

" REGISTRATION FORM "

NORTH VALLEY WEBELOS WINTER EVENT

Winter Event Date: Saturday February 7, 2009
Registrations Due: January 30, 2009
Registration Fee: \$5.00 per Scout
Payment: ***Checks payable to Minsi Trails Council***

Mail To: Minsi Trails Council - BSA
North Valley Webelos Winter Event
PO Box 20624, Lehigh Valley, PA 18002-0624

Questions? If you have any questions or need more information, please feel free to contact:

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Please fill in all information:

Pack # _____

Adult Leaders & Phone # _____

Total # of boys _____ (Boys will go in groups of 4-6)

- Packs must have at least one adult per team
- 1st & 2nd year Webelos may be on same team
- There will be NO registrations taken day of event
- Winter Event is held rain/shine/warm/cold

See attached papers for Winter Event details & rules.

"IMPORTANT INFORMATION"

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| LOCATION | Bicentennial Park - East Allen Township (West entrance on Colony Drive) | | |
| TIMES | Check In | 8:15-8:45 AM | At Main Pavilion |
| | Opening Ceremony | 8:45 AM | At Flagpole |
| | Awards Ceremony | 3:15 PM | At Flagpole |

REGISTRATION

Advanced registrations ONLY. *See attached registration form for details.*

TEAMS

Boys will go in "teams" of **4-6 Webelos** (1st and 2nd year Webelos may be on the same team)
Webelos ONLY - no younger boys please.

WHAT TO WEAR

The Winter Event is held regardless of the weather so dress appropriately! Suggested clothes: Warm layers of clothing under heavy coat/snowsuit- warm gloves- winter hat -scarf - snow/insulated boots (No Sneakers, it gets real muddy!) -Raingear. Remember that cold, wet boys = miserable boys. Have them dress properly.

LUNCH & WHAT TO BRING

1. **Food** - is NOT provided - Each team must start their own fire and cook their own lunch. Simple cold weather meals are suggested (Soup, Hotdogs, Foil Pack meals, Pasta, Fruit, Hot Chocolate, etc.) Some part of the meal should be cooked in a container over a wood/charcoal the fire. There is NO running water.
2. **Cookware** – depending on what you're cooking, you'll need pots/lids, pot holder, ladle, knife, cups, eating utensils, plates, napkins, water to put out fire, paper towels, soap, sponges, bucket, garbage bags.
3. **Fires**– Fires are only to be started in designated areas that will be pointed out to you at check in. Tinder/kindling/fuel must be used (charcoal or wood – but no lighter fluid, paper, lint, etc.) and small grill (fires are NOT to be put directly on ground). Open grate grills, hibachis, mortar pans, small barrels work well. Remember matches, shovel, metal can to bring ashes home in. **NO Propane Stoves**. The object is to encourage boys to start the fire with little assistance.
4. **Chairs** - There are limited places to sit for lunch - camp style folding chairs are easiest to carry.
5. Gear can be left in vehicles until lunch. The parking is close to the lunch area. It saves time if an adult unloads gear while teams are at last station prior to lunch.

CLEAN UP

Nothing is to be left at the park, including trash and fire remains. Please plan to bring ALL of your garbage home with you. Park dumpsters are not to be used since there is no winter maintenance.

PARKING – Parking is NOT permitted on the grass. Please reminder your adults to park in the lots only and not on the grass.

DIRECTIONS TO BICENTENNIAL PARK (WEST SIDE)

From Rt 22

Airport Road NORTH for approx. 3 ½ miles - Turn LEFT at light onto Snowdrift Road (just past LT Enterprise Foreign Car Repair & Judith Ladonis State Farm) - Turn LEFT at stop sign onto Colony Drive - Park entrance is 1.3 miles on right (just past the 4th stop sign).

From Northampton

Rt 329 to Weaversville Road (head south at the old Kopper Penny) - Turn LEFT onto Colony Drive (just past Weaversville Correctional Center) - Park entrance is on left.

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"THE EVENTS "

TEACHING STATIONS *(no preparation needed)*

Basic First Aid

Teams will learn Basic First Aid while earning Readyman requirements 3,4 and 5.

Compass Course

Teams will learn how to use a compass and follow a basic compass course.

Lashing

Teams will learn basic lashing skills.

Map Reading

Teams will learn basic road map reading.

SKILLED STATIONS *(prior knowledge is needed)*

Tent Pitching

Teams will hang a "tent" (tarp) between 2 trees with ropes. Prior knowledge of the following knots is required: 2-half hitches, tautline hitch, and clove hitch.

Toxic Waste Disposal

Teams are to move a can of "toxic waste" (water) from one point to another by using several long ropes.

Scout Lore

Teams are given a written test on topics such as the Boy Scout Oath and Law and the Outdoor Code. All information is taken from the Webelos Handbook. Leaders are to offer NO assistance to boys. They may use their handbook if they want. Test results will be given to leaders at end of day.

Ice Rescue

Teams are to rescue a "drowning victim" by tying several short pieces of rope together to make one long piece. Prior knowledge of the following knots is required: Bowline, Square Knot and Sheet Bend.

OTHER STATIONS

Mystery Station

Three Man Snowshoe

Teams are to travel with "snowshoes" (2x6 boards) a specified distance.

Klondike Sled Race

Teams will pull a Klondike Derby Sled a specified distance.

RULES OF CONDUCT

- Leaders may not physically assist the boys at any station but are encouraged to cheer on their boys (exception: leaders may not speak to boys at all at Scout Lore).
- Leaders are not to yell at their boys or argue with personnel running the stations.
- Everyone must follow the Scout Law: A Scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent.
- Fires must be "cold out" after lunch.
- All trash and fire remnants must be taken home.
- No trash may be put in park dumpsters since there is no winter maintenance.
- Webelos are not to carry knives.
- Everyone is to have FUN ☺
- Please read ALL information prior to event.

PREPARING YOUR BOYS FOR WINTER EVENT

Spend den meetings in December/January practicing knots and reviewing the Webelos handbook.

Hold a "Practice Day" to practice fire starting, tent pitching, ice rescue, snowshoe, etc.

Have them practice no matter the weather since the Winter Event goes on rain, snow, shine, warm or cold.

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