Troop 72 Summer Camp 2018
Parent/Camper Meeting

Camp Trewler - Settlers Camp
Jonas, PA
July 15 - 21, 2017
Week 4 – White Birch Campsite

"The SPL and ASPL are in charge"

SPL
Michael Prebosnyak

ASPL
Sean Cardinale

Camp Rules
• The Scout Oath and Scout Law are the rules of camp
• The SPL and ASPL are in charge
  – Help with organization, define roles and duties, as well as be the first response for incidents while at camp
  – Adult Leaders provide GUIDANCE
• Required attendance – Morning and evening colors, all meals, Opening and Closing campfires, Wednesday OA Call Out Ceremony, Saturday Closing
• Class A uniforms required – Sunday check-in, Sunday night opening and Friday night closing campfires, Wednesday OA Call Out, Evening meal
• Two-deep leadership per BSA guidelines

Camp Rules, continued
• Campsites and tents are homes and must not be entered without permission – including friends’ tents
• Night time rules – Camp Rule: In site 10 PM – Troop Rule: Quiet 11 PM
• The BUDDY SYSTEM is required at all times
• Closed-toed footwear AND SOCKS must be worn at all times. No Crocs except IN shower & AT Waterfront.
• ALL electronics should be left at home. NO CELL PHONES!
• Personal firearms, ammunition, and archery equipment NOT permitted.
• No inappropriate knives. (See Troop 72 Knife Policy)
Summer Camp Committee KNIFE Policy

• Knife blades shall be no longer than 4.5”.
• Blades should be sharpened to provide a clean cut, reducing the need for force to make a proper cut.
• Knives shall be manually opened, and either locking or spring-held into position. (Automatic open knives are illegal in the state of PA.)
• During scouting activities, the knife user shall carry a signed Tote n’ Chip card, and apply the knowledge from this training at all times when using his/her knife.
• Knives prohibited from use and possession during scouting activities include: machetes, straight knives (non-folding), butterfly knives, throwing knives, and the like, plus those employing spring-assist to open or close the knife, such as spring-assist folding or stilettos.
• If there is a question regarding the use and possession of a particular knife, the scout or parent must first confer with a Troop 72 Leader.

What is due and when...

• DUE TONIGHT – June 18
  – Med Form – ALL parts – See Mrs. Heidi Weaver
  – T-Shirt orders and payment
  – Dues paid THRU the end of JULY – See Mrs. Donna Laudenslager
  – Food Allergy and Religious Dietary Information Form
    • If long list of “can’t have”, also tell “can have”
  – DUE July 9 –
    – Photo and BBQ (pulled pork) orders and payment
• DUE at CAMP SPIRIT – on July 15 (ONLY if needed)
  – Completed Routine Drug Administration Form in BAGGIE with MEDS – IF NEEDED!
  – Camper Release Form – IF NEEDED!

Medical Forms – BSA Requirement

• Part C – Doctor exam – Due tonight (6/18/18)
  – Must be completed by Physician
  – Must have Physician’s signature
  – Must have clearly written Physician’s address
  – Must have clearly written date of exam
  – Hand to Mrs. Heidi Weaver
• Parts A and B were required with re-charter in January, upon joining, or with crossover in March
  – Complete Parts A & B TONIGHT if still needed
  – Must have Yes or No re Over-the-Counter meds

Medications

• If taking medications along to camp
  – Must neatly complete Routine Drug Administration Record
    • See Mrs. Fitch for forms TONIGHT
  – Medications must be in original containers with current information on labels
  – Label must match information on Routine Drug form
• Place medications in a Ziploc bag with completed Routine Drug Administration Form
  – Write the following on the bag:
    • Scout’s first and last name
    • Troop 72 - NV
    • Campsite – White Birch
    • Week 4
Camp Items for Parents

- Friday Family Night Pulled Pork BBQ - $12/$6 (3-10)
- Camp Photos
  - 5x7 / $9 or $6, 8x10 / $13 or $10
  - Money requested to Mrs. Laudenslager TONIGHT
  - Money DUE July 9
- ONLY for Emergencies at home
  - Call: Mr. Steve McKenzie (610-462-2628) or Mrs. Robin Fitch (610-360-5475)
  - Camp Office (570-619-4123)
- Parent Visitaton
  - ONLY with Mrs. Fitch or Mr. McKenzie’s PRIOR VERBAL or WRITTEN agreement
  - Must sign in and out with camp office & obtain visitor’s pass

What to Pack

- Foot locker
  - Clear plastic bin helpful to see your stuff
  - Tight sealing to keep dry
  - Hinged lid can be helpful
  - Consider putting each day’s clothes in separate Ziploc bags
- Clothing and personal items
  - Complete Field (Class A) uniform – shirt, shorts or pants, socks, belt, neckerchief
    - Leave pins & hanging patches at home
  - Use list on website as a good guide
  - Be sure to LABEL your Items with your name
- Merit Badge Pre-reqs
  - YOUR responsibility to turn in!!! Put your NAME on them!!!

What to Pack, continued

- Day pack and water bottle – Bring in CAR
  - Bathing suit, towel and medicines – Sunday check-in
  - Must carry re-usable water bottle around camp every day
  - Scouts must drink 4-6 full bottles throughout each day to stay hydrated – critical that this is followed
- Money ~ $25 (optional) for Trading post and snack bar
  - PLUS merit badge costs (On website)
- Tick Repellent – new virus, life threatening, TICK CHECKS!
- ZIKA VIRUS – Mosquito repellent, mosquito netting
- Miscellaneous
  - Camp Chair, Hanger for Class A shirt, Twine for tent corners, 9’ x 11’ Tarp for over the tent, Rope for tying down tarp

Do NOT Pack...

- Do NOT pack: Packaged food
  - Food NOT allowed in tents – attracts wild animals, including skunks, raccoons and black bears (and bees)
- Do NOT pack: Mess kit (not necessary)
- Do NOT pack: Electronics of any type –
  - Especially CELL PHONES
    - (Exception – camera, not cell phone camera!)
- Do NOT pack: Aerosol or flammable substances
  - Bug sprays, antiperspirants, etc. must be roll-on or pump spray
  - Aerosols damage the tent’s water repellency
- Do NOT pack: Axe products – severe allergy in Troop
Assembly @ Camp Spirit – Sun., July 15

- Scouts Arrive Camp Spirit at **9:30 A.M.**, Sun., July 15
  - Scouts must:
    - Be dressed in Class A uniform upon arrival at Camp **SPIRIT**.
    - UNIFORM INSPECTION BY MR. PREBOSNYAK!!
  - Scouts must:
    - Have DAY PACK with MEDS, water, lunch, bathing suit, towel
  - Foot lockers and hard sided gear - place BEHIND trailer
  - Soft items such as sleeping bags - place at SIDE of trailer

Packing Trailer – Sun., July 15

- Packing trailer
  - Priority: 1) Troop Gear 2) Hikers’ Gear 3) Scouts’ Gear 4) Misc. – chairs, etc.
  - Hard sided items will be loaded into trailer first
  - Soft gear will fill upper space in trailer to allow optimal packing
    - Soft gear will NOT stay with foot locker – **Label everything**
  - Place sleeping bags in **labeled** plastic garbage bag for protection

Sunday (7/15) Assembly and Departure

- Roll call and final instructions – upon completion of packing gear.
- **Depart Camp Spirit ONLY when ALL are dismissed by Mr. McKenzie.**
- Re-Assemble in Parking Lot by ODH at Camp Trexler
  - Goal: **12:00** in Parking Lot by Old Dining Hall
  - Eat lunch QUICKLY in parking lot while waiting
  - Roll call again while waiting in lot for camp guide
- No food provided by camp until after 6:00 colors, when we will have dinner.

Carpooling To and From Trexler

- **Carpooling** – will be assigned prior to departure if your Scout/Family has not already organized
  - Parking is VERY limited, although site is by parking lot
    - The Troop WILL be carpooling – see Oliver Smith
  - Carpooling permission forms required prior to departure
    - Form addresses travel to and FROM camp
  - Parents highly encouraged to carpool together to have relatively full cars coming home & less cars in parking lot
  - On Saturday, July 21 return to **Camp Spirit**, if NOT riding with parent, **Carpooling Permission Form** is required.
Camp Check-In – Sunday 7/15

- No Troop checks in before 1:00 P.M.
- During check-in following will occur
  - Medical re-check @ OFC Pavilion
  - Troop photo @ The Buttress
  - Dining Hall orientation
  - Campsite inspection PRIOR to moving into tents
  - Aquatics orientation and necessary swim tests
- Scouts choose tents based on highest rank of Tentmates – occurs when time allows
- First year scouts will be grouped together near Mr. Werley & Mr. O’Reilly.

Camp Check-Out – Saturday 7/21

- Saturday Closing Ceremony @ Buttress @ 10 AM
  - THIS IS WHERE YOU GET YOUR ROCKER PANELS!
  - All gear will be packed in Troop trailer prior to dismissal.
  - Parents are responsible arranging boys’ transportation by carpool.
  - Scouts and parents MUST check out with Mr. Smith.
  - Troop departs TOGETHER FOLLOWING final site inspection.
  - Meet back at Camp Spirit to unload trailer and collect personal gear.
  - ATTENDANCE WILL BE TAKEN AT CAMP SPIRIT UPON RETURN
  - Changes to pick-up details, if necessary, communicated by email in the later part of week. Check for email Friday evening.
  - Boys departing early, or leaving & returning during the week, MUST complete Authorization for Camper Release form (Troop website)
  - Form MUST BE turned in to Mrs. Fitch BEFORE leaving Camp Spirit.

FUN STUFF AT CAMP !!!

- Evening Program
  - Open Shotgun/Rifle/Archery, Boating, Climbing and Rappelling, Swimming.
- Tues. 14+ Texpier Rangers at NIGHT! 9:45PM
- Programming
  - Staff Search 9:15 – 9:45PM Monday
  - Scoutmaster Cannonball
  - Rifle trick shooting – Blow out a candle, split a card
  - Texpier Rangers
  - Ga-Ga-Ball Tournament
  - Search & Rescue – Pro rescue team, K9 unit, drones
  - Frigid Froggy Friday 6AM

More Fun Stuff...

- Order of the Arrow (OA) Day – Wednesday
  - Wear OA T-Shirt during day, Sash w/ Field uniform
  - Bring OA Sash for Call-Out Ceremony (newly elected OA)
- No Friday PM Merit Badges (except Aquatics)
- Staff vs. Campers Ultimate Frisbee
- Chili Competition & Dessert Competition
- Exploration MB – Expedition on Thursday 2-5!!
- Health Lodge is Windy Knob – really near GaGa!
Additional Information & Links:

• [https://trexlercamp.org/campfiles](https://trexlercamp.org/campfiles)
  You will find: Links to ALL Camp Trexler files, including Leader’s Guide, BSA Medical Form, Special Dietary Needs Form, Camp Menu, Camp Map and MORE...

• Troop 72 Website – Camping Corner
  [http://troop72campspirit.org](http://troop72campspirit.org)
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• **Do Tick Checks DAILY** – Especially Wilderness Survival
  – FEEL for TINY TICKS, too!!!

• **Mosquito netting !!!** – Best defense against Zika virus... That, and bug repellent

• **DRINK LOTS of WATER!!! FIVE NALGENES per DAY !!**

Trading Post Prices

• Arrow kit: $5.00
• Basketry Round Basket: $6.00
• Basketry Square Basket: $6.00
• Basketry Stool kit: $15.00
• Leatherwork Combined kit: $12.00
• Metalwork Voucher: $12.00
• Rifle Voucher: $10.00
• Shotgun Voucher: $30.00
• Space Exploration kit: $18.00
• Welding Voucher: $12.00
• Woodcarving Slide: $5.00
• Woodwork Birdhouse/feeder: $10.00