

Activity: Summer Backpacking
Location: Superior Hiking Trail
Dates: Thurs-Sun, Aug. 16-19, 2007
 Meet at: 3 pm (?) Thursday, CVBC

Estimated return: 5-10 p.m. (?) Sunday, CVBC

COST: \$30.00 (\$16 cooking + \$6 fastfood + \$8 gas)

Emergency contact: Tom Arneberg's cell phone – 715-529-1536



Details: This will be our troop's fourth backpack trip up to the beautiful North Shore of Lake Superior. Backpacking is a relatively demanding activity -- each person going on the trip will have to carry all his personal gear, clothes, water, cooking gear, tents, and food in his backpack. We will be hiking in several miles and camping in a wilderness setting.

You must have a **good backpack with a padded hip belt** capable of carrying all your food and water and gear (including sleeping bag, tent, etc.). The troop now owns a couple of loaner backpacks. To encourage boys to buy their own backpack, first priority for borrowing a troop backpack (after we have at least two adults) goes to a boy who hasn't done backpacking before, then to any other first-year Scout, then to any other boy. (In case of ties, priority goes to the boy with higher rank or position.) Troop backpacks are available for purchase at any time, so if you try one and like it, it can be yours for future expeditions. The fee includes \$3 for minimal fast-food suppers Thursday and Sunday; boys can bring additional money if they want to buy more.

Permission slips are due in by 7:00 p.m. **TWO Mondays** before we leave, so we can plan menus and distribute gear and pack everything up. We're not sure yet exactly what time we'll leave Thursday, but we want to make Gooseberry Falls State Park before dark, so hopefully leave by 3pm. Return time Sunday depends on weather and fatigue. (We'll call.)

Retain the above information and return the form below with any money by **7:00 p.m. Monday, August 6, 2007.**

Boys MUST WEAR THEIR CLASS A UNIFORMS for travel to and from the trail!

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(make checks payable to "Troop 72.com")

Fees: \$_____ from boy's account + \$_____ enclosed check = \$30.00

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 Scout son/ward, namely:

First _____ Middle _____ Last _____

on the activity above, I agree to his participation and waive all claims against the leaders of this trip, officers, agents and representatives of the Boy Scouts of America, and the sponsoring organization, Chippewa Valley Bible Church. In the event of an emergency, the troop 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, and as restricted on the Emergency Data Sheet on file with the Troop.

- Yes, I will attend this activity with my son(s)
- Yes, I can drive (to / from) this activity; I can fit _____ scouts in my car

Signature of parent or guardian: _____ Date: _____

EMERGENCY INFORMATION: (In addition to Personal Health and Medical Records.)

During the activity listed above, I (parent/guardian) can be contacted at the following phone number(s):

(_____) _____ (_____) _____

This scout is highly sensitive to:
 What, if any, medication is this Scout taking?
 Any special instructions for this medication?
 Do you want the activity leader to carry the medication?
 (use back of this page for additional information or explanation)

Date of last tetanus shot/booster: _____ Date of birth: _____

MEDICAL INSURANCE INFORMATION

Company: _____

Policy Number: _____ Parent's SS#: _____

Questions? Call Tom Arneberg (715-726-4074) or see the www.troop72.com web page.