

2012 Wolf River Adventures
SUMMER CAMP



BAY-LAKES COUNCIL
HIGH ADVENTURE PROGRAMS

www.baylakesbsa.org



Dear Troop/Crew Leaders:

Thank you for exploring the newest Bay-Lakes Council summer camp experience, Wolf River Adventures! These programs are designed for older Boy Scouts and Venturers who have experienced the traditional summer camp programs and are looking for something more. The best young men and women for this program are those that are age 13 and older, and have a desire and passion for experiencing challenging outdoor adventure.

Please read through the following program information, then share it with the key youth leaders and other adult committee members of your unit. Discuss the program, identify any questions you may have, and then attend the **Camp Leader Orientation at the Fox Valley Technical College in Appleton on Saturday, January 21, 2012**. There you will meet other leaders who share similar interests and questions that will be answered by a panel of leaders who have worked long and hard in putting these programs together. We will meet in the **cafeteria (entrance #10) at 9:00 am and be finished by 1:00**. The orientation will include general information about upcoming events in the Council, Boy Scout Camp, Cub Scout camp, Webelos Resident camp and, of course, the Wolf River Adventures Program.

I look forward to seeing you there! In the meantime, read, prepare and communicate with other members of your unit. If you would like a member of the staff to visit one of your unit meetings, please contact the Center for Scouting at (920) 734-5705. Also feel free to contact either of us with any additional questions you may have. Ready to kick-off the fourth summer, the Wolf River Adventures program is continuing to grow and we are excited that you will be a part of it!

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Door



County

Adventure

Activities

The Door County area of Wisconsin with its high bluffs and extensive shorelines is one of the nation's most scenic locations. Jax Camp, also owned by the Bay-Lakes Council, is the outpost for this exciting adventure. It starts with:

Sunday: Check-in and swim test at GDC. **You must be a swimmer to participate in this program.** If your troop is camping at Bear Paw, transportation will be provided to GDC. All crew members camp at GDC for Sunday night.

Monday: Morning - introduction to Sea Kayaking. Afternoon - pack, travel to Jax Camp and set up your outpost.

Tuesday: Sea kayaking on the bay exploring islands and visiting scenic spots. Tuesday evening will have some free time in Sister Bay

Wednesday: More adventure sea kayaking on the bay or optional sailing program.

Thursday: Spent biking on scenic roads in Door County. You will also have free time in the afternoon at Fish Creek.

Friday: Adventure sea kayaking. Friday afternoon you will break down your outpost camp and travel back to GDC for an exciting closing dinner. After dinner you will return to your unit for camping on Friday evening. Transportation will be provided back to Bear Paw Scout Camp after dinner, if your unit is camping there

Saturday: Departure from GDC or Bear Paw Scout Camp.

Leadership - Each crew needs to provide two adults over 21. Coed adult leadership needs to be provided for coed crews. If you do not have enough participants for a crew, we can combine you with another group. A staff member over 21 will be provided for the first Door County Adventure crew and a staff member over 18 will be provided for the second crew (if needed).

Tenting – You will stay at GDC on Sunday night. The camp can furnish a wall tent for use on Sunday evening, so that you can keep your personal tent packed to travel to Door County on Monday morning. If you prefer to use your own tent on Sunday evening, that is also permitted.

Meals - Meals will be prepared for you when staying at GDC. Your crew will prepare meals at Jax Camp.

Equipment - Bay-Lakes Council will provide necessary transportation to Jax Camp and crew equipment for the adventure. Bring your own tent for your stay at Jax Camp. Please see the Personal Equipment List for other items recommended.

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General Information:

Welcome to the fun and adventure of older youth programs in the Bay-Lakes Council! This document will guide you through the necessary steps in building a High Adventure program for your Boy Scout troop or Venture crew. In a troop, these programs will allow older Scouts to experience new and exciting high adventure activities while your younger Scouts have a fantastic experience at the council's two premier Boy Scout camps, Bear Paw (BP) and Gardner Dam (GDC).

NEW... Wolf River Adventures for 2012:

In addition to our premier weeklong adventures, we have added new.... single day adventures for Bear Paw Scout Camp.

Day Adventure Programs at Bear Paw Scout Camp:

These fantastic high adventure programs have something for everyone. Participants should sign-up for these daylong adventures prior to coming to camp to ensure space in this program. Participants stay with their units. The fee for these programs is the same as the traditional summer program.

Program Summary:

- Sailing/ Snorkeling
- Climbing/ Mountaineering
- Pistol Shooting
- Black Powder Rifle
- Fitness
- River/Lake Kayaking
- Cycling
- COPE
- Canoeing

So come join us in an adventure second to none!

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NEW... Day Adventure Programs at Bear Paw Scout Camp:

Additional Program Details:

- These programs are open to both Boy Scout and Venturing youth from Bear Paw Scout Camp who are 13 years or older.
- There is not an additional fee for youth or adults. Adults are welcome to participate.
- Advancement is not a program focus however the program was based on the challenging Ranger Award.
- Youth will camp with their units at Bear Paw.
- Transportation (if required) may need to be provided by participating units.
- Two-deep adult leadership will be provided by the participating units for any optional overnight stays.
- Complete Form "C" to sign-up for these Day Adventure program.
- Send Form "C" to "Center for Scouting", PO Box 267, Appleton, WI 54912 with your troop registration for summer camp.

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Weeklong Adventures

Welcome to the excitement and fun of a Bay-Lakes Council's weeklong program! This is our fourth year providing these popular programs.

Program Offerings

Door County Adventure (13 yr & completed 8th grade) – This exciting high adventure trek utilizes Door County, our very own “Cape Cod of the Midwest”. After some basic sea kayaking training, your crew will be transported to Jax Camp, a Bay-Lakes Council property near Sturgeon Bay, where you will base camp for a week of sea kayaking and sailing (optional) on the waters of Green Bay, as well as bike touring on the trails and byways of Door County. You'll also get some free time to play tourist!

Advanced Whitewater Adventure (13 yr & completed 8th grade) ** – You can't ask for any better whitewater kayaking opportunities than what we have right here in northeast Wisconsin. This high adventure trek will put you in whitewater kayaks on the Wolf and Red Rivers...just to name a few. Rivers and locations that you will paddle on may change based on water levels and special river opportunities.

New for 2012... You will stay with your troop at Gardner Dam.

Participants that are (13) but have **not completed the 8th grade may apply to the Program Director for permission to participate in the Advanced Whitewater Adventure if the Scout has already earned the Whitewater Merit Badge.

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	Door County	Advanced Whitewater	Northwoods Day Adventures
Sea kayaking	√		
Bike touring	√		√
River canoeing			√
Whitewater kayaking		√	
Whitewater Slalom Course		√	
Black powder rifle			√
Climbing tower/Rock face			√
COPE			√
Explorer Point adventure			√
Lake kayaking		√	√
Mountain biking			√
Rock climbing			√
Sailing (option)	√		√
Snorkeling		√	√

Overall Program Features and Requirements:

- Ideal for Venture Crews and older Boy Scouts
- Non-merit badge by design
- Designed to include transportation and all special equipment needed for the weeklong adventures.
- Made up of crews of 10, including troop/crew adults. Minimum crew size is 6 participants.
- If your group does not have enough participants to form a complete crew, we can combine you with other groups to form a crew for the week
- Requires two-deep adult leadership. If your troop has some participants that are signing up for in-camp programs, both groups will require two-deep leadership.
- Two adult leaders over 21 years of age are required. If this is a coed crew, one male and one female over 21 years of age is required.
- All participants for all programs must meet program age requirements on the date that they arrive at camp.

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Program Fees:

Door County Adventure: \$350 youth under 21 and participating adults.

Door County Sailing Option: \$30 per person additional fee

Northwoods Day Adventures: \$250.00 youth under 21 and \$110 for participating adults.

Advanced Whitewater Adventure: \$275.00 youth under 21 and participating adults.

Youth and Participating Adults: \$100 due March 1, 2012. Remaining balance (depending on program chosen) due May 1, 2012. Non-participating Adult payment: due 30 days prior to camp date. If signing up after March 1, add additional \$50 per participant

These fees are not eligible for discounts based on other Bay-Lakes Council camp sessions attended in 2012. Non-participating adults provide two-deep leadership requirements at the campsite and do not participate in program activities. Leadership age is 21 or older for all programs; those 20 or younger are considered youth participants.

Units must provide:

- NEW Annual Health and Medical Record, parts A, B and C
- Qualified unit leaders.
- **See Personal Equipment List in forms section**

Sign-up early as space is limited. Additional information is available at <http://www.baylakesbsa.org/>

Sign-up for participation in these programs is through the Program Department at the Bay-Lakes Center for Scouting in Appleton. The Wolf River Adventures Program Registration and Payment forms can be found within the forms section of this Leader's Guide.

ALL PARTICIPANTS are required to have the BSA ANNUAL HEALTH HISTORY AND MEDICAL FORM (found in the FORMS section in the back of this Guide) dated within one year of arrival at camp. No other health forms will be accepted.

Crew leaders are reminded to also fill out a campsite reservation form in the Forms section of this Leader's Guide. Turn in all paperwork and payments to the **Bay-Lakes Center for Scouting, PO Box 267, Appleton, WI 54912.**

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Prerequisites: Age (13 yr & completed 8th grade) for all the Door County, Advanced Whitewater, and Northwoods Day Adventures.

Behavior & Responsibility:

The behavior of all participants on all Bay-Lakes Council treks is guided by the principles of the Scout Oath & Law and the Venturing Oath. The assigned staff leadership is responsible for all persons assigned to their crew. Should the assigned staff leadership determine that actions or behavior of any crew member is inappropriate or affecting the experience of other crew members, they are authorized to contact that participant's unit leader or parent to pick up the person and take him or her off the trek at the participant's expense (no refunds).

Easy!! Venturing Unit Participation

Participation for Venturing units is easy. We have a spot for you. Equipment is part of the program and leadership can be shared. All you will need is your own personal gear. Small groups are welcome. You can participate in any of the three different Wolf River Adventures programs. Check it out.

Sailing Option



In Door County, there is also the option of Sailing with the Sail Training Foundation, part of the Sturgeon Bay Yacht Club*. If choosing this, your crew will have the opportunity to sail in the channel that connects the Green Bay to Lake Michigan. The Sail Training Foundation has a variety of boats, from small 8ft single sail training boats, to 19ft Flying Scots! Here is the schedule for the Door County Adventure, including sailing.

***There is an additional fee of \$30 for the sailing option. Please send with final payment.**

Sunday: Check-in and swim test at GDC. **You must be a swimmer to participate in this program.** If your troop is camping at Bear Paw, transportation will be provided to GDC. All crew members camp at GDC for Sunday night.

Monday: Morning - introduction to Sea Kayaking. Afternoon - pack, travel to Jax Camp and set up your campsite.

Tuesday: Day 1 of Sailing.

Wednesday: Day 2 of Sailing.

Thursday: Sea Kayaking on the bay exploring islands and visiting scenic spots.

Friday: Optional bike ride in the morning. Friday afternoon you will break down your outpost camp and travel back to GDC for an exciting closing dinner. After dinner you will return to your unit for camping on Friday evening. Transportation will be provided back to Bear Paw Scout Camp after dinner, if your unit is camping there

Saturday: Departure from GDC or Bear Paw Scout Camp.



Advanced Whitewater Adventure

The Wolf River is the most famous and popular whitewater destination in the Midwest. The river is famous for its wild and scenic beauty and dramatic whitewater. The location of Gardner Dam Scout Camp, home of the Bay-Lakes Council's Whitewater program, is located at the epicenter of this premier whitewater. This river is suitable for beginning, intermediate and advanced paddlers. The Wolf is only one of many fantastic whitewater rivers in the area on which you will paddle.



If you are looking for excitement and action, this is the program for you! Top notch instruction and equipment, with safety as our first concern, makes this a program to repeat a second and third time. The normal summer camp fee applies to this program.

Participants must:

- Be 13 years old
- Completed the 8th Grade
- Completed whitewater merit badge or equivalent experience
- Be a competent swimmer in conditions at Gardner Dam
- Camp with their unit at Gardner Dam

Sunday: Check-in and swim test at GDC. **You must be a swimmer** to participate in this program. After dinner, the crew will be outfitted in paddling gear for the week

Monday: The program begins with an introductory and safety training orientation on the pond at Gardner Dam. After that, the program progresses for (4) days of paddling through increasingly difficult whitewater at a pace that will challenge but not overwhelm. Challenges will be based on the ability of the group. The staff will get you there with a focus on safety.



Meals - Participants will eat breakfast and dinner with the troop. Camp provides a packed lunch for each participant.

Equipment - All paddling equipment and transportation will be provided. Please see the Personal Equipment List for suggested personal items. It will be a full and exciting week of adventure!



Northwoods Day Adventure

New for 2012....
Day Adventure Programs
for Bear Paw Scout Camp



(Typical Schedule)

Programs		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 <i>Sailing/ Snorkeling/</i> (optional kayaks)	Bear Paw			Boulder Lake -afternoon (Optional BBQ & overnight camp out)		
2 <i>Mountaineering</i>	Bear Paw	Climbing	Climbing			Climbing
3 <i>Shooting Sports</i>	Bear Paw			Bear Paw -morning Pistol (note 1) /Black Powder /Rifle / Shotgun		
4 <i>Fitness</i>	Bear Paw			Bear Paw- Triathlon		
5 <i>River Kayaking</i>	Bear Paw	Chute Pond	Red River			
6 <i>Cycling</i>	Bear Paw			(Optional BBQ & overnight camp out @ Boulder Lake	Bike trip to Bear Paw from Boulder Lake	
7 <i>COPE</i>	Gardner Dam	COPE				COPE
8 <i>Canoeing</i>	Bear Paw	Chute Pond			Peshtigo River (Overnight)	Peshtigo River

Note 1. Only Venturers can shoot pistols in this program

Please fill out forms "A", "B" & "C" to make reservations for this program.
Your unit will be contacted by the Wolf River Adventure Program Director to develop your exact schedule for the week based on your requested programs submitted in form "C".
You must be a swimmer to participate in the water activities in this program. You will take your swim test on Sunday afternoon.

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Personal Equipment List**



**** NEW BSA Annual Health and Medical Record (PARTS A, B and C)**

Camping Gear:

- Tent (can be provided if needed)
- Plastic ground cloth for tent
- Single bag (duffle or pack) for storing all gear
- Sleeping bag and pillow
- Sleeping pad
- Flashlight
- Pocket knife
- Compass
- Water Bottle

Clothes:

- Venturing or Boy Scout uniform
- T-Shirts
- Shorts
- Long pants
- Long sleeve shirt
- Warm sweatshirt, fleece, or jacket
- Swimsuit (please only single piece style for females)
- Socks
- Underwear
- Rain jacket and pants

Personal Care Items:

- Toothbrush/toothpaste
- Shampoo/conditioner/soap
- (2) Towels – minimum
- Sunscreen
- Chapstick/lip balm with sunscreen
- Insect repellent
- Foot Powder

Miscellaneous:

- Sunglasses
- Strap for glasses
- Book
- Small bag for day trips
- Plastic bags for wet clothes
- Climbing shoes (optional)
- Dry shoes for around camp – closed toed

Additional Gear for Sea Kayaking/River Canoeing:

- Wet shoes – tennis shoes or neoprene river shoes
- Wide brimmed hat
- Bandana
- Non-cotton liner socks (quick dry)

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2012 High Adventure Payments

BEAR PAW / GARDNER DAM SCOUT CAMPS



Bay-Lakes Council
P.O. Box 267
Appleton, WI 54912-0267

Troop/Crew # _____

Account #1-6701-718-21

Troop Camping @ (circle one) **Bear Paw** or **GDC** Site _____ Week Attending _____ Dates _____

PRIMARY CONTACT FOR CAMP RESERVATION

(Camp information will be mailed directly to this person only. They will be responsible for sharing information with parents and other adults and youth attending camp).

Name _____ Daytime Phone # _____

Address _____ E-mail _____

PAYMENTS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE, BUT MAY BE TRANSFERRED TO ANOTHER PERSON NOT CURRENTLY REGISTERED. SPACE IS LIMITED....SIGN UP EARLY TO GET YOUR SPOT!

YOUTH AND PARTICIPATING ADULT FEE:

Northwoods Day Adventure fee is **\$250 per youth and \$110 for participating adult**

\$100 per youth must be paid by March 1, 2012.

\$150 balance per youth due May 1, 2012.

Advanced Whitewater Adventure fee is **\$275 per youth and participating adult**

\$100 per youth and participating adult must be paid by March 1, 2012.

\$175 balance per person due May 1, 2012

Door County Adventure fee is **\$350 per youth and participating adult**

\$100 per youth and participating adult must be paid by March 1, 2012.

\$250 balance per person due May 1, 2012

\$ 30 per person additional fee for Sailing Option due May 1, 2012

If registering after March 1, a \$50 per person late fee is in effect.

NON-PARTICIPATING ADULT FEE: \$110 per adult (21 and older) due May 1, 2012

(Does not take part in any activities, provides 2-deep leadership in camp or on overnights)

PAYMENT SUMMARY – COMPLETE WITH EACH CAMP PAYMENT

_____ Deposit youth or participating adult @ **\$100** = \$ _____

_____ Final Payment youth or participating adult @ **\$150 or \$250** (see above) = \$ _____

_____ youth/adult @ **\$300 or \$400** = _____ (If signing up after Mar. 1, fees are additional \$50)

_____ adults @ **\$110** = \$ _____ (Providing leadership only, NOT taking part in any activities)

Total Payment Enclosed \$ _____ **Payment Date** _____

Must attach Registration Forms "A" & "B". Also include Form "C" for the Northwoods Day Adventure.

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**Wolf River Adventures
Registration Form "A"**

Contact Information



Mail to the Center for Scouting

PO Box 267, Appleton, WI 54912

You will receive written confirmation of registration

Unit _____ Council _____ District _____

Week Attending Camp _____

Contact Person _____

Street Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Email _____

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**Wolf River Adventures
Registration Form "B"**

Participant Registration



**Mail to the Center for Scouting
PO Box 267, Appleton, WI 54912**

You will receive written confirmation of registration

Program: There is a maximum of (10) participants per program.

(If your unit is doing more than one program, submit a separate form for each program)

(Minimum age 13 & completed 8th grade)

Door County

Advanced Whitewater

(Program sign-up - circle one program)

Please list the names of all participants:

Adult (21 or older) _____ M / F (please circle one)

Adult (21 or older) _____ M / F (please circle one)

Youth _____ Age _____ M / F (please circle one)

Youth _____ Age _____ M / F (please circle one)

Youth _____ Age _____ M / F (please circle one)

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Youth _____ Age _____ M / F (please circle one)

Youth _____ Age _____ M / F (please circle one)

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Registration Form "C"
Northwoods Day Adventure Programs



Mail to the Center for Scouting
PO Box 267, Appleton, WI 54912

You will receive written confirmation of registration

Day Adventure Program Selection - See Northwoods Day
Adventures chart for daily schedules of which programs are offered

Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday

Five horizontal lines for program selection.

- Sailing/ Snorkeling - program #1
Climbing - program #2
Pistol Shooting - program #3
Black Powder Rifle - program #3
Fitness - program #4
River/Lake Kayaking - program #5
Cycling - program #6
COPE - program #7
Canoeing - program #8

(Program sign-up - list desired program for each day)

Please submit additional forms if participation changes based on program selection.

Please list the names of all participants: (Minimum age 13)

Adult (21 or older) _____ M / F (please circle one)

Adult (21 or older) _____ M / F (please circle one)

Youth _____ Age _____ M / F (please circle one)

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