



WILDERNESS

wil-der-ness (wil'der-nis) *noun* 1. An unsettled, uncultivated region left in its natural condition



2010 Edition

June 20-26

The Troop 380 Wilderness Encampment has become an endeared annual tradition for anyone who has shared in the experience. For more than 40 years the Troop has returned to the Sproul State Forest, to a special haven where the Yost Run empties into the Otzinachson – the West Branch of the Susquehanna River. There the Scouts and leaders of Troop 380 share in a learning experience that is deeply rooted in the fundamentals of scouting lore and the patrol method. It is founded on the same principles established at Brown Sea Island by Scouting's forefather, Lord Baden-Powell.

The "Wilderness" program provides all the necessary ingredients for a Scout to learn and put into practice most of the skill requirements for Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class as found in the Boy Scout Handbook. Wilderness also offers an extensive merit badge program based on Boy Scout "basics" and the outdoors. All other aspects of the Wilderness learning experience offer opportunities for individual growth and promote teamwork through patrol activities. While Wilderness is perfectly safe and well supervised, it is not recommended for first-time campers. Participant Scouts are expected to complete the entire weeklong experience.

Detailed Information

The Wilderness encampment will be held from Sunday, June 20 through Saturday, June 26. The cost to each Scout will be \$120, and covers the cost for meals and incidentals. Each Scout **must** have complete and up-to-date Class 1 and 2 medical forms on file (Class 2 requires a physical exam). Committee Member Ruth Irwin maintains the Troop medical records. Information concerning individual health form status, the updating process, and blank forms can be found on the Troop 380 website at www.troop380boalsburg.org/health.htm.

The Wilderness camp is located in a very remote area approximately four miles upstream (S-SW) from Keating, Pennsylvania, at the inlet of the Yost Run. It is a privately owned area. Many years ago this area was the Fisher farm and homestead. The campsite is inaccessible by most vehicles; a 4-wheel drive vehicle will be available in camp for emergencies. A locked gate prevents entry of unauthorized vehicles.

We will meet at the Pennsylvania Military Museum parking lot on Sunday June 20 at 7:00 A.M. and depart for camp promptly at 8:00 A.M. We will travel to Snow Shoe and pick up Route 144 in Moshannon. After traveling approximately 14 miles toward Renovo, we will turn left onto Fisher Road. Three miles down Fisher Road we will "unload" and hike 1.5 miles into camp. We will remain there for six days. On Saturday, June 26 we will hike 6 miles along Yost Run to the pick up location at Ridge Road. Scouts should be returned to their homes late in the afternoon on Saturday. Committee Member Jim Steff will organize drivers and provide them with detailed driving instructions. Please contact Jim at 466-7227 if you are interested in driving.

This package contains an equipment checklist, merit badge sign-up form, merit badge and skill preparation sheet, menu, and camp schedule. The "Merit Badge Sign-up Form" must be completed and returned to Mr. Sutherland, along with the \$120 fee (checks payable to Troop 380, BSA), **no later than the Tuesday, June 8 troop meeting.**

Scouts **must** obtain merit badge books either by loan through the Troop Librarian, Jared Dailey, or by purchase from the Scout office. Scouts are required to review the Merit Badge and Preparation sheet and complete all pre-requisites prior to arriving at camp! Except for the evening class, emphasis will be placed on rank advancement for those Scouts who have not yet earned First Class. Registered adult leaders and merit badge counselors (Don Waddington, Al Verbanec, Bob Sutherland, Chad Solt, Doug Flipse, Rick Ramsey, Jay Lazorcik, Paul Lallement, Paul Wagner, Craig Karduck and David Himes) will work with the youth leaders in the Troop to administer the merit badge and rank advancement program. The swimming activities every afternoon are supervised events. Bob Sutherland has current water safety instruction and is BSA Lifeguard trained. Matt Antle has current water safety instruction and is American Red Cross Lifeguard trained. No other swimming is otherwise allowed.

Conduct at Wilderness is governed by the guidelines of the Scout Oath, Law, Motto, and Slogan. The Outdoor Code also dictates personal behavior. As such, appropriate and respectful outdoor behavior is expected at all times.

The camp visitation policy is as follows. Visitors for the hike in are welcome, but need to depart within an hour after arrival. Visitors during the week and for the hike out are strongly discouraged. This policy is intended to limit disruption of the program and preserve the Wilderness camp experience and tradition.

Personal Equipment List[♥]

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pack and Frame | <input type="checkbox"/> Shorts, shirts, trousers | <input type="checkbox"/> Sneakers (to wear in river) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping Bag | <input type="checkbox"/> Socks (1 hiking + 4 other) | <input type="checkbox"/> Flashlight |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ground Cloth | <input type="checkbox"/> Underwear | <input type="checkbox"/> Extra batteries |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Raincoat or poncho | <input type="checkbox"/> Scout uniform | <input type="checkbox"/> Pocketknife |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hiking boots/shoes | <input type="checkbox"/> Insect repellent | <input type="checkbox"/> Eating utensils |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jacket or sweatshirt | <input type="checkbox"/> Scout Handbook | <input type="checkbox"/> Matches (No Lighters) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hat or cap | <input type="checkbox"/> Note pad, pencils/pens | <input type="checkbox"/> First aid Kit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Swim Trunks | <input type="checkbox"/> Merit badge books | <input type="checkbox"/> Compass (if you own one) |

Personal Toiletries

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Soap and container | <input type="checkbox"/> Towel (bath size) | <input type="checkbox"/> Toothbrush |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wash cloth (optional) | <input type="checkbox"/> Comb | <input type="checkbox"/> Toothpaste |

Optional

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Ear plugs (swimming) | <input type="checkbox"/> Watch | <input type="checkbox"/> Inner tube/floating device |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Air mattress/ground pad | <input type="checkbox"/> Camera | <input type="checkbox"/> Book |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hammock | <input type="checkbox"/> Craft/Hobby items | <input type="checkbox"/> Folding stool |

Patrol Equipment

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|-------------------------------------|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tents | <input type="checkbox"/> Metal bucket | <input type="checkbox"/> Toilet paper | <input type="checkbox"/> Foil [†] |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dining fly | <input type="checkbox"/> Grill | <input type="checkbox"/> Detergent [†] | <input type="checkbox"/> Paper towels [†] |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ax | <input type="checkbox"/> Dutch oven | <input type="checkbox"/> Brillo/SOS [†] | <input type="checkbox"/> Salt and Pepper [†] |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Saw | <input type="checkbox"/> Rope or twine | <input type="checkbox"/> Plastic sheet/table cloth | <input type="checkbox"/> Latrine Tarps |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cook kit | <input type="checkbox"/> Water containers | <input type="checkbox"/> Small chain to hang pots | <input type="checkbox"/> First Aid Kit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chef kit | <input type="checkbox"/> Plastic dish pans (2-3) | <input type="checkbox"/> Shovel | <input type="checkbox"/> Matches (No Lighters) |

[†] These items will be provided from the supply tent

Prohibited Items

- Electronic equipment of any kind (e.g., cell phones, radios, tape/CD players, video games, etc.). A Scout should be prepared to spend six days "out of touch" with home and modern conveniences and communication, and void from distractions.
- Junk food or similar snacks. Most of the required fee is for food; three hearty meals will be provided each day. Patrols are required to prepare, eat, and cleanup the meals provided.
- Lighters. Matches are permitted. Lighters brought to Wilderness will be confiscated and will NOT be returned, regardless of the make or quality.
- Alcohol, Drugs, and Tobacco.

[♥] **If you carry it in, you must carry it out!**

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Merit Badge Sign-up Form

Name: _____

TIME	SESSION	MERIT BADGES	RANK ADVANCEMENT
09:00	SESSION I	<input type="checkbox"/> Communication Jay <input type="checkbox"/> Cooking (No first year scouts) Doug <input type="checkbox"/> Tracking Al <input type="checkbox"/> Weather Himes	New Scouts Rank Advancement Bob
10:15	SESSION II	<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Science (Chad Don) <input type="checkbox"/> Fire Safety Craig <input type="checkbox"/> Wilderness Survival Doug <input type="checkbox"/> Signaling Rick	
11:30	LUNCH		
12:30	FREE TIME & REST PERIOD		
1:00	SESSION III	<input type="checkbox"/> Camping Paul <input type="checkbox"/> Soil & Water Conservation Don <input type="checkbox"/> Pioneering Rick <input type="checkbox"/> Archery (And Session IV) Chad	New Scouts Rank Advancement Bob
2:15	SESSION IV	<input type="checkbox"/> First Aid Paul <input type="checkbox"/> Citizenship in the World Bob <input type="checkbox"/> Plant Science (Option 3: Field Botany) Don <input type="checkbox"/> Path Finder Rick	
3:30	GAME AND BATH PERIOD		
4:00			
5:00	DINNER AND CLEANUP	<input type="checkbox"/> Cooking (No first year Scouts) Doug	New Scouts Dinner and Cleanup Bob
6:00			
7:00	SESSION V	<input type="checkbox"/> Mammal Study Don <input type="checkbox"/> Indian Lore Al <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Prep. Chad <input type="checkbox"/> Music Rick	New Scouts – Merit Badge Bob

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Merit Badge and Skill Preparation

Merit Badge	Pre-requisite: Prior to arriving at camp...
Archery	None
Astronomy	Complete requirement: 6
Camping	Complete requirements: 2, 4, 7a, 7b
Citizenship in the Nation	Complete requirements: 2, 6
Citizenship in the World	Complete requirements: 1, 2, 6c, 9
Communications	Complete requirements: 5, 7
Cooking	Complete requirements: 7
Emergency Preparedness	Complete requirements: 8a; must have First Aid merit badge
Environmental Science	Complete requirements: 1, 3e (item 1 or 2), 3f (item 1 or 2)
Fire Safety	Complete requirements: 6a, 11
First Aid	Complete requirements: 1; bring two triangular bandages
Fish & Wildlife Mgmt.	Begin requirements: 6, 7
Fishing	Complete requirement 7 for pre-Wilderness fishing trip
Indian Lore	1a
Mammal Study	Complete requirements: 3c, 4c
Photography	Bring: camera, owners manual, 4 rolls of film
Pioneering	Complete requirements: 6 (or bring your rope machine), 7, and know your knots!
Plant Science (Field Botany)	Complete requirement E.
Soil & Water Conservation	Complete requirements: 2d, 3c, 5a, 6d
Weather	Complete requirements: 1a, 8a
Wilderness Survival	Bring fire making equipment and survival kit

Scout	With your parent or guardian, complete the exercises in the pamphlet <i>How to Protect Your Children from Child Abuse: A Parent's Guide</i> , found in the front of the Scout handbook.
Tenderfoot	Complete requirements: 10a, 10b
Second Class	Complete requirements: 2a, 6b, 7b, 7c, 8 (review with family or participate in D.A.R.E.)
First Class	Complete requirements: 3, 5, 9b, 9c, 11

- Each Scout must have their own copy of a current merit badge booklet, which they can obtain either by loan from the Troop Librarian, Jared Dailey, or by purchase from the Council Scout Office or BSA website.
- You MUST review the pre-requisites above for each of your merit badges and complete them prior to camp. You will not receive the merit badge if pre-requisites are incomplete.
- Remember to bring a notebook and pens/pencils to use during merit badge classes.

SUNDAY

Lunch	Bring a bag lunch
Dinner	Dutch oven meal and drink (use a clean Dutch oven or one double-lined with heavy duty foil). 8 Tbsp. cooking oil, 5 c. minute rice, 4 c. pizza sauce, 2 c. water, 4 Tsp. oregano, 1 Tsp. salt, 1 c. (16 oz.) shredded mozzarella cheese, 16 large mushrooms, sliced; and 4 oz. sliced pepperoni (about 64 slices). Line Dutch oven with oil; mix rice, water, sauce, oregano and salt; layer with mushrooms and pepperoni; add cheese. Cover and cook for 30 minutes or until done.

MONDAY

Breakfast	Orange drink, sausage, eggs, Pop Tarts, and cocoa.
Lunch	Grilled cheese sandwich, cup-a-soup, raisins, candy bar, and drink.
Dinner	Barbecued chicken breasts, noodles, gravy, biscuits, vanilla pudding, and drink.

TUESDAY

Breakfast	Orange drink, pancakes, syrup, cocoa, and cooking oil.
Lunch	Riverside Atomic Beans (hamburger, onion soup mix, beans, tomato sauce, mustard), saltines, and drink.
Dinner	Grilled beef, baked potato (in foil), carrot and celery sticks, biscuits, drink, fresh fruit (oranges), and drink.

WEDNESDAY

Breakfast	Orange drink, Canadian bacon, scrambled eggs, biscuits, jelly, cocoa, and oil.
Lunch	Bread, peanut butter, jelly, raisins, candy bar, and drink.
Dinner	Vegetable soup, spaghetti, sauce, grated cheese, chocolate pudding, and drink.

THURSDAY

Breakfast	Orange drink, pancakes, syrup, cocoa, and oil.
Lunch	Beef ravioli, saltines, fruit, M&M's, and drink.
Dinner	Stew (canned meat, fresh potatoes, carrots, and onions), saltines, fruit cup, and drink.

FRIDAY

Breakfast	Orange drink, pancakes, syrup, cocoa, and oil.
Lunch	Leek soup, bread, peanut butter, jelly, and drink.
Dinner	Ham, pineapple, macaroni and cheese, pudding, and drink.

SATURDAY

Breakfast	Orange drink, oatmeal, PopTarts, and cocoa.
Lunch	Trail lunch: saltines, jelly, cheese spread, raisins, Hershey bar, and drink.

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Schedule

TIME	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	
6:30	Hike in on Fisher Road, about 1.5 miles downhill, all the way!	Cooks Call	Cooks Call	Cooks Call	Cooks Call	Cooks Call	Cooks Call	
7:00		Reveille	Reveille	Reveille	Reveille	Reveille	Reveille	
7:15		Breakfast & Cleanup	Breakfast & Cleanup	Breakfast & Cleanup	Breakfast & Cleanup	Breakfast & Cleanup	Breakfast & Cleanup	
9:00		Session I	Session I	Session I	First Timers Hike	Session I	Session I	Break Camp
10:15		Session II • Merit Badges	Session II • Steve Kepler, PA Fish Commission	Session II • Merit Badges • Conservation Project		Session II • Merit Badges • Conservation Project	Session II • Merit Badges • Conservation Project	
11:30	Packed Lunch	Lunch & Cleanup	Lunch & Cleanup	Lunch & Cleanup	Lunch & Cleanup	Lunch & Cleanup	Yost Run Trail: Hike out approximately 6 miles. A gentle upward hike to Rt. 144. Lunch on the trail.	
12:30	Setup Camp	Free Time	Free Time	Free Time	Free Time	Free Time		
1:00		Session III	Session III	Session III	Session III	Session III		
2:15		Session IV	Session IV	Session IV	Session IV	Session IV		
3:30	Fire Places & Latrines	Swim & Bath	Swim & Bath	Swim & Bath	Swim & Bath	Skill Mill		
4:00								
5:00	Dinner & Cleanup	Dinner & Cleanup	Dinner & Cleanup	Dinner & Cleanup	Dinner & Cleanup	Dinner & Cleanup		
6:45	Campsite Inspection	Campsite Inspection	Campsite Inspection	Campsite Inspection	Campsite Inspection	Campsite Inspection		
7:00	Session V	Session V	Session V	Session V	Session V	Session V		
8:00	Chapel	Campfire	Campfire	Fireless Campfire	Game	Campfire		
9:00	PLC	PLC	PLC	PLC	PLC	PLC		
10:00	Taps	Taps	Taps	Taps	Taps	Taps		

Session II Comments:

- Tuesday session is with Steve Kepler from PA Fish and Boat Commission.
 - No merit badges.
 - ALL SCOUTS PARTICIPATE.
- Wednesday through Friday sessions are to continue and complete Conservation projects.
 - ALL SCOUTS NOT TAKING A MERIT BADGE PARTICIPATE.