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Troop 364

Homewood, Illinois

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- Troop Meetings every Monday beginning September 21, 2015 (7:30 to 9:00 PM)
- Location St. Andrew Methodist Church
18850 Riegel Rd. (corner of Riegel & Idlewild)
Homewood, IL. 60430
- Ages: 11 through 17
- Scoutmaster: Mike McDonnell 708-363-9889
- Schedule for 2015 – 2016 School Year

Date	Weekend Camp-outs (Friday @ 5:00 PM through Sunday early PM)	Hours from Homewood
Sep 19	Picnic at Izaak Walton (9 AM to 1:00 PM)	10 min
Sep 25 – Sep 27	Goodenow Grove Nature Preserve, Beecher, IL. District Camporee	25 min
Oct 16 - Oct 18	Starved Rock State Park, Utica, IL.	1-1/2 hrs
Nov 20 – Nov 22	Cantigny Park Wheaton, IL.	1-1/4 hrs
Dec 11 – Dec 13	Camp Wokanda & Wildlife Prairie Park ** Peoria, IL.	2 hrs
Jan 15 – Jan 17 Sat Jan 23	Wayne Reservation, Ft. Wayne, IN. Saturday 1/23/15: District Klondike Derby at Izaak Walton	2-1/2 hrs
Feb 26 – Feb 28	Camp Tamarack – OA Lodge Jones, MI.	1-3/4 hrs
Mar 18 – Mar 20	Camp ToPeNeBee - Tent Camping Participate in Potawatomi Hike at Indiana Dunes	1 hr, 15 min
Apr 22 – Apr 24	Canoeing on the Kankakee or Fox River (location to be determined)	1 hr, 30 min
May 20 – May 22	District Camporee --- details pending as of 11/18/15.	1 hr, 45 min
Jun 9 – Jun 10	New Scout Campout at Izaak Walton Preserve, Homewood, IL.	10 min
July 31 – Aug 06	Summer Camp at Camp MaKaJaWan, Pearson, WI. (Seven days – Sunday through Saturday)	6 hr (333 miles)

Camping Equipment – For Fall, Winter, & Spring, Weekend campouts

CLOTHING

- Class A uniform
- Layered clothing
 - * T-shirts
 - * Light-weight, long-sleeve shirt
 - * Sweat shirt
 - * Winter Coat or jacket as appropriate for the weather forecast
- 2nd & 3rd pair of underwear
- 2nd & 3rd pair of socks
- 2nd pair of pants
- 2nd pair of shoes
- Hat
- Rain poncho
- Gloves – as appropriate for weather forecast
- Boots – as appropriate for weather forecast
- Snow pants – as appropriate for weather forecast

Note to new Scouts & their parents: The Troop promotes cleanliness including the washing of hands whenever food is prepared or consumed. Having said that, it's not unusual for a Scout to return from a weekend campout wearing the same clothes he was wearing Friday afternoon. Essentially, the additional clothing is needed to replace wet clothing and in case of falling temperatures.

FOR SLEEPING

- Sleeping bag including a stuff-sack bag to hold it during transit. *
- Egg-shell pad for under the sleeping bag
(Dec, Jan, & Feb campouts are on bunk beds in cabins, and so padding is not needed.)
- Stocking cap (for sleeping)
- Sweatpants or pajamas
- Small Pillow

* Note to new Scouts & their parents: Bring whatever sleeping bag you have; if it's not particularly warm, the Troop has wool blankets, which we're glad to lend. However, if you plan on up-grading to a warmer bag, ask the Scoutmaster for advice. (see www.campmor.com & review zero & -10 degree bags – mummy bags)

MESS KIT

- Plate, bowl, knife, fork, spoon
- Cup – preferably an insulated cup suitable for hot chocolate
- Mesh bag for holding mess kit

MISCELLANEOUS

- Soap, Toothbrush, Toothpaste, & comb
- Flashlight with fresh batteries
- Boy Scout Handbook
- Duffel bags for belongings
- Pocket knife (for Scouts trained and authorized to carry one)
- Folding chair (a bag chair)

SPECIAL ISSUES

- Friday dinner is not supplied by the Troop. Please assure that you son eats before we depart from St. Andrew on Friday evening. After arriving at the campsite on Friday, we have a snack (or cracker-barrel), which is commonly cakes or brownies baked by the Scouts.
- Money: Aside from summer camp, we seldom suggest that Scouts bring money to a campout. Please note that a weekend campout includes (a) cracker-barrel Friday evening, (b) 3 square meals on Saturday plus an evening cracker-barrel, and (c) a full breakfast on Sunday.
- Medications in original containers supplied by the pharmacy. Please give medications & instructions to the Scoutmaster or an Assistant Scoutmaster who will disburse to Scouts.
- Electronic games are not allowed.
- **CELL PHONES ARE NOT ALLOWED!** Talk to the Scoutmaster if you have any questions.
- Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend. If attendance for the entire weekend isn't possible, please consider driving out on Friday or back on Sunday morning. Transportation is always a key issue; gas stipends are offered.