TROOP 6 ~ POINT PLEASANT BEACH HIGH ADVENTURE CANOE TRIP - AUGUST 2016 ELY, MINNESOTA AND ONTARIO, CANADA

Troop 6 is finalizing sign ups for a wilderness canoe trip in August 2016. If you are interested in this trip, please contact Mr. McGuire or Mr. Roberts A.S.A.P. We must meet guidelines of no more than 8 per crew, at least 50% of each crew must be youth who have turned 13 on or before August 6, 2016. A \$100.00 non-refundable deposit paid by August 31 is required to hold a spot.

To continue the booking and deposits required to effectuate this trip, those interested must make a financial commitment. You will become a "Confirmed Participant" once a total of \$500.00 (non-refundable) is paid on account. The \$500.00 must be paid by September 16, 2015. Once "Confirmed", an installment schedule will be provided which will require payment in full by March 2016.

The current plans are as follows:

APPROXIMATE - 8/06/16 Fly United Airline - Depart Newark 6 am, arrive at Detroit 8 am, Depart Detroit 9 am Arrive Duluth, Minnesota 10 am Take a bus from the airport to the base camp just outside Ely, Minnesota - 2.0 - 2.5 hours Arrive at the base camp 12:30 - 1:30 pm 8/06/16.

Depart on canoe excursion morning Sunday 8/07/16 - Canoe through numerous lakes and rivers in Canada for 8 ½ days - Arrive at the base camp Monday PM 8/15/16 Depart the next morning - Times to be determined based upon flight availability. Take a bus from base camp to airport. Anticipate arrival in Newark between 4:00 and 10:00 pm

08/2015 ESTIMATED costs below are subject to fuel prices and US\$ / Canadian exchange rates Per person

Travel to / from Newark Airport - Parents or carpool - Airport parking \$ 35.00
Round trip Airfare - including baggage fees
Round trip Bus transport - DEPENDING UPON TOTAL PARTICIPANTS
Base canoe rental and trip fees
Lightweight canoe upgrade costs
Canadian Camping fees
Fishing Licenses
Meals - in transit
Maps - Required
Meals at Base Camp / other
Shirts, Neckerchiefs, Photos & Other misc. expenses
Estimated total - Discounts may apply depending upon total attending\$1,910.00
Souvenirs, etc personal choice (cash you may want to bring)

Personal camping gear and boots - this will vary per person - additional \$100.00 to \$200.00

Participant requirements - initial listing

Must be registered Scout or Leader
Must be 1st Class before August 6, 2016
Minimum age - 13 - as of August 6, 2016
Minimum weight 100 lbs
Maximum weight 295 lbs
Must be physically fit, able to carry 75+ lbs.
Must pass swimming requirements
Some specific personal gear will be required
Must be approved by the Troop
Must be able to secure a US Passport
Adults need updated training certifications
Adults need valid photo drivers license

Pre-trip shake down canoe trip(s) 2 Mandatory pre-trip meetings Trip costs paid timely

EVERYONE WILL NEED A VALID US PASSPORT SO APPLY NOW

PAYMENTS

Additional information to follow to all "Participants" following \$100.00 non-refundable deposit.

Each participant is responsible to pay the troop for their portion of the expenses, less the \$50.00 that each person should bring for souvenirs and other personal expenses.

All participants must have paid a total of \$500.00 on or before September 16, 2015. The balance due must be paid in installments as noted or you can prepay at any time. At the end of the trip, each participant will be billed for their share of any additional costs or refunded for any excess collected over the actual costs incurred

If other payment arrangements are needed, please contact Mr. McGuire.

ORGANIZATION

We will travel 3 to a canoe. Each crew can be up to 8 from troop 6 plus a guide.

We WILL be renting the lighter weight canoes (well worth the expense)

Each canoe will carry 1 to 2 large "packs" and day packs for immediately accessible items. Remember, you will be packing all the food you will consume for the entire trip. There are no food drops. The large packs will be for food, personal gear and for kitchen and misc. group equipment. At each portage, it will be each canoe's responsibility to carry their canoe and packs. Generally, this will be one person carrying the canoe and the other two each carrying backpacks. Because of this, it is critical that personal equipment be kept to a minimum and that each participant physically prepare for the trip. Experience has shown that even when the personal equipment is minimized, we still take more than we really need!