



DAN BEARD COUNCIL
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

WOW!

Webeles Outdoor Weekend

2014 Troop Guide



“Adventures in Scouting”

May 16-18, 2014
Camp Friedlander, Loveland, Ohio

Webelos Outdoor Weekend Troop Guide

Welcome to the annual Webelos Outdoor Weekend (WOW) event! This is a great opportunity for your Troop to recruit while giving back to the Scouting program. We are asking you to help Webelos from all over the Dan Beard Council area have an exciting weekend with activities designed to give them a taste of what is like to be a Scout. Our overall goal is that this event and your involvement will entice our Webelos to cross into Scouting when the time comes.

First, WOW will be held from Friday, May 16 through Sunday, May 18 at Camp Friedlander.

We want to make sure you are informed about your Troop's role in the event. Here are the parts each Troop should expect to play in the weekend:

- Each Troop will be responsible for helping the Webelos get set up if they need assistance on Friday night. This is also a chance to show off your Troop. Add a gateway or something special outlining your Troop. Show the Webelos what they have to look forward to and to have some fun. Have some snacks to share with the Webelos. Be creative! Recruit! Remember there will be over 350 Webelos in camp.
- Each Troop is asked to present an activity during the day on Saturday. The activity should be highly interactive, age-appropriate for Webelos Scouts, lots of fun, and give them something to look forward to in Boy Scouts. Our WOW Staff will assist your Troop in selecting an activity. The Troop will be responsible for planning and staffing, as well as any materials or equipment needed for the activity.
- The camping area will be laid out ahead of time by district and will be centered around the Activity Field and the campsites around this area. When you arrive at Camp Friedlander, please check in with the WOW Staff to locate your campsite. Set up camp quickly so you can look your best for the Webelos. On Friday evening, the Webelos will be visiting Troop campsites to get to know you! If your Troop would like to set up on Thursday evening please contact Mel Pistor to make arrangements.
- You will be responsible for your own equipment, food, and anything else your Troop would normally have at a campout.

The pages that follow have a detailed explanation of these responsibilities. Please review them carefully so you are fully informed to put on the best possible program for our Webelos.

To volunteer your Troop or a Patrol for Webelos Outdoor Weekend, or if you have any questions or need more information, please contact Troop Coordinator Ray Troescher at 513.741.4822 or webelosoutdoorweekend@gmail.com or Camping Secretary Jennifer Pangallo at 513.577.7692 or at camping@danbeard.org.

Thanks for helping make WOW a great event!

Webelos Outdoor Weekend Activities

Overview: On Saturday during the day, dens will rotate between all the different outdoor skill challenges. At each station, they will participate in an activity, competition, etc. that will give them a taste of Boy Scouting. Each activity will be hosted by a Troop.

Time: Saturday, TBD

Duration: Total of 5 - 6 hours, with Dens spending 35 - 40 minutes at each station and 10 minute travel time between stations. Each Webelos Den will travel in a group of approximately 20 so Troops should be prepared to break the Den into 2 groups of 10 for their activity. For example, two fire rings should be prepared for two groups to build fires simultaneously.

Location: Camp Friedlander in the area encompassing the Trailblazer Shelter, Parade Field, Handicraft, NAV, Admin Spider Shelter, etc.

Uniform: Class A during the activity time, Class B acceptable during non-program times.

Materials: It is up to the Troops to prepare and provide any materials needed for the activities. This includes any equipment, gear, or consumable items that might be needed to put on the activity multiple times throughout the day. If your Troop needs to use any of the equipment available at camp, please let us know with plenty of notice and we will do our best to accommodate. We also recommend that your Troop bring a "bauble" or some trinket for you to present to Dens that visit your campsite.

Activities:

- Your activity should be inclusive of every Webelos in the den – try to promote teamwork with the activity.
- You may incorporate any age-appropriate part of Boy Scouts requirements thru Tenderfoot.
- Be sure to interact with the dens. The purpose of this event is to give the Webelos a taste of Boy Scouting and get them excited to bridge over. It is also to show them the teamwork involved in Boy Scouts. All activities should be age-appropriate for Webelos-aged boys.

Some notes:

- KISMIF: Keep it simple, make it fun!
- The Boy Scouts should be instructing and leading the activities – this is a chance for them to show off what Boy Scouts is all about.
- **LDS Troops** are encouraged to attend! Your Troop is welcome to check out after the campfire on Saturday night in order to adhere to LDS Scouting policies and to honor your religious commitments on Sunday.

On-site Contacts:

Mel Pistor	Event Chair	513-638-9230
Gil Richards	Logistics	513-658-5603
Ray Troescher	Troop Coordinator	513-741-4822

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Troop Guidelines

- Troops will be assigned a campsite.
- W.O.W. staff asks that each Troop provide at least 1 adult to help during the day Saturday.
- Scouts need to make sure to bring a mug or cup – cups will not be provided at stations for water.
- **TROOP LEADERS NEED TO WATCH THEIR SCOUTS LANGUAGE! REMEMBER, THERE ARE YOUNG SCOUTS ATTENDING THIS EVENT – KEEP IT CLEAN!**
- Gateways and/or campsite decorations are encouraged – showcase your Troop.
- Troops are encouraged to do a skit at the closing campfire.
- Dishes are not to be done in the shower house sink – please make sure to keep that in camp.
- Skits are to be presented at the two week out meeting to help in planning the campfire.
- Troops are encouraged to have older Scouts run the activity – not Scouts who have just crossed over to the Troop.
- There will be a Troop leader/SPL meeting Friday night before the Webelos leader meeting.

There will be a Troop meeting on May 6th at 6:30p.m. at Camp Friedlander in the Eagle's Nest to go over last minute details.

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Submit upon arrival at event

Troop Attendance Roster

Troop #: _____

District: _____

WOW Coordinator Name: _____

Phone: _____

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ADULT NAME	MEDICAL FORM (opt.)	CELL PHONE #
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Please make extra copies as necessary.

WOW Troop Feedback Form 2014

Please complete the following and return at check out.

Thank you for your hard work and participation at WOW. You have made a great impact on our Webelos encouraging them to continue in Scouting. We'd like you to help us continue offering a great event by giving some feedback.

What activity did you host?

Do you feel the activity was beneficial to the Webelos?

Did the Webelos visit your campsite?

Do you feel you were able to effectively recruit? If not, what can we do to help?

Would you be interested in helping again next year?

What was your favorite part of this event?

What was your least favorite part of this event?

Troop contact:

Other Comments: