

Event:

Spring 2008 Colonial District Camporee

Working Title:

LEAVE NO TRACE — Backwoods Ethics for the 21st Century

Location:

Bureau of Land Management's Meadowood Recreation Area site at Mason Neck, VA

Date:

April 18-20

Key Elements:

1. The Scouting Method provides the overall guidance for the Colonial District training approach to the Camporee program. In all instances the emphasis will be on boys leading and teaching LNT skills and ethics to other boys. The program will be divided into the following:
 - A. New Scout Skills Activity/Instruction: Instruction aimed at the Tenderfoot Scout through First Class Scout skills set, as enhanced to include the seven LNT principles.
 - B. Middle Scout Skills Activity/Instruction: Instruction in the seven LNT principles having familiarity with each as the learning objective. Scouts completing this part of the program will have completed one or more of the requirements for the BSA Leave No Trace Outdoor Ethics award.
 - C. Older Scout Skills Activity/Instruction: Instruction in the seven LNT principles and certification as Leave No Trace Instructors thus providing the home troop with the ability to train younger Scouts beyond the Camporee. NOTE: Those Scouts who successfully complete this part of the program will have completed Scout Requirements #1, 4, 5 and 6 of the BSA Leave No Trace Outdoor Ethics award and 2 of the required 3 separate camping/backpacking trips needed for requirement #2.
2. Interpatrol Competition: a competition within each Service Area for the best one-pot meal recipe. Awards will be given for first-, second, and third-place. Competition rules:
 - No BakePacker or plastic bag cooking.
 - Only super-market food may be used.
 - All food items must be used as purchased (except of repackaging and combining ingredients).
 - No pre-cooked elements (that is, items cooked elsewhere and transported to the Camporee).
 - All cooking must be done on a one-burner backpacking stove.
 - Points will be given for:
 1. Taste
 2. Preparation time
 3. Clean-up
 4. Use of re-packaging
 5. Fuel usage/cooking time
 6. Adequate portions
 7. Nutritional balance
 8. Use of spices
 9. Safety
3. Training Cadre—a training cadre comprised of older Scouts and Scouters under the guidance of LNT Masters will deliver the LNT principal to the Camporee participants. Generally, we are anticipating:
 - Each unit will provide 2 to 3 youth/adults to be part of the Cadre.
 - About 6 to 8 weeks before Camporee, Cadre meets for an over-night, in-depth LNT Train the Trainer.
 - About 2 to 4 weeks before the Camporee, cadre meets for a day-long review and true-up of platform delivery
 - Outputs of the Cadre's pre-meetings:
 1. Develop an understanding of the LNT principles and how to train them.
 2. Develop the platform elements required to provide a good training.