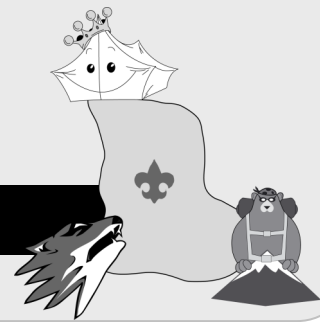


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HOME TO AKELA'S WORLD CUB SCOUT CAMP, TESOMAS SCOUT CAMP, AND HANNA VENTURE BASE

Spring Edition 2008



2008 Summer Camping Season Now Open

Welcome to the beginning of the 74th summer season at the Crystal Lake Scout Reservation. Our programs are in high gear preparing for the summer. Whether it be a high adventure trek to the Apostle Islands or your first Cub Camping experience at Akela's World we will be ready.

Over eight weeks we will open our gates to about 4500 campers. Our staff will teach them everything from Aquanaut & BB Gun shooting to Environmental Science & Leave No Trace. Campers and visitors will also enjoy evening programs such as a space invaders training at Akela's World and the Order of the Arrow Call Out Ceremony at Tesomas.

We look forward to serving you this summer for an entire session or just for the day as a visitor.

Spring Work Trek: May 16-18

We invite everyone to the Crystal Lake Scout Reservation for a weekend of projects in preparation for the upcoming summer camp season. This year there is a variety of projects including construction, maintenance and repairs, landscaping and clean up of areas and buildings.

For participation in this weekend of service, entire units, parts of units and individuals will be served 3 meals on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday. You are also welcome to stay in a cabin or campsite at no charge. The first 250 OA members checking in will also receive the second segment of the 2008 TKC back patch.

This is a great opportunity to earn service hours for rank advancement or to just give back to the camps that we all take pride in.



Register for camps and events online at www.samoset.org/onlinetools.

Family Fishing Weekend - June 7-8

Come for the day Saturday or Sunday or join us for the whole weekend. We will have prizes for assorted categories on both days. Bring your own gear or borrow some of ours. There is plenty of opportunities to fish from shore and those with a current swim test can use our canoes, rowboats and paddleboats.

This event is in conjunction with the Wisconsin DNR's Free Fishing Weekend. Residents & nonresidents of all ages can fish without a license over these two days.

A complimentary buffet lunch will be served from 11 am to 1pm on Saturday and Sunday. Families have the option of purchasing Saturday dinner and Sunday breakfast at \$2 per meal or taking care of meals on their own.

Families are welcome to stay overnight Saturday and use cabin and campsite space. Use of campsites is free and will be on a first come first served basis. Cabins/rooms housing 2-24 persons can be rented at a nominal fee of \$2 per bed.

Tours of Akela's World and Tesomas will be available throughout the weekend.

Fall Cub Camp - October 4, 5, 11, or 12

Formerly just for new Cub Scouts, Fall Cub Camp is open to new and current Cub Scouts and Webelos and their families. We encourage as many Scouts as possible to attend, with their parents and siblings. Offered the first two weekends in October you can attend either of the Saturdays or Sundays.

Activities start at 9 AM preceded by registration. Then it is off to the program areas, singing, hiking, archery, BB guns, slingshots and having fun at the premier Cub Scout camp in the nation. A noon meal is served in the Dining Hall, followed by more programs throughout the camp. Departure is around 4 PM in the afternoon.

Contact Us: For more information or questions about any of our programs feel free to contact us!

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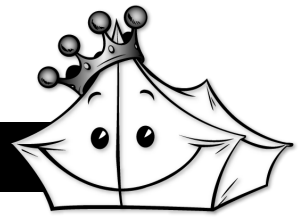
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Tesomas Scout Camp

... finest Boy Scout camping in the United States



Smiley's Adventure in Space

This summer, from a galaxy far, far away, a strange menace is threatening to destroy Earth, starting with Tesomas. With their weapons pointed at our planet, all appears lost, until a faint, garbled message from an unknown source is picked up. Join us to find a way to decode and read the message from our mysterious ally, save Tesomas, and end the alien threat!

Highlights for 2008

- 53 different advancement opportunities in Ten unique program areas
- Visitor night pig roast and OA ceremony
- Waterfront programs at two locations
- Exciting evening patrol, troop, and individual activities
- Free time and open instruction every afternoon
- Superior staff dedicated to quality instruction
- Expanded Leader training opportunities

Check-In

Those Units with Scouts attending our week long high adventure treks should check in at 1:00 pm. All other Units should arrive ready to check in at 2:00 p.m. Your campsite host for the week, will meet your Unit in the parking lot. Remember if your unit plans to arrive early, someone must call at least two weeks in advance to get approval. For the quickest check-in please have all medical forms in alphabetic order separated by those who take medication and those who do not.

Signing Up for Advancement

We encourage Leaders to sign Scouts up for advancement opportunities online. For complete instructions, refer to the "Group Registration Help File" available on our website or the Guidebook.

Bluecards can be turned in Sunday afternoon to the advancement mailboxes. Please indicate the time when the merit badge/activity is being taken on the top of the bluecard just above the Scout's address.

Micro-Trek

Micro-Treks are filling up, however, there are several weeks with space available. If your Scouts are looking for adventure this summer, encourage them to try micro-trek. Activities include sailing, COPE, mountain biking, canoeing & hiking and a special triathlon. Reservations can be made online or through the Scout office.

Medical Forms

Please ensure that a parent has reviewed, signed, and dated their child's medical form within the past 12 months. Also, ensure a doctor has signed it within the past three years (one year for trek). We encourage parents to review the form a month prior to camp to ensure accuracy. **Medical forms may be sent to camp 2 weeks in advance to speed up check-in. Anyone staying at camp overnight must turn in a form.**

Notes and Reminders

Tuesday Night Packout – Units will fill out the order form at the Sunday's leaders meeting. Meal choices can be found on the camp menu available online. In a conservation effort, camp no longer provides disposable plates, cups, and eating utensils, so plan accordingly.

Program Supplement – To help you and your Scouts plan for specific programs and activities two copies will be provided to each unit at camp upon arrival.

Troop Photos - Any Unit who would like to participate will receive a complimentary 8x10 photograph. Parents, Leaders, and Scouts can order additional photos using the form found online. Photos will be ready at check out.

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills – If you missed our April course you still have an opportunity to complete your leader training. The course is scheduled from 9:00-12:00 M-F. Signup online or at camp.

Wednesday Picnic/Visitor Night - Invite your friends and family to camp for a visit, tour, and a pig roast. The evening meal will be served picnic style at 6:00 and available to family and friends \$5 a plate. After the meal, take your guests on a tour. Meal tickets may be purchased at the welcome center as you enter camp.

Dietary Needs – Please notify us of any special dietary needs or restrictions two weeks before your arrival using the form available online. The camp menu is available online for your review.

T-Shirt Preorders – Pre-order T-shirts online or download a form from the website to ensure your son will have one to wear at camp. Shirts ordered by May 31 will cost \$10 and can be paid for at camp. T-shirts purchased at camp will cost \$12.



Tesomas Camp balances are due May 15th. Payments can be made online or through the Scout Center.

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Akela's Guide to the Galaxy

Akela's World Cub Scout Camp, located in Rhinelander, WI, is the premier Cub Scout summer resident camping destination. At "Akela's World" we want to create exactly that; another "world." By using our unique theme, Akela's Guide to the Galaxy, we deliver a program allowing challenge, creativity, adventure, and learning. We provide many advancement opportunities that take advantage of our beautiful outdoor setting.

Highlights for 2008

- Advancement opportunities at every session with online registration and record tracking
- A variety of sessions
- Visitor night picnic and densite campfires with a special snack
- Exciting evening activities
- Superior staff dedicated to teaching values and simply having fun
- Precamp Swim-tests

Signing Up for Advancement

We encourage Leaders to sign Scouts up for their advancement opportunities online. For complete instructions, refer to the "Group Registration Help File" available on our website. Instructions can also be found on pages 17-19 of the Leader's Guidebook.

A complete listing of available advancement opportunities for each session is available at www.samoset.org/akela.

Medical Forms

2 and 3 Day Sessions - All campers attending the 2 or 3 day sessions must complete the health history portion of the Class 1 & 2 BSA Medical Form including a parents signature. A doctor's physical is not required. The form is available on our website.

4 Day Webelos Sessions - Campers under the age of 40 use the Class 1 & 2 BSA Medical Form. Campers 40 and older use the Class 3 BSA Medical Form. Both forms are available on our website.

Sessions & Registration

You and your family still have a chance to sign up for this great summer adventure, but time is running out! Even siblings of cub scouts are welcome to attend. Units can register online, through the mail, or at the Scout Center. Session availability can be found at www.samoset.org/online-tools.

Can't Attend with Your Pack But Still Want to Go?

If you are not able to attend with your Den/Pack, camp welcomes you to attend on your own. If parents cannot get the time off work, they can send their son to a provisional week where camp provides the adult leadership. To learn more contact the Wausau Homes Scout Center, 715-355-1450 or camp@samoset.org.

Notes and Reminders

Pack or Den Photos - Any pack or den who would like to participate will receive a complimentary 8x10 photograph. Parents, Leaders, and Scouts can order additional photos using the form found online. Photos will be ready at check out.

T-Shirt Preorders - Pre-order T-shirts online or download a form from the website to ensure your son will have one to wear at camp. Shirts ordered by May 31 will cost \$10 and can be paid for at camp. T-shirts purchased at camp will cost \$12.

Check-In - All packs should arrive ready to check in between 1:00 and 1:30 p.m. A staff member will greet you in the parking lot and guide you through the check-in process. For the quickest check-in please have all medical forms in alphabetic order separated by those who take medication and those who do not.

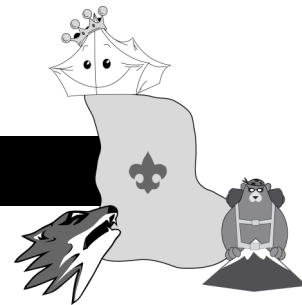
Dietary Needs - Please notify us of any special dietary needs or restrictions two weeks before your arrival using the form available online.



Akela's World Camp balances are due May 30th. Payments can be made online or through the Scout Center.

2009 Camping Adventures

... all the fun opportunities available next year



Reservations for 2009 adventures are now open. You can reserve space for your Den, Pack, Troop, Crew or even an individual.

Polar Cubs

Relocating to Hanna Venture Base in 2009. Polar Cubs is a unique winter program for Cub Scouts and their families. Campers are grouped into "Super Dens" keeping those from the same Pack together. Super Dens rotate through various activities led by staff members known as "Super Den Chiefs." The program focuses on outdoor winter adventure.

Registration includes a bunk in one of our many heated cabins, indoor showers and restrooms as well as two or three meals prepared for you. Between meals campers will have the opportunity to go snowshoeing, sledding, icefishing, play broomball and snow golf as well as try their luck at our semi-indoor shooting ranges in the Rotary Lodge. Webelos will have the opportunity to climb on the indoor wall.

Polar Cubs runs four alternating weekends in January and February with most of the activities on Saturday. Campers have the option of a Friday night or Saturday night stay.



Registration for winter camp will be available online this summer. Visit www.samoset.org/winter for more details.

Hanna Winter Resort

Hanna Winter Resort aims to provide everything Boy Scouts and Venturers need to have an incredible outdoor winter experience. Enjoy the pristine winter northwoods environment around the Base and the freedom to do nearly any winter activity you want whenever you want.

Registration includes a bunk in one of our many heated cabins, indoor showers and restrooms as well as four meals prepared for you. Between meals campers can use our snowshoes, bushwacker skis, broomball equipment, ice fishing gear, and use the indoor climbing wall. You can also arrange to build a snow shelter and sleep in it over night.



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Akela's World Cub Scout Camp

Wolf/Bear 3 Day

Pd. 5 July 20 – 23
Pd. 7 July 27 – 30
Pd. 10 August 7 – 10

Webelos 4 Day

Pd. 1 July 6 – 9
Pd. 3 July 12 – 16
Pd. 9 August 2 – 6

Wolf/Bear 2 Day

Pd. 2 July 10 – 12
Pd. 8 July 31 – Aug 2

Combination 3 Day

Pd. 4 July 17 – 20
Pd. 6 July 24 – 27
Pd. 11 August 10 – 13

Tesomas Scout Camp

Pd 1: June 21 - June 27

Pd 2: June 28 - July 4

Pd 3: July 5 - July 11

Pd 4: July 12 - July 18

Pd 5: July 19 - July 25

Pd 6: July 26 - August 1

Pd 7: August 2 - August 8

Pd 8: August 9 - August 15

Apostle Islands - Sea Kayaking Adventure

Offered weekly in 2009, the Apostle Islands – Sea Kayaking Adventure will form crews similar to Micro-trek. Each crew of 12 Scouts will be formed by assembling participants from that week's units at Tesomas or individuals that want a week of adventure. Individuals can reserve a spot for these treks with a \$50 deposit. Tentative 2009 pricing is \$385 per participant. Visit our website for more information on this trek.

Unit Choice - Canoeing, Hiking, Scuba, Sea Kayaking

Units can also reserve a full week on their own. Crews are built with 6-12 members and the unit gets to decide where the adventure will be. Choose from sea kayaking in the Apostle Islands Scuba in Crystal Lake, hiking in the Porcupine Mountains or canoeing on the Wisconsin River.

Troop or Crew reservations for an adventure of your choice require a \$300 deposit. Tentative pricing for the first six participants is \$2700 for Scuba or the Apostle Islands. Additional participants are \$300 each. Tentative pricing for the first six participants for Porcupine Mountains or Wisconsin River is \$1800. Additional participants are \$200 each.

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