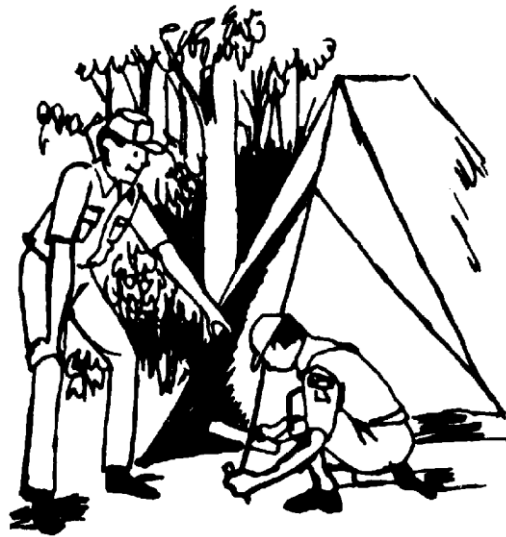


**Crossroads of America Council
Del-Mi District**

WEBELOS ENCAMPMENT

2008



**Again this year: Separate Programs for
First and Second Year Webelos**

Camp Kikthawenund

October 10-12, 2008

This Encampment is presented by:
Prairie Valley Ember – Firecrafter
Quanasita Chapter - Order of the Arrow



Del-Mi District Webelos Encampment October 10-12 Camp Kikthawenund



This camporee is the result of a joint effort between youth Firecrafter and Order of the Arrow members in the Del-Mi District.

REGISTRATION: The registration fee for youth is \$7.00 per person. Adults are free. Adult patches will be available at a cost of \$2.00. Registration will take place in the Dining Hall Friday night, between 5:00 and 9:00, and Saturday morning between 8:00 and 10:00. Please complete the Registration Form in this packet, including the roster, and bring it with you to the Encampment.

A \$25 reservation fee must be submitted with your pre-registration. This can be applied to unit registration fees. If your unit cancels before October 1, this reservation fee will be returned. Make checks payable to Prairie Valley Firecrafter.

MEDICAL FORMS: ALL participants must have a class 1 medical form to be turned in at registration. No one will be allowed to stay overnight without this form. A copy is provided in this packet. Please copy it for all your participants.

PRE-REGISTRATION: All Patrols should Pre-Register using the form in this packet. This is necessary to allow us to prepare for your arrival. **If you do not Pre-Register, camping space could be a problem.**

PARENT PERMISSION FORMS: Each unit is encouraged to obtain parent permission for each Scout attending the event. This provides you with emergency phone numbers and provides parents with information about the event. A sample is provided in this packet.

VEHICLE PASSES: Packs are encouraged to use the wheeled carts to take equipment back to campsites. Each unit will receive ONE vehicle pass for the purpose of hauling a trailer to the campsite. The pass **may not** be transferred to other vehicles. After dropping the trailer all vehicles must return to the parking lot and the pass returned to the registration desk. Trailers are allowed to stay in the campsites; however, **NO VEHICLES WILL BE ALLOWED TO REMAIN IN THE CAMPSITES.** No vehicles will be allowed to drive back to the campsites after 9 pm on Friday, anytime on Saturday, or before 9:30 on Sunday.

CAMPSITES: Units will have to share campsites. We've had excellent cooperation in the past, but wanted to make you aware that you might have close neighbors. Your Pre-Registration will help us plan the best fit for all.

AWARDS will be handed out at the Scouts' Own service. If you don't attend, you will need to pick them up at the next Roundtable.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this event is to give Webelos Scouts the opportunity to experience outdoor activities similar to the Camporees that take place in Boy Scouts; overnight weekend camping with advancement opportunities, fellowship, and fun.

CAMPFIRE

There will be a main campfire Saturday night at 7:45. Each pack **may** contribute a skit, song, etc. to the program. All skits and songs will be previewed for appropriateness and to avoid duplication during lunchtime on Saturday.

PROGRAM

The program for the Encampment will be similar to 2007, with separate programs for the first and second year Webelos. Hopefully, this will accommodate the different skill levels between the age groups. We are not focusing on advancement related skills as much as we are skills that the Webelos will need to be successful in Boy Scouts. Many of these skills are part of the Webelos advancement, but we are not working on a specific activity badge. We are striving to make the Encampment activities more hands-on than ever before. The patrols will visit stations in a *Round Robin* fashion. For Webelos I, areas of activity will include knot-tying, fire building (a relay from gathering the wood to fire out), a game, two model campsites (patrol and backpacking), and nature (with plant identification). For Webelos II, activities include advanced knots, fire building (without the matches), a map and compass course (using topographical maps of Ransburg [the Boy Scout camp]), knife safety and usage, and a game. We will be having a scavenger hunt during free time for all the Scouts. There will be presentations about both Firecrafter and Order of the Arrow, the older-Scout programs in Crossroads. There will be a campsite judging competition held Saturday afternoon. Criteria are included in this packet. Please check the Campsite Grading form carefully; criteria have changed this year. (Most Camporees have a campsite inspection included in the events. This will be an introduction for your Scouts.) This year information will be distributed via handouts or announcements **at flags**, to allow adults to stay with their Scouts.

Dens are to provide all meals for their Scouts. If assistance is needed to plan these meals, contact Sally Byer. **Please**, don't skip the Encampment because cooking out scares you!

If you have questions or need explanations, contact Sally Byer, Firecrafter Ember Advisor at 317-432-6757 (cell with VM) or SallyByer@gmail.com or Dawn Sowers, Order of the Arrow Chapter Advisor, at scoutmom.dawn@sbcglobal.net.

Questions and Answers

Will tents be set up in the campsites? What about youth protection?

No, you need to bring your own tents. Youth protection rules will be in effect—an adult can only sleep with his/her own son. Two same sex adults can sleep together, a husband/wife can sleep together, and two youth can sleep together.

We'd like to send an advance team to K before the designated registration time of 5:00. Can we do that?

It's a great idea to set up in the daylight. However, this is a volunteer project, and we all have jobs or school. The earliest we can be ready to register is 5:00. Welcome to the world of Boy Scouting—we set up in the dark. We will have lots of older Scouts available to help you set up tents, etc.

I'd like to eat. What is the word on food?

Basically, if you want to eat, you'll need to plan and prepare it. You may want to think about a snack each night at bedtime—being outdoors makes you hungry! Please, don't let food planning scare you away. Talk to a Scouter, or give us a call. We'll help you plan easy, kid-friendly meals.

What about down time?

There won't be much down time, but there will be some. If you'd like to sit on something other than the ground, bring a (soccer) chair.

I don't like bugs much. How can I prepare?

You are going to be camping; there are going to be bugs. Having said that, use a repellent which really works. Deet is generally accepted as providing the best protection around, and you need **non-aerosol cans** only. Examples include Cutters Backwoods Insect Repellent and Deep Woods Off, among others. Aerosols hurt tents, and can turn into bombs if thrown into fires.

Why do you have a health history in the packet? I had a physical for camp.

Everyone in camp (adults too) will need a health history. While we hope to have medical staff at the Encampment, it is your responsibility to be prepared to deal with whatever medical issue comes your way. Our plan is to have an EMT or paramedic to support you, but you need to understand that this is a luxury that is not required by Crossroads of America Council. Nevertheless, standard Scouting protocols include a medical history, so we require it. Please make sure that nobody has changed a significant medication, or had something new come up since the last time you thought about asking. If you have a medical form from camp, as long as the parent signed it within the last year, it will work. Otherwise, a history is fine. We really need to know about allergies, medications, permission to treat, and how to get in touch with a parent in an emergency.

Do you have any hints about gear?

You bet. It's starting to get cold (or at least cool) at night, and there's nowhere to go inside to get warm. Think layers. Bring hats and gloves, long pants, and enough socks (and shoes) to have dry feet at all times. When you are outside for 48 hours, you can get cold. If there's the slightest possibility for rain, bring rain gear! Please, make sure that **no** Scout brings a "slumber party" sleeping bag—it simply isn't warm enough.

How dark is it in the woods at night?

Really dark. Make sure that everyone brings a flashlight or headlamp—and extra batteries for the boys. If they are available (check with your friendly Scout Troop), a couple of lanterns for your campsite could be helpful.

What's the story on fires?

Kids (of all ages) love fires. This is not state park camping, and in our Scout camps we follow minimum impact camping guidelines as much as possible. Therefore, there are no campfire rings. This does not mean that you cannot have a campfire—you simply have to do it safely. The minimum impact piece means **no pit**, and if you choose to put stones around the fire area, they need to be returned to their original site at the end of the campout. The area around your campfire needs to be cleared of leaves, brush, etc. There is firewood available to be gathered at camp. You may have to go a little distance, but it is there. **Fires need to be kept under control**. There is **no need** for a huge fire to cook marshmallows or for "effect". A small fire should do it. In addition, fires **must be attended** at all times! Any fire found unattended will be extinguished.

Are there grills?

Only if you bring one. If you need one to cook on, you are more than welcome to bring one.

Will there be carts available?

Yes, but...a limited number. Please bring them back promptly, so that others may use them.

May we drive cars back to the campsite?

Yes, **but** one car, one trip. There will be parking passes to enforce this! Plan ahead (take a big car and pack it solid in the parking lot), and plan to use the carts or just "hoof it". It's the Scouting way...and goes back to the Minimum Impact idea.

So, just what are the sanitation options?

Most of the time, you will be using pit latrines (again, it's the Scouting way). This is only a weekend campout, so you need to plan on taking your shower when you get home on Sunday.

I still have other questions... Give Sally an e-mail (SallyByer@gmail.com) or call (h) 877-0776 or (cell) 432-6757. Dawn actually has more hands-on experience at K than Sally, so try her at scoutmom.dawn@sbcglobal.net

Encampment Schedule

Friday, October 10, 2008

5:00-9:00	Registration & Camp Setup
9:00	Order of the Arrow interpretation and night hike
10:30	Lights out

Saturday, October 11, 2008

7:00-8:45	Breakfast & Clean Up
8:00-10:00	Late Registration
8:45	Flag Raising
9:00-10:10	First Activity Period
10:15-11:25	Second Activity Period
11:30-1:10	Lunch--Webelos could cook lunch for Outdoorsman Requirement # 6 (if needed)
1:15-2:25	Third Activity Period
2:30-3:40	Fourth Activity Period
3:45-4:55	Fifth Activity Period
5:00	Flag Lowering
5:10-7:40	Dinner & Clean Up—also a great time to practice your contribution to the main campfire
8:00	Main Campfire
10:30	Lights out

Sunday, October 12, 2008

7:00-9:00	Breakfast & Clean Up
9:00	Scouts Own Service (non-denominational worship—a Scout is reverent)
9:45-10:30	Checkout & Campsite Inspection (you must be inspected—we will not be doing this during Scouts Own). This is when you will receive your medical forms and your patches.
11:00	All Units Have Vacated Camp

Campsite Grading Criteria

Standard	Possible	Earned
Tents:		
Neatness. Do they look good? Are they in rows or otherwise aligned?	5 points	
Location. Is it safe (no dead trees or limbs that may fall)? Are they in a depression where water will collect?	5 points	
Setup. Are tents correctly set up? Are the ground cloths underneath (and properly folded to keep the Scouts dry)?	10 points	
Dining and Cooking Area:		
Safety. Are foods and utensils stored in appropriate, safe places? Are coolers properly iced?	10 points	
Stoves. Is the stove or fire that you are using for cooking safely away from flammable materials? Is its positioning safe (is it stable so it won't tip over)?	10 points	
Fire:		
Location. Is the fire in the designated fire area if there is one? Is the fire safely located if not? Are minimum impact standards being followed?	10 points	
General Campsite:		
Cleanliness. Is all trash picked up? Even if it is not from you, clean it up.	10 points	
Leave no trace. Are these principles being followed?	5 points	
First aid. Is there a proper first aid kit readily available to everyone?	10 points	
Camp gadget. Are there gadgets made with knots and lashings? (5 points each up to 10 total)	Max. 10	
Scout Spirit. Is there an entrance to your campsite pertaining to your Pack or Den? Are the American Flag and your Pack flag displayed? Strut your stuff! Show your Spirit!	Max. 15 points	
Total	100	

Safety first! Fires must be attended or put out cold. If we find an unattended fire in your campsite, it will be extinguished by our staff.

Always remember that you are camping to have fun in the great outdoors. Please be respectful to others as well as to nature; do not leave any trash behind and try to preserve the area as much as you can. Be considerate of those who are camping around you: keep the noise down and be respectful of their space. Have a great time, and enjoy yourself at this Encampment

Del-Mi District
Webelos Encampment
Reservation Form
(Please return by October 1, 2008)

We are excited about coming to this year's Webelos Encampment at Camp Kikthawenund on October 10-12. We anticipate bringing about _____ Scouts and _____ adults. Enclosed is our deposit of \$25 to ensure our participation.

Patrol _____ First Year _____ or Second Year _____
Pack: _____
Adult Leader: _____
Position: _____
Phone _____
E-Mail _____

Mail to:
Roy and Sally Byer
204 Sedwick Court
Noblesville, IN 46062-9083

or e-mail same information to SallyByer@gmail.com

Make checks payable to Prairie Valley Firecrafter

PERMISSION FORM – Webelos Encampment

On October 12-14, our Pack will participate in the Del-Mi District Webelos encampment at Camp Kikthawenund. For your son's protection, please read the following, fill in the requested information, and return it to your Webelos leader. Retain the top portion for your records. In the event of an emergency, you may contact us at the camp (765) 552-7400 or at Sally Byer's cell phone (317) 432-6757. Please include your unit number and Cubmaster's name when leaving a message.

Waiver of Responsibility

Del-Mi District, Boy Scouts of America

Webelos Encampment

In consideration of the benefits to be derived, and in view of the fact that the Boy Scouts of America is an educational institution, membership in which is voluntary, and having full confidence that every precaution will be taken to ensure the safety and well being of my child, namely: _____, on the activity named above, I agree to his/her participation and waive all claims against the leaders of this trip, officers, agents, and representatives of the Boy Scouts of America, and the sponsor.

In the event of an emergency, the Pack unit leader of the activity named above has my permission to obtain medical treatment for this Scout at the nearest hospital or doctor, at my expense, if our own doctor is not readily available. This treatment may include hospitalization, anesthesia, surgery, and/or injections of medication.

ALTERNATE PERSON to contact in an emergency: _____

Phone: _____

My child _____ is on special medication: _____

For _____

The Webelos Encampment Committee has determined that it is the parents' responsibility to ensure that your child takes needed medications on activities. Adult pack leadership will not take this responsibility.

Special conditions and/or restrictions, such as asthma, allergies, strenuous exercise, etc:

If none, please write "NONE"

Date of the latest or last tetanus shot/booster _____

MEDICAL INSURANCE INFORMATION:

Company _____ Policy No. _____

Control no. if group policy _____ Other _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____
(Parent or guardian)

Phone number (days): _____ Evenings: _____

Cell phone or pager: _____

CLASS 1 PERSONAL HEALTH AND MEDICAL HISTORY

To be filled out by parent, guardian or adult participant. Please print in ink.

IDENTIFICATION

Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Age _____ Sex _____

Name of Parent or Guardian _____ Telephone _____

Home Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Business Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

If person above is not available in case of emergency, contact:

Name _____ Relationship _____ Telephone _____

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Name of personal physician _____ Telephone _____

Personal health/accident insurance carrier _____ Policy No. _____

Check all items that apply, **past or present**, to your health history. Explain any "Yes" answers.

ALLERGIES: food, medicines, insects, plants Yes ___ No ___

Explain: _____

GENERAL INFORMATION: Yes No Yes No Yes No

Asthma _____ Diabetes _____ High Blood Pressure _____

Cancer/leukemia _____ Heart Trouble _____ Kidney Disease _____

Convulsions/Seisures _____ Hemophilia _____

Explain: _____

List any medications to be taken at camp: _____

List any physical or behavioral conditions that may affect or limit full participation in swimming, backpacking, hiking long distances, or playing strenuous physical games: _____

List equipment needed such as wheelchair, braces, glasses, contact lenses, etc.: _____

Immunizations: (Give date of last inoculation)

Tetanus toxoid _____ Measles _____ Polio _____

Diphtheria _____ Mumps _____

Pertussis _____ Rubella _____

I give permission for full participation in BSA programs, subject to limitations noted herein.

In case of emergency, I understand every effort will be made to contact me (if an adult, my spouse or next of kin). In the event I cannot be reached, I hereby give my permission to the physician selected by the adult leader in charge to secure proper treatment, including hospitalization, anesthesia, surgery, or injections of medication for my child (or for me, if an adult).

Date _____ Signature of parent/guardian or adult _____

Some hospitals require the parent/guardian signature to be notarized. Check with your BSA local council.

Parent information needs to be signed and dated annually