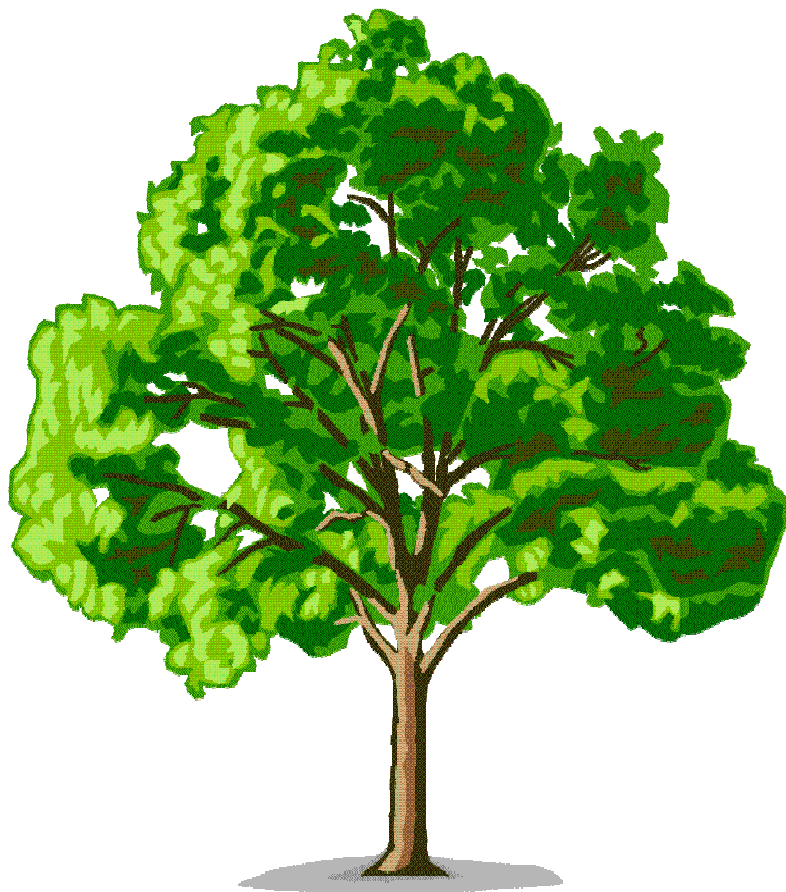
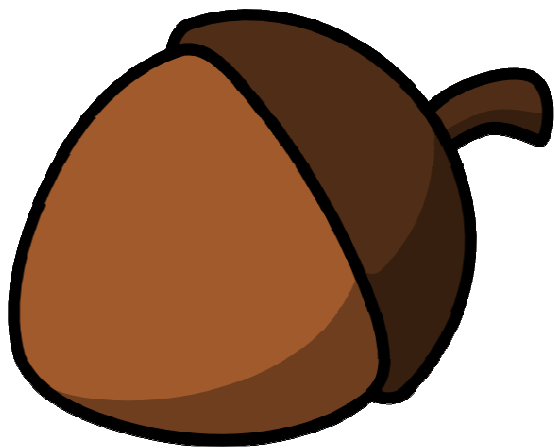


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Welcome to Fall Encampment. Where boys and their families experience the excitement of the festivities and learn about the world around them as they frolic in the outdoors. Memories that will last a lifetime begin the moment you start setting up your tent and will continue until you leave the campground. Dreams develop and are brought to life before your very eyes.

This campout is planned for all members of the Southeast Louisiana Council, Boy Scouts of America. Tiger Cubs, Cub Scouts, Webelos Scouts and their families are encouraged to attend this annual event. We invite all leaders and parents along with Boy Scouts, Venturers, and Explorers to serve as staff.

This guide gives parents and Pack leaders the information needed to plan for Fall Encampment. SIGN-UP BETWEEN NOW AND September 25 to take advantage of the discounted fee of \$15.00 per person. Information is also available at the Council Website at www.bsa-selacouncil.org

The Southeast Louisiana Council Scouters look forward to providing each of you a fantastic weekend filled with FUN, ADVENTURE, and QUALITY TIME for all families in attendance. Cub Scouts may attend with others from their Pack, other members of their den, or only their family. Life can't get any better than what this weekend will provide between a child and his family – no matter what the combination – father/son, mother/son, total family, grandparent/grandson. Mark your calendars now, and take time to read all the information provided in this guide. "Be Prepared" to have a great time!

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DATES

Check in is Friday October 23 beginning at 2 pm. Camp will conclude on Sunday October 25.

LOCATION

Salmen Scout Reservation, Camp V-Bar is located in southern Mississippi approximately 11/2 hours outside New Orleans. Driving directions and a map are located in the appendix of this guidebook

Salmen Scout Reservation, Camp V-Bar

27585 V-Bar Road

Perkinston, MS 39573

Camp Office Phone 228-255-7336

REGISTRATION

REGISTRATION FORMS: Attached to this guidebook are the registration forms for Pack's and families attending camp and the Staff Registration form. Everyone attending this campout must complete the 3-page registration form. **EVERY PARTICIPANT MUST BE LISTED ON THE ROSTER SECTION OF THE REGISTRATION FORM.** Mail or fax these forms to the Council Service Center on or before the early bird date of Sept 25 to take advantage of the discount fee. These forms will be used during check-in at camp. An updated copy must be submitted when checking in to camp if any changes have occurred since submitting your registration. All registration after Tuesday, October 20th must be paid at camp. Registration will not be accepted at the council office after this date.

FEES	DEADLINE DATES	Maximum Family Fee
\$15 per person T-Shirts order deadline Meal ticket order deadline	Sept 25	\$60
\$20 per person	Sept, 26 – Oct 9	\$80
\$25 per person	After Oct 9	\$100

Reminder: Everyone in attendance must be listed on the roster regardless of age. Fees include a patch for every youth, program support and activity materials, and arena show and entertainment.

MEAL TICKET PLAN: If you are not planning to provide your own meals, you will need to purchase meal tickets for the weekend. Meal tickets may be purchased for Saturday breakfast, lunch and dinner and Sunday breakfast. All meals **MUST BE PURCHASED AND PREPAID** through the Council Services by September 25, 2009 in order to guarantee availability. Indicate what meals you will need on the registration form. Meal Tickets will be packaged by unit and will be issued to the unit leader at check-in located in the Dining Hall.

Fall Encampment Meals		
<u>Serving Time</u>	<u>Meal</u>	<u>Price</u>
Sat. 7- 8 am	Hot and Cold Breakfast	\$3.00
Sat. Noon – 1pm	Hot Lunch	\$3.00
Sat. 5-6 pm	Hot Dinner	\$4.00
Sun. 7 – 8 am	Cold Breakfast	\$3.00

T-SHIRT ORDERS: T-shirts commemorating this Cub Scout event may be ordered on the enclosed registration form. New this year is The T-shirt Vender Order Form. It must be turned with your registration form. Only those ORDERED AND PREPAID on or before SEPTEMBER 25 are assured of having their shirts for the weekend. T-shirts will be packaged by unit and will be issued to the Pack leader in the dining hall.

You can order a T-shirt at camp. You will be asked to complete a notification postcard. This postcard will be mailed back to you when your T-shirts arrive at Council Services following the campout. Bring the postcard with you to pick up your T-shirts, about two weeks after the event. No T-shirt will be issued without a postcard.

T-shirt sizes tend to run small. You will be issued the size ordered on the registration form, we cannot make exchanges.

- Youth Small 6-8, Medium 10-12, Large 14-16 - \$10.00.
- Adult Small, Medium, Large, X Large -----\$12.00
- Adult XX-Large, XXX-Large -----\$15.00

PATCH INFORMATION: Every youth attending will receive the Fall Encampment patch. Patches will be ready for the unit leader to pick up Friday between 6-9 pm in the dining hall.

HEALTH HISTORY FORM: HEALTH HISTORY FORM: Everyone in camp must have a completed health history on file with the unit leader. This includes scouts, siblings, adults and all staff members. **Complete only parts A and C of The Annual Health and Medical Record**. This health form can be downloaded from the council website.

Each unit is encouraged to keep their Health Histories in a three ring binder. This way they are on file at all times and can be used year round with all activities that the unit participates in.

REFUND POLICY: A nonrefundable fee of \$5.00 per person will be assessed to all refunds. Meals and T-shirts fees are nonrefundable. All Requests must be submitted in writing. The written request can be mailed or faxed to Council Services, with reasons noted as to why the request is being made. Requests may be sent before the event or no more than 10 days following the event for consideration of refund. Written refund requests submitted after the event will be considered only for personal illness or family emergencies. No refund requested will be accepted after ten days following the event

PREPARATION FOR CAMP

1. An extremely important function of your planning is informing parents of Camp plans. Prior to camp, set a date and hold a parents information meeting. You will need to make copies of the guidebook and see that each parent receives a copy. Make sure all forms are filled out correctly and completely. Turn in the forms and payment for camp to the council services office. This guide also includes all the necessary forms, a list of what to bring to camp, Camp Salmon policies and procedures, and a map on how to get there.
2. Arrange for transportation to and from camp. Have everyone who is going to camp meet at a central location and carpool to camp, if possible. Be sure every driver has a map to camp and the camp phone number. Share cell phone numbers, in case someone becomes separated from the group.
3. Have an experienced family (someone who has been to camp) mentor a new inexperienced family (someone who has never been to camp) by driving to camp together and helping to locate your assigned campsite for the weekend.
4. To help late arrivals find other members of their Pack, some leaders are setting up "Pack Number Signs" on the roads inside camp. Use real estate or political sign standards to write the Pack number on it. A fluorescent background with dark lettering shows up really well. These signs must be removed when you leave camp Sunday morning.
5. **Vehicle Tag:** Each vehicle coming to camp should place a sign in the front windshield with their Pack Number, District Name and Campsite Assignment. We will be directing traffic to the parking lot closest to your campsite by this signage. A sample of the windshield sign is included in this guidebook. Anyone who does not have a sign in their window will park in the lot available, which may not be the closest to your campsite.

6. **Identification For All Children...Please Read!** Parents and leaders should consider making nametags to be worn by every youth. We recommend that you include the Name, Pack number, District, and Campsite assignment on the tag, and laminate the tags for longer wear. Use a safety pin to fasten to shirts or they may be worn around the neck on a lanyard. Because so many are wearing the same uniform, it is easy to lose track of your child. If you become separated from your child at anytime, the nametag will provide accurate identification and campsite location information. This will expedite the relocation of "lost" parents.
7. Pack T-shirts: Some Packs have purchased their own T-shirts, using either a standard or a custom design logo and the pack number – this helps identify your group in a large crowd.
8. A "What to Bring Checklist" is included in the appendix. This list is meant as a guide. Use your judgment in choosing what to bring to camp.

PROCEDURES ON ARRIVAL AT CAMP

Reminder: Every car should have a vehicle tag in the front windshield with your Pack Number, District Name, and Campsite Assignment.

SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR MEDICAL OR DISABLED VISITORS: Anyone needing assistance because of a medical, disability or other impairment should call Council Services at 504 889-0388. Please call two weeks prior to the campout so that we may be fully prepared to assist you.

GETTING GEAR TO CAMPSITE FRIDAY 2 PM: Please plan to arrive at camp no earlier than 2 pm on Friday. You will not be allowed to enter camp until 2PM. Arrival before 2 pm is available for staff only and requires special permission from the event advisor; make arrangements through Council Services (504-889-0388). We appreciate your observance of this policy.

PACK GEAR FRIDAY 2PM – 6PM: ONLY ONE Pack Gear Trailers or ONE Pack Gear Vehicle loaded with Pack equipment will be allowed to enter camp from 2PM - 6PM. No other vehicles will be allowed on the roads to the campsites. Your unit may use a trailer or one designated vehicle to transport Pack equipment to your campsite. All trailers should be brought into camp before 6PM Friday evening. If your trailer will arrive after 6PM please notify Council Services. This is an ideal solution to having to haul equipment in by hand on Friday evening. Please inform the parking lot attendant, when you enter camp, that you are bring in Pack equipment. The trailer can remain in your campsite, but all vehicles must be removed from the campsite and parked in the parking lot. Trailers may be brought to camp early in the week, make arrangements through Council Services.

PERSONAL VEHICLES FRIDAY 2 PM: Personal vehicles will not be allowed on the roads to the campsites. On arrival, you will be directed to one of the parking lots. From there you will transport your gear to your campsite. **Be prepared to transport you personal camping gear to your campsite by hand. You Will Need** a wagon, luggage carrier, a trash can on wheels, etc, that all of your gear can be loaded into and rolled /carried to your campsite. We strongly recommend that you be prepared to do this There will be very LIMITED assistance available to help transport large and heavy items to your campsite. Please be aware of the amount of gear you plan to bring.

FRIDAY AFTER 6 PM: The roads to the campsites will be closed, except for emergency vehicles and for camp staff who are assisting with camp program set-up.

GEAR TRANSPORT ASSISTANCE FRIDAY 6 PM – 10 PM: LIMITED assistance is available to help transport large and heavy items to your campsite. You are responsible for the transport of all other items. If... you need gear transport assistance please let the parking lot attendant know when you enter camp. He will direct you to the gear drop-off location in the parking lot. ALL GEAR MUST BE MARKED with your NAME Pack number and District name. Do not leave any loose gear at the drop-off point – containerize it. We will not transport gear that is not labeled. Your gear will be delivered to your campsite. It may take some time for your gear to be brought to your campsite.

SATURDAY: Vehicles will not be allowed to enter the roads to the campsites on Saturday On arrival, you will be directed to one of the parking lots. From there you will transport your gear to your campsite. You are

responsible for the transport of all your gear. ***You Will Need*** a wagon, luggage carrier, a trash can on wheels, etc, that all of your gear can be loaded into and rolled and hand carried to your campsite.

CAMPSITE ASSIGNMENT: Campsites will be assigned based on each District's registration numbers one week prior to the campout. If a large number of people in your District register after assignments are made your campsite may be crowded, register early to avoid this problem. Campsite assignments, by District, will be posted on the council website one week prior to the Fall Encampment.

PARKING: Parking will be in the fields on your left (PARKING LOT A) and to the right (PARKING LOT B) as you enter camp. You will be assigned to a Parking Lot based on your campsite. Vehicles are permitted on camp roads only for the purpose of transporting gear trailers, transporting event supplies, and emergencies. Great care must be taken when on these roads. Immediately following unloading, you must remove your vehicle to either parking lot A or B outside the main gate of camp as quickly as possible. Vehicles will be allowed to return to the campsite only on Sunday morning.

SPEED LIMIT: The speed limit in camp is 15 mph. Please ensure compliance with this requirement for the safety of our Scouts and everyone in camp.

NO ONE IS ALLOWED TO RIDE IN THE BED OF A PICKUP TRUCK. This is against all Boy Scout of America National Health & Safety Policies and is also against common good judgment.

CAMP CHECK-IN PROCEDURE

Check-In Hours: Friday 2PM – 10PM at the front gate
Saturday 7AM – 11AM at the front gate After 11AM in the Dining Hall
Camp Information Center : in Dining Hall Friday - Sunday

A Check-In Desk is Located in each Parking Lot (A and B): Everyone will check-in at one of the parking lot locations and be given an ID bracelet.

Please bring the following with you.... This will speed the check-in process

1. All youth and adult medical forms
2. A Copy of your Roster
3. Camp fee payment receipt
4. Money to settle any unpaid fees.
5. One unit leader will pick up the Pack envelope from the Dining Hall, containing pre-ordered T-shirts, and pre-ordered meal tickets.

On Site Registration: Yes, you can register at camp. Please have the Registration form, Roster, and a Health History for each person, completed before coming to the registration table. This will speed your check-in process.

ID Bracelets: ID bracelets will be issued to everyone at check-in and **MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES.** Anyone not wearing an ID will be stopped and brought to Registration to be registered. This is for your children's protection; please help us with this.

FRIDAY NIGHT INFORMATION MEETING

A meeting for all parents, Pack Leaders and Camp Staff will be held Friday evening at 9:00 PM in the Dining Hall. It is very important that each Pack and or Den send a representative to this meeting. Any specific questions or problems you have about camp will be addressed at that time.



SATURDAY EVENTS

When you arrive at camp you will receive a schedule for all the activities during the weekend. If you have any questions or would like to help with the events on Saturday "A Scout is Helpful" please come to the information meeting in the dining hall Friday evening at 9pm.

In the event of rain, the Encampment events will likely go on. However, many of these activities are weather dependent and have the potential of being cancelled or relocation within the camp. Cancellations will be held to a minimum.

New this year – Webelos event area, Webelos will have special activities that will assist in completing some of their advancement requirements.

- Ham Radio Operators, the Scouts will be able to talk with other Scouts across the country while at camp

CAMP POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

GENERAL CAMP INFORMATION

The Outdoor Code: All Campers are asked to live by the Outdoor Code. Please don't cut down or damage, in any way, live trees. They will become infected. Make sure any open fires are in the properly designated fire area. Please be sure that your Scouts know and understand the importance of caring for Nature as well as camp property.

The Outdoor Code

As an American, I will do my best to

Be clean in my outdoor manners,

Be careful with fire,

Be considerate in the outdoors, and

Be conservation-minded.

A Scout is Clean: You are expected to keep your campsite, latrine, shower facility, and washstand clean. If you need any special maintenance, please report it immediately to Camp Administration. We will see to it as soon as possible. Toilet tissue will be distributed through the Camp Quartermaster. We appreciate your cooperation.

Conduct and Discipline: We solicit all adults' cooperation in this area. At all times the conduct and discipline of the Scouts is first the responsibility of the parents and second the unit leaders. The camp staff will not discipline any Scout unless it is a case of bodily injury or property damage, and then notify the parent and or appropriate leader. The camp staff is charged with the responsibility of providing program and support services

to the camp and its participants; they are not authorized to supervise your Scouts. The camp administration reserves the right to remove any person from camp who is causing a major disruption.

Telephone: There is a designated public phone, located just outside the entrance to the Administration Building. Adults will need to purchase Long Distance Calling Cards in order to use this phone. Cellular service is extremely limited at Camp V-Bar. The use of cellular or digital telephones by adults attending camp to contact emergency services may result in delayed emergency service to a camper. The Camp Office telephone is a business phone so calls must be restricted to those of an emergency nature. Incoming calls will be accepted on the business phone, and a message will be relayed to the Pack Leader. The call back will be on the public telephone. The business/emergency phone **CANNOT BE TIED UP FOR PERSONAL PHONE CALLS.** The telephone number at Salmen Scout Reservation is: (228) 255-7336.

Showers: Each Campsite will be issued shower keys, which allows access to the two (2) shower houses on Camp. The key is **ONLY** to be used by adult leadership. An adult must accompany the youth to the shower house and remain with the youth until completed. Each shower is a private stall with wet and dry areas. There are two leader showers with flushing toilets. Please help keep the showers clean. If you need assistance while at Camp, contact the Camp Administration. Complete guidelines of Camp shower usage will be outlined at the Information Meeting Friday night.

Electronic Devices: Camp is an outdoor experience and personal items such as stereos, radios, CD players, electronic games, etc, are not allowed in camp. A Scout is cheated out of his full outdoor experience with these types of items. Please leave these items at home.

Lost and Found: Until camp closes, lost and found items will be kept in the Dining Hall. Any remaining item after camp is closed will be brought to the Southeast Louisiana Council Service Center. Items not claimed within 30 days will be given to a charitable organization. All personal property and clothing should be clearly marked with your name and Pack number.

Trading Post: Camp V-Bar maintains a well stocked Trading Post and Concession Stand to serve you in making your stay more enjoyable. There is a full complement of snacks and Scouting items such as patches, handicraft kits, and camping gear to enhance your Scout's camp experience. Daily hours will be posted on the Trading Post front door.

Ice: Tickets for bags of ice are for sale, \$1.00 per bag, at the Information area in the Dining Hall. Bring your ticket(s) to the back door of the Dining Hall to pick up the ice.

Uniforms: Scouts and Leaders are requested to wear the complete Field Uniform (Class A) for evening meals and flag ceremonies. Scouts are encouraged to wear their scout uniform with a scout T-shirt. If a scout has just joined and does not have a uniform, he should wear jeans or shorts and plan on buying a scout T-shirt at camp or wear a T-shirt.

Knives: Cub Scouts must have a "Whittling Chip" card to use a knife at camp. Blades are to be no longer than 4 inches and must fold. No sheath knives are permitted.

Weather: Camp will take place rain or shine. Camp V-Bar can experience hot and humid weather, with afternoon thunderstorms. During these times, we may adjust some of the activities due to weather conditions. Nighttime and early morning temperatures can be rather cold in October. Watch the weather forecast before coming to camp and plan accordingly. Bring clothing to keep warm, sweat suits, sweaters, heavy coat, and extra blankets. During hot weather it is important that the Scouts and especially the adults consume large quantities of water. Water coolers are located in all the program areas. Be sure to carry a drinking cup or water bottle with you on Saturday.

Fishing: Because of the large range of bank area around the lake, fishing will be allowed only under the "Buddy System" and when supervised by an adult. Salmen Scout Reservation maintains a policy of "catch and release" so all can enjoy the fishing. Scouts are encouraged to enjoy the Joe Domino Fishing Pier.

Taps: Taps occurs at 10pm. All campers are expected to be in their campsites by that time.

Quiet Hours: 10pm – 6am, please keep voices low and be considerate of sleeping campers. "A Scout is Courteous." Any unit nighttime activities such as night hikes, astronomy hikes, etc. must be cleared with the Encampment Chairman.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Health Lodge: The health lodge is staffed 24 hours a day by persons trained to handle minor accidents or illness. All injuries, regardless of the extent, must be reported to and treated at the Health Lodge. If needed,

more serious cases will be treated at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis. If the parents of a Scout are not in camp during the weekend they must indicate, on the health form, where they can be contacted in the event of an emergency.

Every person who attends camp must have a completed Health History

Medications at Camp: Medications should NEVER be in a Scout's possession unless for emergencies. Scouts are allowed to carry items and medications, such as inhalers or epi-pens, which are routinely carried on their person.

Fire and Emergency Alarms: The camp has its own fire and emergency alarm system. It is a steady audible siren that transmits from the Administration Building. When the alarm is sounded, Leaders, Scouts and Staff will report to the Flag Poles in front of the Administration Building. Leaders should be prepared to take roll of their Pack to ensure that everyone is accounted for. Emergency direction will be given at that time. Leaders, Scouts and Staff Members are not to assist in handling the Emergency unless directed by the Camp Administration.

The fire and emergency alarm system will be explained in detail at the meeting of unit leaders and camp staff scheduled for Friday evening.

Shoes: For safety reasons, all persons must wear shoes at all times. Open toe shoes are not permitted in camp. Sandals and Aqua Socks may be worn inside the showers. While walking to the showers, closed toe, hard sole shoes must be worn. There will be no exceptions.

Mosquitoes: Mosquitoes are a fact of life in southern Mississippi. We encourage everyone to use DEET based insect repellent with DEET percentages appropriate to your age.

RULES FOR SCOUTS AND ADULTS

Firearms, Ammunition, Bows, Arrows and Weapons: Personal rifles, firearms, ammunition, bows, arrows, and other weapons are NOT ALLOWED in camp. Only those supplied by the camp are permitted, and only in the designated area.

Alcohol, Illegal Drugs, and/or Stimulants: The use of alcohol, illegal drugs, and/or stimulants on Boy Scout property has long been prohibited. This policy will be strictly enforced for all those who use our camp facility. Violators will be asked to leave the camp immediately. We will enforce all local, state, and federal laws in these matters.

Smoking or Use of Tobacco Products in Camp: National Scouting policies prohibit anyone under the age of 18 to smoke, or use tobacco products. Smoking in camp is discouraged. Designated smoking areas are: behind the Dining Hall and in the Main Parking Lot at the camp entrance. Leaders who smoke must do so out-of-sight of youth. Proper "field stripping" and disposal of butts should be done in proper receptacles.

Fireworks: Fireworks are prohibited at Camp V-Bar unless done by an authorized, bonded user for arena show purposes. Personal usage is not allowed. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!

Pets: No pets of any type are allowed in camp. The only exceptions are for guide and search and rescue dogs.

NO FLAME IN TENTS

The Boy Scouts of America national policy prohibits the use of open flames in tents.

**This includes: Mosquito Coils, Catalytic Heaters, Fuel Lanterns, Stoves,
Candles and Smoking Materials**

Liquid and L.P. Fuel: The use of liquid fuels (kerosene, gasoline, Coleman fuel, diesel, etc.) and liquid fuel equipment in camp is not recommended because of hazards involved in storage, handling, filling, and lighting of such equipment. Propane is the preferred fuel. Empty propane cylinders should be returned home. DO NOT bring liquid fuel cans to camp. If you are using liquid fuel equipment, fill the fuel tank in lantern and/or stove at home, this will give you enough fuel to last the weekend.

Under **NO** circumstances is liquid fuel to be used to light a campfire.

For safety reasons, boys must not be involved in the handling of or the lighting of stoves and/or lanterns.

Cooking Fires: If you use a charcoal or wood cooking fire, ALL the campfire rules listed below must be followed. You will have to share the fire area with others for cooking and campfire. You must use a charcoal chimney or Match-Light charcoal to light the charcoal. Under NO circumstances is liquid lighter fluid to be used to start the charcoal.

NO trees are to be cut down. Use **ONLY** downed wood, picked up in or near your campsite for firewood. Adults **ONLY** may use a Bow Saw (preferred), axes or hatchet when cutting downed wood.

Campfires: The following rules will be followed during Fall Encampment with regard to fires:

- a. Only ONE campfire will be allowed in each campsite.
- b. Fires will be built on the site of previous fires.
- c. Fires will be at least TEN FEET from tents, tarps, or structures.
- d. There must be a TEN-foot area cleared around the campfire to prevent spread of fire.
- e. Buckets with at least 10 GALLONS of water, **MUST** be placed within 10 feet of the fire
- f. All fires must be SUPERVISED at all times by a designated ADULT (FIRE WATCH).
- g. Fires are to be completely EXTINGUISHED BEFORE LEAVING AREA.
- h. ANY fire out of control **MUST** be reported to a STAFF MEMBER IMMEDIATELY.
- i. The use of LIQUID FUELS in a campfire is STRICTLY PROHIBITED.

ANY FIRE DETERMINED TO BE UNSAFE BY THE COUNCIL STAFF WILL BE EXTINGUISHED UPON REQUEST.

Buddy System: BSA and Camp policy requires all campers to travel in pairs (Buddy System), when they leave the campsite for any reason. Please make sure your Scouts tell you where they are going and when you can expect them to be back. Do not allow them to leave your campsite area after dark, unless accompanied by your “two deep” leadership. At times, children have been separated from their parents during the day or at the end of the arena show. Make sure you have reviewed what to do in case you are separated from one another.

Off Limit Areas: Please pay attention to the areas at camp that are marked OFF LIMITS for everyone. These areas can be dangerous with or without supervision. Orange plastic mess fencing or yellow caution tape will post these areas.

Kitchen: The kitchen area is off limits for all except Dining Hall personnel. If anything is needed from the kitchen, please ask the Camp Administration.

THE RISK ZONE

“The Risk Zone” is a state of physical and mental fatigue that is a major cause of highway crash fatalities. As a leader it is your challenge to do all that you can to keep Scouts safe, both at Camp and while traveling to and from Salmen Scout Reservation. Take the Driver’s Pledge and get a good night’s sleep the night before you come to Camp and on your last night at Camp. The Driver’s Pledge is a commitment to plan ahead and avoid killer fatigue.

Camp V-Bar Driver’ s Pledge

I WILL NOT DRIVE WHEN I FEEL FATIGUED. I realize that when I am fatigued, I process information slower and less accurately, and this impairs my ability to react in time to avoid accidents.

I WILL GET A GOOD NIGHT’S SLEEP before I drive to camp — and my last night at camp.

I WILL MAKE TRAVEL PLANS that take into account my personal biological clock and I will only drive while alert.

CAMP CHECKOUT PROCEDURE

Vehicles may be brought into the campsites Sunday morning for loading gear only. They are not to be driven around camp. If you are planning to leave earlier than Sunday morning, the regular checkout time, please

checkout with both your unit leader and at the information desk in the Dining Hall. This will help us to know who is in camp.

Reminder, **cars are not allowed in camp until Sunday morning**. Be prepared to transport your camping gear to the parking lot by hand if you plan on leaving early.

Please fill out an Evaluation Form so we may better serve you and others in the future.

The campsite breakdown is complete when:

1. All gear is packed, grounds clean of all trash
2. Do not throw food scraps into the woods. It will attract the *WILD CRITTERS* into your campsite. Put all food trash into plastic garbage bags.
3. Campsite latrines are cleaned and all trash picked up.
4. Remove all trash bags from your campsite and place them in the dumpster located at the rear of the dining hall. **DO NOT LEAVE TRASH BAGS BY THE SIDE OF THE ROAD.**
Remember "Leave No Trace" - A Scout Always Leaves Camp Cleaner Than He Found It.

The Pack leader should come to the Information area to turn in your evaluation form. Please report any problems or concerns with camp equipment that you found while breaking-down camp. **Please pick up your Fall Encampment Patches and check the Lost and Found before departing.**

Early Departure Gear Transport Assistance: If the weather is rainy during Saturday we will do our best to provide transport assistance FOR LARGE AND HEAVY GEAR ONLY from 1PM - 8PM Saturday evening for those wishing to leave camp.

Because the roads will be soft and muddy (very easy to get stuck in the mud) and for the safety of our children, personal vehicles will not be allowed to enter the campsites

If a large number of families wish to leave it may take some time to get to your campsite, so please be patient.

1. All smaller and lighter weight items will be hand carried to the parking lot.
2. **FIRST-** pack up all your gear, then flag down the trailers/ transport vehicles circulating through-out the campsites or go to the Dining Hall and ask for assistance.
3. Bring the gear to be transported to the side of the road. We will pick up gear from each campsite from the side of the road only, we cannot drive into the campsites
4. All gear must be marked with your name and Pack number
5. All gear will be brought to a Gear Drop-Off site located in each parking lot

Would You Like To Help?

Volunteer Leaders and Parents: You provide a valuable service to all our Scout programs when you participate as a staff member. We encourage 2 adults from each pack to assist with program on Saturday. These leaders are invited to attend the meeting held on Friday evening in the dining hall at 9pm. Your benefit is the knowledge that you have shared your knowledge and love of your vocation or avocation with others. You may be the spark that starts a career or lifelong hobby in the next generation. Please complete a Staff Application if you are interested in volunteering.

Thank you in advance for volunteering to make 2009 Fall Encampment a great success!

What To Bring Checklist

- All participants should make arrangements to provide their own tents and bedding.
- All youth members are encouraged to wear their full Cub Scout uniform. If a Scout has just joined and does not have a uniform, he should wear jeans or shorts and plan to buy and wear a Scout t-shirt.
- Shoes: wear canvas or boots. Flip flops, sandals, Crocs or aqua socks can only be worn at the waterfront or in the showers.
- A wagon or luggage carrier is necessary to carry your gear from the parking lot to campsite. Gear transport assistance is provided only on Friday evening, after 6pm. Due to the large numbers of campers we highly recommend that you "Be Prepared" to transport your own gear.
- MARK ALL GEAR with your name and Pack number.
- This list is meant to serve as a guide. Use your judgment in choosing what to bring to camp.

Camping Gear

- ___ Tent, Tent poles, rope, tent pegs, hammer
- ___ Dining Fly (Tarp) poles, rope, pegs
- ___ Cooking Gear (stove, pans, etc.)
- ___ Ice Chest
- ___ Water Cooler
- ___ Eating and cooking utensils
- ___ Food (if not buying meal tickets)
- ___ Trash bags

Personal Gear

- ___ Completed Health History Form for all campers and adults (signed)
- ___ Sleeping Bag or Blankets (in waterproof cover)
- ___ Pillow
- ___ Full Scout Uniform
- ___ Hat
- ___ Shorts, Long Pants
- ___ T-shirts
- ___ Jacket
- ___ Socks – one pair per day
- ___ Underwear – one per day
- ___ Pajamas or sleeping clothes
- ___ Tennis shoes or Hiking Boots (two pairs)
- ___ Shower shoes, ("flip-flops" for use in showers only)

NO OPEN TOE SHOES IN CAMP

- ___ Toiletry Kit: Toothbrush, toothpaste, bath towel, washcloth, shampoo, comb/brush, soap (in a container).

- ___ **Day Pack or Fanny Pack** To carry the following during the day on Saturday:

- ___ Insect Repellent (Non-Aerosol Only)
- ___ Sunscreen
- ___ Drinking cup/water bottle
- ___ Personal First Aid Kit
- ___ Flashlight and fresh batteries
- ___ Raincoat or poncho

Optional

- ___ Folding Table
- ___ Folding Chair
- ___ Spending Money for Trading Post
- ___ Sunglasses
- ___ Camera and film
- ___ Fishing gear
- ___ Religious or other reading materials
- ___ Rake
- ___ Shovel
- ___ Bow Saw

ITEMS NOT ALLOWED IN CAMP

- Sheath Knives
- Axes/Hatchets
- Radios, Tape Players, CD Players, TVs
- Handheld Electronic Games
- Alcoholic Beverages
- Firearms, Archery equipment, Weapons
- Fireworks
- Controlled substances
- Pets