

BEAR SCOUT ACTIVITY DAY 2019

**Sponsored by:
Asbury Woods
Explorer Post 808**

Dear Cub **Scout Leader**,

The members of Explorer Post 808 invite you to bring your Bear Scouts to the Andrew J. Conner Nature Center at Asbury Woods for a day of environmentally oriented activities. The activities will fulfill the requirements for the new "Fur, Feathers, and Ferns" Bear Adventure requirements. The activities we have planned are as follows:

"Animal Signs and Plant Hike": In this activity the Scouts will:

1. Through sightings or signs left behind find out what animals' live in our area.
2. Identify and interpret the signs animals leave behind. They not only identify the animal, but tell the story of what it was doing.
3. Learn to identify and know the benefits of common plants, including trees, that are found in our area.
4. Use magnifying glass bug boxes to take a "micro hike" to look at plants and bugs up close.

"For the Birds": In this activity the Scouts will:

1. Learn the common song birds that live in our area.
2. Learn that if you want to attract birds, or any animal, you need to provide them with the proper food, shelter, water and space.
3. Build a simple bird feeder to take home.

"Observe Native Animals Up Close": In this activity the Scout will:

1. Learn about, meet, and touch if they want, the live native animals at Asbury Woods.
2. Observe the animals in their habitat exhibit. Describe and draw what they saw.
3. Describe and discuss one or more new things they learned today at Asbury Woods today.
4. Learn how protecting wildlife habitats are important in protecting wildlife and what happens when habitats are destroyed. Define extinction and t threatened species. Be able to see and name an animal that is threatened in PA. Name an animal that has become extinct in the past 100 years.

"Composting and Vegetable Gardens": In this activity, the Scouts will:

1. Learn what compost is, what it is used for, and how to make some for their garden.
2. Observe the Composting station at Asbury Woods.
3. Plant vegetable seeds in a container they can take home, care for, and plant outside once it is big enough. And, once it bears fruit, eat it. Learn that plants are living things too and have the same needs as animals.

Each boy will receive a certificate showing that they completed the activities.

Who: Cub Scouts: Bears

When: Saturday, October 5, 2019

Session #1: 8:45am to 12:15pm. An afternoon session will be offered if the morning session fills.

Where: Andrew J. Conner Nature Center at Asbury Woods, 4105 Asbury Rd. Erie, PA 16506.

Phone: 835-5356

Cost: \$8.50 per Scout (Cost includes materials for activities and a certificate of participation)

SCHEDULE: Morning Session:

1. **8:30 am:** Leaders check your scout pack/troop in at the Information Counter in the Nature Center. There will be a brief introduction at 8:45am.
5. **9:00 am to 12:15 Noon:** Four 40 minute activities. The packs will be grouped with other packs to form four groups that will rotate through the four activities until they have completed all four of the activities. (maximum group size is 25).

Afternoon Session will be offered if the morning session fills:

1. 12:30 pm: Check in. Same procedure as stated above for the morning session.
2. 12:45 pm to 4:15 pm: Repeat of morning session.

All of the activities will be taught by the members of Explorer Post 808 and Staff of Asbury Woods. Proceeds will go to help fund Post 808 activities and Asbury Woods Nature Center.

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Program Registration Agreement

Please complete and sign the registration form below and return to the Nature Center to register for the scouting program.

Release from Injury Claims: On behalf of the Scout Pack or Troop and any of the minor scouts for whom I have the authority to sign this Release, I give permission to attend and participate in the Scout Activity Day program. I hereby release and discharge the Asbury Woods Partnership, their agents, employees, staff members, directors, officers and volunteers from any claims, responsibilities or liabilities for any injuries or harm incurred as a result of or in any way related to our group participation in the program for which registration is sought.

Signed: Scout Leader **Print Name** Date: _____

Signed: Adult Participant Designee (If not the leader), Print Name Date: _____

LEADER/DESIGNEE INFO: DAY PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ **STATE** _____ **ZIP** _____ **E-MAIL** _____

PACK or TROOP #	# of Scouts	DATE	TIME (AM Session or PM Session)	FEE (# of scouts X \$8.50)

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

No refunds for cancellations made within a week of the scheduled program.

Please make checks payable to: Asbury Woods Partnership, Inc.
4105 Asbury Road Erie, PA 16506

For Internal Use Only Fee Paid \$ _____ Date Received _____ Method of Payment Cash _____ Check # _____ Charge Card _____
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