OUTDOOR LEADER SKILLS FOR WEBELOS LEADERS & INTRODUCTION TO OUTDOOR LEADER SKILLS

March 7-9, 2014

Belk Scout Camp

Starting on Friday evening, March 7, 2014, and continuing until Sunday afternoon, March 9, 2014, Outdoor Leader Skills for Webelos Leaders and Boy Scout Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills will be offered at Belk Scout Camp. Also offered for this course is a non-Sunday alternative on the following Saturday, March 15, for the sections that will be presented on Sunday, March 9th. Participants who chose this option will be required to stay until after the Cracker Barrel, the final activity on Saturday night, March 8th - which should end at approximately 10:00 P.M.

Outdoor Leader Skills for Webelos Leaders is an opportunity to take part in an enjoyable outdoor learning experience and discover what the outing in Webelos Scouting is all about! This course is for all adults connected with the Cub Scout program: Webelos leaders, assistant Webelos leaders, future Webelos leaders, parents of a Cub or Webelos Scout, Cubmasters, committee members, den leaders. It is required for Webelos leaders to earn the Webelos Den Leader Award.

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills is required for Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters, and Venturing Crew Leaders whose Crews have Outdoor Programs, to receive the *Trained Patch*, and to attend Wood Badge.

Please register on-line by **Monday, March 3, 2014 and pay** your participation fee of $50. Included with this flyer is a map to the location, gear list, and any other information you will need to join us — and please "pass the word" to other Scout leaders.

REGISTRATION WILL CLOSE AT 5:00 PM ON MONDAY, March 3, 2014. The Training Committee reserves the right to cancel the Course if an insufficient number of Scouters register.

For additional information, contact Course Director Bob Lang at Bob.Lang@bellsouth.net or at 704-577-7259.

SCHEDULE

	DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY
• Friday	March 7	5:45 pm - 6:45 pm 7:00 pm	Check-in Staff Introductions and Course begins - Camp overnight
• Saturday	March 8	7:00 am	Breakfast at campsites and Course continues - Camp overnight
• Sunday	March 9	7:00 am - approx. 2:00 pm	Breakfast at campsites and the Course continues Course conclusion
• Saturday	March 15	8:00 am - approx. 12:00 pm	Non-Sunday portion (make-up for those who leave Saturday night March 9th)

Register online at mcctraining.org. You will be required to provide the following information to register:

Scout Number; Name; Home Address; Cell Phone #; E-mail Address; District; Unit Type & #; Current Scouting Position; and non-Sunday Option (Y/N).

The participation fee is $50. This includes food. If anyone has special dietary needs for medical or religious purposes, please let us know and we will accommodate you as best we can.

OUTDOOR LEADER SKILLS FOR WEBELOS LEADERS

Outdoor Leader Skills for Webelos Leaders presents "how to" in planning and conducting successful Webelos Den parent and son overnight campouts and other Webelos outdoor activities. It reinforces — but does not duplicate — what you learned at Cub Scout Leader Specific Training. This course provides "hands-on" learning experience in camping and outdoor skills as done by Webelos Dens.

This is the three-day version of the course, most of which will be taught in conjunction with, and as part of, Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills. To be fully prepared as a Webelos Den Leader or Assistant Webelos Den Leader, you should attend both Outdoor Leader Skills for Webelos Leaders and Webelos Leader Specific Training, but Leader Specific Training is not a prerequisite for this course.

Subjects to be covered include the following: • Bedding and Weather; • Tents and Site Selection; • Fire Building; • Campfire planning and Program; • Cooking and Sanitation; • Woods Tools;	• First Aid; • Knots and Ropes; • Naturalist Activity Pin • Geologist Activity Pin • Forester Activity Pin • Outdoorsman Activity Pin • Planning the Webelos Overnight.

INTRODUCTION TO OUTDOOR LEADER SKILLS

This is a fun-filled program of hands-on skills training in the outdoors, designed to help Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters to master and teach the basic camping skills required for Tenderfoot to First Class. This Course is required for Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters to receive the *Trained Patch.* Instructors will help you learn how to set up camp, cook, work with woods tools, learn about ropes, first aid, planning campfire programs, map reading and compass skills, hiking, and packing techniques, nature identification, and Leave No Trace.

March 2014

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills
&
Outdoor Leader Skills for Webelos Leaders

Dear Scouter,

This letter is to provide information about the upcoming Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills and Outdoor Leader Skills for Webelos Leaders courses. We are glad you will be joining us for a fun-filled weekend, and memorable outdoor learning experience.

Our weekend at Belk Scout Camp (formerly known as Clear Creek Scout Camp) will begin on Friday, March 7, 2014 with check-in from 5:45 pm until 6:45 pm. **Please eat dinner prior to arriving to the course.** The Course will begin promptly at 7 pm. Please plan to arrive early enough so that you can drop your gear at the Catawba Shelter before we start at 7PM in the Training Development Center. The Course will end at around 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 9, 2014. **Please make arrangements to attend the entire course during this time frame.** The schedule is full and you won't want to miss any of the activities.

Enclosed are directions to help you find your way to Belk Scout Camp (still shown as Clear Creek on the attached map) and to the Catawba Shelter where equipment drop off and check-in will be held. Once your equipment is dropped off at the Catawba shelter, please park your vehicle at the Dining Hall parking lot and come to the Training Development Center – one of our staff members will point you in the right direction once you park your car.

At the Friday evening check-in, please turn in completed Parts A and B of the BSA Annual Health and Medical Record – Form No. 680-001 (a copy of the blank form is attached and also may be downloaded from http://www.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/parts_ab.pdf). **YOU MUST PROVIDE A COMPLETED COPY OF THIS FORM TO PARTICIPATE!**

The "What to Bring" checklist covers the equipment you will need to bring to camp. If you do not personally own any of the items listed, you may want to contact other troop or pack leaders or friends to borrow them for the weekend. While we want you to be comfortable, we want to ensure you make the most of this training without shouldering too many expenses.

The Course Quartermaster will provide all the food, including cracker barrels, but if you want to bring your own snacks, please feel free to do so.

Please remember that the weather this time of year can be highly variable and can change quickly. Please make sure that you bring plenty of warm layers, and wet weather protection. You will be camping, and most of the course will be held outdoors, rain or shine!

If available you should wear your Class "A" uniform. To maximize your exposure to new ideas, participants from the same unit will be placed in separate patrols.

In addition, please let us know if you have any physical limitations or special dietary or medical needs so we can be prepared before the course begins. The staff looks forward to working with you and seeing you there!

WHAT TO BRING

Overnight gear, outdoor essentials and appropriate clothing are the heart of camping equipment. Bring a light load of only what you need to keep yourself safe and make a good camp; leave all unnecessary items at home.

Bring a lightweight backpacking tent for two only—no wall or large recreation types (space is limited in the area where you will be camping) (each participant should bring their own)

PERSONAL OVERNIGHT CAMPING GEAR

- ☐ *Boy Scout Handbook*
- ☐ *Webelos Handbook (Webelos leaders only)*
- ☐ Notebook or paper
- ☐ Pencil or pen
- ☐ Class "A" uniform
- ☐ **OUTDOOR ESSENTIALS**
  - ☐ Pocketknife
  - ☐ First-aid kit
  - ☐ Extra clothing
  - ☐ Stocking hat
  - ☐ Rain gear
  - ☐ Water bottle filled with potable water
  - ☐ Flashlight or headlamp (w/extra batteries)
  - ☐ Matches and fire starters
  - ☐ Sun protection
  - ☐ Compass
  - ☐ Camp chair (bag-type)
- ☐ Clothing for the season (warm-weather or cold-weather)
- ☐ Backpack and daypack
- ☐ Rain cover for backpack
- ☐ Sleeping bag (20 degree or season appropriate), or two or three blankets
- ☐ Sleeping pad
- ☐ Ground cloth
- ☐ **EATING KIT**
  - ☐ Utensils
  - ☐ Plate
  - ☐ Bowl
  - ☐ Coffee Cup (you will receive a drinking cup to keep)
- ☐ **CLEANUP KIT**
  - ☐ Soap
  - ☐ Toothbrush
  - ☐ Toothpaste
  - ☐ Dental floss
  - ☐ Comb
  - ☐ Washcloth
  - ☐ Towel
- ☐ **PERSONAL EXTRAS (OPTIONAL)**
  - ☐ Watch
  - ☐ Camera
  - ☐ Sunglasses
  - ☐ Small musical instrument
  - ☐ Gloves

PATROL OR GROUP OVERNIGHT CAMPING GEAR

- ☐ Two-person backpacking tent with poles, stakes, ground cloths, and lines
- ☐ All other Patrol gear below will be supplied by the Quartermaster

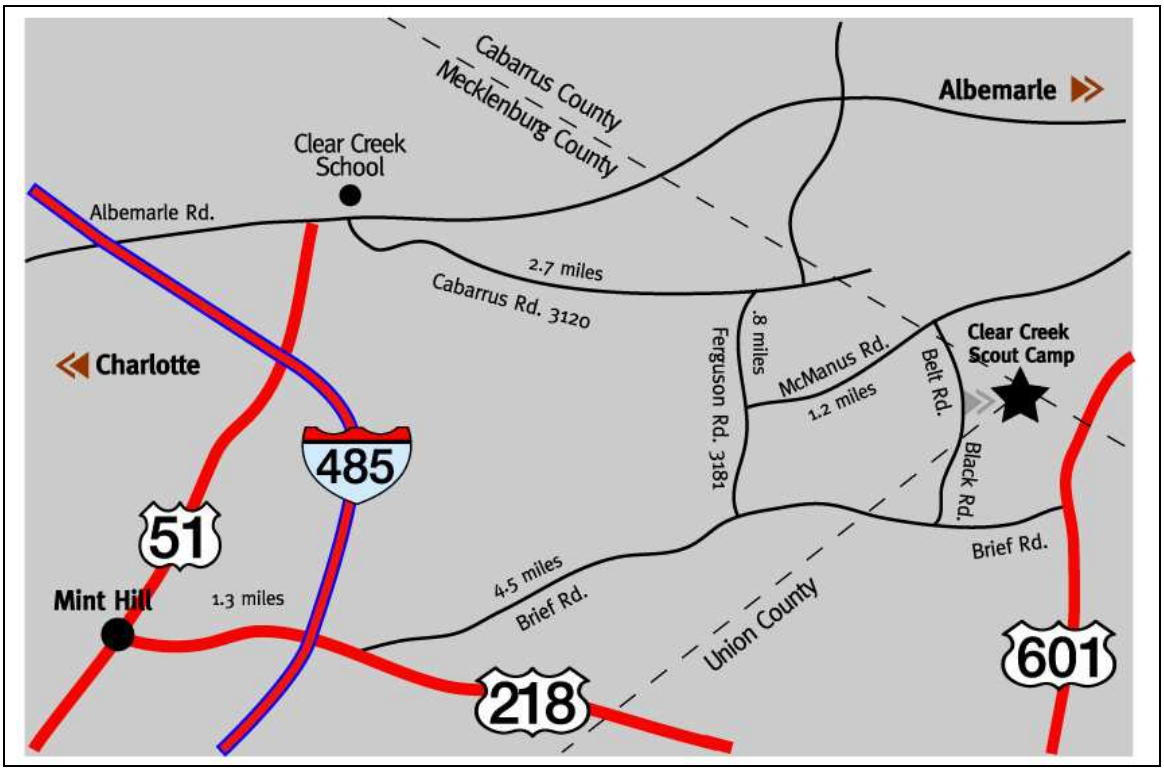
PATROL OVERNIGHT CAMPING GEAR <u>(to be supplied by Course Quartermaster)</u>

- Dining fly
- Nylon cord, 50 feet
- Cleanup Kit
    - Sponge or dishcloth
    - Biodegradable soap
    - Sanitizing rinse agent (bleach)
    - Souring pads (no-soap type)
    - Plastic trash bags
    - Toilet paper in plastic bag
- Camp Stove and Lantern <u>(If you think your patrol would like an additional stove or lantern, please feel free to bring one of your own)</u>
- Cook Kit
- Hot-pot tongs
- Camp shovel
- Water container, one 1-gallon or two ½ gallon collapsible, plastic
- Washbasin (3)
- Grill
- Pot rods
- Sheathed ax
- Camp saw

DIRECTIONS to BELK (shown on map as Clear Creek) SCOUT CAMP:

-**<u>Traveling away from Charlotte on Albemarle Road</u>**:
Turn Right on Cabarrus Road
Travel 2.7 miles
Turn Right on Ferguson Road
Travel .8 miles
Turn Left on McManus Road
Travel 1.2 miles
Turn Right on Belt Road
Look for Camp entrance on Left

<u>- Traveling away from Matthews/Mint Hill on Hwy 51</u>
Turn Right on Hwy 218
Travel 1.3 miles
Turn Left on Brief Road
Travel 4.5 miles
Turn Left on Ferguson Road
Turn Right on McManus Road
Travel 1.2 miles
Turn Right on Belt Road
Look for Camp entrance on Left



Once you enter the camp…..
Go straight thru the main entrance (gate)
Continue STRAIGHT past the pool on the left and climbing tower on the right.
Continue STRAIGHT past the sign to the Dining Hall on the left.
Continue until you get to a large open field on your right.

Bear to the right and follow the road to the end of the field (the road circles the field) where the flag poles are located where you will see a shelter back in the trees. That is the Catawba shelter.