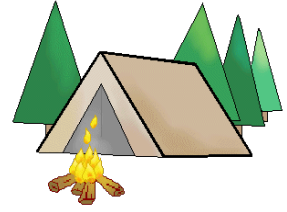


CYPRESS CHAUVE DISTRICT

Webelos Woods

February 27- March 1, 2015
Lamar Dixon Expo Center



THE ROAD TO EAGLE



Hosted by Cypress Chauve District



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PLEASE NOTE!!

This event is for 1st and 2nd year Webelos only and Boy Scouts!!! Registration for this event is to go through the Council office. Den Leaders should fill out the registration worksheet, located on page 13 of this document.

The Den Leader of each Webelos Den and Patrol Leader for each patrol must check in at the Registration Tent upon arrival to receive program packet and final confirmation of registration. Each group must also check out with the Headquarters Staff **before** departure in order to receive patches, ribbons, or other awards and for final campsite inspection.

2015 Webelos Woods / Planning Committee

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|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Chairman | Will Freeman / David Karns | Troop 131 |
| District Executive | John Goudeau | Cypress Chauve |
| Physical Plant | Jimmy Buras | Troop 131 |
| Health and Safety | Will Freeman | Troop 131 |
| Registration | Troop 131 | |
| Flag Raising | Will Freeman | Troop 131 |
| Cobbler Contest | Robert Bourgeois | Pack 249 |
| Dutch Oven Contest | Robert Bourgeois | Pack 249 |
| Religious Service | SCOUTS | All |
| Campfire | David Karns | Troop 131 |
| Headquarters | Jimmy Buras | Troop 131 |

WHY WEBELOS WOODS?

Cypress Chauve District offers the best Scouting experience in all of Istrouma Area Council. Our Cub Scouts experience wonderful activities, but very few are exposed to the fun that Boy Scouting under the Patrol Method offers. Webelos Woods is designed to allow Webelos to experience what it is like to camp with Boy Scouts, to act under the **Patrol Method** with older Scouts guiding and leading the way.

Webelos Woods also gives participating Boy Scouts the opportunity to share the skills they have learned with younger scouts; improving their leadership and camping skills while providing fellowship and positive role modeling. This event has been planned and will be carried out by the Scoutmasters in conjunction Senior Patrol Leaders from the various Troops in Cypress Chauve District. Scoutmasters will be onsite to provide guidance and oversight; however, the goal is to have the Boys run each of the activities.

Webelos will camp with their dens for the weekend much like a Boy Scout Patrol. Parents/adults will camp separately; observing while allowing the boys to participate in the event. On Saturday the Boy Scouts will work with and train Webelos on the various skills and activities. We are planning to offer several different scouting activities and skills. Scouts of each troop will be demonstrating and teaching the following skills:

How survive a Campout without Starving - Cooking Skills

How to Camp and Stay Dry - Setting up Camp – Tents and Dining Flies

Making our Patrol Standout – Flags, Yells, and Gateways (knots)

Fire Building Challenge – Building a fire

How to entertain ourselves – Skit Practice

Scouting is Fun – Games and Activities

COMPETITION EVENTS:

Cobbler Cooking (Scouts and Webelos) – Awards for 1st, 2nd, 3rd

Dutch Oven Cook Off (Scouts and Webelos) – Awards for 1st, 2nd, 3rd

Camp Site (Webelos) – Awards for 1st, 2nd, 3rd

Fire Building Challenge (Webelos) – Awards for 1st, 2nd, 3rd

Patrol/Den Leaders please read this leaders' guide carefully so your scouts will be able to take full advantage of this program.

REGISTRATION

Participation in the February 2015, Webelos Woods “The Road to Eagle” is open to both 1st & 2nd year Webelos, Scouts, registered Scouters, and parents/adult partners. Webelos will be camping as Boy Scouts and as such, the Patrol Method of camping will be in place, NO EXCEPTIONS. Parents are invited to attend this event, but will be camping and cooking separate from the scouts. There will be two sessions designed for parents during the morning sessions. Ideally, Webelos Dens will camp with Boy Scout Troops.

The fee schedule for this event is as follows:

Webelos Scouts \$15.00 each

Boy Scouts \$8.00 each

Adult Leaders/Parents \$8.00 each

LATE FEES: Additional \$5.00 per person * Starts on February 21, 2015. (TOTAL \$20.00)

Den Leaders and Scoutmasters: Please complete the REGISTRATION FORMS located at the back of this guidebook and turn in to the Council Office no later than close of business February 21, 2015. Also, send a copy to William Freeman at freepike@cox.net.

This guidebook may be duplicated as needed for your unit, especially the registration forms, events schedules and duty rosters. Please go over the “Rules and Regulations” on page 7 with your scouts, scouters, and parents to ensure a safe and happy camping experience for new and old alike.

IMPORTANT DATES:

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| Feb. 21, Saturday | Early Registration Deadline (Close of Business) Pennington Boy Scout Service Center |
| Feb. 22, Sunday | Late Registration Begins |
| Feb. 27, Friday | Check-in & Registration and Set-up Campsite (5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.) |
| Feb. 28, Saturday | Check-in & Registration and Set-up Campsite (7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.) |
| Mar. 1, Sunday | Clean-up and Break Camp |

Council Refund Policy

The following policy statement is applicable to all Council and District events where a fee is collected. This includes such events as Day Camps, Cub Resident Camp, Summer Camp, Winter Camp, training courses, camporees, family campouts, etc.

1. Written refund requests will be considered only if received in the Pennington Scout Center ten (10) days prior to the start of the event.
2. Written refund requests submitted after the event will be considered only for personal illness or family emergencies. No refund requests will be accepted after ten (10) days following the close of the event.
3. A service charge of twenty-five percent (25%) of the full activity fee will be assessed on all refunds.
4. Refund checks will be issued within 30 days following the close of the event.
5. Fees are only transferable within the same unit to a Scout not currently registered for the event.

GENERAL INFORMATION

LOCATION: The campout will occur at the Lamar-Dixon Expo Center in Gonzales, Louisiana. Make sure all drivers know the route to Lamar-Dixon before leaving home. For safety reasons and BSA Policy, DO NOT “CONVOY” to the campout.

FORMS: At the back of this guidebook are forms that may be reproduced as required. Make as many copies of the Unit Registration Form as needed to register all those attending with your Unit. Please feel free to make a copy of the Schedule of Events as needed.

CHECK-IN: WILL BEGIN AT 5:00 p.m. ON FRIDAY, February 27, 2015. Check-in does not begin before 5:00 pm; Troops wanting to arrive early will need to contact William Freeman or David Karns for access. Rules regarding vehicles remain the same: vehicles (unless designated as Troop vehicle for purpose of hauling Troop Equipment Trailer) are not permitted in the camp area. Please park in the designated area before checking in. One vehicle will be allowed in the camp area to bring in the trailer and may remain in camp if attached to the trailer.

HEADQUARTERS: Staff will man Headquarters throughout the weekend for your safety needs, information, and questions concerning general assemblies, flag ceremonies, events, and lost and found. Communication and first aid supplies will be available. For Emergencies William Freeman can be contacted at (337) 298-5449; Jimmy Buras can be contacted at (225) 773-1500; David Karns can be contacted at (225) 313-9933.

MEDICAL EMERGENCIES: We will have on-site medical assistance during the event. If you need anything, come to Headquarters. Medical emergencies are to be directed through Headquarters; minor first aid may be treated at the Pack or Troop camp area, if you have sufficient supplies. Emergency phone numbers will be provided at registration. If SEVERE EMERGENCY – Dr. Will Freeman (337) 298-5449.

EMERGENCY WEATHER CONDITIONS: Hurricanes, tornadoes, extremely poor weather conditions, cold, or rain--should any of these become a safety concern, the following group will decide on cancellations or postponements: Campout Director, Health & Safety Officer, District Executive, and Activities Chairperson. Unit Leaders will be notified. Emergency Signal will be THREE LONG BLASTS of a HORN (car or other).

RESTROOMS: Restroom facilities for males will be portable toilets. The onsite toilets will be reserved for females only. Please keep them as clean as possible.

WATER: Water is not readily available around the Lake or at the campsites. REMEMBER to bring your own supply, for drinking, cleaning and fire protection. There are water faucets near the bathroom building near the lake at Lamar Dixon.

PATROL FLAGS: Each Webelos Patrol/Den should bring supplies to build its own Patrol/Den flag to post in their campsite and carry with them as they travel around throughout the event. There will be an event that includes time for making their Den Flag.

UNIFORM: All Scouts and Adult Leaders should have a Field Uniform; either the khaki or dark blue version (Cub Scouts only). This uniform shirt should be worn while traveling to Webelos Woods and during all flag raising and lowering ceremonies, the campfire on Saturday night, and the religious service on Sunday. During the activity sessions on Saturday, Activity Uniforms or a Scout T-shirt may be worn.

PERSONAL EQUIPMENT: Each attendee will be responsible for packing and bringing his own personal gear including uniform, blanket/sleeping bag, ground cloth, **poncho or rain suit**, flashlight, eating utensils, toiletries, and Webelos or Boy Scout Handbook. Remember that the weather this time of year is quite unpredictable so ensure that your Scout is properly prepared for warm, cool, and wet weather.

MEAL SUGGESTIONS: Meals on Friday night should be simple to prepare or should be prepared in advance and brought from home. The Saturday morning meal will be made with the Boy Scouts. The plan is for each Den to make breakfast with the help of the Patrols. Patrols and Dens should plan on bringing a Dutch oven, Hash Browns, eggs, and bacon (enough for all the boys in their Patrol/Den). Lunch should be quick and easy (sandwiches suggested), due to only an hour for lunch. Saturday Supper will be a competition Dutch oven meal. Troops and Dens should be prepared to cook their own meal. Sunday morning will be provided by Cypress Chauve District.

WEBELOS PATROL/DEN SITE EVALUATION: Each DEN camping area will be inspected during daylight hours on Saturday. The purpose of the inspection and grading of the campsites is to provide the Den with a listing of those things expected in a Boy Scout campsite on which additional work is required. Dens will be given awards for 1st, 2nd and 3rd at the Saturday night campfire.

FRIDAY NIGHT CRACKER BARREL: Each Den Leader, Senior Patrol Leader and Scoutmaster or his/her designated representative **MUST** attend a Cracker Barrel **on Friday evening, February 27, 2015 at 9:30 p.m.** at the registration tent. Questions about Check-In materials received or the schedule of activities can be resolved at this time. Any additional information on activities will also be presented at this meeting.

SKIT AUDITIONS: Saturday activities include time for ALL Dens to practice a skit for performance at the Saturday evening campfire. All Patrols are strongly encouraged to participate with the dens or perform their own skit during the campfire. David Karns Troop 131 or his designated representative must approve all skits on Saturday. Please bring a script from Scouting.org or bring your own copy printed out.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES: All units are encouraged to attend a brief "Scout's Own Service" on Sunday, morning at 7:30 a.m. to be held at the flagpole area. The Scout's Own Service program consists of a Call to Worship, Hymns or Songs, Scriptures(s) or Readings from a variety of Religious or Inspirational Sources, Responsive Reading, Personal Prayer, Group Prayer, Inspirational Reading or Message, Offering (World Friendship Fund) and An Act of Friendship. A Den or Patrol Volunteer would be greatly appreciated.

CHECKOUT: Final Checkout of all Troops and Webelos Patrols/Dens is to be completed by **11:00 a.m. on Sunday, March 1, 2015.**

RULES AND REGULATIONS

MEMBERSHIP: Scouts eligible for this year's Webelos Woods **MUST** be registered members of a First or Second Year Webelos Den in Cypress Chauve District. Boy Scouts and Scouters participating as trainers/guides meet the requirements as established by the Boy Scouts of America.

PARKING: There have been multiple upgrades and changes to the area around the lake. Due to improvements in the area, camping and parking will be moved from the usual area we have used in the past. Boy Scouts and other volunteers will be assisting with parking. **PLEASE follow their directions.** Their goal is to get all the vehicles parked as safely and quickly as possible.

VEHICLE TRAFFIC AT CAMP: ONLY ONE designated vehicle carrying the Troop Trailer will be allowed to remain near the camping area. All other vehicles must park in the designated area.

RIDING IN TRUCK BEDS OR ON TRAILERS: It is against BSA policy for ANYONE to ride in the back of an open top pickup truck or in a trailer. There is to be no transporting of people in the backs of pickups or in trailers.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND ILLICIT/ILLEGAL DRUGS ARE NOT PERMITTED AT SCOUTING FUNCTIONS. ANYONE FOUND POSSESSING OR CONSUMING EITHER WILL BE REQUIRED TO LEAVE THE SITE IMMEDIATELY.

NON-SCOUTING EQUIPMENT: Guns, Sheath Knives and other similar gear are not acceptable for Scouting activities and are prohibited. Any equipment in this category will be held by the WEBELOS WOODS Staff and returned upon checkout.

KNIVES AND AXES: Knives **may** be carried by Webelos at WEBELOS WOODS, only if they have earned their Whittlin' Chip and are in possession of it. Axes should not be used except in the Boy Scout camping area and **only** by adults and Boy Scouts having earned their Totin' Chips.

CAMPFIRES: Wood-fueled campfires can be built in the Patrol Campsites, but should only be built as needed for cooking. Fires should be attended **AT ALL TIMES**, and should be extinguished before departing the campsite for events or the evening activities. Have a bucket of water nearby in case sparks start a fire. Your fire must be "cold out" prior to leaving camp. All cold leftover wood is to be removed from meadows and campsite areas prior to leaving the grounds. It should be moved to the woods to prevent mowing obstacles.

All patrols and dens will need to bring firewood. There is usually little to no firewood available for scavenging around the lakes. *It would be greatly appreciated if everyone brings a bit extra and set it aside for the evening campfire.*

CAMPSITE and LAKE: WALK – Do not run. Closed-toed shoes must be worn at all times. Stay on the shore and out of the lake. **NO SWIMMING.** Fishing is allowed – Catch and release. Do not ditch or trench your tent. Leave your campsite better than you found it. No radios, televisions, tape or CD players, or pets permitted. No bikes allowed because of safety concerns. Scouts and Webelos are strongly encouraged to leave cell phones and other electronics at home.

GARBAGE AND TRASH: All garbage and trash is to be accumulated in trash bags to be removed at the end of WEBELOS WOODS. No refuse is to be buried or left on site. There are two dumpsters by the 4H building we can use at the end of the camp-out.

ALL DENS/TROOP MUST CHECK OUT WITH THE WEBELOS WOODS STAFF BEFORE DEPARTING WEBELOS WOODS.

WEEKEND SCHEDULE

February 27 through March 1, 2015
Lamar-Dixon Expo Center, Gonzales, LA

Friday, February 27, 2015

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| 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm | Registration and Set up Camp |
| 9:30 pm | Cracker Barrel – Scoutmasters, Den Leaders and Senior Patrol Leaders |
| 10:00 pm | TAPS - Lights out |

Saturday, February 28, 2015

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| 6:00 am | Reveille |
| 6:30 am | Flag Raising and Announcements |
| 7:00 am to 10:00 am | Breakfast and cleanup – Dens with assigned Patrol |
| 9:00 am – 11:00 am | Anti Aircraft for Parents and Introduction to Troops |
| 10:00 am to 11:00 am | Camp Set up Activity – Tents and Dining Flies |
| 11:00 am to Noon | Flags, Yells, and Gateways – Bring Supplies for flags and gateways |
| Noon to 1:00 pm | Lunch and cleanup – Patrols go to Dens and eat together |
| 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm | Fire Building Challenge – Bring supplies to build fires |
| 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm | Skit Practice |
| 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm | Campsite Inspection - volunteers |
| 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm | Field Activities and Games |
| 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm | TROOP/DEN MEAL – COOK and PREPARE YOUR OWN MEAL |
| 6:15 pm | Dutch Oven Meal and Cobbler due to Headquarters |
| DUSK | Flag Lowering |
| 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm | Campfire – Flag Retirement – Awards announced – Skits |
| 9:30 pm | Cracker Barrel – Scoutmasters, Den Leaders and Senior Patrol Leaders |
| 10:00 pm | TAPS - Lights out |

Sunday, March 1, 2015

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| 6:30 am | Reveille |
| 7:00 am to 7:30 am | Scouts' Own Service – Flag Raising |
| 7:30 am to 8:00 am | Breakfast Provided |
| 8:00 am to 9:30 am | Campsite teardown and final inspection |
| 9:30 am to 11:00 am | Checkout |

SKILLS TRAINING

Webelos train with Boy Scouts from 6:30 AM till Noon on Saturday morning, and participate in activities and games from 1PM till 4 PM on Saturday afternoon. The Boy Scouts are responsible for training the Webelos; adult leaders and parents are to observe and not interfere or participate in the training. Remember, this is an opportunity for the Webelos to interact with Boy Scouts. Please adhere to these guidelines, it will provide the most benefit to all the boys.

How survive a Campout without Starving - Cooking Skills

Supplies needed by patrols and dens: Dutch oven, Bacon, Eggs, Hash Browns, spices and supplies for fire (charcoal)

How to Camp and Stay Dry - Setting up Camp – Tents and Dining Flies

Patrols will help dens reconfigure their camping areas for inspection and teach proper campsite setup.

Making our Patrol Standout – Flags, Yells, and Gateways (knots)

Supplies needed by patrols and dens: Supplies for making a flag (pole, pillow case, markers, etc). Supplies for making a gateway.

Fire Building Challenge – Building a fire

Supplies needed by patrols and dens: Matches, firewood for building a rapidly burning fire (Lint allowed as tender).

How to entertain ourselves – Skit Practice

Dens and Patrols will work together to practice a skit for the campfire.

Scouting is Fun – Games and Activities

Games and fun time with patrols

COMPETITION EVENTS

Dutch Oven Cook Off

(Dutch Oven Cooking)

Cobbler Cook Off

(Dutch Oven Cooking)

Each den will prepare their best Dutch oven meal and Dutch oven dessert. Bring a sample (bowl or cup) to Headquarters by 6:15 pm.

Campsite Inspection

(campsite setup)

Volunteers will perform Campsite Inspections during the Saturday afternoon events. Three judges will independently inspect campsites designated by Webelos Patrol/Den Flags and will report their findings before supper. A campsite inspection guideline is attached for review. All Patrols/Dens earning a score of 80 or greater will be announced at campfire.

Fire Building

Timed event. Which den can build the best fire to burn a string. Patrols will aid the dens in building and starting the fire.

NOTE TO PARENTS OF WEBELOS & Troops

On Saturday there will be two sessions for the parents from 9:00 to 11:00. We will have discussions by Boy Scout Leaders on Webelos to Boy Scout Transitions. We will discuss the patrol method, and why it is used for Boy Scouts. We will discuss your role as a parent of a Boy Scout and how you can help with this transition now as the parent of a Webelo.

In the second session we will give each of the area Troops the opportunity to talk to you about their troop, who the leaders are, what kind of activities they do, where they meet and other general information about the troop.

We would encourage any interested parent to attend these sessions to learn more about Boy Scouts in the Cypress Chauve District even if you do not camp out with us on this weekend.

We would encourage each troop to have a representative show up for these sessions to help answer questions. Secondly, I would encourage each Troop to have a flyer available for the parents as a means of passing on information about their Troop.

The WEBELOS WOODS program offers a variety of popular activities essential to first year Boy Scouts. Some Webelos will be using these skills for the first time in their young lives. This may be the first time for many Scouts to exhibit their leadership and teaching skills as well. Please recognize that the goal of this event is for the Boys Scouts to guide the Webelos; the temptation will be great for adults to step in and “assist” in the training sessions. Please realize that in doing so, we are denying the boys from the bonding and fellowship this event hopes to accomplish.

Scout Oath

On my honor I will do my best
To do my duty to God and my country
and to obey the Scout Law;
To help other people at all times;
To keep myself physically strong,
mentally awake, and morally straight.

Scout Law

A Scout is:

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| TRUSTWORTHY | OBEDIENT |
| LOYAL | CHEERFUL |
| HELPFUL | THRIFTY |
| FRIENDLY | BRAVE |
| COURTEOUS | CLEAN |
| KIND | REVERENT |

Sample Duty Roster

Den/Patrol _____

| | WATER | COOKING | CLEANUP | FIREWATCH |
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| FRIDAY | | | | |
| SATURDAY | | | | |
| SUNDAY | | | | |

SAMPLE CAMP SITE EVALUATION FORM

Pack No. _____ Den/Patrol Name _____ Judges Name _____

MAXIMUM POINTS

GENERAL CAMPSITE APPEARANCE POINTS AWARDED

- 1) U.S. Flag displayed correctly 10 Points _____
- 2) Unit/Pack Flag displayed 10 Points _____
- 3) Personal gear stowed properly 10 Points (Tents must be open to earn) _____
- 4) General appearance of campsite 10 Points _____

COOKING/DINING AREAS

- 5) Food properly stored and Coolers secured 10 Points _____
- 6) Cooking fires safe distance from tents (8-10 feet) 10 Points _____
- 7) Duty rosters posted (example at end of document) 10 Points _____
- 8) First Aid kit readily available 10 Points _____
- 9) Garbage stored off ground 10 Points _____
- 10) **BONUS 25 POINTS FOR HANDWASHING AREA and GATEWAY** _____

TOTAL POINTS EARNED _____

Explanation of point deductions: _____

2015 Webelos Woods Registration

Troop _____ Pack _____ Den/Patrol # or Name _____

LEADER NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE HOME: _____ CELL: _____

E-MAIL: _____

| NAME | Webelos | Scout | Adult | Unit # |
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We will have _____ Webelos Scouts at \$15.00 each, \$ _____

_____ Boy Scouts at \$8.00 each \$ _____

_____ Adults at \$8.00 each attending \$ _____

_____ Late FEE \$5.00 per person after February 21, 2015 \$ _____

Total fee enclosed \$ _____