

WEBELO SCOUT ACTIVITY DAY 2016

**Presented by:
Asbury Woods Nature Center's
Explorer Post 808**

Dear Cub **Scout Leader**,

The members of Explorer Post 808 invite you to bring your troop to Asbury Woods Nature Center for a fun filled day of environmentally oriented activities. The activities will fulfill the **new Webelo requirements for "Into the Wild" and a majority of the "Into the Woods" Arrow of Light Adventures Requirements for 2015-2016.**

The activities we have planned are as follows:

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

1. Common birds found in our area in the fall.
2. How and why birds migrate, and about the major flyways that go through our area.
3. How protecting wildlife habitats are important in protecting wildlife and what happens when habitats are destroyed, and not always by people.
4. Build a simple bird feeder to take home. (**Note: Cut off and bring a bottom of a 2 liter plastic bottle of pop. That will be the bowl portion of the feeder**)

"Into the Woods Adventure": On this Nature Hike the Scouts will learn:

1. The types of animals and plants found in the habitats at Asbury Woods. Discuss and hopefully observe the animals and how they are adapted to survive in their environment. Also, the difference between native, non-native and invasive plants and animals.
2. Identify and learn the uses of 6 trees and 6 non-tree species of plants. (The trees include both trees with leaves that are flat, (deciduous), or ones shaped like needles, (conifers).
3. Learn the parts of the tree and their function. Learn how plants make their own food, (sugar).
4. Learn the importance of trees to us and the environment as a whole.
5. Learn useful information, like how to identify Poison Ivy, and why you wouldn't want to use a black cherry twig to roast your marshmallows.
6. Learn

"Live Animals, (up close and personal)": In this activity the Scout will learn about, meet and touch if they want:

1. The native animals we have on exhibit at Asbury Woods, (Mammals, Fish, Reptiles, Amphibians, Insects and Birds)
2. Learn about extinction and endangered species, as the roll of the PA Game and Fish Commission, and their own role in protecting animal and plant habitats.
3. Make observations of animals in their habitats.
4. Receive information on how to make their "micro habitat" within a terrarium.

"Food Chain Game": In this activity, the Scout will learn:

1. Producers/Levels of Consumers/Decomposers/Scavengers
2. Importance of the correct balance and the Food Chain Pyramid
3. The impact of humans on habitats, food chains, and the entire ecosystem.
4. Success stories of how people fixed the problems they caused.

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

Who: Cub Scouts: Webelos and Bears

When: **Saturday, October 22nd**. Session #1: 8:45 am to 12:15 pm
(Note: An afternoon session from 12:45-4:15 will be added if the morning session is full)

Where: *Asbury Woods Nature Center, 4105 Asbury Rd. Erie, PA 16506.*

Phone: 835-5356

Cost: \$7.00per Scout (Cost includes materials for activities and a certificate of participation)

SCHEDULE: Morning Session:

1. **8:30 am:** Leaders check your scout pack in at the Information Counter in the Nature Center. There will be a brief introduction at 8:45am. (Note: There will be a bin, with your group number on it to put the bottom of the pop bottle they brought to use to make their bird feeder when you get to that station in the rotation of activities.

5. **9:00 am to 12:15 Noon:** Four 40 minute activities. The packs will be grouped with other packs of similar age 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:

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.

**MAILED IN or IN PERSON, PREPAID, PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED,
NO PHONE IN REGISTRATIONS.**

LEADERS, to register your pack, fill out the form on the next page. Send the form along with your check, payable to Asbury Woods Partnership, to Asbury Woods Nature Center, 4105 Asbury Rd., Erie, PA 16506.

We must keep the maximum size per group at 25 Scouts. This means we can handle 100 Scouts per session. REGISTER EARLY, TROOPS WILL BE SIGNED UP ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVE BASIS BY POST MARK, or DATE THE FORM WAS DELIVERED IN PERSON TO THE NATURE CENTER. Once we reach the 100 maximum numbers we will not be able to accept any more registrations. You will be notified if the session you signed up for is full.

Packs are responsible for providing adult leaders to supervise your Scouts. **Typically one adult per 10 scouts.** We will provide colored ID badges for each of the four groups in each session to make it easier to keep the groups together. We will provide a schedule the morning of the activity so you will know which group your pack is assigned, and the order your group will follow to complete the four activities.

In case of cancellation due to severe weather, a Post 808 representative will contact the Scout Leader. In case your pack has to cancel or if you have questions please contact Steve Wasiesky at Asbury Woods Nature Center after 1:30 pm on weekdays. *Refunds will be made to those canceling or reducing the numbers from their packs attending up until October 15th. If you have to cancel please let us know as soon as possible so we can let scouts on the waiting list attend the event. No refunds will be made after October 15th.*

All of the activities will be taught by Asbury Woods Education staff and the members of Asbury Woods Explorer Post 808. Proceeds will go to help fund Post 808 activities and the Asbury Woods Partnership, who provide the Nature Center's community and public programs.

NOTE: SPACE IS LIMITED SO PLEASE SEND YOUR CHECK AND REGISTRATION FORM IN EARLY!!!

PACK OR TROOP LEADERS, PLEASE USE THE REGISTRATION FORM ON THE NEXT PAGE. DO NOT USE THE GENERAL ASBURY WOODS PROGRAM REGISTRATION FORM.



SCOUT ACTIVITY DAY
Asbury Woods Nature Center
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, Millcreek Township School District, 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 Date: _____
Print Name

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 \$7.00)

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 _____
