Goreville,+IL&hl=en&geocode=FRFVTAId4dSi-

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<u>XJcTdwQH_sYDoBA&pw=2</u>). Tip: From the Google Map "B" Destination, turn on the Bicycling layer and you will see the nearby trail system in light green.

You may want to pick a place in Mt Vernon to pit stop/regroup on the way out/back.

Their web page is: http://dnr.state.il.us/lands/Landmgt/PARKS/R5/Ferne.htm I highly recommend reading their FAQs!

We will camp in the Youth Campground, in one of 4 sites. They do not take reservations—it is first come, first served--but indicated that this time of year they don't book out. *Before leaving Swansea for the camping trip*, check the weather for that area (near Goreville)—if the weather has been bad, call the Ranger Office at618.995.2411 and verify the roads are open to the Youth Campground! When the Troop arrives, check in at the Park Office and they will assign a campground.

The Park Ranger will come around once a day and collect camping fees. For us, it will be \$2/camper-day. The Park Ranger will take cash or check. Be prepared to pay this fee—especially since many Scouts may just charge their Scout account instead of bringing money. Larry Youck is the Troop 52 Treasurer, and he can provide the details on how to handle troop money/bills.

The Youth Campground, a Class D facility, is equipped with drinking water, picnic tables, cooking grills, park toilets and parking.

The park allows campfires in their fire grills; the troop should bring some wood—but we can burn what is dead/down. The park requires all carried-in wood to be fully burned by departure (kill bugs).

We will camp in tents. It is important to help the new scouts/their parents understand our tenting rules (Father/Mother+Son or Scouts or Adult(s), but not Adults+Scouts in a tent, and we discourage a single Scout camping alone—buddy system), and that while the troop has some tents, it is a good idea to bring some—and chairs, mess kits, troop cups (for hot beverages), etc. However, what gets brought on a campout is brought at personal risk.

The park offers some small trails and other sights; a map is at: http://dnr.state.il.us/lands/Landmgt/PARKS/sitemaps/frc_sitemap.pdf

I estimate we should have about 20 Scouts and 7 Adults on this campout...but our sign-ups so far are well below that. There is a Friday night conflict, a Wolf Branch Play, that will keep at least 3 Scouts (Lonsdale, Siemonsma, and Church—I think) from coming until Sat AM. I believe their fathers will also come with them. This poses a little challenge to ensure there is space for them to camp and to sync everyone up before setting out for the hike. I suggest talking with them to ensure you know when they will arrive—I'd not set out to

hike before 10AM. That way you could also have the backpackers carry the sack lunches. ;-) As of today, 4 Scouts and 4 Adults are signed up...but 2 each are coming Sat AM! Carl and I will not be able to attend this campout. Thus far, Jake Wendler is Camp SPL.

EVENT SPECIFIC INFORMATION:

The Focus Event for this campout will be a 10 mi Hike on Saturday on the Tunnel Hill trail. If some Scouts want to, and are properly equipped, we can do the 10 mi Hike in a way that will let them hike with their backpack for the first 4 Miles. This will help them work toward merit badges like Camping (http://meritbadge.org/wiki/index.php/Camping : 9b2: Camp and Backpack 4 Mi) and Hiking (http://meritbadge.org/wiki/index.php/Hiking : 4, 5,7: Write Hike Plan, Hike 10 Mi w/sack lunch, Write After-Action Report, can't count as a hike for Camping too). The backpacks have to be of acceptable weight (relative to the Scout)—I can't find the exact figures for that, but Mr Chambers is the counselor.

Be vigilant to ensure Scouts come prepared for a long hike! There are several that don't normally wear socks, and it is common that they don't check their boots for proper double-sock fit prior to the hike itself. If Scouts can't hike safe, they need to stay in the camp with two adults.

There are several good sites with info about the trail, some of which you have to register for:

http://www.traillink.com/trail/tunnel-hill-state-trail.aspx Historic Info

http://dnr.state.il.us/lands/landmgt/PDF's/tunnelhill.pdf A high-level map

I suggest driving the Troop to Stonefort, park the cars there, backpack/hike the 4.4 Mi to New Burnside, have a pace/medic/water car meet up at New Burnside to pick up backpacks (and scouts who can't make it) [know how to contact them!], then hike the 6.2 Mi to Tunnel Hill, where the pace car will pick up as many adult drivers as possible, ferry them back to Stonefort to get their cars, and thus eventually get everyone picked up at New Burnside...and taken back to Ferne Clyffe State Park. The Scouts and Adults will be hungry, so having a ready-to-eat meal (Chili? Soup?) prepped by the adults staying back at camp would be wise.

Note: If you ever wondered who invented sideburns, check out the Trail's creator: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ambrose Burnside

http://illinois.sierraclub.org/shawnee/sites/s-tunnel_hill_bike_trail.htm Talks about segments of trail http://dnr.state.il.us/lands/Landmgt/PARKS/R5/tunnel.htm Official Trail site.

http://www.americantrails.org/nationalrecreationtrails/trailNRT/tunnelhill-IL.html Tunnel Photos

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Sometimes, Scouts will sign up for a campout but then not come...or tell you they aren't. Use your judgment when you have no-shows. In general, if Scouts don't formally cancel before Wed the week of the event, they get charged—especially if the food was already bought. However, expect to get last-minute e-mails/etc...is it best to tell folks to call you after Wed (positive contact).

If you have to leave due to emergency/etc, hand over the CampMaster duties to another adult—and ideally ensure the Scoutmaster (Mr Pulse) and/or Troop Committee Chair (Mr Harrier) know!

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Most of all, have fun!

YiS, Ward Walker

Camp Leader Package Example 5 (Family Campout):

Bob,

Thank you for volunteering to be the CampMaster for Troop 52's MayCampout! This note may get a little long, but I hope it provides all the info--and more--that you may be looking for—both about CampMaster duties as well as this particular campout.

Here is the Troop Committee concept for this campout:

CAMPOUT-SPECIFIC INFO:

DATE: 17-19 May

I estimate we should have about 20 Scouts and 5 Adults on this campout...I will put out a sign-up sheet soon. I don't know of any Wolf Branch conflicts on these campout dates. Since we haven't done sign-ups yet, I don't who will be Camp SPL.

LOCATION: Washington County Rec Area

The troop will be camping at Washington County State Recreational Area at 18500 Conservation Dr, Nashville II 62263. It is a one-hour drive time from WolfBranch Elementary School, but pretty easy of a drive (http://tinyurl.com/cv298ls). NOTE: These directions stop just short of the final turn!

You may want to pick a place (Nashville High School?) to regroup on the way there.

THEME: Tent Camping, Fishing

We will camp in tents. We don't have a campsite appointed; it will be first come, first served. We can have a campfire in their fire pit. There are toilets and a shower in the camping general area, and potable water is near the campsite.

It is important to help the new scouts/their parents understand our tenting rules (Father/Mother+Son or Scouts or Adult(s), but not Adults+Scouts in a tent, and we discourage a single Scout camping alone—buddy system), and that while the troop has some tents, it is a good idea to bring some—and chairs, mess kits, troop cups (for hot beverages), etc. However, what gets brought on a campout is brought at personal risk. Not all troop tents are serviceable.

FEES: Unknown site use fee, but probably a couple bucks a day. You will need to burden that cost to pay for food, trailer tow, tackle, etc. Larry Youck is the Troop 52 Treasurer, and he can provide the details on how to handle troop money/bills.

EVENT SPECIFIC INFORMATION:

The Focus Event for this campout will be Fishing. There is a merit badge for this (http://meritbadge.org/wiki/index.php/Fishing. In our troop, Zack Madej and David Harrier are the Counselors. It would be nice to help Scouts who don't have the badge work toward it during this campout.

Scouts will need to be encouraged to bring serviceable poles/gear, but it would be wise to buy some hooks, sinkers, bobbers, bait, etc as the Scouts probably won't have those-the cost can be rolled into the camping fees charged to Scouts and Adults. The lake has largemouth bass, bluegill, sunfish, crappie, channel catfish and carp. There are limits on what can be caught.

There is a 7-mile perimeter hiking trail around the park, and with some looping a 10-mi hike can be accomplished. Since Scouts may need the 10 Mi hike in conjunction with camping for badge work, it would be nice to work a hike into the agenda. The trail can have muddy spots, so weather may impact the trail--it might be a good idea to ask the Ranger Office if the trail is serviceable.

This trip will require a Tour Permit, which Tim Fisher will handle. We do not plan to allow swimming or boating. Fishing should be from the shoreline or dock. As Scouts may spend a lot of time outside, they should bring hats and sunscreen.

CAMPMASTER GENERAL DUTIES:

What does a Campmaster do? In general, Logistics, Logistics, Logistics! This adult ensures that:

- 1. Send out early/clear e-mails to the Troop to keep everyone in sync with your plan/needs
 - a. When do they meet? 5-5:30PM?
 - b. Where do they meet? Wolf Branch Elementary?
 - c. Do you need to know in advance who will drive (both ways/right days) & #Scouts they can carry?
 - d. Etc.
- 2. Safety & travel [aka, "Permission" or "Hold Harmless"] forms get made/collected/stored in the CampMasterFolder
 - a. It is a best practice to bring spare forms—many forget them!
 - b. I or Mr Fisher take care of Tour Permits—we will do one for this campout,
 - c. I've attached a draft form for you; it needs the total Fee filled in.
- 3. Meals get planned/bought/prepared, ** Delegate to new scouts who need to earn rank...but closely coordinate with them! [Fri Eve is usu a Cracker Barrel, Sat AM is hot breakfast, Sat Noon is sandwiches or a warm meal, Sat Eve is a hot meal, and Sun AM is bug-out food--no cooking. When serving food, we do so in increments to minimize wastage/shortages.]
- 4. The trailer gets hauled (and Treasurer told so they get reimbursed),
- 5. There are enough adults/drivers/rides,

- 6. Drivers have maps so they know where to go...and know how to contact each one/how they call you!
- 7. Keep a headcount of who is "on campout" / "at event" & never leave anyone behind
- 8. Events get pre-planned so we have the right stuff/instructions to carry them out, and
- 9. Costs get planned/collected/resolved, ** Troop aims to normally charge about \$25/Scout and \$5/adult...special fees like Campsite/Event fees add to that.
- 10. Medications get collected/given,
- 11. Consults the Troop Advancement Chairperson [Mr Marek] to identify high value training opportunities for Scouts that may need to do certain work toward badges.
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Most of all, have fun!

YiS, Ward Walker

Camp Leader Correspondence Example (Summer Camp):

Early on, remember to correspond with the Webelos who will be in the troop for that year:

Hello; I'll forward some information separately that will help you understand Boy Scout camp.

Please don't be alarmed by the detail: the cost for the Summer Camp main fee changes as it gets closer, and we are trying to get as many to pay by the "Early Bird" date as possible. The Early Bird date is 2 March, and the troop wants to get checks from families on 23 Feb for that Early Bird date (we have to take the money to the STL Council and submit some paperwork, and need time to do that). This Thursday the Troop Committee will meet to decide how much we can subsidize from our ongoing Camp Card fundraiser. The unsubsidized SummerCamp fee is \$240 at the Early Bird rate.

However, even if you don't pay right now, it is important that we know if your Scout intends to go or not...or even maybe...and what date you think you will pay.

Mr Bob Lonsdale is helping me keep track of the RSVPs for Scouts and adults. I saw that Roman Mills wants to attend camp--great, we will add him to the "yes"'s.

I'm sure that there will be many questions; I'll be at the Troop Meeting on Mon, 23 Feb if you want to ask directly...and we will have other meetings as more information about Camp is released by STL Council.

Yours in Scouting,

Ward Walker Summer Camp CampMaster

Early on, try hard to size the activity right and limit extra costs:

Troop and transitioning Webelos II's (especially parents!),

[Mr Teague, please pass to Pack 53 Webelos II's]

** PLEASE COMMIT YOUR SCOUT(s)" YES" OR "NO" BY 23 FEB (SEE LATER IN THIS NOTE) **

This note will be unusually long (and some facts have changed from earlier emails), but it is important to read and understand as we are approaching key deadlines for Summer Camp.

I am honored that the troop committee has named me as the CampMaster, and Mr Jimmy Wiley expects to be the acting ScoutMaster for Summer Camp (depends on his work commitments).

We will be attending Camp Famous Eagle inside the S Bar F Scout Ranch near Knob Lick from 5- 11 Jul 2015:

(https://www.google.com/calendar/render?eid=bnNrcjlvdm5rMDQ4aHEwdGlxM2JIOWQ0YjQgd2VibWFzdGVyQHRyb29wNTlub3Jn&ctz=America/Chicago&sf=true&output=xml#g) and (http://stlbsa.org/camp-famous-eagle-s-bar-f-scout-ranch/).

If you didn't attend with us last year, you can get an idea of this amazing camp from this 2009 video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LWdtmYjAC g

The Camp Manual isn't out yet, so I don't have full details to share with you yet. It appears they are making a number of changes from last year—some of that is how registration works, how merit badge sign ups will be done, and there is a new Dining Facility for at least some meals (https://stlbsa.org/blog/2014/08/24/dining-hall-construction-underway-at-s-bar-f-scout-ranch/). You can get a sneak peak at the merit badges here: https://scoutingevent.com/attachment/BSA312/27120_1420218141_972.pdf

NOTE: If you are a First Year Scout, there is usually a special program for you that works on Scout skills and helps with your rank advancement. Last year, the morning was reserved for the First Year Scout program, and the afternoons were available for the new Scouts to take Merit Badges, swim, fish, etc. We don't have the details for this year yet.

However, first things first ... each Scout (and Scouter / Adult) must have a paid registration. When we reserved a Summer Camp spot, we projected having 20 Scouts and 5 Scouters. In 2015, the troop goal set by the BSA is for 28 Scouts to go to long term camps (one scout going to multiple camps counts multiple times), so we would like to see more than 20 Scouts go with the Troop to Summer Camp...but we are only guaranteed a campsite for 20 Scouts and some adults.

Thus far, here is who I think wants to sign up:

Scouts

- 1. Carl
- 2. Cesco
- 3. Wendell
- 4. Trevor

Scouters/Adults

- 1. Ward Walker
- 2. Jimmy Wiley
- 3. 2nd half: Gary Conway

It costs \$80 for an adult to attend camp for the week—and there is no early bird pricing involved.

The cost for a Scout to attend camp varies by registration date. We want to sign our Scouts up by GSLAC's 2 March Early Bird deadline, for a cost of \$240 per Scout. The intent of the troop for this year was to use our troop funds to buy down a portion of camp costs. Our challenges are that (1) we are right in the middle of the Camp Card fundraiser, (2) we didn't meet our financial goal for the earlier Popcorn fundraiser, and (3) to avoid breaking tax law, we can't fix this in any way that results in the troop giving individuals money (i.e., retroactively reimbursing camp costs paid by a family). I think it is important that this year's Scouts benefit from their troop's work this year (rather than use this year to build the money for next year's costs/Scouts). The troop budget has \$1,550 in it from popcorn sales to subsidize Scout camping. If the troop continues to fully participate in CampCard sales and sales remain on target, we believe that we can raise an additional \$2000 in Feb...we are begging the Council to allow us to keep our Feb earnings so we can pay our Summer Camp expenses (the Council doesn't want to disperse Camp Card money back to units until April).

<u>WE URGENTLY NEED COMMITMENTS</u> from Scout families on whether your Scout(s) will or won't attendSummer Camp, and whether you will be able to pay—I'd like that information by 23 Feb. The trick is we

don't know exactly how much you will need to pay until after we know how many Scouts will commit to going and how much money we raise. Once GSLAC is paid, they do not give refunds.

Here is my best guess: if 20 Scouts committed before 2 Mar and we win our argument with Council and CampCard sales hold, we would divide \$3550 between 20 Scouts, subsidizing each's bill by \$177.50 (so families would then pay \$62.50). If the full 40 Scouts (counting Webelos II's) committed, then the subsidy would be \$88.75 and families would owe \$151.25 per Scout. Worst case, if we lose our argument with Council and only have our popcorn money and all 40 Scouts commit, then the subsidy would be \$38.75 and families would owe \$201.25 per Scout.

So, by committing before 2 March to go, you could potentially have to write a \$201.25 check per Scout.

Some may decide to wait to commit. The Troop Committee will have to decide on how to handle that, but my recommendation will be (1) we cannot guaranty any subsidy...that all depends on how Camp Card sales continue to go in March, how much we wound up spending in Feb, and how we figure out who will commit later (2) any later subsidy will not exceed the first subsidy, (3) subsidies won't compensate from the camp's price increases over time—those will have to come from the families' contribution [after 3 Mar, Scout cost increases to \$260, and after 1 Jun Scout costs increases to \$275, (4) any remaining Summer Camp Bill Reduction money in the budget will be used to subsidize future troop camping, and (5) the Scout PLC voted that some Camp Card money would be used to buy new patrol gear, so we can't use all Camp Card proceeds to subsidize camp costs for Scouts.

So, by waiting to commit after 2 March, <u>you could potentially write a full check for \$275</u> [and if the camp fills, they will not allow further Scout registrations—your Scout might not be able to go later]. However, if a signed up Scout drops, we will attempt to get the word out so that a Scout who was on the fence has the option to "buy out" the first Scout's paid registration—this is a troop-internal action; GSLAC will not refund camp fees.

I know this is asking you to make a big decision for life several months away, but please don't commit now with the intention to drop later. You will be out your money, but it will also cost the troop dearly. If things happen and you can't go later, let me know and we'll see if there is anything that can be done—I just want to minimize "special handling" and maximize the return the Scouts get from their fundraising.

If you have a Campership: we need to talk! You can't use a Lewis & Clark Council Campership outside of Council [S Bar F is in the Greater St Louis Area Council, so it is "out of council"]. You also can't use a Cub Scout Campership for a Boy Scout Camp. Camperships aren't transferrable (i.e., you can't give it to another Scout). While your LCC Campership won't help you pay for the GSLAC S Bar F Summer Camp, it is still valuable. If your Scout meets the rank requirements and has the recommendation of the ScoutMaster, he can use the LCC Campership to pay for the NYLT Training Camp (7 – 13 Jun 15: http://lewisandclarkbsa.org/training/youth/nylt). Or, he could go to a LCC Summer Camp as a Provisional

Scouter (i.e., he folds into a troop that is camping there that week). Carl Walker has done both, and really enjoyed his experiences—it is like an ultimate Camporee—ask him if you want to know more. All this said, if you hold a Webelos II Campership in one hand and a Boy Scout in the other, see me soon and perhaps we can find a way to get Council to waive a rule…but time is critical in these cases.

Miscellaneous Notes:

- 1. The dates I have provided above are the dates our troop must meet to the GSLAC office. This means please don't wait until the evening of 2 Mar to give the troop treasurer (Mr Larry Youck) a check—that will be too late. If paycheck timing is an issue, consider writing the check now and post-dating it 2 Mar.
- 2. If you have money in your Scout account, we can use that to pay this bill—just let us know what you want done. Please do not take money or registrations directly to the GSLAC office—it will really mess up our camppaperwork, and you may be required to pay again upon arrival at Summer Camp (the troop won't have proof of your payment).
- 3. GSLAC is going through a lot of changes, they are late in getting key information out, and they have changed some info along the way ... please be patient as facts change.

- 4. I need adults to help make Summer Camp a success. As the weeks go by, there will be a number of logistical / paperwork details to run down. I'll call an info sharing meeting as soon as I can get some details.
- 5. Your Scout is REQUIRED at arrival at Summer Camp to have a Boy Scout Physical Form (Parts A, B, and C) filled out by medical providers and not signed before 12 July 2014 (i.e., within the last year of the full camp). No filled out, current form = immediately sent home. Because this is so important, the troop will ask to see these forms a couple weeks before Summer Camp. Here is the form: http://www.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-001_ABC.pdf
- 6. Adults can pay a little later—I'll let you know. Usually, for every 10 Scouts we get a free adult. My intention is that the first two of those will go to Mr Wiley and myself as camp leaders. If we earn a third or forth, I'll be creative. An adult who camps, pays. If you are only staying a day and/or night, there may be special rules and lower costs. Two adults can split a week's bill by dividing up the week—but one may need to "go by" the other's name for meals. You don't have to be a Scouter (i.e., Troop-registered adult) to camp, but if you aren't there may be other conditions—I will require proof of current BSA Youth Protection Training for every adult who camps with us. Last year we nearly had too many adults; I would like to limit our numbers to eight at any one time so we don't interfere with the Scouts running their troop.
- 7. There will be a swimmer test upon arrival at camp. Everyone needs to test; if you are rusty, start hitting the pool at the YMCA now. The results of this swim test may drive whether you can participate in other water-basedcamps later this year (i.e., the Canoeing Campout). You can find the requirements to pass at: http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/BoyScouts/AdvancementandAwards/MeritBadges/mb-SWIM.aspx Note that they will ask you to use specific swim styles—that got me last year, so be good at all of them!
- 8. If you are currently a Webelos II and haven't crossed over, you will need to also fill out a Scout Application with Troop 52 and make your annual payment (\$49 per Scout plus \$12 for Boys Life). You can then register with us for Boy Scout Summer Camp. You can still attend your cross-over ceremony as a Webelos II—we just have to make the paperwork happen in order to meet these compressed deadlines.
- 9. Please remember that there will be lots of other costs for camp—highly variable by Scout: shoes, Scout uniforms, supplies, merit badge fees, scout shop mad money, etc etc. This note is only dealing with the campfee itself, which will pay for your Scout to be there and to eat.
- 10. By acting quickly, I am trying to save each family money. Please be understanding.
- 11. If you have a severe financial hardship that will prevent your Scout from attending Summer Camp, please let the ScoutMaster (Mr Pulse) or me know. We may be able to find other parents who would be willing to partially sponsor a Scout in need. Scouts need to camp. If you are an adult who God has blessed financially and would be willing to sponsor anonymously, please let Mr Pulse or me know.
- 12. Unlike most other troop campouts, parents will be responsible for getting their Scout to and from camp. Please plan to drive or begin planning to rideshare. If things work like last year, Mr Wiley and myself will be required to arrive first with the trailer/begin the paperwork, and then a couple hours later the troop families will have a two hour window in which to arrive, get your Scout to our campsite, and depart.
- 13. If I've confused you or omitted information that you need, please contact me with your question(s).

Yours In Scouting,

Ward Walker

Troop 52 Summer CampMaster

618-310-3913 (H)

Big trips have lots of details to double down on:

We are getting closer to Summer Camp--please read below to ensure you/your Scout is ready!

- 1. Every Scout and Adult who is attending Summer Camp must have the complete and current (dated after 12 July 2014) **BSA Health Form (Parts A, B, and C)** on file with me before Summer Camp.
- -- This is mandatory: if we don't have the signed form, the camp will send you / your Scout home.
- -- I would love to have these as early as possible. If you re going to be late in giving it to me, please let me know.
- -- Part C requires your medical provider's signature.
- 2. I must have a signed **permission form** for every Scout who is attending camp, before Summer Camp. See attached.
- -- This is mandatory; not having this form means the camp will send the Scout home.
- -- I would love to have these as early as possible. If you are going to be late in giving it to me, please let me know.
- 3. If Scouts are taking a water-related merit badge, I must have a copy of their current **CPR card** (signed after 12 July 2013).
- -- I already have them for these Scouts or Adults:

Arneson Erik, David, Johnny: CPR card copies, dated 6/3/2014 good two years

Trevor Conway: CPR card copy dated 19 May 2014, good two years

John Rumer: CPR card copy, dated 17 May 2014 good two years

Holden Teague: CPR Card copy, dated 3/25/2015, good two years

Ward walker, CPR card copy, dated 17 May 2014, good two years

Carl Walker, CPR card copy, dated 19 Apr 2014, good two years

- -- Mr Andy Wendler plans to offer a CPR class for Scouts, Scouters, and Adults. If you can't make his class, you will need to find one.
 - --- These Scouts have asked to attend Mr Wendler's class:

Aidan & Sean Gillen

Ethan Smelser

- -- Without the CPR card, your Scout will not be allowed to participate in their water-related merit badge.
- -- I would love to have these as early as possible. If you are going to be late in giving it to me, please let me know.
- 4. Please review the **special requirements/pre-reqs** for the merit badges/activities your Scout has signed up for. For example, Swimming MB requires a long-sleeved shirt and pants that the Scout will swim with at one point...don't bring real tight ones! It is a good idea for Scouts to have a small carry bag/simple backpack for their Scout Handbook, Water Bottle, Swimsuit/Towel, MB items, etc. The camp expects them to be in appropriate Scout attire (Class A, Class B, or swimwear). If you don't have Class Bs, then plain colored T-Shirt/shorts is find (no logos).
- 5. These adults are signed up--welcome to the Cobra Patrol (Hiss and Hers, Sweep the Leg):

Ward Walker -- All Week

Jimmy Wiley -- All Week

Jeff Bishop -- All Week

Rob Anderson -- All Week

Dan Gillen -- Split week with Tom G. Which half?

Tom Gamboe -- Split week with Dan G. Which half?

Gary Conway -- Split week with Chris E.Has second half.

Chris Enriquez -- Split week with Gary C. Has first half.

- 6. For the two Scouts in the **Ranger** program, please work with Mr Wiley to ensure that you are properly equipped and prepared for that great backpacking/adventure program--break in your equipment now!
- 7. If you have questions or want to help, please seek me / Mr Wiley out during a Scout Meeting.

- -- Since Mr Wiley and I have to arrive early, I will need another adult to arrange the arrival of the troop at thecamp.
- -- There will probably be a family session Thurs night; I may need one parent who will be attending during that night to help arrange that.

Thank you,

Yours in Scouting,

Ward Walker

Keep getting the word out:

Troop (and joining Webelos),

Troop Committee voted to subsidize \$120 of the Scout's fee to attend a long-term camp before 1 Aug 2015--this was only possible because of your continuing great work in selling Camp Cards and the earlier Popcorn sales!

If you will be attending Summer Camp at S Bar F Scout Ranch (Camp Famous Eagle) with Troop 52 in 5-11July this year:

- **** To get the Early Bird rate (\$240) you must be on Mr Bob Lonsdale's sign-up list and provide Mr Larry Youck a check for your share (\$120) **on Monday, 23 Feb** [if you already paid or if your Scout account is big enough, we will use that]. Also throw in some money to cover Merit Badge/Activity fees ****
- *** The Summer Camp does not normally offer refunds, so if you later drop you probably can't get your money back ***
- -- I will work the electronic registration for every paid and signed up Scout this coming week.
- -- When you pay, please also--on the **attached form**--(1) Write your name and (2) circle what Merit Badges you want to take/activities you want to do and (3) give that form to me or Mrs Renee Walker. Once we have signed you up, we will then reserve your merit badges/activities--note that these are first come, first served so they might fill up if you wait. We cannot reserve badges/activities until after you are fully paid for your camp fee. I suggest also giving Mr Youck a check to cover your merit badge/activity fees (they are noted on the form).
- -- Older Boys, the purple items are NOT Merit Badges, just fun activities. You may only sign up for a single block of any such activity--the camp wants many boys to have a chance to do those. Also, there is a separate high-adventurish program our week for older Scouts called the **Ranger Program**--this costs a little more, and you will not be able to do any Merit Badges or camp with the Troop; I highly recommend this backpacking program, but we have to know if you intend to do that so we don't register you incorrectly. No adults may do the Ranger Program.
- -- **New Scouts**: There is a Summer Camp program called Voyaguer (sp?) for new Scouts. If you camp with our troop and attend meetings between March and June, we will already have covered that material. Therefore, you should sign up for Merit Badges instead of Voyaguer. Please ensure you don't sign up for older Scout badges/activities though.

Please RSVP yes or no on the sign-up form for Summer Camp that will be at the meeting on 23 Feb. Since we can only have 5 Adults and have only reserved 20 Scout slots at this time, we need to know if we need to increase our Scout allotment before camp fills--if that happens, we can't sign up additional Scouts beyond our allotment. The Adult limitation came to us as a surprise, the result of the Dining Hall size.

For more information, please see the attached minutes.

P.S. If you haven't been selling Camp Cards with Troop 52, please see Mrs Renee Walker to get signed up! If you sell 25 or more, you get into a drawing for a Lewis & Clark Council Campership (good for NYLT, Camp Joy, or Camp Sunnen).

Thank you,

Yours in Scouting,

Ward Walker

The logistics for big trips can get complex, and may require multiple movements to get the first team there to establish the site, then have the rest of the people follow-on:

Families,

A follow-up note to my previous message, with updates from Mr. Walker, Mr. Wiley and myself:

ATTACHED find the official **S-Bar-F Packing List**; you might also find the one <u>here</u> useful as a cross-reference, but the official list has precedence!

Also ATTACHED is a Parent's Letter with lots of official information you'll need for the week, including an emergency contact number. Note that cell coverage at S-Bar-F is spotty and varies widely by carrier; electricity is almost more sparse -- so your leaders won't have good access to cell phones during the week, necessitating the emergency contact info. This is the sort of attachment you want to print and stick to the fridge for the week so you have the information at hand when you need to find it!

Final ATTACHMENT is a **map of the campsite**, useful for drivers taking Scouts, drivers picking up Scouts, and Family Night visitors ... reminder of the map to S-Bar-F proper is here: http://mapg.st/1SJWDrf

For the DEPARTURE from WBES, Scouts should plan to wear Class A uniform with swim trunks and a towel on top of the pack that they carry with them. This cool look is also practical, as it helps us quickly inprocess camp, complete health form checks and accomplish swim tests. Added tip: carry your water bottle with you Sunday (don't pack it with your gear Saturday!)

A big thanks to Kelli Anderson -- kellianderson76@gmail.com -- for volunteering to honcho logistics for Family Night. As you'll note in the Parent's Letter, to make for an easier and more pleasant evening, we'll forego a BBQ/potluck. Instead, the Scouts / Scouters will nosh on camp-provided cold cuts and sides, so visitors will want to bring a picnic dinner. Kelli can share more tips and advice for a good visit, can advise on what to bring and what NOT to bring, can help with directions and carpools, etc.

Follows is the ARRIVAL list of drivers and a count of how many SCOUTS each can take -- we still need more YESES with seat counts to make this successful!

- oWard Walker: 1 (ADVON -- departing separately)
- Jimmy Wiley: 2 (ADVON -- departing separately)Dan Gillen: 3 (departing separately)
- Dan Gillen: 3 (departing separately)Jessi Brown: 1 (departing separately)
- o Cyndi Oberle-Dahm: 5
- Rob Anderson: 4 + ? (forgot the specific number you told me :)
- o Jeff Bishop: 3
- o Kathy Bergmann: 1 + ? o Kim House: Maybe
- Jen Rosenkoetter: MaybeTom Gamboe: Maybe

Camp checkout should finish by 11 a.m. July 11. The morning is spent breaking down and clearing camp. Early departures are discouraged but are sometimes necessary -- let us know ASAP if you have this need.

We also **need more drivers for RETURN July 11!** Send a reply ASAP with a count of how many you can ferry home!

Everything else in the original note below stands!

Thanks to all for your help and support -- it takes every family and every Scout to make for a successful week at Boy Scout Summer Camp! We're looking forward to a lot of fun and growth, and will return boys to you that are a tad more stout and self-reliant, if not also a tad more dirty and disheveled for the week!:)

Let us know any questions or how you can assist with open needs!

YiS,

Jeff

We're in the final run-up to summer camp so we want to share with you more information about plans for departing for summer camp and other details you need to know before we go!

DEPARTING FOR CAMP:

Our Campmaster team of Ward Walker and Jimmy Wiley will drive ahead early Sunday morning as an advance team, to get registration started and to get the trailer and our gear staged in camp before camp roads are closed to vehicle traffic. Thanks Ward and Jimmy!

I'll be shepherding Scouts and driver caravan to S-Bar-F. To ensure an efficient departure and ontime arrival at Summer Camp Sunday, July 5, families need to bring their Scouts' packed gear to Wolf Branch elementary to be loaded into the Troop trailer on Saturday, July 4 from 10 a.m. to noon. Note: Doing this helps your Scout get his gear delivered directly to the campsite (the alternative is for them to take turns with metal "rickshaw" carts to ferry their gear from the big parking lot to the campsite); it also frees seats in cars for Scout rides.

Please send me a note to indicate what parents plan to drive TO camp; how many Scouts you can take (noting that most / all gear should be sent ahead in the trailer), and let me know if you've already made arrangements to take specific Scouts. **Until told otherwise, please plan to drive your Scout and a few others to Summer Camp!** *Note: we often run tight on rides to/from our regular campouts when we don't get enough adult participants/drivers. Summer Camp is too big an event, with specific arrival requirements, and is too far away for us to try to figure all of this out Sunday morning!*

For departure to camp, meet at Wolf Branch Elementary School (WBES) at 9 a.m. on Sunday, July 5. We'll do a quick pre-departure check-in and to ensure every Scout has a ride to camp.

We'll plan to depart WBES for S-Bar-F at 9:30 a.m. SHARP. Driving directions are at: http://mapq.st/1SJWDrf.

• En route to Camp S-Bar-F, we'll plan to make a pit stop at Farmington, the nearest town to camp to the north, for a bathroom break and to let everyone catch up so that we can caravan in to the camp together. We'll stop at the McDonalds off MO-67 at approximately 11 a.m. and will need to depart there at 11:30 a.m. SHARP to arrive at Camp S-Bar-F at our check-in time of noon. Note: Often the kids will want to eat -- it will be mid-day and our first camp meal is dinner in the evening, so consider sending cash for this purpose.

Important! Please let me know if there will be any late arrivals or special considerations so we can fully account for every Scout!

FAMILY NIGHT DURING CAMP:

We're looking forward to celebrating the week with families on Thursday, July 9th, and will plan to have a family barbeque and potluck in the campsite. We need one family to volunteer to take the lead on coordinating this event; please let Ward or Jimmy know if you can do this. Watch for more information from this volunteer about the Family Night event!

RETURN FROM CAMP:

Similar instructions as departure: Please send me a note to indicate what parents plan to pick up and drive FROM camp; how many Scouts you can take (noting that most / all gear should be sent ahead in the trailer), and let me know if you've already made arrangements to take specific Scouts.

Important! Please let me know if there will be any early departures from camp or other special considerations so we can fully account for every Scout!

Thanks all -- we're in the final countdown toward a great 2015 Summer Camp; fire back any questions! YiS,

You may also find BSA 430-135_WB.pdf, *Preparing Troop Leadership for Summer Camp*, 2011, (http://www.scouting.org/filestore/Outdoor%20Program/pdf/430-135 WB.pdf) a handy reference.

Troop Camping Planner Examples

Troop-52-Camping-/-Event-Planning-Sheet-2012-2013¶

<u>When</u>	→	Where →	<u>What</u>	→	CampMaster -	#S/A¶
21-23-Sep	-	Shiloh-Muzzle-Loaders-Range →	Rifle-Shooting-[popcorn-blitz]	→	Harrier →	14/6¶
12-14-Oct	→	Scott-AFB →	Fall-Camporee	→	Mauno →	15/7¶
9-10-Nov	-	Catholic-Knights-&-Ladies-of-Illinois	 Scouting·For·Food· 	→	Siemonsma →	8/5¶
17·Nov:⇒Scouting·for·Food·Pickup/Sort·Day·at·Swansea·Food·Pantry →					Pulse →	¶
14-15-Dec	-	WinStanley-Ch →	Archery	→	Harrier →	11/6¶
11-13-Jan	-	Camp· <u>Sunnen</u> · →	Winter-Cabin-Campout-+-hike	→	Chambers →	13/8¶
21-Jan	→	TownHall →	Archery-Event	→	Harrier →	¶
15-17-Feb	-	Klondike →	Klondike-	→	Chambers →	8/6¶
9-19·Mar	-	STL-Zoo-Reptile-House-? →	\$35+/personregister/pay-NLT-	·15·Feb¶		
15-17-Mar	-	Ferne-Clyffe →	Tunnel·Hill-4·mi·Backpack·w/·10·ı	mi-hike →	Osborne-(Matt) →	13/8¶
13-14-Mar	-	STL-Zoo-Reptile-House-? →	\$35+/personregister/pay-NLT-	·22·Mar¶		
20-Apr	→	Kaskaskia-College- →	Merit-Badge-Day	→	On·Own¶	
26-28-Apr	-	Coles-Creek-Campgrnd →	Spring-Camporee(SAR-MB)	→	Siemonsma →	11/5¶
TBD-May	-	Mel-Price-Park →	Compass-Course	-	Chambers-rainout¶	
14·May:	-	STL →	Cards·vs·Mets	→	On·Own¶	
17-19·May	→	Washington-Ctv →	Fishing··**·Family·Campout·**	→	Lonsdale →	10/4¶
23-29-June	-	Camp·Joy →	Summer-Camp	→	Siemonsma/Wendler →	19/7¶
13-July-	-	Pere-Marquette -	20-mi-hike-Non-Camping-Event	-	Chambers-no-interest¶	
9-11-Aug	-	Meramec· <u>LaJolla</u> →	Canoe-Campout	→	Walker →	6/4¶
**-Requires-C	PR,·1st·	Aide, :Haz:Wx, :Safety-Afloat, :SSD:Trainin	g¶			
17-Aug	→	Upper-Limits-(STL) →	Climbing-Merit-Badge	→	On·Own¶	
24-Aug	→	Camp·Joy →	NESA-Advancement-Day	→	On·Own¶	
7-Sep	→	Mel-Price-Park →	Orienteering	→	Chambers¶	
20-22-Sep'	-	Madison-Ctv++Warren-Levis- →	Bicycling	→	Pulse →	13/10¶
18 -20-Oct'	-	Fort-Massac/Metropolis,-II	Fall-Camporee	→	Unfilled∙ →	12/3¶
8-9::Nov	-	Catholic-Knights-&-Ladies-of-IL →	Scouting-For-Food-Distro-Campo	ut →	Mike-Marek/-Paul-Pulse¶	
16·Nov	→	Swansea-Church- →	Scouting-for-Food-Pickup	→	Ward·Walker¶	
6-7·Dec	→	WinStanley →	Lockin	→	David·Harrier/·Pa	ul·Pulse¶

Summer·Camp·2014:·S-F·(Famous·Eagle,·Hungerford),·8-14·June·2014¶

Troop-52-Policies: http://www.troop52.org/Guidelines/Troop52Policies.rtf 9

Planning-Factors:¶

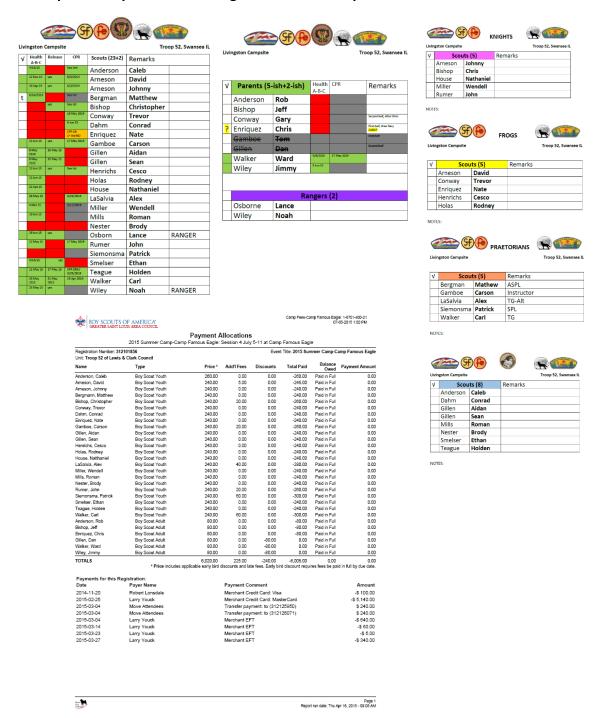
- - Scouts·should·decide·on·where·to·camp·and·what·to·do:·¶
- → Adults-will-arrange-the-logistics:-Please-volunteer-to-lead!!!¶
- → Some·events·must·happen·at·a·certain·camp¶
- The Camping Merit Badge requires Camping w/ Canoeing, Biking, Rappeling, Backpacking, Snow and Hiking events: plan for some/alleach year¶
- $\bullet \to {\sf Campouts/Events \cdot are \cdot normally \cdot on \cdot 3rd \cdot weekend \cdot each \cdot month \P}$
- $\bullet \to \mathsf{There} \cdot \mathsf{could} \cdot \mathsf{be} \cdot \mathsf{changes} \cdot \mathsf{throughout} \cdot \mathsf{the} \cdot \mathsf{year}; \cdot \mathsf{this} \cdot \mathsf{is} \cdot \mathsf{a} \cdot \mathsf{best} \cdot \mathsf{guess} \P$
- → Some-special-events-will-arise:¶
 - $o \rightarrow http://lewisandclarkbsa.org/activities \cdot \P$
 - o → Merit-Badge-Days-(NESA, etc)¶
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 - $\circ \to \mathsf{Order} \cdot \mathsf{of} \cdot \mathsf{the} \cdot \mathsf{Arrow} \cdot \mathsf{Events} \P$
- → Do ·you ·want ·to ·do ·something ·really ·different?·What?¶

Campsite-Options:¶ → Boy·Scout·Camps¶ → Camp·Joy¶ o → Camp·Sunnen¶ o → Camp·Vandeventer¶ o → Camp·Warren-Levis¶ → S-F-(Knob·Lick·Mo)··2014·?¶ o → Land·Between·Lakes·TN¶ → Lock-in-Locations¶ o → A-church-of-a-scout¶ o → ·STL·Sci·Center·(¶ Chem, Energ, Pulp, Wx MBs)¶ o → STL·Zoo·Reptile·(Rep+Amp·MB)¶ → Other¶ o → River·to·River·Trail¶ o → Ozark·Trail¶ o → Taum·Sauk·Mo¶ o → Giant-City¶ o → Pere·Marquette¶ → Washington·Cty·II¶ → Washington·Mo¶ o → Ferne-Clyffe-II¶ o → Lake-Carlyle¶ o → Rend·Lake¶ o → Garden-of-Gods-II¶

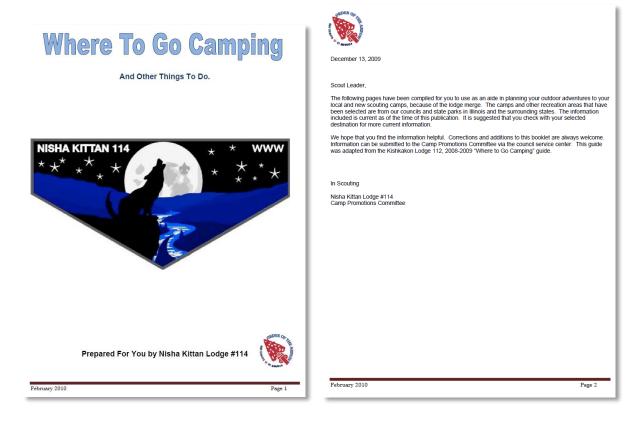
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Troop·52·Camping·/·Event·Planning·Sheet·2014¶ When Where What CampMaster #S/A¶ 4·Jan SEMO GSLAC·STEM·University on-own¶ $GSLAC \cdot Truck \cdot Transportation \cdot Badge$ 11·Jan Festus-Mo on-own¶ Winter·Cabin·Campout·+·Eagle·Watch/Dam→ Chambers 17-19-Jan → Camp·Warren·Levis· 11/2¶ Alpha·Phi·Omega·Merit·Badge·University → on·own¶ 18·Jan SLU 25·Jan ${\sf Collins ville \cdot H.S.}$ $\hbox{$U$-of-Scouting-($\underline{http://www.lccbsa.org/lccbsa/uofs/index.php-)\P}$ 21-23·Feb' → Camp·Vandeventer Klondike·(Polar·Explorers) Chambers 12/6¶ 21-23·Mar → Camp·Warren·Levis Scout·Skills·/·Rank·Work Pulse 6/4¶ 22·Mar· → Kaskaskia·College Merit-Badge-University on-own¶ 25-27·Apr· → Joy OA·Spring·Fellowship¶ 25-27·Apr' → Camp·Sunnen Cabins·+·Youth·Ldr·Training· 9/4¶ Pulse 9-10·May' → Cold·Creek·Ranch·TP Fishing····Family·Campout··TP Harrier/Gebhardt → 12/3/11¶ 10·May → STL·Science·Center STEM-Nova-Day On-Own 1/1¶ 17·May· → Mel·Price·Park 1st·Class·Orienteering/·Directions Chambers 1?/2·¶ 17·May: → Camp·Warren·Levis On-Own¶ 8-14-June → S-F:·Famous·Eagle,·Hungerford→Summer·Camp·TP Wendler/Wiley 25/11¶ 11 13-July-?'-- Cave-In-Rock-State-Park-?-TP -- Hiking-/-Cave-Visit No-Vol CANX¶ 1-3·Aug' → Chennault·(川) ·Space·Jamboree·· on-own¶ 15-17-Aug → Meramec·LaJolla·TP Canoe Campout Walker → 15/9¶ 15-16-Aug → Camp·Warren·Levis OA·Fall·Reunion on-own¶ 23-Aug → Camp·Joy NESA-Advancement-Day On-Own¶ 19-21-Sep' → Madison-Cty-+-Warren-Levis → Bicycling-15+-mi-Wiley/Harrier 10/6¶ 19-20-Sep' → ? OA-Section-Conclave¶ 19-20-Sep' → Popcorn-Blitz-Weekend¶ 20-Sep → B-Ville-Oktoberfest Scout-Youth-Stage/West-Main No Vols Shotgun·Shooting·(Activity·Only) 4.Oct′ → Camp·Joy· Harrier/Gamboe → /¶ ·<mark>M.·Osborne</mark>¶ 24-26·Oct¹ → Camp·Joy Fall·Camporee: Emergency Prep $7\text{-9·Nov} \quad \textbf{\rightarrow} \quad \text{Catholic·Knights·\&·Ladies·of·IL} \textbf{\rightarrow} \ \text{Scouting·For·Food·Distro·Campout}$ Walker¶ 15·Nov Swansea·Church? Scouting·for·Food·Pickup Walker ·¶ 12-13·Dec?' → ? Lockin Troop-52-Camping-Planner-2014Rev14.docx¶

Examples of Paperwork Tracking for Summer Camp



Nisha Kittan 2010 "Where to Camp" Guide



The Scout Oath or Promise

On my honor, I will do my best To do my duty to God and my country And to obey the Scout Law: To help other people at all times, To keep myself physically strong, Mentally awake, and morally straight.

The Scout Law

A Scout Is: Trustworthy Loyal Helpful Friendly Courteous Kind Obedient Cheerful Thrifty Brave Clean Reverent

Boy Scouts of America Mission Statement

It is the mission of the Boy Scouts of America to serve others by helping to instill values in young people and, in other ways, to prepare them to make ethical choices during their lifetime in achieving their full potential. The values we strive to instill are based on those found in the Scout Oath and Law. Many thanks to Adam Chapman for creating the 2010 version of this phenomenal resource!

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Boy Scouts of America Properties

Illinois Council Camps

Camp Vandeventer Camp Warren Levis Camp Sunnen Camp Joy Camp Robert Drake Camp Bunn

Rhodes France Scout Reservation Rainbow Scout Reservation

Camp Saukenauk
Camp Eastman
Camp Lowden
Canyon Camp

Ingersoll Scout Reservation Owasippe Scout Reservation

Area Council

Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Scout Reservation

Camp Mach Kin O Siew Camp Shin Go Beek Camp Napowan Camp Freeland Leslie

Missouri Council Camps

Camp Arrowhead
S bar F Scout Ranch
Camp Lewallen
Beaumont Scout Reservation
Hohn Scout Reservation
Camp Geiger
Theodore Naish Scout Reservation
H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation

Iowa Council Camps

Camp Mitigwa Mid Camp Wapello Mid

Camp Ingawanis

Indiana Council Camps

Old Ben Scout Reservation

Kentucky Council Camps

Camp Roy C. Manchester Camp Crooked Creek

Lewis and Clark Council Lewis and Clark Council Lewis and Clark Council Lewis and Clark Council Prairielands Council Abraham Lincoln Council Lincoln Trails Council Rainbow Council Mississippi Valley Council Mississippi Valley Council Blackhawk Area Council Blackhawk Area Council W.D. Boyce Council Camp Blackhawk Chicago

Northeast Illinois Council Des Plaines Valley Council Des Plaines Valley Council Northwest Suburban Council Three Fires Council

Ozark Trails Council
Greater St Louis Area Council
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Great Rivers Council
Pony Express Council
Heart of America Council
Heart of America Council

Iowa Council Iowa Council Hawkeye Area Council Illowa Council Northeast Iowa Council Winnebago Council

Buffalo Trace Council
Hoosier Trails Council
Anthony Wayne Area Council
Crossroads of America Council
Sagamore Council
Calumet Council
La Salle Council

Blue Grass Council Shawnee Trails Council Lincoln Heritage Council









Troop 52 Continuity Book Outdoor Activity Coordinator (as of Sep 2015) National High Adventure Opportunities

Philmont Scout Ranch Florida National High Adventure Sea Base Northern Tier National High Adventure Base

State, Local and National Parks

Camp Vandeventer Lewis and Clark Council

Camp Vandeventer 3364 Trout Camp Rd Waterloo, IL 62298 Telephone# 618-939-6304

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center 39.9

Acreage Camp Sites

Program Weeks 2 Cub Scout
Dining Dining Hall
Water Activities Lake

Pool Yes

1st Year Scout ExperienceYesShooting SportsRifle Shooting

High Adventure Program

Merit Badges Offered Eagle Merit Badges Offered

Special Programs BSA Lifeguard

Family Night

Weekend Opportunities: Yes

Lewis and Clark Council 335 West Main Street Belleville, IL 62220

Telephone# 618-234-9111

Website: http://www.lewisandclarkbsa.org/camping.aspx

Camp Warren Levis Lewis and Clark Council

Camp Warren Levis 5500Boy Scout Lane Godfrey, IL 63035 Telephone# 618-466-4141

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center 31.9 Acreage 285

Camp Sites Program Weeks

Dining

Dining Hall Patrol Cooking

Water Activities Lake Pool

1st Year Scout Experience Yes

Shooting Sports Archery Action Archery Shotgun

Action Shotgun

Rifle

High Adventure Program Merit Badges Offered

Eagle Merit Badges Offered Special Programs

BSA Lifeguard Mile Swim Safety Afloat Safe Swim Defense

Climb On Safely Yes / Thursday

Family Night

Weekend Opportunities: Yes

Lewis and Clark Council 335 West Main Street Belleville, IL 62220 Telephone# 618-234-9111

Website: http://www.lewisandclarkbsa.org/camping.aspx

Camp Sunnen **Lewis and Clark Council**

Camp Sunnen 11304 Sunnen Lake Road **Potosi, MO 63664** Telphone# 573-438-5495

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center 96.2 Acreage 340 Camp Sites 12 **Program Weeks** 3

Dining **Dining Hall Patrol Cooking**

Water Activities Lake 1st Year Scout Experience Yes **Shooting Sports** Archery Shotgun

Rifle **High Adventure Program** Yes

Merit Badges Offered Eagle Merit Badges Offered

Special Programs BSA Lifeguard Mile Swim

Safety Afloat Safe Swim Defense Climb On Safely Yes / Thursday

Family Night

Weekend Opportunities Yes

Lewis and Clark Council 335 West Main Street Belleville, IL 62220 Telephone# 618-234-9111

Website: http://www.lewisandclarkbsa.org/camping.aspx

Camp Joy Lewis and Clark Council

Camp Joy 10700 Camp Joy Road Carlyle, IL 62231 Telephone# 618-594-2345

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center 32.7

Acreage

Camp Sites 16 Program Weeks 4

Dining Dining Hall

Patrol Cooking Optional

Water Activities

1_{st} Year Scout Experience
Shooting Sports

Archery
Rifle

Rifle Shotgun Yes 27

High Adventure Program Ye
Merit Badges Offered 27
Eagle Merit Badges Offered 7

Special Programs
Family Night
Special Programs
Yes / Friday

Lewis and Clark Council 335 West Main Street Belleville, IL 62220 Telephone# 618-234-9111

Website: http://www.lewisandclarkbsa.org/camping.aspx

Camp Robert Drake Prairielands Council

Camp Robert Drake 10001 E CR-1500 North Fairmont, IL 61841 Telephone#

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center
Acreage 310
Camp Sites 15
Program Weeks 5

Dining Dining Hall
Water Activities Lake
River
Pool

1st Year Scout Experience Yes
Shooting Sports Archery
Action Archery

Shotgun Rifle

High Adventure Program Merit Badges Offered Eagle Merit Badges Offered Special Programs

Special Programs

BSA Lifeguard

Family Night

Yes / Wednesday

Prairielands Council 3301 Farber Drive, Box 6267 Champaign, IL 61826 Telephone# 217-356-7291

Website: http://www.prairielandsbsa.org



"When the boy finds someone who takes an interest in him, he responds and follows." Lord Baden-Powell

Camp Bunn **Abraham Lincoln Council**

Camp Bunn 5259 Camp Lane Hettick, IL 62649-4700 Telephone# 618-778-5273

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center

Acreage

Camp Sites Program Weeks

Dining

Water Activities

1st Year Scout Experience

Shooting Sports

High Adventure Program Merit Badges Offered

Eagle Merit Badges Offered

Special Programs Family Night

Abraham Lincoln Council 1911 W. Monroe RD, PO Box 7125 Springfield, IL 62791 Telephone# 217-546-5570

Website: http://www.alincolnbsa.org

Miles 600

Dining Hall Patrol Cooking

Lake

River Pool Yes

Archery **Action Archery**

Shotgun

Action Shotgun

Rifle

BSA Lifeguard Yes / Wednesday

Rhodes France Scout Reservation Lincoln Trails Council

Shotgun

Rhodes France Scout Reservation RR#3 Box 144 Pana, IL 62557 Telephone# 217-562-5223

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center 92

Acreage

Camp Sites 13

Program Weeks

Dining Dining Hall Water Activities Pool

Lake
1st Year Scout Experience
Shooting Sports
Archery
Rifle

High Adventure Program
Merit Badges Offered 47

Eagle Merit Badges Offered

Special Programs

Scuba

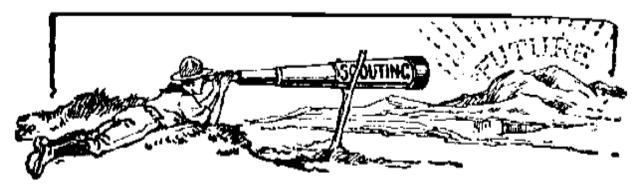
Kayaking

Snorkeling

Family Night Yes / Wednesday

Lincoln Trails Council 262 W. Prairie Ave Decatur, IL 62523 Telephone# 217-429-2326

Website: http://www.lincoIntrailscouncil.org



The Only Place

To Do Real Scouting

Is In Camp

Rainbow Scout Reservation Rainbow Council

Rainbow Scout Reservation 2600 N Winterbottom Rd Morris, IL 60450 Telephone#

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center Acreage

Camp Sites Program Weeks

Dining

Water Activities 1st Year Scout Experience

Shooting Sports

Shotgun **Watermelon Shoot**

High Adventure Program Merit Badges Offered Eagle Merit Badges Offered

Special Programs

Family Night

Rainbow Council 2600 N Winterbottom Rd **Morris, IL 60450**

Telephone# 815-942-4450

Website: www.rainbowcouncilbsa.org

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Dining Hall Lake Yes Archery **Black Powder**

Rifle

Climbing Tower

C.O.P.E. Mt. Bike

Saukenauk Scout Reservation Mississippi Valley Council

Saukenauk Scout Reservation 2948 E 1000th St. Mendon, IL 62351 Telephone# 217-985-4983

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center
Acreage 602
Camp Sites 10
Program Weeks 3

Dining Dining Hall Patrol Cooking

Water Activities Lake 1_{st} Year Scout Experience Yes Shooting Sports

High Adventure Program Merit Badges Offered Eagle Merit Badges Offered

Special Programs BSA Lifeguard Family Night Yes / Thursday

Mississippi Valley Council 2336 Oak Street Quincy, IL 62301 Telephone# 217-224-0204

Website: www.mississippivalleybsa.org

Camp Eastman Mississippi Valley Reservation

Camp Eastman 750 E County Road 1780 Nauvoo, IL 62354 Telephone# 217-847-2770

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center 198

Acreage

Camp Sites 11 **Program Weeks** 4

Dining Hall Dining **Patrol Cooking**

Water Activities Lake Pool Yes

1st Year Scout Experience

Shooting Sports

High Adventure Program Merit Badges Offered Eagle Merit Badges Offered

Special Programs BSA Lifeguard Family Night Yes / Wednesday

Mississippi Valley Council 2336 Oak Street **Quincy, IL 62301** Telephone# 217-224-0204

Website: www.mississippivalleybsa.org



"In Camp, with the Scoutmaster, living the Scout program with the boys of his own Troop." Lord Baden-Powell

Camp Lowden Blackhawk Area Council

Camp Lowden 4418 South Scout Road Oregon, IL 61061 815-732-6674

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center 280

Acreage

Camp Sites 15

Program Weeks

Dining Dining Hall
3 Meals Patrol Cooking

Water Activities

1st Year Scout Experience Yes

Shooting Sports

High Adventure Program
Merit Badges Offered 24

Eagle Merit Badges Offered 5

Special Programs

BSA Lifeguard

Mile Swim

BSA Snorkeling

Family Night

Yes / Wednesday

Family Night

Blackhawk Area Council 1800 7th Ave. PO Box 4085 Rockford, IL 61110 Telephone# 815-397-0210

Website: www.blackhawkscouting.org

Canyon Camp Blackhawk Area Council

Canyon Camp 4856 East Townsend Road Stockton, IL 61085 815-492-2175

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center

Acreage Camp Sites Program Weeks

Dining

Water Activities

1_{st} Year Scout Experience

Shooting Sports

High Adventure Program For Older Scouts

Merit Badges Offered
Eagle Merit Badges Offered

Special Programs

Family Night

Blackhawk Area Council 1800 7th Ave. PO Box 4085 Rockford, IL 61110 Telephone# 815-397-0210

Website: www.blackhawkscouting.org

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Dining Hall

3 Meals Patrol Cooking

Yes Archery Rifle Shotgun Additional Fees Apply

Yes 28 7

BSA Lifeguard Mile Swim BSA Snorkeling Yes / Wednesday

Ingersoll Scout Reservation W.D. Boyce Council

Ingersoll Scout Reservation 33 Knox Road, 650 East London Mills, IL 61544 Telephone# 309-486-3398

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center

Acreage Camp Sites Program Weeks Number of Camp Sites

Dining Patrol Dining Hall

1st Year Scout Experience

Shooting Sports

High Adventure Program Merit Badges Offered Eagle Merit Badges Offered

Special Programs Family Night

W.D. Boyce Council Peoria Scout Service Center 614 N.E. Madison Peoria, IL 61603 Telephone# 309-673-6136

Website: www.wdboyce.org

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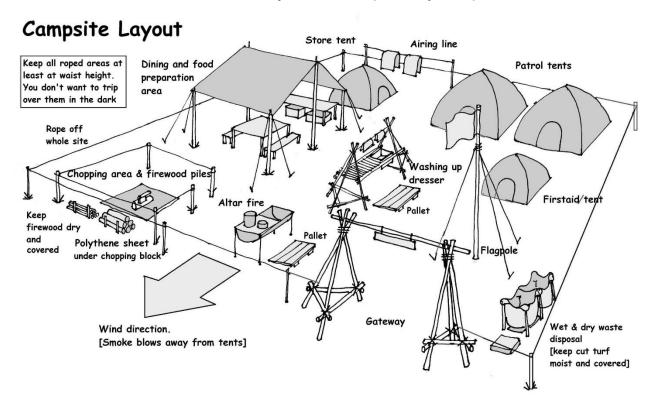
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Cooking or

Water Activities

Yes Archery Rifle Shotgun Yes 34

BSA Lifeguard Yes / Friday



"A week of camp life is worth six months of theoretical teaching in the meeting room."

-Lord Baden-Powell

Owasippe Scout Reservation Chicago Area Council

Owasippe Scout Reservation 9900 Russell Road Twin Lake, MI 49457 Telephone# 231-894-4061

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center Acreage

Camp Sites Program Weeks

Dining

Water Activities

1st Year Scout Experience Shooting Sports

Rifle

High Adventure Program Merit Badges Offered Eagle Merit Badges Offered

Special Programs

Family Night

Chicago Area Council 1218 Adams Chicago, IL 60607 Telephone# 314-421-8800

Website: www.chicagobsa.org

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Camp Site Meals Dining Hall Lake

Pool Yes Archery

Shotgun Yes 34 9

BSA Lifeguard Mile Swim Yes / Friday

Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Scout Reservation Northeast Illinois Council

Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Scout Reservation West 6500 Spring Lake Rd Pearson, WI Telephone# 715-484-2346

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center Acreage

Camp Sites Program Weeks

Dining

Water Activities

1_{st} Year Scout Experience

Shooting Sports

High Adventure Program Merit Badges Offered Eagle Merit Badges Offered

Special Programs

Family Night

Northeast Illinois Council 2745 Skokie Valley Rd Highland Park, Il 60035 Telephone# 847-433-1813

Website: www.neic.org

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Patrol Cooking or Dining Hall

Lake
Yes
Archery
Rifle
Shotgun
Yes
34

BSA Lifeguard Mile Swim Yes / Friday

Camp Mach Kin O Siew Des Plaines Valley Council

Camp Mach Kin O Siew W11925 Outlet Drive Elcho, WI. 54428 Telephone# 715-275-3580

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center

Acreage Camp Sites Program Weeks

Dining

Water Activities

1_{st} Year Scout Experience

Shooting Sports

High Adventure Program Merit Badges Offered Eagle Merit Badges Offered

Special Programs

Family Night

Des Plaines Valley Council 811 West Hillgrove Avenue La Grange, II 60525 Telephone# 708-354-1111

Website: www.bsa-dpvc.org

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Patrol Cooking

Lake Yes Archery Rifle Shotgun Yes 33

BSA Lifeguard Instructional Swim

Mile Swim

Camp Shin Go Beek Des Plaines Valley Council

Camp Shin go Beek N7015 24th Lane Waupaca, WI. 54981 Telephone# 715-275-3580

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center

Acreage Camp Sites Program Weeks

Dining

Water Activities

1_{st} Year Scout Experience

Shooting Sports

High Adventure Program Merit Badges Offered Eagle Merit Badges Offered

Special Programs

Family Night

Des Plaines Valley Council 811 West Hillgrove Avenue La Grange, II 60525 Telephone# 708-354-1111

Website: www.bsa-dpvc.org

Patrol Cooking

Lake Yes Archery Rifle Shotgun Yes 33

BSA Lifeguard Instructional Swim

Mile Swim

Camp Napowan Northwest Suburban Council

Camp Napowan

N4789 24th Avenue Wild Rose, Wisconsin 54984

Telephone# 920.622.3680

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center 448
Acreage 450
Camp Sites 13
Program Weeks 7

Dining

Water Activities

1st Year Scout Experience
Shooting Sports

Dining Hall
Lakefront
Yes
Archery

Shooting Sports

Archery
Rifle
Shotgun
High Adventure Program

Merit Badges Offered

Archery
Rifle
Shotgun
Yes

Merit Badges Offered 46
Eagle Merit Badges Offered 11

Special Programs

BSA Lifeguard

Mile Swim

Snorkeling BSA Instructional Swim

Patrol Cooking or

C.O.P.E. Yes / Friday

Family Night

Northwest Suburban Council 600 N. Wheeling Rd. Mount Prospect, IL 60056-2165 Telephone# 847-824-6880

Website: www.nwsc.org

Camp Freeland Leslie Three Fires Council

Camp Freeland Leslie 105 Fawn Drive Oxford, WI 53952 Telephone# 608-586-4312

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center 411 Acreage 450 Camp Sites 13 **Program Weeks** 6

Dining Patrol Cooking or

Dining Hall **Water Activities** Lakefront 1st Year Scout Experience Yes

Shooting Sports Archery Rifle Shotgun

High Adventure Program Yes **Merit Badges Offered** 46 **Eagle Merit Badges Offered** 11

Special Programs BSA Lifeguard

Mile Swim **Snorkeling BSA Instructional Swim**

C.O.P.E.

Family Night Yes / Friday

Three Fires Council Norris Scout Center 415 North Second St. St. Charles, IL 60174 Telephone# 630- 584-9250

Website: www.threefirescouncil.org

Camp Arrowhead Ozark Trails Council

Camp Arrowhead 4202 State Hwy DD Marshfield, MO 65706 Telephone# 417-859-3793

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center

Acreage Camp Sites Program Weeks

Dining

Water Activities

1st Year Scout Experience

Shooting Sports

High Adventure Program Merit Badges Offered Eagle Merit Badges Offered

Special Programs

Family Night

Ozark Trails Council 1616 Eastgate Springfield, MO 65809 Telephone# 417-883-1636

Website: www.ozarktrailsbsa.org

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Dining Hall Patrol Cooking

Tuesday/Friday Evening

Pool Lake Stream Yes Archery Black Power Rifle Shotgun Yes

Golf

Horsemanship C.O.P.E Mt. Bike

Yes



"Boys can see adventure in a dirty old duck puddle, and if the Scoutmaster is a boys' man he can see it too." Lord Baden-Powell

S –Bar- F Greater St. Louis Area Council

S bar F Scout Ranch Hwy 67 Knob Lick, MO 63651 Telephone# 573-756-5738

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center 63
Acreage 5200
Camp Sites 14

Program Weeks

Dining Dining Hall
Water Activities Lake
River
1st Year Scout Experience Yes

Shooting Sports

High Adventure Program

Merit Badges Offered 24

Eagle Merit Badges Offered

Special Programs Ranger

Family Night

Greater St Louis Area Council 4568 West Pine Blvd. St Louis, MO 63108 Telphone# 314-361-0600

Website: www.stlbsa.org

Camp Lewallen Greater St. Louis Area Council

Camp Lewallen HC1 Box 1955 Silva, MO 63964 Telephone# 573-224-3420

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center 104 580 Acreage Camp Sites 10 **Program Weeks** 5 **Dining Hall** Dining **Water Activities** Yes 1st Year Scout Experience Yes **Shooting Sports** Yes **High Adventure Program Merit Badges Offered** 24 **Eagle Merit Badges Offered Special Programs**

Greater St Louis Area Council 4568 West Pine Blvd. St Louis, MO 63108 Telphone# 314-361-0600

Website: www.stlbsa.org

Family Night

Beaumont Scout Reservation Greater St. Louis Area Council

Beaumont Scout Reservation 6840 Beaumont Scout Reservation Drive High Ridge, Mo. 63049 Telephone# 636-938-5444

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center 35
Acreage 2400
Camp Sites

Program Weeks

Dining Dining Hall

Water Activities
1st Year Scout Experience
Shooting Sports
High Adventure Program
Merit Badges Offered
Eagle Merit Badges Offered
Special Programs
Family Night

Greater St Louis Area Council 4568 West Pine Blvd. St Louis, MO 63108 Telephone# 314-361-0600

Website: www.stlbsa.org

Hohn Scout Reservation Great Rivers Council

Hohn Scout Reservation 525 Camp Hohn Drive Gravois Mills, MO 65037 Telephone# 573-374-5761

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Yes
Yes
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Mile Swim

Great Rivers Council 1203 Fay St. Columbia, MO 65201 Telephone# 573-449-2561

Website: www.bsa-grc.org



"The Scoutmaster teaches boys to play the game by doing so himself." Lord Baden-Powell

Camp Geiger
Pony Express Council

Camp Geiger 9525 County Rd 388 St. Joseph, Mo 64505 Telephone# 816-364-1523

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center 327

Acreage
Camp Sites
Program Weeks

Dining Dining Hall Water Activities Pool Lake 1st Year Scout Experience Yes

Shooting Sports Archery
Rifle
Shotgun

High Adventure Program
Merit Badges Offered 49
Eagle Merit Badges Offered

Special Programs Rappelling Mountain Biking

Snorkeling Scuba

Family Night Yes / Wednesday

Pony Express Council 1704 Buckingham Street PO Box 8157 St Joseph, MO 64508-8157 Telephone# 816-233-1351

Website: http://www.ponyexpressbsa.org

Theodore Naish Scout Reservation

Heart of America Council

Theodore Naish Scout Reservation 9525 County Rd 388 St. Joseph, Mo 64505 Telephone# 816-364-1523

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center 315
Acreage 1100

Camp Sites Program Weeks

Dining Dining Hall
Water Activities Pool
Lake
1st Year Scout Experience Yes
Shooting Sports Archery
Rifle

High Adventure Program

Merit Badges Offered 35

Fagle Merit Badges Offered 8

Eagle Merit Badges Offered 8
Special Programs Rappelling

Mountain Biking Snorkeling Scuba

Family Night Yes / Wednesday

Camping Service
Heart of America Council
BSA
10210 Holmes Road
Kansas City, MO 64131
Telephone# 816-942-9333

Website: http://www.hoac.org

H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation **Heart of America Council**

H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation

Osceola, Mo 64505

http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Camping/BoyScoutSummerCamp/Bartle.aspx

Telephone# 417-646-8115 and ask for Tom Volek

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center

Acreage 4,200

Camp Sites Three camps:

Lone Star, Sawmill, and Piercing Arrow

Program Weeks

Dining **Water Activities**

1st Year Scout Experience

Shooting Sports Rifle **Shotgun**

High Adventure Program Merit Badges Offered Eagle Merit Badges Offered

Special Programs Family Night

Camping Service Heart of America Council BSA 10210 Holmes Road Kansas City, MO 64131 Telephone# 816-942-9333

Website: http://www.hoac.org

Dining Hall Pool Lake Yes **Archery**

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Camp Mitigwa Mid Iowa Council

Camp Mitigwa 1820 Magnolia Drive Woodward IA, 50276

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center 452

Acreage

Camp Sites 24 Program Weeks 5

Dining

Water Activities

1st Year Scout Experience Yes

Shooting Sports

High Adventure Program
Merit Badges Offered
Eagle Merit Badges Offered

Special Programs Mile Swim
Learn To Swim

Family Night Yes / Thursday

Mid Iowa Council 1659 E. Euclid Ave, PO Box 3009 Des Moines, IA 50316 Telephone# 515-266-2135

Website: http://www.bsa-ia.org

Camp Wapello Mid Iowa Council

Camp Wapello 16380 Doe Ave. Drakesville IA Telephone# 641-722-3823

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center 282

Acreage Camp Sites Program Wee

Program Weeks 5

Dining

Water Activities

1st Year Scout Experience Yes

Shooting Sports
Merit Badges Offered
Eagle Merit Badges Offered
Special Programs

Special Programs Mile Swim
Learn To Swim

Family Night Yes / Thursday

Mid Iowa Council 1659 E. Euclid Ave, PO Box 3009 Des Moines, IA 50316 Telephone# 515-266-2135

Website: http://www.bsa-ia.org

Camp Ingawanis Winnebago Council

Camp Ingawanis 2482 Grand Ave. Waverly, IA 50677 Telephone#

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center 421

Acreage

Camp Sites 17

Program Weeks

Dining

Water Activities

1st Year Scout ExperienceYesShooting SportsArcheryRifleShotgun

Merit Badges Offered
Eagle Merit Badges Offered

Special Programs Horseback Riding

Mt. Biking C.O.P.E. Canoe Trips

Family Night

Winnebago Council 2929 Airport Blvd. Waterloo, IA 50703 Telephone# 319-234-2867

Website: www.winnebagobsa.org

Old Ben Scout Reservation Buffalo Trace Council

Old Ben Scout Reservation 5735 East County Road 175 North Winslow, IN 47598 Telephone# 812-354-3678

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center 148
Acreage 270

Camp Sites Program Weeks Dining Water Activities

Family Night

1st Year Scout ExperienceYesShooting SportsArcheryRifleShotgun

High Adventure Program

Merit Badges Offered 30

Eagle Merit Badges Offered 6

Special Programs

Buffalo Trace Council 3501 E. Lloyd Expressway Evansville, IN 47715 Telephone# 812-423-5246

Website: http://www.buffalotracecouncil.org

Camp Roy C. Manchester Shawnee Trails Council

Camp Roy C. Manchester 1531 Cross Rd. Benton, KY 42025 Telephone# 270-354-8253

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center 191

Acreage Camp Sites Program Weeks

Dining

Water Activities 1st Year Scout Experience Yes

Shooting Sports

High Adventure Program Merit Badges Offered Eagle Merit Badges Offered

Special Programs

Family Night

Shawnee Trails Council PO Box 487 Owensboro, KY 42302-0487 Telephone# 800-477-6974 270-684-9272

Website: www.shaneetrails.org

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Dining Hall

Patrol Cooking Optional

Lake

Mile Swim Learn To Swim Yes / Friday

Camp Crooked Creek Lincoln Heritage Council

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Lake

Archery

Yes

49

Dining Hall

BSA Lifeguard

Yes / Friday

Camp Crooked Creek 950 Terry Drive Shepherdsville, KY 40165 Telephone# 502-955-9354

Web Site <u>www.campcrookedcreek.com</u>

Approximate Mileage from LCC Service Center

Acreage 1000 **Camp Sites**

Program Weeks Dining

Water Activities 1st Year Scout Experience

Shooting Sports

Rifle Shotgun **Sporting Clays**

High Adventure Program Merit Badges Offered Eagle Merit Badges Offered

11 C.O.P.E **Special Programs Climbing Tower** Pathfinder Trail

Family Night

Lincoln Heritage Council PO Box 36273 Louisville, KY 40233 Telephone# 502-361-2624

Website: www.lhcbsa.org



"We never fail when we try to do our duty, we always fail when we neglect to do it. " Lord Baden-Powell

National High Adventure Opportunities

PHILMONT SCOUT RANCH

Web Site: http://www.scouting.org/philmont/

For information about hiking trek programs offered at Philmont Scout Ranch and programs offered at the Double H High Adventure Base.

Address: Philmont Scout Ranch

Attn: CHQ 17 Deer Run Road Cimarron, NM 87714

Phone: (575) 376-2281 **Fax:** (575) 376-2636

Email: camping@philmontscoutranch.org

Philmont Scout Ranch is the Boy Scouts of America's oldest national high-adventure base. It covers 137,000 acres - about 214 square miles - of rugged mountain wilderness in the Sangre de Cristo (Blood of Christ) range of the Rocky Mountains in northern New Mexico.

The ranch operates thirty-four staffed camps and 55 trail camps. Philmont has high mountains dominating rough terrain with elevations ranging from 6,500 to 12,441 feet.

Philmont Scout Ranch provides an unforgettable adventure in sky-high backpacking country along hundreds of miles of rugged, rocky trails. Program features combine the best of the Old West - horseback riding, burro packing, gold panning, chuckwagon dinners, and interpretive history - with exciting challenges for today, such as rock climbing, burro racing, mountain biking, and .30-06 rifle shooting. It's an unbeatable recipe for fast-moving fun and the outdoors.



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National High Adventure Opportunities

FLORIDA NATIONAL HIGH ADVENTURE SEA BASE

Web Site: http://www.bsaseabase.org/

Address: Florida National High Adventure Sea Base

PO Box 1906,

Islamorada, Florida 33036

Telephone# 305-664-4173

Located in the Florida Keys, 75 miles south of Miami, the Florida Sea Base is Scouting's High Adventure aquatics facility. Among the various activities offered here are sailing, windsurfing, motor-boating, deep-sea fishing, fishing for lobsters, snorkeling, and scuba diving. Canoe trips through the Everglades are also available to adventurers who want to discover tropical plants and reptiles. Because of the warm climate, treks are available year-round and may be ideal for Christmas, spring break, or any other holidays

National High Adventure Opportunities

Northern Tier National High Adventure Base

Web Site: http://www.ntier.org/

Address: Northern Tier National High Adventure Base

PO Box 509,

Ely, Minnesota 55731-0509

Telephone# 218-365-4811

Explore the Boundary Waters of Canada and northern Minnesota by canoe. The Northern Tier Program offers a variety of six to ten day treks through the boundary waters. Fishing and whitewater trips are also available in this program that emphasizes low-impact camping, group leadership, and ecology.



State, Local or National Parks

Beaver Dam State Park 14548 Beaver Dam Lane Plainview IL 62685 217-854-8020

Camping, Fishing, Hiking.

Canoeing and Archery available with self-provided equipment.

Web Site: www.dnr.state.il.us/

Staunton Lake

Reservoir Road

Staunton IL

Contact Staunton City Clerk at 217-635-2233

Camping, Fishing.

Boating with proper permits.

Pere Marquette State Park

Route 100

Grafton, IL

Camping, Fishing, Hiking, Horseback Riding.

Web Site: www.dnr.state.il.us/

Greenville City Parks

Patriot Park

Jaycee Park

Greenville, IL

618-664-4969

Camping, Fishing, Boating, Hiking

Governor Bond Lake Greenville, IL 618-664-0533

Camping, Fishing, Boating

Eldon Hazlet State Park

20100 Hazlet Park Rd. Carlyle, IL 62231 618-594-3015

Camping, Fishing, Hiking, Boating

Web Site: www.dnr.state.il.us/

www.carlylelake.com/parks/hazfr.htm

Pyramid State Park

(http://dnr.state.il.us/lands/Landmgt/parks/r5/pyramid.htm)

Great Place for the first time Hiker. Well marked, wide, mowed trails. The "Ten Mile Rugged Trail" circles the park. It is not rugged at all. About half of the trail is shared with equestrians. There are various rustic campsites (no running water, no electric). Some camp sites are miles from the nearest road. I highly recommend the sites on Lost Lake. Take a fishing-pole, this park has lots of lakes. Some lakes can only be reached by hiking in.

Camp sites are rustic. There are very few "outhouses" and no potable water. Be ready to treat your own water or pack it in.

Giant City State Park

(http://dnr.state.il.us/lands/Landmgt/PARKS/R5/GC.HTM)

This park has great natural beauty. Rock climbing, fishing, and various wildlife (Including SIU Carbondale students). Camping anyway you like it; Lodge Hotel with cabins, paved trailer sites with water and electric, or rustic tent camps without showers. The "Red Cedar Tail" is 16 miles of the most rugged trail you can imagine. It can easily be divided into a two day hike with a rustic camp site in the middle of the trail. There is a great diversion off of the main trail to the city of Macanda, IL (It is marked). Dogs, Icecream, antiques, and a Hippy sculpture garden that is not to be missed.

Camp site on the "Red Cedar Trail" does not have running water. Be ready to treat you own water. I would <u>not try</u> to pack it in, this trail is Rugged! About twice a year the park is overrun with college students. You can predict when this is and plan accordingly.

Trail of Tears State Park, MO

(http://www.mostateparks.com/trailoftears.htm)

A great park with drive-in camp sites and hiking. The trails are well marked and spread about 15 miles across the river bluff. At one point there is an abandon rock quarry with a dynamite shack (I camped inside one night). The park has a lot of history. This is a stopping point on the Trails of Tears. Lots of Indians suffered here.

The trails are a mixed up tangle of paths. There is not one long single trail. About twice a year the park is overrun with college students From SEMO. You can predict when this and plan accordingly.

Shawnee National Forest, IL (Olive Branch off of the Pigeon Roost rd.) (http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/forests/shawnee/)

MapQuest of location

(http://www.mapquest.com/maps?city=Olive+Branch&state=IL#a/maps/I:::Olive+Branch:IL::US:37. 168598:-89.3517:city:Alexander+County/m:hyb:14:37.194667:-89.359805:0::/io:0:::::f:EN:M:/e_)

This is on your own hiking. You must pack in everything you will need. Just follow the Pigeon Roost Rd. and park of the side of the road. There are fire trails all over the hill sides. Motorcycle riders keep most of the paths open. Consider using a topographic map or a GPS to keep track of you location. This is hard walking forest terrain. You will be awarded with a real back woods experience. This area is dotted with the remains of silica mines, old cabins, and abandon grave sites. You will see wildlife large and small. Once a year the road is paved with copperheads. It's not a good idea to bother a snake. Talk to the rangers before you start the hike.

Ferne Cliff State Park, IL

(http://dnr.state.il.us/lands/Landmgt/PARKS/R5/FERNE.HTM)

This park has great natural beauty. Lots of rock climbing, fishing, and wildlife. All trails are rugged. Trailer, tent, and Group camp sites available. It has some of the best rock climbing in the state of Illinois. I have not hiked the backpacking trails myself but, my daughter tells me they are rugged and well maintained. There isn't a downside. This is a beautiful park with scenic vista throughout. Just don't walk off of them.

Columbus- Belmont State park, KY

(http://parks.ky.gov/findparks/recparks/cb/_)

This is the site of the first battle led by U.S. Grant during the Civil War. It is often forgotten (he ended up losing it). This park is small but, still has the earthen works from the Civil war fort of Columbus. Various canon and other artifacts are on display (don't miss the story of the "Lady Polk"). It easy to spent the entire day climbing up and down the earth works. This park also has a Miniature golf course and the best Custard you ever had.

This park is way down off the beaten path. There is not much else to do in the area. So the park fills up with locals on the weekends. It is a great stop for history.

Horseshoe Lake, IL (Alexander Co. NOT Madison Co.)

(http://dnr.state.il.us/LANDS/LANDMGT/parks/r5/horshu.htm)

Various camp sites located around the lake. Most with running water and electric. This is a great place for a canoe trip and fishing. No trails to speak of. Pick any campsite; they are all on the water. Drop your canoe in and navigate around the Island in the middle of the lake. It can take all day. With plenty of stops around the lake.

The lake is shallow has a no current. The north area of the lake is only passable by shallow draft boats and canoes.

Pennyroval State Park, KY

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(http://parks.ky.gov/findparks/resortparks/pf/)

If I ever have the chance to Honeymoon again this is where I will go. Lodge hotel with pool and the only restaurant for miles. Limited trails with no backpack camping. There is ample tent and trailer camping with showers and electric. The park includes a Golf course, lake swimming, rental boats/canoes. The park service puts on some great programs (moon shining, watermelon seed spitting contest, Night hikes, Bug hunting and trapping.) It is a nice place for the less hearty camper. Little kids will stay busy all summer. It's more like a vacation resort for tent campers.

Riverview Camp ground at Mammoth Springs Ar.

(http://www.arkansasstateparks.com/mammothspring/)

Just off the bottom edge of Missouri, this is by far my best place to camp. No trails to speak of. Trailer sites with pads make setting up a tent difficult. Heck its right down town and you will hear cars and trucks all the time. But, this campsite is less than a mile down from the mouth of the Mammoth Spring. And 5 million gallons a day of freezing cold water make for fantastic trout fishing. Just walk into the water and drop a string something will hit it. If you get board there is a visitors center, the dam, the fish hatchery, and Down town Thayer, MO. If you make it this far you must go to "Fred's Fish" (Pickled Green Tomatoes are a must).

Well it's not camping, its fishing. In the hottest day of summer the breeze off the water can be downright cold. Trout stamps and fishing license will put you back \$50. However you will have to travel to the Rockies to find better trout fishing. If you fly fish at all you must go. The river and dam do a wonderful job drowning out the surrounding town.

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OTHER PLACES TO GO AND THINGS TO SEE

August A. Busch Memorial Conservation Area

Near the intersection of Hwy. 40 and Hwy. 94 in St. Charles County 2360 Hwy D, St. Charles, MO, 63304

Managed by the Missouri Department of Conservation, the Busch and Weldon Spring Areas provide more than 14,000 acres including forests, lakes and streams of outdoor recreation. Camping is NOT allowed. Outdoor activities include hiking (0.2 to 8 miles in length), year round fishing, seasonal hunting, picnicking, target shooting range, archery range, and self-guided nature study. Naturalist led programs for day camps and resident camps in the St. Louis Region are available at your site. (Please limit your request to one program per camp per summer.) Camp directors may request an application iin February and must submit them by mail. Scouting for Badges Discovery Tables are held on a monthly basis during the school year. These tables are designed to fulfill various badge requirements for Cub Scouts and Webelos. Other special events open to scouts include Wetlands for Kids (early April) and kids Fishing Fair (mid-May). Events are advertised in the "Making Tracks" newsletter.

Contact Information

636.441.4554

www.conservation.state.mo.us

Bass Pro Shops Sportsman's Warehouse

1365 South 5th St,

St. Charles, MO, 63301

Bass Pro Shops Sportsman's Warehouse in St. Charles offers the most complete collection of fishing, hunting, camping and boating items ever assembled, plus outdoor apparel and footwear for the entire family. Other exciting store features include a 6,700 gallon Aquarium and indoor archery lane. Special events include a Spring Fishing Classic and Boating and Camping Classic, Kid's Day and Fall Hunting Classic. In addition, Outdoors Skill Workshops classes, a great way to earn Scout badges, are designed to help teach our customers about outdoor skills and provide valuable information about proper equipment selection and use. Classes are taught by skilled instructors and provide a hands-on experience in topics such as archery, fishing, camping, hunting and many more. Please contact the store for special events and Outdoors Skill Workshop classes for dates and times. Hours Mon-Sat 9 a.m.-10 p.m., Sunday 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

Contact Information

636.688.2500

www.basspro.com

Bollinger Mill State Historic Site

Highway 34, on HH in Cape Girardeau County 113 Bollinger Mill Rd, Burfordville, MO, 63739

The first mill was built in 1800 by George F. Bollinger. The present four-story mill was rebuilt after the Civil War in 1867. A water turbine, located in the basement of the mill, still supplies power to a pair of buhrstones used to demonstrate grinding corn during tours. Adjacent to the mill stands Missouri's oldest covered bridge. The Burfordville covered bridge, spanning the Whitewater River, is 140 feet long and has a clearance 14 feet high and 12 feet wide. The mill and bridge are on the National Register of Historic Places. Group rates are available with reservations made two weeks in advance.

Hours Monday - Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. on Sundays **Contact Information**

573.243.4591 www.dnr.state.mo.us/dsp/bollinger.htm

Bonne Terre Mines

Bonne Terre, MO

Tour the huge cavernous rooms that are supported by giant rock pillars where miners dug with picks and shovels in 1864. See the "Billion Gallon Lake Scuba Resort" owned and operated by West End Diving-St. Louis and watch the scuba divers. Museum, food and specialty shops. Special rates for organizations and schools by appointment. Also available are boat tours and scuba diving lessons. Tours of Mansion Hill Country Inn and 1909 Depot available. Both national historic sites are available by reservation. National geographic Top 10 adventure.

Hours Open all year 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. **Contact Information** 573.358.2148 or 314.731.5003 www.2dive.com

Bowling Hall Of Fame And Museum

111 Stadium Plaza, St. Louis, MO, 63102

This unique facility offers two sports museums under one roof. The Bowling Museum traces 5,000 years of bowling history from ancient Egypt to modern tenpins. The Cardinals Hall of Fame features over 100 years of St. Louis baseball history and memorabilia. Enjoy computerized games, four frames of bowling, and movies. A tour through the hall meets requirements for Cub Scout bowling badges or Boy Scouts sports badges. Also available for Scouts are educational programs that reinforce general math skills for grades 1-8. The museums are a great stop on a downtown hike or before a Cardinals game. Busch Stadium tours are also available. The museums offer special group rates for Scouts!

Hours Open seven days a week. Please call for hours.

Contact Information

314.231.6340

www.bowlingmuseum.com

Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site

Eight miles from downtown St. Louis near Collinsville, III., off interstate 55/70, 255 and Highway 111 on Collinsville Rd. 30 Ramey St, Collinsville, IL, 62234

Cahokia Mounds is the remains of the most sophisticated prehistoric Indian civilization north of Mexico. Within the 2,200-acre tract lie the archaeological remnants of the central section of the ancient Indian city that is today known as Cahokia. According to archaeological finds, the city of Cahokia was inhabited from about 700 A.D. to 1500 A.D. At its peak, the city covered nearly six square miles and had a population of about 20,000 in extensive residential sections. Houses were arranged in rows around open plazas, and the main agricultural fields lay outside the city.

Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site offers special events throughout the year. A calendar is available with the listing of dates. A two-week scheduled reservation for the orientation show, "City of the Sun," and exhibit gallery is required for groups. Self-guided tours have been designed for groups wishing to tour the site.

Hours Open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; grounds are open 8 a.m. to dusk.

Admission Free, but a donation of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children is suggested.

Contact Information

618.345.4999

www.cahokiamounds.com cahokiamounds@ezl.com

Campbell House Museum

1508 Locust St, St. Louis, MO, 63103

Hours Wednesday-Saturday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Sunday 12:00 - 4 p.m.

Contact Information

314.421.0325

www.stlouis.missouri.org/501c/chm

Castlewood State Park

Part of the Meramec River Recreation Area, which stretches 108 river miles from Meramec State Park to the river's confluence with the Mississippi River south of St. Louis. Fishing, canoeing, picnicking, more than 17 miles for hikers, bikers and horseback riders are available. Camping is not allowed.

Contact Information

314.277.4433

www.dnr.state.mo.us/dsp/castlewood.htm

Cathedral Basilica Of Saint Louis

Lindell at Newstead Blvds., St. Louis, MO, 63108

The cathedral shelters 83,00 square feet of mosaics created from approximately 41,500,000 pieces of stone and glass in more than 3,000 shades of color. A mosaic museum tells the story of the construction of the church and installation of the mosaics. Visitors are welcome. There is a tour on Sunday at 1 p.m. Other tours and times can be arranged by calling.

Hours Museum: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Church: open until 5 p.m.

Contact Information

314.533.0544

www.cathedralstl.org

Dillard Mill State Historic Site

Five miles from the intersection of Highway 49 and V, on Highway 49 142 Dillard Mill Rd, Davisville, MO, 65456

Built in 1904, is tucked between colorful Ozark hills and pine-topped bluffs. The water-powered mill overlooks the spring-fed Huzzah Creek, makes the 132-acre historic site a very picturesque place to picnic and hike. The red mill ground grain for area farmers as late as 1960, and has been restored to operational order. Dillard Mill is one of the more than 750 local grist mills that once dotted Missouri's landscape. (Red Bluffs, a National Forest Service campground, is located nine miles from Dillard Mill at Davisville). Group discounts available with prior reservations.

Hours 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays; 12 noon to 6 p.m. Sundays. Winter hours differ only on Sundays, when the center opens noon to 5 p.m

Contact Information

573.244.3120

www.dnr.state.mo.us/dsp/dillardmill.htm

Dr. Edmund A. Babler Memorial State Park

St. Louis County, about 20 miles west of St. Louis.

Swimming pool, horseback riding, multipurpose court for sports, camping and picnicking, more than 13 miles of hiking and equestrian trails. Facilities include a shower house, riding stables, three picnic shelters, and a primitive Scout camping area available by advance reservation by calling the number below. The Jacob L. Babler Outdoor Education Center is designed to accommodate campers with special handicaps. Organizations wishing to use the center must make reservations in advance by contacting the director of the center at (314) 458-3048. Due to campground renovation, contact a park naturalist for a program schedule. Special programs for groups of 30 or more can be scheduled by contacting the naturalist staff. .

Contact Information

636.458.3813

www.dnr.state.mo.us/dsp/babler.htm

Eckert's Country Store & Farms

The Belleville Country Store complex is open virtually year-round and includes a bakery, country restaurant, gift shop, custard shop and kids' Fun Corral. Wagon rides are offered to pick your own fruit that includes: strawberries, blackberries, peaches, apples, pumpkins and u-cut Christmas trees. Special events start with Easter Egg-Citement and continue through Breakfast with Santa & Make-Your-Own Gingerbread House. Eckerts has two other farm locations in Millstadt and Grafton open in the fall season for apple and pumpkin picking and weekend festivals. The Millstadt farm has now been converted to a "premier" entertainment complex with a daily admission of \$4.00. Activities at the Millstadt Fun Farm include: Uncle Aubrey's Barn of Tricks, the Mine Shaft Slide, Corn Maze and pig races. Please call for a brochure. Eckerts provides wholesome family fun and a unique and memorable country experience for all.

Contact Information

618.233.0513

www.eckerts.com agordon@eckerts.com

Elephant Rocks State Park

Four miles north of Pilot Knob, MO off Highway 21.

Elephant Rocks State Park is a small mountainside park. Some of the most curious rock formations in Missouri can be found here. Billion year-old granite rock outcroppings have weathered to rounded oblong "elephant" shapes. There has never been an official census of the "herd" of elephants, but it covers the side of a hill and has a mile long trail so that visitors can see them all. The trail is notable, too, because it has Braille signs for visually handicapped. Elephant Rocks State Park is a day park. No camping overnight, but there are picnic tables, water fountains and a convenient parkiing area.

Operating Schedule Open year-round **Hours** 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. (Apr 1-Sep 30) 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Oct 1-Mar 31)

Contact Information

573.546.3454

www.mostateparks.com/elephantrock.htm

dspftdv@mail.dnr.state.mo.us

Felix Valle Home State Historic Site

On the corner of Merchant and Second Streets Ste. Genevieve, MO, 63670

Unlike the other homes in the French-settled river town of Ste. Genevieve, the Felix Valle house, built in 1818, is an example of the American Federal style of architecture. The house was purchased in 1824 by Jean B. Valle, the settlement's most prominent citizen. The occupancy of the home by his son, Felix, serves as an indication of the willingness by the French to accept the American influence on their lifestyles. The house was used as headquarters and storage for Menard and Valle, a company that controlled Indian trade throughout Missouri and Arkansas. Group rates available with advance reservations. Group rates are available with two weeks advance reservations. The Amoureux House, located on St. Mary's Road in Ste. Genevieve is also available for tour. It was built in 1792 with vertical logs set into the ground in a style known as "poteaux-en-terre". It is one of five such buildings, which survive in the United States. A scale model of Ste. Genevieve as it appeared in 1832 is also featured.

Hours Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday 12:00 - 5 p.m. **Contact Information**

573.883.7102

www.dnr.state.mo.us/dsp/felixvalle.htm

dspvalle@mail.dnr.state.mo.us

First Missouri State Capitol

200-216 S. Main, St. Charles, MO, 63301

This site was the first home of the state legislature before the Capitol in Jefferson City was built. Eleven rooms have been restored to their original state, and nine rooms are complete with furnishings from the 1821-1826 period. The site is located in the heart of the St. Charles historic district..

Hours Guided Tours Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. **Admission** Adults (13 & up) \$2.50, children (6-12) \$1.50, children under 6 free. Families \$12 maximum. Groups of 15 or more discounted if scheduled two weeks in advance.

Contact Information

636.940.3322

Fort Davidson State Historic Site

Pilot Knob, Iron Country, on Hwy. V, a short distance from Hwy. 21

One can visit the battlefield of the Battle of Pilot Knob and the earthwork remnants of Fort Davidson at this state historic site. The Battle of Pilot Knob began when the Confederate General, Sterling Price, led his force of 12,000 into the Arcadia Valley and put the fort under siege. The Confederate's final assault on the walls failed and more than 1,000 men were wounded or killed. A visitor's center contains artifacts from the battle and exhibits about the the Civil War in Missouri. There is a 15-minute slide show and a three-dimensional lighted battle map presentation. Tours of the battlefield available upon arrangement. Some research materials also available but no checkouts from the small library.

Hours 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Saturday; 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sundays. **Operating Schedule** Open all year every day except state holidays **Contact Information**

573.546.3454

www.mostateparks.com/ftdavidson.htm dspftdv@mail.dnr.state.mo.us

General Daniel Bissell House

10225 Bellefontaine Rd., Bellefontaine Neighbors, MO, 63137

Daniel Bissell, who served in the U.S. Infantry from 1788-1821, first came to St. Louis in 1809 to take command of Ft. Belle Fontaine, the first U.S. military post west of the Mississippi River. The house was built upon his return from active duty in the War of 1812 and was finished in 1818. Scout tours are available Wednesday through Sunday from Noon to 4 p.m. Advance registration is required. The tours are \$1 per person. Admission to the special exhibits is FREE with a paid tour of \$1 per person for the exhibit alone. We also offer other activities for the Scouts. Museum hours are Saturday and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. Tours are \$2 for adults and \$1 for children 5-12 (those under 4 are free). Call for current information.

Contact Information

314.868.0973 (314) 868-0973, Fax: (314) 868-8435.

www.st-louiscountyparks.com/bissell.html

Grant's Farm

10501 Gravois Rd, east of Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, MO, 63123

A visit to the 281-acre ancestral estate of the Busch Family includes a tram ride past Grant's home (built by Ulysses S. Grant in 1856) and through the 160-acre animal preserve where more than 30 exotic species roam freely. The estate also includes the L. Bauernhof Courtyard where refreshments are

available, an animal display area, shows and the Tier Garden animal feeding and petting area. Also, visit the General's Store, Label Stable and Bud World gift shops for a wide selection of distinctive merchandise. Visits are free and no reservations are required for groups of less than 40.

Hours Open April - October

Admission Free! (Parking: \$5 cars/vans, \$19 season parking pass, busses free)

Contact Information

314.843.1700

www.grantsfarm.com

Greater St. Louis Area Council, B.S.A. Facilities

4568 West Pine Blvd, St. Louis, MO`, 63108

Permits are required for entrance and use of all Council properties. Cub Scout: Beaumont Scout Reservation: Cub World, Cub family camping, Cub Scout picnic area, hiking trails, hayrides, Webelos overnight area, swimming pool, Webelos week-long camp and Webelos mini-camp. S-F Scout Ranch short hikes, Webelos camping, fishing, picnic area (Nim's Lake Overlook), and Castle Rock. Boy Scouts: Beaumont Scout Reservation: Camping, extended hiking, mud cave, horseback riding, hayrides, chapel, council ring. Sverdrup Lodge and Wright Lodge rental, winterized troop cabins, rifle range, swimming pool, ropes and spars challenge, and orienteering course. S-F Scout Ranch: hiking, backpacking, canoeing, fishing, camping, ropes course, rappelling, Castle Rock, Scout Lodge, picnic area (Nim's Lake Overlook), rock climbing, Huck's Cove, and week-long Scout camp. Explorers/Venturers: Beaumont Scout Reservation - Nagel Explorer Base, recreation hall, horseback riding, hayrides. Adirondack cabins, weekend camping, and swimming pool. S-F Scout Ranch - Swift Explorer Base, winterized lodge, camping, canoeing, hiking, backpacking, fishing, ropes course, rock climbing, rappelling, Castle Rock, Huck's Cove, and week-long summer camp. Camp Lewallen: 560 acres in southeast Missouri, two miles west on Highway K from Highway 67 (four miles north of Highway 34). Hiking, weekend camping, climbing tower, and week-long Scout camp. Pine Ridge Scout Camp: A beautifully wooded area in Southern Illinois with year-round camping and fishing.

Contact Information

314.361.0600 or 800.392.0895

www.stlbsa.org

Hawken House

1155 S Rock Hill Rd. Webster Groves, MO, 63119

The home was built in 1857 by Christopher Miller Hawken and is now maintained and operated by the Webster Groves Historical Society. The Hawken family is well known in western lore for the Hawken rifle, the "gun that won the West." The Hawken rifle was carried by many famous frontiersmen such as Daniel Boone, Davy Crockett, Kit Carson, Jim Bridger and Robert Campbell, just to name a few. Hawken House is located in Webster Groves Southwest Park. In nice weather, the park affords an ideal spot for school picnic lunches, as well as having a playground area and ball field.

Hours Tuesays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Sundays from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Speical tours can be arranged by calling.

Admission \$2.50 for adults, \$1 for children under 12.

Contact Information

314.968.1857

hawkenhouse@primary.net

J. N. Spanel Wetland Restoration, Interpretive Site

From downtown Harrisburg, go east on Illinois Route 13/34 to U.S. 45 (Commercial Street). Turn left and drive about .7 miles to Small Street. Park in Arrowhead Shopping Center parking lot.

This small wetland was created by a 13-year-old Eagle Scout. The wetland is home for the copper red iris, once threatened in Illinois, blue iris, swamp milkweed, bulrush, sedges and a young bottom land hardwood forest. Two small native prairies located near the wetland contain black-eyed Susan, hairy and New England asters, pale purple coneflower, tall gayfeather, wild bergamot, Indian grass, big bluestem, little bluestem and switchgrass.

Jefferson Barracks Historic Site

533 Grant Rd, St. Louis, MO, 63125

Jefferson Barracks Historic site provides information about the history of the past experiences and activities of the men and women who served in the United States Military at Jefferson Barracks from 1826 to 1946, and of their families and community. The Jefferson Barracks staff presents educational programs for schools and like organizations to introduce youth to history during the Jefferson Barracks era. Jefferson Barracks was deactivated as a federal military site in June of 1946. In 1950, 135 acres of the Ordinance section was given to St. Louis County to operate as a historical park. Subsequently 12 additional acres were purchased from the County Housing Authority in 1958 and 232.45 acres were purchased from the United States Government in 1960. The historic area is open to individual visitors and group tours. The park also houses a CCC museum. The area not occupied by the historic site hold recreational facilities including a walking path, corkball field, and an archery range, ball fields, picnic areas, camping sites and an amphitheater. Tours are available. The fee for guided tours and programs for groups is \$15. Please call for reservations.

Hours Museum hours: Tuesday-Friday: 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday: noon to 4:30 p.m. **Contact Information**

314.544.5714

www.st-louiscountyparks.com/j-b.html

Jefferson National Expansion Memorial

11 North 4th Street, St. Louis, MO, 63102

The 630-foot Gateway Arch was built between 1963-1965, and is a memorial to the people who settled the American West. Beneath the Arch, the Museum of Westward Expansion uses photos, quotes and artifacts to present the story of the nineteenth century westward expansion movement. The Old Courthouse was the scene of the first two trials of Dred Scott's struggle for freedom in 1847 and 1850. Today the building houses two restored courtrooms and a series of galleries charting the history of St. Louis. The park helps to promote Scouting in America by offering a variety of free 45-minute programs for Cub, Webelo and Boy Scouts. These programs are designed to correlate with activities, badges and projects outlined in Scouting handbooks. Special Scouting patches can be purchased after the completion of a Scout program. While participating in a one-hour educational voyage along the St. Louis Riverfront, aboard the Gateway Arch Riverboats, Boy Scouts can earn an American Heritage Badge. The program invites scouts to learn about and experience the important role that St. Louis a river city played in the growth of our nation. The program is free but the cost of the riverboat ride is \$3 per person. For more information on Scouting programs, a free brochure is available upon request. Reservations for Scout program must be made at least one month in advance. The Gateway Arch offers special scout ticket prices for tram rides to the top of the Arch, Gateway Arch Riverboat cruises, a documentary on the construction of the Arch, "Lewis & Clark, The Journey West," opening Memorial Day weekend, 2002 in giant screen format. Groups of 20 or more can make reservations at least one week in advance.

Operating Schedule Open year-round except Christmas, Thanksgiving and New Years Hours 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Admission Free!
Contact Information
314.655.1700

www.nps.gov/jeff

Johnson's Shut-ins State Park

8 miles north of Lestervi lle on Reynolds County N Middlebrook, MO, 63656

Limited access park. May have to wait in line to get in. Swift waters of the Black River flowing around some of the oldest exposed rocks in the nation have formed a series of canyon-like gorges or "shut-ins" found in this 8,469-acre park. The park, which for the most part has been left in its wilderness state, contains more than 900 species of plants and wildflowers. The park is a major trailhead for the eastern loop of the 500-mile-long Ozark Trail, which is under development. Full-time Naturalist on staff. Scout Area available. No pets, food or drinks allowed at Shut-Ins area. Please call for reservations. (See Taum Sauk Mountain. State Park).

Contact Information

573.546.2450

www.mostateparks.com/jshutins.htm

Kenrick-Glennon Seminary

5200 Glennon Dr. St. Louis, MO, 63119

Kenrick had its inception in the founding of St. Mary's Seminary in Perryville, Missouri in 1818. Moved to St. Louis in 1842. Located at 7800 Kenrick Rd. until September 1987. The building at 5200 Glennon Drive was built in 1929 and was known as Cardinal Glennon College until 1987. Since 1987, the Kenrick School of Theology and the Cardinal Glennon College program are both housed in this building. Both programs are operated by the Archdiocese of St. Louis for students preparing for the diocesan or religious priesthood. Visits by special arrangement only.

Contact Information

314.792.6100

www.kenrick.edu

Lewis And Clark Center

701 Riverside Drive, St. Charles, MO, 63301

A hands-on museum featuring the Indians and animals encountered by Lewis and Clark during their expedition. Our Scout program includes a tour of the museum, an activity and a slide show dealing with nature topics and/or Indian cultures. Group size 15-50.

Admission A fee is charged Contact Information

636.947.3199

Lincoln Memorial Garden And Nature Center

2301 East Lake Dr, Springfield, MO, 62707

A 100-acre native plant Garden designed by world famous landscape architect Jens Jensen. The Garden reflects the landscape Lincoln would have known with plants native to Illinois, Kentucky and Indiana. Restored prairies, oak-hickory woodlands, maple groves and cypress swamps can all be found at the Garden. Guided walks along the five miles of trails are available with advance reservations. Scout service projects can also be arranged. Close to Lake Springfield beach, Henson Robinson Zoo and many lake parks. .

Hours The Nature Center and gift shop are open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday and Sunday 1 to 4 p.m. The Garden is open daily from sunrise to sunset.

Contact Information

217.529.1111

www.lmgnc.com lmg2301@inw.net

Lincoln Tomb

Oak Ridge Cemetery Springfield, IL, 62702

Self-guided tours with tomb history presentations. Flag-raising ceremonies may be conducted any day at 9 a.m. by Scout groups with prior notice by calling Nan Wynn, (217) 782-2717 or writing Nan Wynn, Site Manager, The Lincoln Tomb, Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springfield, IL 62702

Operating Schedule Open year-round except for federal holidays Hours March - October 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., November - February 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Contact Information

217.782.2717

www.state.il.us/hpa/Sites/lincolntomb01.htm

Magic House, St. Louis Children's Museum

One mile north of I-44 and four miles south of Highway 40. 516 South Kirkwood Rd., St. Louis, MO, 63122

The Magic House, St. Louis Children's Museum is a not-for-profit four story museum filled with over 100 hands-on exhibits that spark the imagination of children and adults of all ages. The museum, which welcomes close to 400,000 visitors a year, is one of the most recognized children's museums in the nation. Four levels of interactive exhibits will spark children's curiosity about science, math, art and more! For the youngest museum visitor, a special area called A little Bit of Magic is designed for children ages 1-7 and For Baby and Me, a special area for children under 24 months. New exhibits include Fitness Safari, The Children's Village, Water Works and the Math Path. Nationally traveling exhibits visit the museum on a regular basis. Scout Camp-ins are offered on select weekends during the school year where Webelos can sleep amongst the many exhibits, enjoy camp activities, a bedtime snack and breakfast. For more information, contact the Camp-In Coordinator. Scout Month, held the entire month of February, offers reduced admission to all scouts in uniform and offers many special scout activities. After school workshops are held Tuesdays-Thursdays during the school year and meet badge requirements for Bears and Webelos. Reservations are required. Call for reservations and cost. Parking is free. Approximate length of visit 2-3 hours. No reservations are required.

Admission \$6.00 per person and children under 2 are free. Group rates available. Price is subject to change without notice. **Hours** Hours: School Year Hours: Tuesday through Thursday, noon to 5:30 p.m.; Friday, noon to 9 p.m.; Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Summer Hours: (Memorial Day - Labor Day): Monday through Thursday: 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Friday: 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday: 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Sunday: 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Summer Hours: (Memorial Day through Labor Day) Monday through Thursday, 9:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m., Friday 9:30 a.m. until 9:00 p.m., Saturday 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. and Sunday 11:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Contact Information

314.822.8900

www.magichouse.org

Maramec Spring Park

Highway 8 South of St. James, MO, St. James, MO, 65559

Maramec Spring Park is an 1,856 acre Wildlife Refuge and Trout Management Area which originated at the Maramec Iron Works in 1826. The park is open year round from sunrise to sunset. Facilities include the Maramec (historical) Museum, Ozark Agriculture Museum, nature trails, trout rearing pools, playground, picnic facilities, camping, and trout fishing. Special programs are available for Scout groups staying overnight in the campground or coming out for the day. Programs range from specific badge requirements to general nature activities. Reservations must be made in advance for programs and camping. For more information on museum hours and programs for Scout groups, contact the James Foundation Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.at 573-265-7124. Campground reservations must be received four weeks in advance.

Operating Schedule Museums open on weekends in April and October, Wednesday through Sunday in May and September and 7 days a week from May through Labor Day

Admission \$3 per car, \$10 per bus

Contact Information

573.265.7387

Mark Twain Cave

1 mile south of historic district on State Highway 79

Registered by the National Park Service as a U.S. Natural Landmark. Guided tour takes 55 minutes and features points of interest Mark Twain wrote about in his stories of Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn. Snack bar and gift shop in the park. Picnic at no charge. Cameron Cave nearby available for lantern tours. For further information write Box 913, Hannibal, Mo. 63401

Hours Open Memorial Day to Labor Day, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., April, May, September and October 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and November to March, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Closed Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day **Admission** Adult - \$12; child (5-12) \$6. Discounts to groups of 10 or more. Camping facilities available at nominal charge

Contact Information

573.221.1656

www.marktwaincave.com

Mastodon State Historic Site

3/4 miles northwest of the intersection of I-55 and the Imperial/Kimmswick exit (No. 186), on West Outer Rd.. Imperial, MO, 63052

Mastodon State Historic Site contains the remains of Ice Age animals such as elephant-like Mastodon and evidence of their hunting by early Indians about 12,000 years ago. A program involving a slide show, demonstration, museum tour and hike to the bone bed (which takes about 1-1/2 hours) is offered on weekdays and must be scheduled in advance. Walk-in museum visitation is encouraged.

Hours The park is open from 8 a.m. until dark year-round. Museum hours are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday-Saturday and 12 Noon - 4:30 p.m., Sunday, except certain holidays.

Admission Admission fee to the Museum is: Adults 15 and over \$2, children under 15 free. A group rate of \$1 per adult is available to groups of 15 or more that reserve a date and time at least two weeks in advance. Families with six or more adults pay no more than \$10 per family

Contact Information

www.dnr.state.mo.us/dsp/mastodon.htm

McDonnell Prologue Room, The Boeing Company

Building 100 McDonnell Blvd. and Airport Rd, St. Louis, , 63134

Visit the world of air and space this summer at the Boeing Company by browsing through the James S. McDonnell Prologue Room. The exhibit displays the company's history and achievements in aerospace and technology. Reservations are required

Admission Free

Hours The Prologue Room is open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday, June through August. **Contact Information**

314.232.5421

www.boeing.com/prologueroom

Meramec Caverns

One hour west of St. Louis on I-44, exit 230 Stanton, MO, 63079

Meramec Caverns introduces specialized workshops to specifically fulfill the Webelos Geologist Activity Pin and the Boy Scout Geology Merit Badge requirements! The mission of these workshops is for Scouts to explore the many aspects that characterize Missouri Geology and to receive a deeper understanding and respect for their surroundings. Programs include "An Introduction to Speleology" slide presentation, a guided tour of Meramec Caverns and hands-on activities instructed in an underground classroom! Scouts will be guided through the five-story natural wonder, seeing the largest single cave formation in the world along with visual aids and actual artifacts about the exploration of the Missouri Territory, early mining settlements, and Missouri during the Civil War. Hands-on activities cover the areas of rocks and minerals, surface geology, soil and groundwater, and fossils. Additional activities located on the premises include a sluicing operation, Mining Store, gift shop, restaurant, Riverboat ride, LaJolla Park and Campground, and canoe rental. Meramec Caverns provides a very fun and unique educational experience for Scouts of all ages! Open every day except Thanksgiving and Christmas. Accessible to disabled. Group rates are available. Workshops are limited to availability.

Hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days a week, with extended hours in the summer **Contact Information**

573.468.3166

www.americascave.com scouts@americascave.com

Meramec State Park

Sullivan, MO,

Several miles of the picturesque Meramec River flow past towering bluffs, gaping cave entrances and heavily forested riverbanks in this 6,896-acre park. The park's rugged Ozark landscape and the alluring spring-fed waters of the river provide a haven for camping, backpacking, picnicking, canoeing, rafting, fishing, river swimming, and hiking. Six trails with a combined length of over 16 miles provide access to a great diversity of habitats and outdoor experiences. A 10-mile backpacking trail was completed in 1996. This trail meanders through the heart of the 460 acres Meramec Upland Forest Natural area, which is recognized statewide for being rugged, remote, and of superior natural integrity. Shower houses, picnic shelters, cabins, motel, restaurant and general store add the contrast of convenience to the wildness of the landscape. Canoe and raft rental is available by calling 468-6519.

Hours Hours modified during winter months.

Contact Information

573.468.6072

www.mostateparks.com/meramec.htm

Mid-America Agua Center, St. Louis Children's Aguarium

416 Hanley Industrial Court, Brentwood, MO, 63144

Have you ever wanted to pet a shark or see a living coral reef? We provide these opportunities and more at our amazing indoor aquarium. This is different than your ordinary aquarium. The aquarium not only appeals to the visitor's eyes, but also allows for HANDS-ON experiences with the animals. Come and discover myriads of animals and take a glimpse into the Amazon Rainforest, the Mississippi River, the ocean depths and many other fascinating exhibits. Your group can take a 90-minute Seafari tour that provides an in-depth look at each exhibit. Eagle Scout projects are also available. "Sleep With Sharks" is also a fantastic activity for scout groups desiring a more intensive study. This experience begins at 7 p.m. and lasts until 8 a.m. The price of \$350 (up to 25 people) includes a midnight snack and a continental breakfast. (Pizza snack, add \$40/25 people).

Admission Group admission (min. 10) must be prescheduled: \$5.00 per person with a minimum of \$50.00 for groups of less than 10.

Hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., 7 days a week Contact Information 314.647.9594 www.childrensaquarium.com lsquaman@aol.com

Mingo National Wildlife Refuge

25 miles northeast of Poplar Bluff. 24279 State Hwy. 51, Puxico, MO,

This 22,000 acre area contains the largest bottomland hardwood swamp left in the state. A visitor's center with educational exhibits is open weekdays throughout the year and weekends during the spring and fall. Hiking, canoeing, fishing, and wildlife viewing opportunities are available. A 13-mile boardwalk nature trail is located adjacent to the visitor center. Camping is permitted at nearby Lake Wappapello or at Duck Creek State Wildlife Area. A \$3 daily entrance fee, annual refuge pass or Federal Duck Stamp is required for each vehicle entering the refuge from March 15 through September 30.

Contact Information 573.222.3589

Missouri Highway Patrol, Troop C Headquarters

US Highway 40 at Mason Rd, St. Louis, MO, 63101

We invite you to learn about our aircraft, investigative and enforcement sections as well as the Driver Examination Motor Vehicle inspection and Commercial Motor Vehicle Enforcement Divisions. Groups will be limited to a maximum of 20 people and must be chaperoned. Arrangements should be made two weeks in advance. Only one tour scheduled per day between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

Operating Schedule No tours on Saturday, Sunday or holidays.

Hours 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Contact Information

314.340.4055

www.mshp.state.mo.us

Missouri Historical Society

Lindell and DeBaliviere in Forest Park, St. Louis, MO,

The Missouri Historical Society has been active in the St. Louis community since 1866. Founding members organized the historical society "for the purpose of saving from oblivion the early history of the city and state." Today, the Missouri Historical Society operates the Missouri History Museum in Forest Park and the Library and Research Center at 225 South Skinker Blvd. There is a fee for special museum exhibitions, but weekly free admission times are available. The Missouri History Museum at Lindell andd DeBaliviere is a short walk from the Forest Park Metro Link station. The Missouri Historical Society offers programs and outreach services, including traveling exhibitions, tours, theatrical and musical presentations, programs for school classes and youth groups, family festivals, special events, workshops, and lectures. Permanent exhibitions currently on view include Seeking St. Louis, an exciting, state-of-theart, interactive, three-gallery exhibition which tells the history of the region from earliest times to the present. The Missouri Historical Society also presents a full schedule of changing special exhibitions. Current special exhibitions include Can You Tell Me How to Get to Sesame Street? And Many Voices: Reflecting on American Indian Objects. Of particular interest to Boy Scouts is Lindbergh, a new special exhibition marking the 75th anniversary of Charles A. Lindbergh's historic transatlantic flight. Lindbergh features a certificate (dated June 18, 1927) bestowing an honorary St. Louis Boy Scout Troop 2 lifetime membership to Lindbergh and a statue presented to Lindbergh from the Boy Scout Council of Boston. Upcoming special exhibitions in 2002-2003 include Memory, an exhibition that uses science and art to quide visitors through the labyrinth of memory from personal, social, cultural, psychological and neurological perspectives. The exhibition uses interactives and multimedia to stimulate memory through the five senses. Visitors will also explore why we preserve memories through objects and how world and national events can become the shared memory of a generation. Also, Through the Eyes of a Child:

Growing Up Black in St. Louis, 1940-1990, will view the segregated world of African American St. Louis from a clearly defined perspective of children. The exhibition will examine how and why segregated neighborhoods were established, and how they persisted and thrived, emphasizing the memories of childhood life in four St. Louis neighborhoods: the Ville, Carr Square, and Kinloch in Missouri, and the south end of East St. Louis in Illinois. Other upcoming special exhibitions in 2002-2003 include an early photography exhibition, The Sidewalks of St. Louis: Selections from the Swekosky Collection, and Our World in Miniature: Trains, Dollhouses and Other Miniatures.

Hours Daily, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Tuesdays: 10 a.m.-8 p.m. **Admission** Free **Contact Information** 314.746.4599 www.mohistory.org

Missouri Mines State Historic Site

On Highway 32 in St. Francois County Park Hills, MO, 63601

For 60 years, the Old Lead Belt of Missouri was the premier lead mining district of the U.S., often producing 80 percent or more of the nation's mined lead metal. When St. Joe Minerals Corp. ceased operation, the 25 buildings of the Federal Mine-Mill complex were donated to the state. The giant powerhouse has been renovated and developed into a museum featuring Missouri mining history, old underground mining machinery, Missouri geology exhibits, and a large collection of mineral specimens from all over the world.

Hours 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through Saturday; noon to 5 p.m. on winter Sundays; and noon to 6 p.m. on summer Sundays

Admission adult - \$2.50, youth 6-12 - \$1.50, under 6 - free. Group rates: (15 or more people with advance reservations) adult - \$1.50, youth 6-12 - \$.75

Contact Information

573.431.6226

ww.mostateparks.com

Museum of the Western Jesuit Missions

Adjoining Gateway College of Evangelism 700 Howdershell Rd, Florissant, MO, 63031

Formerly St. Stanislaus Museum. Available for tour groups of 10 or more on other days by appointment and will be very flexible with Scout groups. The museum features maps from the travels of Pere Marquette and Father DeSmet; tools from the pioneer days, organized and catalogued by members of Troop 613; and native American art work; calumets, Pueblo black pottery, Navajo sandpainting and rugs, Arapahoe and Shoshone beadwork; Sioux painting and Tarahumara needlework. An historic cemetery adjoins the museum. The collection of Native America art is one of the best and largest in the region.

Contact person: Bill Caine, 1027 Gifford Ct., Florissant, MO 63031

Hours Open House: Sunday 1-4 p.m. except in winter

Contact Information

314.837.3525

archives@jesuits-mis.org

Museum of Transport

3015 Barrett Station Rd., St. Louis, MO, 63122

See a most comprehensive collection of locomotives, railway cars, automobiles, streetcars, buses, trucks, horse-drawn vehicles and aircraft. Traveler badge for Webelos can be done, in part, along with a tour of the Museum. Railroading Merit Badge can be earned at the Museum. OPERATION LIFESAVER, a program of railroad safety can be presented at the Museum or at your troop or pack meeting. For badges,

ask for Richard when you call for a reservation. . Group tours are guided walking tours. Please schedule reservations at least two weeks in advance. Cancellation notice required. .

Hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days a week throughout the year. Closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day

Admission \$4 - age 13 thru 64. \$1.50 - age 65 and over. \$1.50 - age 5 thru 12. Discounted fees for groups scheduled in advance with reservations for more than 20 are: \$3 - age 13 thru 64. \$1.25 - thru age 12, and age 65 or over

Contact Information

314.965.7998

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National Shrine Of Our Lady Of The Snows

442 S. DeMazenod, Belleville, IL, 62223

Spanning some 200 beautifully landscaped aces, the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows welcomes people of all faiths and ages. It has the unique distinction of being one of the largest outdoor shrines in North America and is visited by over one million people each year. Ten devotional sites are placed throughout the rolling hills, with the main shrine nestled in a valley at the Outdoor Amphitheatre that seats 2500 people. Guest services are comfortable and affordable for today's visitor and include a triple A-rated restaurant and motel. The Gift Shop offers an extensive selection of special remembrances. The Shrine has its own nature trail that Scouts can walk and earn a badge. Youth retreats are offered year round and tours are available upon request.

Hours Open daily, 6 a.m. until 10 p.m. Admission Free Contact Information 618.397.6700 www.snows.org

Onondaga Cave State Park

6 miles southeast of the I-44 Leasburg exit, on Highway H in Crawford County Leasburg, MO, 65535

Onondaga Cave is recognized as one of the most spectacular caves in the nation because of the quality and quantity of its formations. The clear waters of the Meramec River wind along the boundary of Onondaga Cave State Park, providing excellent opportunities for swimming, fishing and trail hiking on over six miles of scenic, wooded trails. The Scout camping area can be reserved in advance by phone. The 1,317-acre park also offers camping and picnicking. Park Naturalists provide a variety of regularly scheduled programs including, Jr. Naturalist programs, evening nature programs, and tours of Cathedral Cave. There is a Visitor Center that offers a nature museum, history and biology exhibits, information center, and a gift/snack shop. In addition, there are guided tours of Onondaga Cave

Hours Tours provided daily from March through October **Contact Information**

573.245.6576

www.dnr.state.mo.us/dsp/onondaga.htm

nrononp@mail.dnr.state.mo.us

Pickle Springs

Off AA, east of Farmington Farmington, MO, 63640

Missouri Conservation natural area. Known as the trail through time; geologically significant, unusual rock formation. Improved walking trails for two miles with signs pointing out geological history.

Contact Information

573.756.6488

www.conservation.state.mo.us/areas/natareas/p120-1.htm

Rockwoods Reservation

2751 Glencoe Rd., Glencoe, MO, 63038

Rockwoods Reservation is a State Forest and Wildlife Refuge located in western St. Louis County and managed by the Missouri Department of Conservation. Area includes six hiking trails ranging in length from 300 yards to 3-1/4 miles, picnic areas, a small natural cave, bird viewing station, demonstration prairie, butterfly garden and an Education Center. The Education Center contains nature exhibits and is open 7 days a week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (closed on all state holidays). Naturalist lead-on site programs are not available, however, leaders can check out scout packs to use while exploring the area. The Webelos pack contains materials that scouts may use along the trails to complete activities for scouts to compete for Outdoor Adventure, your Living World and Birds. Leader packets are available when packs are returned. These packets provide additional information to assist with related activities that can be done at home. Leaders may call in advance to receive information and descriptions of activities provided in each pack. No reservations are taken for use of packs. A naturalist is available for off-site programs, by application only. There is a primitive Scout campsite on the area that is available with two weeks advanced reservations for overnight camping. All programs are free of charge

Operating Schedule Open year-round Hours Sunrise to one hour after sunset Contact Information 636.458.2236 www.conservation.state.mo.us meistt@mail.conservation.state.mo.us

Saint Louis Art Museum

Within Forest Park

The Saint Louis Art Museum is a comprehensive global museum with collections ranging from ancient to contemporary. The building itself is an historic landmark designed by famed architect Cass Gilbert as the only permanent structure for the 1904 World's Fair. The Saint Louis Art Museum consistently ranks among the top ten nationwide in attendance and ranks first in per capita educational services. The oldest publicly funded museum in the country, The Saint Louis Art Museum remains true to the inscription over its north entrance: "Dedicated to Art and Free to All." The Museum's comprehensive collection includes European old masters; ancient Greek, Roman and Egyptian and medieval art; 20th-century art; decorative arts and design: prints, drawings and photographs; the arts of Africa, Oceania and the Americas; and Asian art. The Museum holds preeminent collection concentrations in several areas. including oceanic art, with works from every oceanic culture; pre-Columbian art, spanning ever area from Peru to the Rio Grande before 1492: rare Chinese bronzes dating from the 16th century B.C. through the 13th century A.D.; 20th-century German art, built around the largest collection of Max Beckmann paintings in the world; and contemporary European and American paints and sculpture. Throughout its history the Museum has been committed to acquiring and exhibiting the works of living artists. Special traveling exhibitions, many of which are organized by the Museum, complement the permanent collection. Popular favorites include the Impressionism collection, the medieval gallery, the period rooms and the Egyptian mummy, which is on view with a full-size X-ray for a "look inside." Visitors also are attracted to the American and European collections and particularly to works by Rembrandt, Monet, van Gogh, Picasso, Matisse, Gauquin, Cassatt, C.zanne, Degas, Gainsborough, Bingham, O'Keeffe and Homer. The Saint Louis Art Museum's education programs benefit more than 450,000 children and adults each year and include extensive outreach to schools, Museum classes, workshops and lectures, slide kits and touchable art kits, teacher training, and special education events. The Museum's Arts in the Basic Curriculum program is nationally recognized, and the Museum's Resource Center offers slides and interpretive materials about the collection and the Museum also houses a 80,000-volume public access art library. Special programs include lectures, films, performances, and family programs. General Museum tours are available Wednesday through Sunday at 1:30, weekday tours are 30 minutes, weekend tours are sixty minutes. Special docent-led tours are available for groups of 15 or more with advance scheduling. The Museum is closed Monday, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day.

Hours 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday & Sunday. 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Friday. Café: 11 a.m.-3 p.m. (lunch) Tuesday-Saturday 5-9 p.m. (dinner) Friday 11 a.m.-2 p.m. (brunch) Sunday.

Contact Information

314.721.0072, ext. 204 www.slam.org

Saint Louis Zoo

Within Forest Park in St. Louis St. Louis, MO,

The Zoo offers many opportunities for scouts, including a large and diverse animal collection, seasonal attractions and new exhibits. Don't miss the new River's Edge and Monsanto Insectarium. The Zoo's Education Department offers a variety of programs, including Introduction to Missouri Wildlife, a 20-minute program on native wildlife, designed for scouts and other groups. Included, is a self-guided scavenger hunt which can be completed at any time. Scavenger hunts are available on other topics as well. Animal Adaptations, Tropical Rainforests and Endangered Species are among the titles. Webelos can come Snooze At the Zoo, one of our overnight programs, offered November through March. Educational tours are offered October through April. Topics include Mammals, Web of Life and more. To register for an education program or tour, call 314-768-5466. Contact Group Sales for general tours and purchasing discounted group-rate tickets for the Zooline Railroad, Sea Lion Show, Children's Zoo or Insectarium, 314-768-5411.

Hours Open daily from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. and Friday, Saturday and Tuesday evenings June-August. Closed Christmas and New Year's Day.

Contact Information

314.781.0900

www.stlzoo.org

Sandy Creek Covered Bridge Historic Site

Five miles north of Hillsboro, east off Highway 21, take Sandy Rd. to the end of Old Lemay Ferry Rd. Goldman, MO

Administered by Mastodon State Historic Site. This covered bridge is one of only four still standing in Missouri. Originally erected in 1872 in a post Civil War Jefferson County building program, it was destroyed by flood waters in 1886, and rebuilt to the original Howe truss plan with salvaged and new timber. The 206 acre site includes a picnic area and an interpretive kiosk with exhibits on all of Missouri's covered bridge.

Contact Information

314.464.2976

www.dnr.state.mo.us/dsp/sandybridge.htm

Sappington International Farmers Market

8400 Watson Road - one mile east of Crestwood Plaza, St. Louis, MO

Grocery shopping with kids CAN be fun! Sound impossible? Not at Sappington International Farmers Market - a store designed with children in mind. From the colorful electric train that travels around the interior of the store to Farmer Fred and Henrietta the talking chicken, kids are never bored. And that's not all. In the dairy department reigns Nellie the Cow, a definite must-see attraction. There's also a life-sized bull presiding over the meat department, and a 20-foot long animated mural depicting how produce grows. No young visitor ever leaves Sappington without a balloon and other gifts, and no parent leaves without some of the best tasting bargains in town.

Hours Monday-Saturday: 7 a.m.-10 p.m., Sunday: 7 a.m.-8 p.m.

Contact Information

314.843.7848

www.sappingtonfarmersmkt.com

Shaw Nature Reserve Of The Missouri Botanical Garden

At the intersection of Hwy. 100 and Interstate 44 Gray Summit, MO, 63039

Thirteen miles of trails available for hiking. Trails cover areas including the Pinetum, featuring conifers from around the world, oak-hickory and oak-maple forests, wetlands, glades, limestone bluffs and the Meramec River. The Arboretum has established a 120-acre tall-grass prairie. This project began in 1980 and now includes over 200 species of plants including the prairie grasses, which grow as high as 8 feet. A 2/3 mile trail traverses the prairie. Picnicking allowed in designated areas (no bar-b-ques). Self-Guided Interpretive Trail: Wise Man of the Forest, available March - November. Reservations required for use of this trail only. The forest trail activity is easily led by a leader with up to 25 children. Through hands-on activities, the trail focuses on developing an understanding of and an apppreciation for the earth and its life. Concepts include communities, seed dispersal, soil formation, plant growth, and decomposition. There is a \$.50 charge for each child for this activity.

Hours Open daily from 7 a.m. to 1/2 hour past sunset **Admission** 12 years of age or under - free; adults - \$3; seniors - \$2 **Contact Information** 636.451.3512

www.mobot.org/mobot/naturereserve

Shawnee National Forest

Harrisburg, IL, 62946

Explore more than 270,000 acres of National Forest in the rough, unglaciated areas of Southern Illinois known as the Ozark and Shawnee Hills. The area is in stark contrast to the rolling farm lands to the north of the forest. Go birding, horseback riding, fishing, hiking, bicycling and swimming.

Contact Information

800.699.6637 618.253.7114

www.fs.fed.us/r9/shawnee/

Silver Mines National Forest Campground

Nine miles southwest of Fredericktown on Highway D

Silver Mines Campground is a unique recreation area is adjacent to the St. Francis River, which offers perhaps the best whitewater canoeing in the midwest. The whitewater is formed as the water rushes through the "shut-ins." This is the site of the annual Whitewater Canoe Races held in March. Entrants from six states participated in this year's race. The campground is located at the site of a silver mining operation that began in 1877 and continued intermittently until 1946. There is a mile-long interpretive trail that winds through interesting rock formations along the river. Family camping and picnicking are available on a first-come first-serve basis. Group camping is by reservation. Some single/double campsites can be reserved by calling the National Recreation Reservation Service at 1-877-444-6777 or at web site www.reserveusa.com .

Operating Schedule Campground opens 3/15 closes 10/30 **Contact Information**

573.783.7225

www.fs.fed.us/r9/marktwain

Southern Illinois State Parks

Many places in Southern Illinois with their bald cypress swamps and heron rookeries, are reminiscent of the bayous of the Deep South. The Cache River State Natural Area, Heron Pond Nature Preserve, and Cypress Creek National Wildlife Refuge are examples of the rich wetland ecosystems found in this region. A well-marked canoe trail at Cache River State Natural Area is a popular activity. Some of the most invigorating and peaceful times of your life can be spent hiking the trails of Southern Illinois. From the rugged trails at Giant City State Park and Ferne Clyffe State Park to the relaxing views at Wayne

Fitzgerrell State Park - Southern Illinois offers you a boundless variety of hiking experiences. Fishing in Southern Illinois is extremely popular. The ponds and lakes at Pyramid State Park, Dolan Lake at Hamilton county, Glen O. Jones Lake at Saline County, and Lake Murphysboro offer the weekend fisherman countless hours of enjoyment. The vast waters of Rend Lake often host National fishing tournaments for the professional as well as amateur fishermen. Two bike trails are now open: Rend Lake Bike Trail provides guests with 10 miles of scenic trails surrounding one of Illinois' largest man-made lakes. Each and every mile is packed with memories waiting to happen. Tunnel Hill State Trail stretches for 45 miles from Harrisburg to Karnak. The name derives from the 543 feet long tunnel. The 21 picturesque trestles, which range in length from 34 to 430 feet, feature decking and side rails which entice trail users to stop. For more information, contact the Region 5 office, Department of Natural Resources, 11731 State Highway 37, Benton, IL 62812;

Contact Information

618.435.8138

www.dnr.state.il.us

St. François State Park

On U.S. 67 in St. Francois County Bonne Terre, MO, 63628

Consisting of the rugged Pike Run Hills surrounding Coonville Creek and along Big River is the 2,734-acre park. Big River offers swimming, fishing, and boating. The park is a popular put-in for Big River float trips to Washington State Park, 24 miles away. The Coonville Creek Wild Area, a special portion of the park, can be explored by horseback or on foot. Hiking, camping, and picnicking are all available.

Contact Information

573.358.2173

www.dnr.state.mo.us/dsp/stfrancois.htm

St. Joe State Park

Near Park Hills on U.S. 32 in St. Francois County Park Hills, MO, 63601

St. Joe State Park, with 8,237 acres, is Missouri's third largest state park. St. Joe is located in the heart of the Old Lead Belt in southeast Missouri, where much of the nation's lead ore was extracted from deep shaft mines beneath the park for nearly half a century. In 1972, St. Joe Minerals Corp. ceased operations here and subsequently donated the land to the state. The wooded, rugged portions of the park provide opportunities for hiking, picnicking, and camping. Approximately 2,000 acres of the mined area of the park has been set aside for off-road vehicle use. Monsanto Lake, located in the center of the park, has an excellent swimming beach. Other areas of the park contain an 11 mile paved bicycle trail and 15 miles of equestrian trails with an Equestrian Camping Area. (Also see Missouri Mines State Historic Site.)

Contact Information

573.431.1069

www.dnr.state.mo.us/dsp/stjoe.htm

St. Louis Cardinals Hall Of Fame Museum

Within the International Bowlng Museum, across the street from the Busch Stadium ticket lobby 111 Stadium Plaza, St. Louia, MO, 63102

Covering over a century of St. Louis baseball history, the Cardinals Hall of Fame Museum is the official repository of Cardinals memorabilia and artifacts. If you love baseball, this collection is sure to bring back great moments in Cardinals history. In addition to legendary Redbirds like Rogers Hornsby, Dizzy Dean, Stan Musial, Bob Gibson, Lou Brock and Ozzie Smith, the museum also features displays on Mark McGwire's record setting 70 HR in 1998 including his show-stopping 1962 Cardinal red corvette. The car was given to Mark on September 8, 1998 when he hit the 62nd home run that shattered the previously held record by Roger Maris. Learn about the other St. Louis major league clubs - the American League Browns and the Negro National League Stars. New memorabilia on display in many cases. See two

sports museums with one admission. Group rates for 25 or more. Tour historic Busch Stadium as part of your event. Call ahead for reservations and scheduling.

Hours During baseball season: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Sunday Cardinals home evening games, until 6:30 p.m. Winter hours (October through March) 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. Last admissions sold 30 minutes before closing.

Contact Information

314.231.6340

www.stlcardinals.com



Various locations

SKYWARN training teaches severe weather observation skills, reporting techniques, and prepares the observer to function as a severe weather "spotter". Through study of cloud formations, developing states of tornadoes, and related weather phenomena, students are prepared to determine which clouds are dangerous and which are not. Lecture, audiovisual resources, and descriptive handout material are used in the instructional process. Severe weather safety is discussed as is proper reaction to severe weather. Basic and advanced classes are offered and each is three hours in length. Attendance at public training sessions is encouraged, and these are held at locations throughout St. Louis County in March and April. Special "basic" training programs can be scheduled for groups of 35 or more. Minimum age 10-12. Training certification and spotter "ID" numbers are provided. Spring training schedules are available by December.

Admission No cost **Contact Information**

314.615.5362.

www.bengalhome.com/skywarn

Michael_Redman@stlouisco.com

St. Louis Embroidery

Off Highway 94 South 1759 Scherer Parkway, St. Charles, MO,

Go through the actual process in which the patches are designed and manufactured. You will see how what started out as just an idea can be produced into an actual patch by use of the Schiffli looms (the only ones found in the Midwest). See the many Boy Scout patches that were produced by St. Louis Embroidery in over our 100 years in business.

Hours Tours conducted by appointment only; Tuesday through Thursday, 2 p.m.

Contact Information

314.946.5231

stlemb@aol.com

St. Louis Fire Department

1421 N Jefferson, St. Louis, MO, 63106

Tours are offered for children 10 years and older in groups of 20 or less. Children under 10 years of age must have one adult for every sixth child.

Contact Information

314.289.1933

stlouis.missouri.org/government/firdep.html (BAD URL)

St. Louis Mercantile Library Association at UMSL - Thomas Jefferson Library 8001 Natural Bridge Rd, St. Louis, MO, 63121

St. Louis Mercantile Library Association At The University Of Missouri-St. Louis - Thomas Jefferson Library Founded in 1846, it is the oldest, circulating library west of the Mississippi River. In addition to a large collection of rare books, specializing in general Americana, the American West, railroading, and river transportation, the Library holds a large photo print collection of national significance. The 19th century Main Reading Room contains fine neo-classical American Marble statuary, colorful prints, and the artwork of George Catlin, George Caleb Bingham, and others. Open for public visitation. Tours for groups of 10 to 15. Ages: 11 years on. Contact person: Laura L. Diel, Events Coordinator.

Contact Information

314.516.7242

www.umsl.edu/mercantile

St. Louis Science Center

5050 Oakland Avenue, St. Louis, MO

Science comes alive with 650+ free hands-on exhibits dealing with aviation, technology, ecology and environment, human biology, genetics and more. Also gallery demonstrations, life-size robotic dinosaurs, underground tunnel exhibit. James S. McDonnell Planetarium offers a space station experience and night sky demos. Ticketed areas are: Planetarium's space station, OMNIMAX Theater, Discovery Room. Other programs: overnight camping, Boy Scout weather badge workshops. Also, 3 indoor places to eat, two gift shops

Hours Call for current information.

Operating Schedule Closed Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. Extended hours in summer. **Contact Information**

800.456.SLSC

314.289.4444

www.slsc.org

Taum Sauk Mountain State Park

8 miles south of Ironton on Highway CC Ironton, MO, 63650

Taum Sauk Mountain State Park encompasses the highest point in Missouri (1,772 feet), as well as the tallest wet-weather waterfall (132 feet). A portion of the 500-mile Ozark Trail passes near the high point. Valued for both wilderness qualities and natural biological and geologic treasures, the 6,888-acre park makes up much of the St. Francois Mountains Natural Area. Picnic area. Twelve basic campsites. Scout area fee \$1/person/night. For reservations, call Johnson's Shut-Ins State Park at 573-546-2450. Water available April 1 - October 31

Contact Information

573.546.2450

www.mostateparks.com/taumsauk.htm

Temple Israel

Ladue and Spoede Rds #1 Rabbi Alvan D. Rubin Drive, St. Louis, MO, 63141

A modern complex housing one of the country's outstanding reform Jewish congregations. Tours of the Temple, including an excellent display of art and artifacts, may be arranged through the Associate Rabbi. Arrangements also may be made for small groups to attend a regular Sabbath service on Friday evening.

Contact Information

314.432.8050

Trail of the Tears State Park

Located in Cape Girardeau County 10 miles east of Fruitland, off I-55 and Mo. 177 Jackson, MO, 63755

Limestone bluffs towering more than 600 feet above the Mississippi River and mixed hardwood forests covering the extremely rugged hills are characteristic of this 3,416 acre park. A portion of this wilderness was once part of the route known as the "Trail of Tears," a trail taken by Cherokee Indians in their forced march to the west. Camping, lake swimming, hiking, and horseback riding trails on the 10-mile Peewah backpacking trail are offered at Trail of Tears.

Contact Information

573.334.1711

www.dnr.state.mo.us/dsp/trailoftears.htm

Turner Katy Trail Shelter

Corner of Front and Wheeler in Tebbetts, MO (12 miles east of Jefferson City on Hwy. 94.) Tebbetts, MO

The main purpose of the shelter is to provide low cost, comfortable lodging for chaperoned youth groups that are hiking or bicycling on the KATY Trail.

Contact Information

800.575.2322

United Nations Assoc./Unicef Materials For Scouts

Resource for Badge Requirements:

I. THE WORLD OF PEOPLE - Reference Library provides materials about foreign countries and their people. Books, videos, flags, and culture kits are available on such topics as music, art, festivals, geography, government and languages of a variety of countries.

II. WORLD UNDERSTANDING - UNA/UNICEF LIBRARY contains information about international organizations. The UN, its member nations, its agencies and work are highlighted. Books, films, and posters on world issues and special days of celebration (UN Day, and Human Rights Day) are available. Resources may be used by troop leaders and Scouts. Resource assistance: UNA/UNICEF LIBRARY is available by appointment to Scouts in specialized research about the United Nations, UNICEF, other countries and customs.

Contact Information

314.721.1961

www.unastl.org unastl@aol.com

Washington State Park

10 miles south of DeSoto on Hwy. 21 DeSoto, MO, 63020

Located in the forest lands of the eastern Ozarks, the 1,800 acres, now known as Washington State Park, once were ceremonial grounds for prehistoric Indians. Today, the petroglyphs (or rock carvings), remnants of the unique Indian culture, are a special attraction in the park. The park has a modern swimming pool, and the Big River, which borders the park, provides opportunities for canoeing and fishing. The Thunderbird Lodge Store, kitchen-equipped cabins, shaded camping sites, backpacking and hiking trails are located in the park.

Contact Information

314.586.0322

www.dnr.state.mo.us/dsp/washington.htm

Wild Canid Center

At Washington University's Tyson Research Center, Beaumont/Antire Road (exit 269) on Interstate 44, Across Interstate 44 from Beaumont Scout Reservation.

P. O. Nox 760, Eureka, MO, 63025

Nestled amidst 2,500 acres of Tyson Research Center, the Wild Canid Center, known locally as the Wolf Sanctuary, is the premier in wolf conservation, education and research. The educational focus of our tours and programs is the biology, ecology, status, and recovery of endangered species of wolves and other wild canids worldwide. Education programs and tours are tailored to the age and grade levels of the audience. Advanced reservation is required for all visits and outreach programs. Day trips to the Wild Canid Center can be arranged. The two-hour program/tour combines classroom time with an outdoor tour. The program incorporates a "Discovery Box" (pelts, skulls, radio collars and other artifacts) and audio-visual aids. The tour can also be scheduled without the introductory program. We offer Outreach Programs for Scouts who would like a wolf program at their meetings. Fees are based on the distance the program site is from the Wild Canid Center. A summer day camp, Camp Rendezvous is offered for young Scouts, ages 6 through 10, who would like to learn more about wolves and other endangered species. A Junior Keeper Program is also offered as a summer day camp for Scouts ages 10 through 13, extending the material taught at Camp Rendezvous. For more information about these programs call the Wild Canid Center Education Department, Campfires and Wolf programs: The Wild Canid Center's evening programs are very popular with Scouts of all ages and offered on selected dates from January through April and September through December (listed in the council newsletter, the Duffle Bag.) Service projects are available and encouraged for Eagle Scout projects.

Hours The Wild Canid Center is open year round by appointment, except for the month of May. The first Sunday in October is the annual Open House. No reservations needed for this day.

Contact Information

636.938.5900

www.wolfsanctuary.org edu@wolfsanctuary.org

Williamson (III.) County Museum

The museum features indian artifacts, antiques, and authentic jail cells, a record of bygone days. The "Old Jail" was built in 1913 and contains seventeen rooms of exhibits, including an old-fashioned schoolroom, military room and doctor's office. The genealogical library is well stocked and open to anyone who wishes to research their family roots. A book store is also on the premises filled with research material and history of Williamson County. Donations for tours are accepted. Group tours are available after hours or when the Museum is open. Please call ahead if more than ten in a group.

Admission \$2.00 for adults, \$1.00 for children under 12

Hours March - November, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. (9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. every third Thursday)

Contact Information
618.997.5863

www.thewchs.com

charla@thewchs.com



"A Scout is never taken by surprise;

he knows exactly what to do when anything unexpected happens."

-Lord Baden-Powell

HAVE FUN CAMPING!

Resources and References

Age-Appropriate Guidelines for Scouting Activities, No. 18-260 (available at www.scouting.org)

Boosting Camp Staff Morale, No. 20-302

Boy Scout Handbook, No. 34554

Boy Scout Outdoor Program brochure, No. 18-954

Camp Accreditation: Cub Scout/Boy Scout Resident Camp

Accreditation Kit, No. 430-108 (council only)

Camp Health and Safety, No. 19-308 (council only)

Camp Leadership—Youth Protection Begins With You, No. 623-127

Camp Program and Property Management, No. 20-920B

Camping and Outdoor Program Committee Guide, No. 34786

Camping Publications List, No. 20-300

Campmasters—Key Scouters in Weekend Camping, No. 20-100 (available at www.scouting.org)

The Council, No. 33071

Council Family Camping Staff Training Guide, No. 13-468 (council only)

Cub Scout Outdoor Program Guidelines, No. 510-631 (available at www.scouting.org)

Cub Scout Visitation Team Training Guide, No. 13-107 (council only)

District/Council Health and Safety Support Literature, No. 19-400

Family Camping Resources, No. 13-813 (council only)

Fieldbook, No. 33104

A Handbook for District Operations, No. 34739

Health and Safety Guide, No. 34415

Here's Venturing, No. 33466A

Leave No Trace, No. 430-105 (available at www.scouting.org)

Leave No Trace, Frontcountry Guidelines (Cub Scout), No. 13-032A (available at www.scouting.org)

Local Council Strategic Planning—A Workbook for Success, No. 30535

Maintenance Checklist, No. 96-163

A Marketing Strategy for Cub Scout Camping Growth, No. 13-623

Nationally Approved Historic Trails, No. 20-135 (available at www.scouting.org)

National Standards for Council High-Adventure Bases and

Specialty Adventure Programs, No. 430-120 (council only)

National Standards for Council-Organized Family Camps, No. 430-408 (council only)

National Standards for Cub Scout/Boy Scout Resident

Camps (current year), No. 430-111 (council only)

National Standards for Local Council Accreditation of Cub Scout/Webelos Scout Day Camps for Precamp and Operational Accreditation, No. 430-109 (council only)

Order of the Arrow promotion packet, No. 423-557 (council only)

OSHA Laws That Affect Camps and Conferences, No. 19-450A

Pack Overnighter Site Approval Form, No. 13-508

Passport to High Adventure, No. 34245

Precamp/Postcamp Inspection Checklist, No. 430-310 (council only)

Preparing Troop Leadership for Summer Camp, No. 20-114

Progress Chart, No. 34847A

Project COPE and Climbing/Rappelling National Standards (current year), No. 430-008 (council only)

Project COPE manual, No. 34371

Promote Boy Scout Resident Camp in the District, No. 20-134

Resident Camping for Cub Scouting, No. 13-33814 (council only)

http://scoutmastercg.com/ *** Excellent Podcasts!! ***

Shooting Sports for Cub Scouting, No. 13-550

Staff Training and Parent Orientation Guide, No. 13-167 (council only)

Strategic Planning for Council Camp Properties, No. 20-940 (available at www.scouting.org)

Summer Camp Staff Training and Development, No. 20-115A (council only)

Teaching Leave No Trace, No. 21-117 (available at www.scouting.org)

Topping Out, No. 32007

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