



August 17th, 2005

Dear Scouter,

By now you may have heard about an exciting event for Northern Lights District.

We are pleased to enclose an Invitation for your 5th Grade Webelos to attend the Boy Scout Camporee at Rum River Scout Camp on October 1st, 2005. The theme for this year's Camporee is The Scout Law. This year, the District would like to invite Webelos Dens to the Camporee. We have planned many activities to help Webelos Scouts to learn more about Boy Scouting. The Webelos scouts can also use this time to fulfill the requirement pertaining to visiting a Boy Scout outdoor activity.

The day's activities include an orientation about Boy Scouting for boys, leaders and parents. This orientation includes information about how Boy Scouts differs from Cub Scouting, what new Scouts can expect, advancement, activities, organization etc. We also have group games, and an opportunity to visit the Boy Scout troops of your choice. Plan to stay through dinner, as our guest. After dinner, the day concludes with a Vespers Service and an exciting campfire ceremony complete with Order of the Arrow call – outs.

One of the main purposes for this combined event is to allow you and your scouts to have time to visit a few Troops of your choice and to ask questions about how they operate. To help scoutmasters prepare for your visit, you may want to contact a few Troops in your area to let them know you would like to visit them. To help get you started, we have enclosed a list of the Troops in the area and a contact person. Each Troop has been asked to prepare for visitors so they will be expecting you!

So we may adequately prepare for your visit, and have enough food for dinner, you must pre register by September 23rd, using the enclosed form.

If you have some extra scouts who do not pre register, please feel free to bring them along and pay at the door. We will not turn away anyone, however, we must know about the bulk of those attending to prepare events and dinner.

If you have any questions, please call Chris Gunn (763-742-4811) or Bea Murphy (763-533-2610). Looking forward to seeing you at Rum River.

2005 Fall Camporee Committee

Attention all Webelos Leaders, Webelos Scouts and Webelos Parents!

Leaders:

Are you uncertain what the next year holds, life after Cub Scouts?
T542, T579, T211, T575 - Are they lotto numbers or what?
Do you really need to go to SMF training? After all, you're not a smurf.
Cub Scouts only takes an hour a week, how about Boy Scouts? (Yeah, Right)
How do I break into the Troop Adult leadership corp?
Do they need me at the Troop Level?



Webelos Scouts:

Do you feel a little intimidated by the prospect of Boy Scouts?
Is the candy better at the Rum River Trading post or at Stearns?
Can I call home every night from Many Point?
Will the older boys "pick" on me?
How will I fit in with 40 boys in a Scout Troop?
Do you really get to make your own food?
Do I have to make my own food? (Pick one of the last two questions!)

Do I have to go to troop XXX, I don't like what they do!

Parents:

How much does it cost to get into Boy Scouts?
Do I need to buy out United Stores to outfit my son?
Can I get in on some of the fun too?
Can my boy be an Eagle Scout someday?



All these questions and more go through the minds of all Webelos leaders, scouts and parents.

To help answer these issues, Northern Lights District wants to invite you to a joint outing with the Troops in our District. The outing is in conjunction with the 2005 Boy Scout Fall Camporee. This informational activity is designed to allow Leaders, Parents and Webelos scouts the chance to get a taste of Boy Scouts, camping and individual troops. Please mark your calendar for:

When:	October 1st, 2005
Where:	Rum River Scout Camp Highway 47, 5 miles north of Anoka
Time:	1:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Cost:	\$3.00 (Includes Materials, Dinner and a Camporee Patch)

The tentative agenda is

2:00-2:30	Registration at Colbert Shelter
2:30-3:30	District Presentation on Boy Scouting in General, Model Campsite presentation, question and answer period with senior (14+ years old) scouts, wide area games.
3:30-5:00	Visitation time with individual troops (Visit multiple troops, get a feeling for their program style).
5:00-6:00	Free time - Take time to visit with parents, scouts, find out what other questions they have. Review the troops visited.
6:00-6:45	Dinner
7:00	Non Denominational Chapel Service
7:30-8:30	Campfire

Registration is in advance. Please register by September 23rd so we can plan for meals and food.



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Code 152

For any additional information, please contact Chris Gunn at one of the locations below:

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 To: Northern Star Council Activity Code 152
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Please register our Webelos Den for the 2005 Northern Lights Webelos/Boy Scout transition activity

Pack _____

Leader Name _____

Phone _____ 

Number of Adults _____

Number of Webelos Scouts _____

Make Checks Payable to:
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Total Participants _____

X Activity Fee _____ \$3.00

Registration is due Sept 23, 2005

Total Cost _____



*You're Invited
October 1st!*

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