

Weboree XXVIII – 2017

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Dear Webelos Leader:

On behalf of the entire staff, we welcome you and your pack to Weboree. We have an exciting program planned, and do not want you to miss anything. The enclosed information is designed to help you get the most out of Weboree for your participating scouts and parents/guardians. It includes some of the information previously distributed via e-mail and the Council Website, plus some recent changes.

Please share this information with your participants.

We also request that you complete the enclosed survey form (on YELLOW paper) so that we can make Weboree even better next year. You can leave the survey at the camp office, or return it by mail when you get home.

Enjoy your weekend here at Camp No-Be-Bo-Sco.

Yours in Scouting,
Weboree 2017

Rob Coonce, Leslie Sonkin and Eric Dlugosz
Co-Chairs

April 28, 2017

Welcome to Weboree! Our staff has spent the past year getting ready for this weekend. We have a great program planned for you, your Scouts, and their parents/guardians.

In order to maximize your group's enjoyment of Weboree, please share the following with all of your participants. These are based on questions or situations that have occurred in the past:

- 1.** The unit roster and photo release sheet **MUST** be turned in at registration. If you forgot your roster, ask for a form at the check-in desk. Your patches, hat pins and flag ribbons will not be distributed until you turn in your roster.
- 2.** The rules of Weboree are the Scout Oath, Law, Motto, Slogan, and the Outdoor Code. If you don't know what these are, please review your Webelos Handbook. All participants (including adults) are expected to know the rules.
- 3.** We need your help in maintaining No-Be so that it will be here, and in the same or better condition for future Scouts. Don't litter please. Trash receptacles will be located at strategic locations around camp. Please use them for incidental trash – they are **NOT** for your campsite garbage. Don't forget that a good scout will clean up what others may have dropped.
- 4.** There are many more units at Weboree than there are campsites. Every unit will share a site with at least one other unit, and usually with several units. The operative word is **SHARE**. Please be considerate of the other unit(s) in your site. Picnic tables are for sitting/eating at and for food preparation. They are **NOT** for storage of your gear (doing so will result in other units not having a table). Tent platforms and flat ground are on a first-come priority basis. Please do **NOT** hold spaces for your late arrivals.
- 5.** Cabins will also be shared between units. Please see below for requirements for adults and scouts using cabin facilities.
- 6.** Site and cabin assignments are determined prior to arrival of participants at Weboree, based on known site capacities and registration numbers.
- 7. Private vehicles are not permitted beyond the parking lot into camp for safety reasons.** Please do not ask – the answer will be “no”.
- 8.** Weboree is a “carry-in, carry-out” activity. If you bring it in, please take it back out. That includes **ALL** of your trash. The dumpsters behind the dining hall are restricted for dining hall trash **ONLY**. The dumpster at the QM is for camp debris **ONLY**. Don't forget to bring trash bags!
- 9.** Each unit is responsible for its own meals. Saturday lunch should be a trail lunch that each participant brings with him/her on the trail on Saturday morning. We provide beverage and soup only for Saturday lunch only. You may want to have a small backpack (bookbag works fine) and water bottle.
- 10.** Camp No-Be-Bo-Sco is in a generally undeveloped portion of the state, and abuts state and federal parks and forest properties. As a result, it has its share of critters. They will not bother you if you don't bother them. However, it is critical that you properly store food and dispose of trash. Do not leave food and trash items that will attract the critters, or they will be attracted. The best place is in your vehicles. Remember that this is their home, you are visiting. Check out their tracks and scat, and take photos if you see them, but **PLEASE** leave them alone.
- 11.** All fires at Weboree require a Fire Permit (State Law). Fire Permits can be obtained at the Office from the Campmaster by any responsible adult. A driver license or other acceptable identification must be presented, and the responsible person must be present at all times when a fire is burning. Please keep your fires **SMALL**, and build them **ONLY** in established fire rings. Make sure you have a good supply of water handy before lighting the first match. **SMALL**

charcoal fires are permitted. Propane stoves are permitted. **Liquid fuels are not permitted.** Check the office for any additional fire restrictions.

12. Sanitation:

- The camp water system (potable water) is operating. Water is available at every campsite.
- Latrines – camp latrines will be available at each campsite. We suggest you bring a supply of toilet paper.
- Porta-johns – are located strategically in the program areas.
- **Please help keep the latrines and porta-johns clean so that they can be used all weekend.** Please instruct your Scouts (and adult males if necessary) about the function of the urinals in the latrines and porta-johns (i.e. do NOT use the seat for what can be done at the urinal). This will help tremendously in keeping them useful all weekend.
- **Do not dispose** food waste in the latrines or porta-johns.
- **Do not dispose or leave** food or other “smellables” where they will attract the critters (see 10 above). This will not only avoid problems for YOU, it will also not train the critters that the camp is a good place for an easy meal.
- Camp showers will NOT be operating for Weboree.

13.Alcoholic beverages, fireworks and firearms of all types are prohibited at Camp No-Be-Bo-Sco.

14.We have several certified EMTs on staff, including a health officer who will be stationed at the Health Lodge. We also maintain radio communications at critical locations throughout the camp, including the range, dining hall and Office. If you have an emergency, please contact any staff member.

15.Webelos Scouts are not permitted to carry pocket knives, multi-purpose tools, and similar items that have a cutting edge or point while on the trail on Saturday. Matches, lighters and similar items are also not permitted for the Scouts on the trail. This is for the safety of **ALL** participants and staff. There is no activity that will require these items on the trail. Such items will be confiscated and will require parent/guardian to come to the Office with the Scout for return. We encourage close adult supervision of any knife or fire use by Scouts at other times.

16.Fishing is permitted in Sand Pond. However, for the safety of all No-Be campers, the waterfront swimming area is off-limits for fishing (lost hooks and lures are hazards for swimmers). The off-limits area extends from the stream adjacent to Price Lodge, through the waterfront to the far (south) side of the boathouse.

17.Cutting of any standing wood is prohibited (even if it looks dead).

18.Smokers are requested to do so discretely, if you really must. Take your butts with you (see 9 above).

19.Adults and youth will be in separate groups on the Saturday trail. There will be staff guides for all groups, and adults and youth from the same pack will have the same lunch period.

20.Please be on-time (9:45 a.m.) for the opening assembly on the A-field on Saturday morning. Look for, and line up around, your group’s trail guide. Signs with the group number will be posted. Please line up behind your group sign (on the side away from the flag poles). Group assignments are on the outside of your packet at check-in. **Please bring the group assignment sheet (envelope) with you to opening ceremony.** Note that adults and scouts will be in different groups, but the trail guides for the groups will be next to each other on the A-field. Groups will leave directly from assembly at the end of the opening ceremony. Bring your trail packs (including lunch). You will not have time to go back to your site!

21.Enclosed in this envelope are your trail maps. **Please bring the maps with you to the opening ceremony.** Do Not distribute until you are on the A-field (less chance the scouts will lose them). **The map sheet is your ticket to all daytime Saturday activities, so take care of it.**

22. Also bring your Pack / Den Flags to the opening ceremony. We will have a secure place to leave them adjacent to the A-field. Don't forget to collect them later in the day!

23. We ask that everyone stay with their assigned trail group throughout the day on Saturday. All participants will receive a trail map and schedule from their trail guide. After lunch, we ask that the adults make sure that their Scouts are back with their assigned groups at the dining hall. After lunch assembly points will be announced in the dining hall during lunch.

24. T-shirt screening of the Weboree logo will be done on both Saturday and Sunday mornings at the Dining Hall. (Adults can do one also.) There is a SMALL quantity of blank, light-colored T-shirts if you forgot to bring one. These will be available in the Dining Hall during hours when screening is happening, and at the Trading Post at other times, **UNTIL THEY ARE GONE.**

Before washing screened shirts, the ink must be set. To set the ink, either iron the image area on low heat or put the shirt in the dryer on low heat for 10 minutes. If you do not set the ink, the image will fade much quicker.

25. A Scout is Reverent, and does his duty to God. We will have a Catholic Mass and an all-faiths service Saturday afternoon. See the schedule for exact time. Mass will be in the Dining Hall, all faiths service will be at the Outdoor Chapel (weather permitting) or at Ho-Ho-Kus Lodge if necessary.

26. Cabin assignments will be distributed at the adults meeting in the dining hall on Saturday afternoon. **Cabins are not available for participants until Saturday afternoon.**

27. Every unit is encouraged to participate in the Saturday evening campfire with a song, skit, cheer or ?????? Please bring yours along and sign up on Saturday. Whether you perform or not, please attend the campfire as it is an important part of the program.

28. Please honor our "lights out" time of 11:00 p.m. After "lights out", camp should be quiet so that everyone can get a good night sleep to be ready for the next day's activities.

29. Friday evening (about 8:30 pm), and after the campfire on Saturday evening, we will have a skywatching party at the top of the Cable Cut (parking lot) (weather permitting). You will be surprised how much clearer the sky is at No-Be than at home. A guided tour of the April night sky. Bring a blanket or beach towel, and your telescope if you have one.

30. All Packs must check out with a Campmaster (at Office) prior to departing camp. Before meeting the Campmaster, please make sure that your area is in better condition than when you arrived. Don't forget – carry in, carry out.

31. Two of our planned activities will require a supply of 1-liter and 2-liter soda bottles. We request that every scout bring at least one empty, clean, dry bottle to the opening ceremony on the A-field. We will have a collection point there (you won't have to carry the bottles all day).

32. There will be a leaders' meeting immediately after the campfire on Saturday evening. Please send ONE adult representative for your Pack. Hat pins and ribbons will be distributed at this time. Patches, hat pins and ribbons will not be delivered unless your unit roster and photo release sheet has been turned in at the Office. Additional patches are available at the Trading Post.

33. Lost and Found will be located at the camp Office. Found items can be turned in there or at the Dining Hall, and lost items can be claimed (if they have been found) at the Office.

34. Trading Post: The Trading Post will be open as much as possible – see the separate schedule enclosed. If a Scout comes into the Trading Post and wants to buy something that is on sale (except knives/matches during the day on Saturday), we will sell it. It is up to pack/den leaders and parent/guardians to exercise appropriate control of what you want the Scouts to buy.

35. Please see the enclosed letters regarding climbing wall procedures – regardless of when your unit registered for Weboree. If your unit registered early, your Scouts may have an opportunity to use the climbing wall or one of the ranges.

36.We value your input so that we can make next year's Weboree better than this year's. Please fill out the evaluation form (yellow sheet in this packet) and either drop it off at the Office before you leave camp, or mail it to the Council Service Center when you get home.

37.We are always looking for good photos of what goes on at Weboree. Please share yours – we are putting together a new photo show to display at future council events. If you have some that you want to share (we are especially looking for action shots and pics of in-site activities) - send us an e-mail ASAP to weboree@aol.com with the subject "Weboree Pics"

38.We would also like to have some "real life" experienced Weboree participants to help us promote Weboree – Send an e-mail ASAP to lsonkin248@gmail.com with the subject line "Weboree Launch". Even if you can't help – promote to your unit for next year!!

39.Camp No-Be-Bo-Sco belongs to the Scouts. It is YOUR camp. Please treat it that way. It has been here serving boys just like you for years. Maybe your father or uncles or grandfather or great-grandfather (or maybe all of them) came here when they were about your age. With your help it will be here for another 87 years, and more, and you can come back with your sons and grandsons and

40.Have a great time!

Thank you for participating in Weboree.

Encourage your next-year 4th-grade Webelos leaders to watch for information about next year's

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Weboree 2017 – Climbing Tower Procedure

April 28, 2017

Dear Leader,

Weboree will include a demonstration at Camp No- Be-Bo-Sco's Climbing Tower. In addition, some of scouts will be able to try climbing the tower before and after each day's program. You should know, however, that only a very small number of the 325 scouts at Weboree will actually get to climb the tower. Our purpose is to give a taste of what they can experience if they come to Boy Scout Summer Camp. **For reasons of time and safety, it is not possible to let every one of the hundreds of scouts coming this weekend climb the tower.**

There will be two lines at the tower.

1) Time-stamped tickets have been issued to the first units that registered for Weboree. **Scouts who come to the tower with these tickets in hand at or before the time shown will be guaranteed a place on line. We cannot guarantee that every scout with a ticket will get to climb.** If a scout comes late he will lose his turn. If we fall behind schedule this line will be given preference. If the session ends with scouts still on this line they will, unfortunately, not get to climb.

2) The second line is for walkups. Any scout may join this line. If we get ahead of schedule because of no-shows or any other reason, we will draw from this line. The climbing staff will make a real effort to let as many boys as possible try this activity, but **in all probability only a small number of scouts from the walkup line will get to climb.**

A parent or guardian must be with the scout to certify that there is no medical or behavioral reason why the scout should not engage in this activity. Please explain this procedure to your scouts.

We wanted to offer this demonstration and activity as a way of encouraging scouts to stay with the program and eventually come to Boy Scout Summer Camp. We recognize that the down side of doing so is that many boys will be disappointed that they did not get to climb this weekend. **We count on you to turn the disappointment into anticipation.**

Note that Webelos at Summer Camp at Camp Lewis will have an opportunity to climb the tower there.

Thanks for all you do for our Scouts

Jaime Laga
Weboree Climbing/COPE Director

Weboree 2017 – BB-Gun and Archery Range Procedure

April 28, 2017

Dear Leader,

Weboree trails will include a stop at either the BB-Gun or Archery Range (scout schedules are arranged so that almost every scout will get a chance at one of the ranges).

Our purpose is to give a taste of what they can experience if they come to Boy Scout Summer Camp. **For reasons of time and safety, the opportunities to shoot at either range are necessarily limited.**

ALL scouts must receive the range safety instruction prior to being admitted to the range.

Assignment to either of the ranges is the luck of the draw as shown on the map/schedule sheets, and cannot be changed. Scouts **MUST** show their trail maps upon entering either range area to establish that they are scheduled for that period for that range (which should concur with the schedule for their group on their map/schedule). **IT IS essential that they maintain their trail maps.**

Please explain this procedure to your scouts.

We wanted to offer this demonstration and activity as a way of encouraging scouts to stay with the program and eventually come to Boy Scout Summer Camp. We recognize that the down side of doing so is that many boys will be disappointed that they did not get to shoot at their “preferred” range. **We count on you to turn the disappointment into anticipation.** Note that Webelos at Summer Camp at Camp Lewis will have an opportunity to use both ranges at the camp.

Thanks for all you do for our Scouts

Jim Fitzmaurice
BB-Gun Range

Tom Rich
Director Archery Range Director

On my honor, I will do my best to do my Duty to God

A Scout is Reverent.

At Weboree, we try to incorporate all aspects of the Boy Scout Program. Please take advantage of the whole program. There is no better place than the outdoors to build an appreciation for the wonders of our Creator.

Please encourage your Scouts to participate in our Scouts' Own (all-faiths) service or Catholic Mass on Saturday afternoon Scouts' Own (all-faiths) service, with Catholic Mass immediately following will be in the Dining Hall

Approximately 4:15 pm for either service.

Weboree Trading Post

The Trading Post is located adjacent to the main intersection in the center of the program area of camp, just north of the Dining Hall.

Trading Post Hours

Trading Post hours are subject to change, but the following are the planned hours:

Friday:

5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

7:45 – 9:30 p.m.

Saturday:

7:30 – 9:30 a.m.

10:15 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

After Campfire – 10:00 p.m.

Sunday

9:00 – 10:45 a.m.

Merchandise

Many items are in limited supply. When they are gone, they are gone.

- Blank T-shirts in a light and dark gray, adult sizes S, M, L, XL, 2XL.
- **Weboree Belt Buckle.** First one ever! Limited Quantity – only 100 made!
(EXTREMELY LIMITED SUPPLY)
- Extra Patches for Weboree (limited quantity).
- Patches and hatpins from prior years: 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 (some in very limited supply)
- Soda
- Snacks
- Other “Weboree” merchandise

2017 Program Schedule

FRIDAY:

9:00am-9:00pm Staff check-in; Staff set-up for events.

9:00pm-10:00pm Star gazing on the A-field

3:00pm-8:00pm Camping participant check-in; trading post.

SATURDAY:

7:30am-9:45am Webelos arrive in camp; Registration; check-in; Screen-printing shirts; manufacture slides; games; pre-opening activities.

9:50am-10:15am Opening ceremonies; Welcome; Schedule handouts.

10:20am-10:45am 4 Morning periods: Individual schedules with map of

10:50am-11:20am camp will be provided to each participant; Trail will involve

11:25am-11:50am scoutcraft, demonstrations, hands-on activities and

11:55am-12:25pm Exhibits. Stations continue during 3 lunch periods.

12:30pm-12:55pm **LUNCH BY** Lunch By Bag lunch in dining hall; typical lunch

1:00pm-1:25pm **SCHEDULE** routine; drink and fruit;

1:30pm-1:55pm **ONLY!** Lunch by schedule only!

2:00pm-2:30pm 3 Afternoon periods: Continue to follow station assignments

2:35pm-3:05pm as marked on each group's schedule.

3:10pm-3:40pm **ADULTS TO DINING HALL**

3:45pm-4:30pm All Webelos and Adults to A-field for surprise activity

5:00pm-7:45pm Units to campsites; dinner; free time; fishing.

8:00pm-9:30pm Campfire; crackerbarrel following in dining hall.

9:45pm Leaders meeting; Awards, ribbons, patch distribution.

11:00 Lights out.

SUNDAY:

7:15am-9:30am Breakfast in campsite; Fishing at lakeside.

9:00am-12:00pm Trading post open: Mugs, patches, pins, etc.

9:30am-10:45am Webelos Activity Badge Fair, screen-printing T-shirts – Dining Hall.

11:00am Closing ceremonies – A field.

1:00pm All units out of camp; see you at next Council event!