



Lake Minnetonka Spring Camporee 2017

Information Packet

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- FISH 'N FRY -

May 5-7, 2017

Friday through Sunday

Tonkawa Lodge at Camp Stearns



Come join your fellow Boy Scouts, Venturers, and Webelos for a FULL WEEKEND of fun and excitement at Tonkawa Lodge at Camp Stearns. You will enjoy a fun weekend fly and spin casting demonstrations, the fishing merit badge, and various fishing contests. There will be other traditional spring camporee activities such as field games, the climbing tower, and the campfire program.

The camporee will take place at the new Tonkawa Lodge located at Camp Stearns. Indoor overnight camping is available, but limited to 48 bunks. However, there is plenty of unlimited outdoor spring camping.

WEBELOS are encouraged to attend for the day or stay for the weekend. There will be activities for the Webelos as well as the parents.

This will be a fantastic event you won't want to miss! **COME OUT JUST FOR THE DAY or STAY THE WHOLE WEEKEND!** Great event for LDS units!

Price per Person – \$12.50 (One price All day Saturday or stay the weekend).
Optional: additional \$5.00 per person for indoor sleeping space.

Check-in starts at 6:00PM Friday and the event runs through 9:00AM Sunday morning. All Scouts and their guests are invited. We hope to see you at this great event to get out and move at Camp Stearns.

Many thanks to our host units T206, T537, T567, T571, Brian Klein, David Olson, Tina Ramacier and the Webelos Activities staff, and the district activities staff for Lake Minnetonka for working on this Camporee.

- **Camp outside or indoors at the NEW Tonkawa Lodge**
- **Fishing from shore or rowboat**
- **Climbing tower**
- **Fish cooking contest**
- **Fishing Merit badge**
- **Field games**
- **Webelos activities**
- **Campfire program**
- **MINNOW RACE**
- **Fly and Spin casting demonstrations**
- **Camporee patch!!!!**

Registration AND Additional Information
<http://www.lmdbsa.org/2017SpringCamporee>

Take and send photos to: Instagram #LMDcamp



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Tonkawa Lodge Camp Stearns

Camporee Description

Come join your fellow Boy Scouts, Venturers, and Webelos and their parents from the Lake Minnetonka for our 2017 Spring Camporee at Camp Stearns.

Surrounded by the lakes, marshes, meadows and mature Camp Stearns is a quiet, protected setting that offers unique environmental and recreational learning opportunities.

We will continue with our popular carnival atmosphere where you can take advantage of preplanned merit badges and activities or create your own program and have some downtime. Highlights of the camporee will include a fun weekend of fly and spin casting demonstrations, the fishing merit badge, and various fishing contests. There will be other traditional spring camporee activities such as field games, climbing tower, and the campfire program.

Merit badge courses will include Fishing, Cooking and Photography, however, most youth will earn partial credit and must complete the merit badge with additional work after the camporee.

Webelos

Webelos are also absolutely encouraged to attend.

Webelos can participate in all activities and troop competition and even audit the merit badges. They are encouraged to visit the Webelos activities area.

There will be activities planned for Webelos during the day on Saturday, including games and other outdoor events.

- Cooking on a Fire!
- Competition
- Camping
- Campfire Program
- Fellowship
- FUN!
- Guaranteed Weather

Webelos are encouraged to attend with a parent OR as part of a Troop. Webelos and their parent are welcome to just spend the day on Saturday, participate in the Webelos activities and the other camporee events, or stay the night with a parent.

Those Webelos who would like spend the night with a parent are in encouraged to make arrangements to camp with a Troop, or contact Scott.Janke@lmdbsa.org and he will locate a Troop for you.

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Location and Directions

Tonkawa Lodge – Camp Stearns – 3303 Co Road 44, South Haven, MN. Please see the maps and directions located on the camporee resources page.

<http://www.lmdbsa.org/2017SpringCamporee>

Cost Per Person

\$12.50 **Saturday Activities only** (no overnight)

\$12.50 **Tent Overnight + Saturday Activities** Over night Tent Camping either Friday or Saturday or both. Includes Saturday Activities

Optional Costs

\$ 5.00 **Indoor Bunk** (Bunk House Style Sleeping)

General Information

Attendance All Lake Minnetonka Boys Scouts, Ventures, and Webelos and their parents, are invited to participate.

Check-in Friday evening or Saturday morning. Pre-registration is mandatory through the online registration process. No on-site registration is available.

One adult leader (i.e., Scoutmaster) and one youth leader (i.e., SPL) should check-in your entire unit at one time.

At check-in, you will be asked to provide:

- **The Unit Attendance Form** (attached to this Informational Packet) with the names of all Scouts and adults planning to participate in the program and your patrols.
- **All medical forms** for each Scout must be kept on-site, secure, and accessible.
- **A list and time of visitors** (non-Scouters) attending camp.
- **The time you plan to check out** so we can inspect your camp.

Once you have been checked-in, a camp host will take you to your designated camping area.

Every effort will be made to assign your unit to a campsite appropriate for the size of your unit. We ask that you set up your campsite in the area designated for you and that you respect those areas marked as restricted. We have planned the locations of our program areas to minimize the amount of traffic through your camping areas and to avoid having distractions too near to the program areas

Activities Consent Please complete this form for all non-scouts attending camporee. The form is provided on the Camporee Resource webpage at <http://www.lmdbsa.org/2017SpringCamporee>

Camp Fees Included in the base fee.

Parking Fees Included in the base fee.

Meals Bring your own food and equipment to tailgate/ cook outside for all meals. Fires are permitted in fire rings. Charcoal fires are allowed provided they are inside a container (e.g., a Weber grill or fire ring.) Everything must be packed out! There are picnic tables available for your use.

ONLINE Registration <http://www.lmdbsa.org/2017SpringCamporee>

Deadline May 3, 2017 at 11:55pm

Merit Badges Counselors will be available and Scouts will have the opportunity to work on earning .

1. Print the **Fishing** Merit Badge worksheet
www.lmdbsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/Fishing.pdf
2. Print the **Cooking** Merit Badge worksheet
www.lmdbsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/Cooking.pdf
3. Print the **Photography** Merit Badge worksheet
www.lmdbsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/Photography.pdf

Activities Offered FISHING FROM SHORE OR BOAT

Bring your tackle box and fishing poles! Catch and release, or catch panfish or bullheads to clean and eat later. MN fishing license is required for any adults fishing or any youth over the age of 16.

Awards will be given to Scouts in the following categories.

- 'The Biggest Fish' (1st, 2nd & 3rd Place)
- 'The Most Unique Fish'

CLIMBING TOWER

The climbing tower will be open during the day for your enjoyment. Instruction will be provided before the climbing begins and you will be supervised by the camp's climbing instructor.

ORIENTEERING

Orienteering is a sport with very useful skills that could save your life. These skills can be used in a variety of activities from open water Navigation, to backpacking, to reading a city map. Everyone should have a basic understanding of orienteering, which utilizes compass and map reading. This is not a merit badge course; it is an activity.

Stop by and give it a try. The competition will be challenging.

PHOTO BOOTH

Stop by the Photo Booth. Or post your own photos of the camporee AND of your fish to Instagram **#LMDcamp**

There will be a trophy for the **BEST CAMPOREE PHOTO**.

FISHING & OUTDOOR GEAR DEMOS

There will be a number fishing and outdoor gear demonstrations, including the following:

- Muskie Fishing
- Fly Tying
- Outdoor Gear

WEBELOS ACTIVITIES

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CAMPFIRE PROGRAM

There will be a campfire program including the opportunity for individual or unit skits or songs. Please have your skit or song approved by your Scoutmaster or the SPL from Troop 567 (our MCs)

Panfish Cooking Competition

We are looking for the best Panfish cooking by a troop, crew, or team. Please see the Cooking Competition Rules attached to this Information Packet or the camping resource page located here <http://www.lmdbsa.org/2017SpringCamporee>.

1st Aid

Please have the proper medical forms and permission slips handy for every Scout when you check in. The medical form is found on the camporee resources page.

Boy Scout Medical <http://www.lmdbsa.org/2017SpringCamporee>

Webelos Medical <http://www.lmdbsa.org/2017SpringCamporee>

Uniforms Scouts and leaders are expected to be in full uniform for flags, chapel and evening programs.

- Bring**
1. Bring your tents, sleeping bags, pads, food, stoves, cooking utensils, insulated containers, beverages, cups and silverware.
 2. Bring your recipes, ingredients, and any cooking equipment for the Fish 'N Fry cooking competition. See 'Fish Cooking Competition' above or additional information.
 3. Your FISHING GEAR (Tackle box, pole, bait, line, stringer, ruler, etc. Don't forget your valid MN Fishing License (if required)
 4. Bring your DIGITAL CAMERA for Photography MB & Photo contest
 5. DO NOT BRING FIREWOOD. Wood for campfires must be Gathered onsite at Stearns.

Camporee Patch



Camporee Policies

The following rules were made to help us have a successful and safe camping experience. It is the responsibility of the adults in charge to see that Scouts know and understand these rules. Anyone violating them may be asked to leave the camp.

Behavior: Scout Oath and Scout Law – applies to all Scouts and Scouters. Please emphasize the “good sport” and “do your best” aspects of Scouting. First and foremost, we’re here to have fun.

Vehicles: Speed limit is 15 mph. No passengers in back of truck or trailer. Vehicles are limited to main roads and parking areas only. Trailers, if brought, must stay with vehicle parking in designated parking areas.

Firearms: Personal firearms, ammunition (live or expended), explosives, fireworks and toy weaponry are prohibited.

Adults: At least one responsible adult (21 or older) must be in camp at all times.

Knives: NO straight-bladed knives are allowed in camp.

Lights out: Scouts are not allowed out of their site after lights-out with the exception of to-and-from the latrines. Please respect others during lights-out. Scouters are asked to bring roaming Scouts to the headquarters after lights-out.

Personal Electronics: No radios, stereos, tape players, headsets, Game boys or related electronics, etc. are allowed in camp. Cell phone use by youth should be kept to a minimum.

Registration of Units Outside of Lake Minnetonka: Registration is open to units outside Lake Minnetonka (LMD). Units outside of LMD may register at any time. Registration closes for all units on Monday May 1, 2017 at 11:55pm.

Refund Policy: Refunds will be made at the discretion of the event chairman.

Schedule of Events

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Friday

6:00 - 8:00	Check-in and set-up camp
8:30 - 9:00	Cracker-barrel for Staff, SPLs, SMs, & OA at HQ
10:00	Taps/Lights-out

Saturday

7:00	Reveille
7:00 - 8:30	Breakfast AND clean-up
8:00 - 8:45	Check-in for Saturday-only participants
8:30	Flag Raising (Troop 571)
9:00 - 11:30	<u>Morning Activities</u> FISHING! Merit Badges Cooking, Fishing, Photography Field Games & Minnow Racing Climbing/Orienteering
11:30 - 1:00	Lunch
1:00 - 4:00	<u>Afternoon Activities</u> FISHING! Merit Badges Cooking, Fishing, Photography Field Games & Minnow Racing Climbing/Orienteering
5:30 - 8:00	Dinner and Clean-up
6:30	Cook-off Competition Judging
8:00 - 9:00	Campfire Program & Awards
9:30	Troop reflections
10:00	Taps/Lights-out

Sunday

7:00	Reveille
7:00 - 8:00	Breakfast and clean-up
8:30 -	Chapel Service
9:00	Break camp, clean-up and checkout

Registration online:

<http://www.lmdbsa.org/2017SpringCamporee>

Send a Scout in Need to Camporee

Scholarships are available for Scout families in need. Unit leaders, please contact
Scott Janke Scott.Janke@lmdbsa.org
Your requests will remain confidential.

**REMEMBER THE BUDDY SYSTEM AND BE SAFE AT ALL TIMES.
HAVE FUN! "SCOUTING IS A GAME WITH A PURPOSE."**

Troop _____ Patrol _____ Crew _____ Team _____

FISH 'N FRY Cooking Competition

Your entree must be prepared on-site on Saturday, May 6, 2017.
You may use any other outdoor preparation method. Good Luck!

Grading Criteria

I. Plate Presentation

A. Overall Taste (flavor)	____/25
B. Texture*	____/20
C. Plate Layout / Space Ingredient*	____/20
Total	____/65

II. Scout Presentation

A. Clean Hands/Fingernails	____/10
B. Uniform*	____/10
C. Pride/Scout Spirit / Fish Story*	____/10
D. Recipes (typed neatly/easy to read)	____/5
Total	____/35

Grand Total ____/100

Comments:

***Definitions:**

Texture – Mouth feel. Is it mushy when it should be firm (for example, in a stew a carrot should be “al dente” or firm to the bite and the carrot should not be mushy).

Plate Layout – Eye appeal. Are there a variety of different colors or is there one color that overpowers all the other colors on the plate? There should be a variety of different colors. Does it look appetizing? Does it use Fish caught and cleaned onsite?

Your Uniform – Is it tucked in (neatly), CLEAN, Neck wear (neckerchief/bolo tie).

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Evaluation for the Youth to turn in at checkout

Question 1: Please evaluate. (Circle one)

	Much better Than expected	somewhat better than expected	Expected	somewhat worse Than expected	Worse then expected
Info available before event	0	0	0	0	0
Program	0	0	0	0	0
Facility	0	0	0	0	0

Comments

Question 2: Things we liked about this camporee

Question 3: Things we didn't like about this camporee

Questions 4: If your unit was a **host troop/unit** please rate your experience? (Circle one)

	Much better Than expected	somewhat better than expected	Expected	somewhat worse Than expected	Worse then expected
Meetings and Info available before event	0	0	0	0	0
Tasks assigned to us	0	0	0	0	0
Expectations of our unit the weekend of the event	0	0	0	0	0
Communications from district	0	0	0	0	0

What could be done to enhance the Host Troop experience?

Question 5: Do you have any ideas for future camporees?

Please turn in at checkout. Thanks for your comments.



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Unit Attendance Form – Registration is available online.

Please bring this form AND your health forms with you to the event.

DISTRICT (Circle one): Lake Minnetonka District Other District _____

UNIT (Circle one): Troop Crew Team **NUMBER:** _____

Name (Scoutmaster/Crew Advisor/Team Advisor): _____

Name (SPL/Crew President/Team Captain): _____

Name (of adult leader onsite at all times): _____

Cell Phone: (of adult leader on site at all times): _____

Where will medical forms be kept while at camp? _____

Note: Health forms are required. Please bring one for every person attending the camporee. If you do not have forms, you may print them at <http://www.lmdbsa.org/2017SpringCamporee> . Do not mail in the forms. Bring the health forms with you to check-in and review the forms with the staff. Health forms are to be stored with the unit.

Scout Youth + Adult Participants	Webelos + Adult Participants
Enter Total # Attending:	Enter Total # Attending:

Youth Attending - First and Last Name Circle W if the Scout is a Webelos - (Please type or print)

1	W	12	W
2	W	13	W
3	W	14	W
4	W	15	W
5	W	16	W
6	W	17	W
7	W	18	W
8	W	19	W
9	W	20	W
10	W	21	W
11	W	22	W

Adults Attending - First and Last Name (Please type or print)

1	4
2	5
3	6

Webelos Parents - If you registered on your own, enter the names of your Webelos above and complete the questions below:

My son(s) will be camping with Unit _____ **My son(s) is/are registered with Pack** _____

Name (of Webelos parent or guardian is encouraged to attend): _____

Cell Phone Number (of parent or guardian on-site at all times): _____

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