**Troop 947 - Summer Camp Departure Information**

**2012 - Camp McKee**

**Check In:**

* Date - Sunday, June 17th, 2012
* Meeting Location – Lakota Freshman School parking lot on Tylersville Road.
* Meeting Time - 9 AM
* Departure Time – 10 AM
* Stops - 1 restroom break and 1 lunch break at a fast food restaurant. (Have lunch money in scout’s pocket.)
* Arrival Time 1:45 PM
* Check-in Time at Camp McKee – 2:00 PM

**The Basics:**

* Personal Attire – Class A uniform for travel.
* Personal camping gear – All items LABELED. **Plastic, locked trunk** containing personal items. If bedding doesn’t fit in trunk use plastic garbage bag, clearly labeled on outside. Fishing poles or other items too large to fit into trunk can be placed in the trailer separately.
* Carry with you: Money for lunch, hat and water bottle in a small backpack.
* Be prepared to turn-in: Medication in original bottles, money for bank ($20 in smaller bills), mail and packages for distribution during the week.

**Special Activities:**

Friday is Family Night at Camp McKee. Register between 4:00 pm and 5:30 pm at Admin Building.

We will be having dinner in our camp. Troop will provide hot dogs. Please bring a dessert or side dish to share. You will also need to bring drinks for your family. All family members are welcome. Campfire at 8:30 p.m. There are hotels in the area, if you wish to stay overnight.

**YOU WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO TAKE YOUR SCOUT HOME WITH YOU!!!**

**NO EXCEPTIONS!!!**

**Important – Forms and Logistics:**

**\* No scout will be allowed to attend camp without proper medical form signed by a physician.**

* If you are transporting any scout other than your own, you are required to follow the caravan rules.
* Scouts need to stay in camp until Saturday morning. No scout is allowed to leave Saturday morning without permission from adult designated in charge of final dismissal.
* If you have any questions, call Debbie Moore at 513-240-1360.

**Packing:**

See final page of these departure instructions. Don’t forget:

* Hat
* Full class A uniform –i.e. shirt, neckerchief, slide, belt, (shorts or pants, if you have them).
* Sunscreen
* Merit badge books and materials
* Roll, tie and pack sleeping bag, pillow and other bedding into a plastic trash bag and LABEL with name on outside.

Remember to leave these at home:

* All electronics, including **cell phones** for scouts.(Cell phones found at camp will be held and given back to the parents on Saturday during drop off. **NO EXCEPTIONS**
* Open-toe shoes (i.e. no sandals or flip flops).

**Merit Badge Classes:**

* Small backpack for carrying items to classes.
* Ziploc bags for merit badge books and blue cards. (This keeps them dry).
* Pre-requisites for approval.
* Materials required for merit badge (especially 1st Aid and Swimming!)
* Water bottle with carrier (or must fit into your backpack) and sunscreen.

**Money:**

* Bring approximately $20 in small bills (prefer $1’s) in addition to supplies needed for merit badges. The scouts can spend this at camp on snacks, etc. Note that they will need to leave a minimum of $5.00 in the bank until Saturday so they have money for lunch on the trip home.
* Place in an envelope with scouts name and $ amount. This will be turned-in prior to departure.
* Provide extra cash for scout to carry with him the first day for lunch.

**Paperwork:**

* Permission slips for transportation to/from camp are required, even if your scout is riding with you.
* Any scout arriving late or leaving early must secure permission from the adult in charge first and must check in/out with the office at Camp McKee.
* All adults visiting camp must sign in/out at the office at Camp McKee regardless of the length of stay.

**Medicines:**

* An adult leader will keep all medicines in locked storage. No scout should keep medicine with his personal possessions. Exceptions are made for inhalers and epipens. Please be sure the adult leader is aware these are being held by the scout.
* Must be in original container and clearly labeled with scout’s name and medication name.
* Write out specific instructions for administering medicine (i.e. time of day, before meals, pills per dose, etc).
* Place all medication in a zip-loc bag, labeled with scout’s name.

The following procedures will be followed for all non-prescription medications that are to be given on an AS NEEDED basis:

1. A common supply of over the counter medications will be kept at camp under lock. This will include Acetaminophen (Tylenol) and Ibuprofen (Advil).
2. A logbook will be used to record the medication, dosage recommended by the scout’s parent and a signature of the parent granting permission to distribute the medication to the scout.
3. No scout will be given more than the label recommended dosage with out a doctor’s note.
4. A notation will be made each time a medication is distributed. The notation will include the scout’s name, date & time, dosage, reason for the medication and the signature of the scout and adult administering the medication.

It’s recommended that you consult with your pediatrician if your scout will be taking part in an aquatic program (swimming, boating, etc.) to determine if your scout would benefit from daily use of ear drops for the prevention of swimmer’s ear. There is no swimming pool and all aquatic activities are in the lake. You will need to provide the ear drops if needed.

**Mail and Packages:**

The scouts enjoy mail and packages from home. Please limit package size for easy transport. It’s easiest if you can give these to the adults before we leave for camp. Be sure to label with your son’s name and the day of the week they should receive the mail or package. If you choose to mail items to Camp McKee use this address:

Scout’s Name

Troop 947, Campsite 8

Camp McKee

8695 Levee Road

Jeffersonville, KY 40337

**What to Bring to Camp**

**Essential Items:**

* Completed medical form signed by parent / guardian and physician
* Complete class “A” scout uniform, including neckerchief
* Hat
* 6-7 changes of clothing with class “B” shirts, shorts, underwear and socks(extra socks are a good idea)
* Towels (2) and washcloth
* Shower shoes
* At least 6 changes of underwear
* Swimming trunks and beach towel
* Sleeping bag or sheets and blanket
* Poncho or raincoat **– A MUST**
* Extra pair of shoes (for wet weather) – **A MUST**
* Footlocker – Trunk
* Soap, toothbrush, toothpaste and comb
* Flashlight with extra batteries
* Scout Handbook
* Notepaper or notebook, pencil or pen
* Watch
* Sunscreen
* Mosquito repellent – roll-on or cream only – no aerosol cans
* Canteen or water bottle
* Backpack for carrying merit badge and other supplies
* Merit badge books and supplies
* Completed merit badge pre-requisites
* Completed blue cards for all merit badges

**Optional Items:**

* Required medication (All items in original bottles with clear, written instructions for over-the-counter medications)
* Camera and film
* Battery powered fan
* Compass
* Pocket knife with TOT’N’ CHIP card
* Fishing pole and tackle (Do not bring live bait – camp will have available for purchase)
* Long-sleeve shirt and long pants (if taking swimming or lifesaving)
* Hiking boots (if needed for specific merit badge requirements)
* Money for the Trading Post ($20-$30 in small bills) and merit badge supplies
* 6 – 8 clothespins and laundry bag

**Prohibited Items:**

* Electronic devices (radios, TV, cell phones for scouts)
* Open-toe shoes
* Sheath knives
* Firearms
* Fireworks
* Drugs, alcohol or tobacco products