

2017

gerber scout reservation cub scout summer camp leader's guidebook

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Outdoor Adventure Division

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Gerber Scout Reservation

Make sure to share all of this guidebook with your Pack. In our camp's vast experience, the leaders who share this information in advance and prepare for summer camp early have a more successful, enjoyable, meaningful time at camp! Please do not hesitate to contact us if we can be of any assistance as you prepare.

As Camp approaches please keep an eye on michiganscouting.org and michiganscouting.org/gerber for updates. E-mail notices and up-dates will be set to the unit leader as well so keep an eye out.

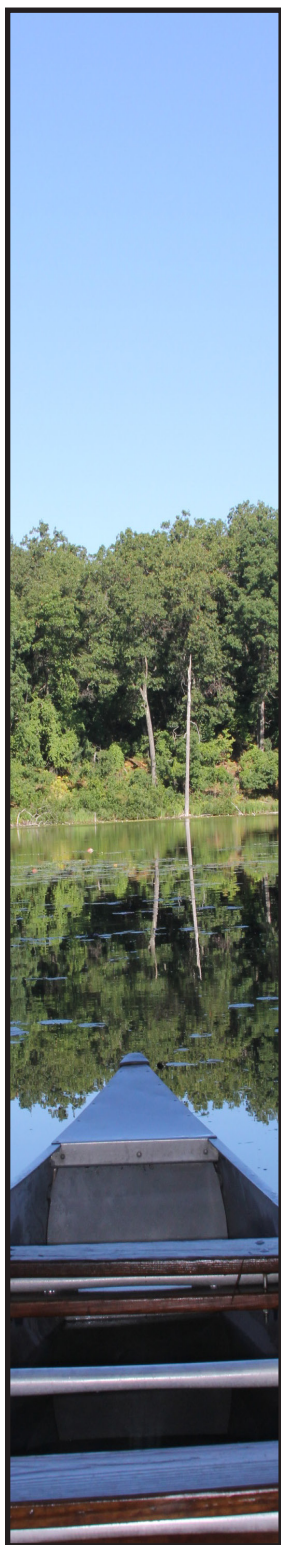
Gerber Scout Reservation's Program Statement

To design, foster, implement and perpetuate a safe guided environment for Scouting to transpire.

BSA Vision Statement

The Boy Scouts of America is the nation's foremost youth program of character development and values-based leadership training.

In the future Scouting will continue to: Offer young people responsible fun and adventure, instill in young people lifetime values and develop in them ethical character as expressed in the scout oath and law, train young people in citizenship, service and leadership and serve America's communities and families with its quality, values-based program.





Boy Scouts of America Mission Statement

The mission of the Boy Scouts is to prepare young people to make ethical choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them values of the Scout Oath and Law.

Scout Oath

On my honor, I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; to help other people at all times; to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake and morally straight.

Scout Law

A scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent.

Outdoor Code

As an American, I will do my best to -
Be clean in my outdoor manners.
Be careful with fire.
Be considerate in the outdoors.
Be conservation minded.

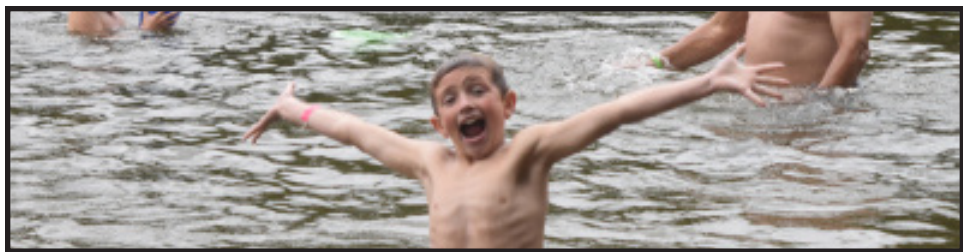
Leave No Trace Principles

Plan Ahead and Prepare
Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces
Dispose of Waste Properly
Leave what you find
Minimize Campfire Impacts
Respect Wildlife
Be Considerate of other Visitors



Disclaimer

This guidebook is a guide and all information provided in it is accurate to the best of our ability. However we are all human and make mistakes. We reserve the right to update, change, and upgrade any and all information in this guide.



Contact Information

Gerber Scout Reservation - Betty Ford Adventureland

Scouts name and Pack number

1733 Owasippe Road

Twin Lake, MI 49457

www.michiganscouting.org/gerber

Camp Office: Staffed June 10-August 15

(During this time frame please direct all communication that can be to the Camp Office as the Leadership Team will be in and out and cell reception can be iffy at times)

Phone: 231.894.4928

Fax: 231.893.0648

Cub Scout Camp Director - Nate Blue

Phone: 616.916.2008

Email: CluesfromCamp@gmail.com

Reservation Ranger - Charlie Brown

Phone: 231.894.4990

Email: charles.brown@scouting.org

Reservation Director - Shawn Dennany

Phone: 248.804.0886

Email: Shawn.Dennany@scouting.org

Planning Timeline

...right now!

Read this book!

All year long

Promote camp to Scouts & parents

Fall Pack Meeting

Ensure that your Pack has a payment plan and assign a camp coordinator who is responsible for collecting fees website sign up comunitacting questions to the camp.

Winter Pack Meetings

Schedule a promotion night by emailing our Camp Director or Reservation Director. They can schedule a time to come out and talk with your Pack about why Betty Ford Adventureland is the best

Spring pack meetings

Inform Scouts & parents, equipment needs, and paperwork health forms and (DHS Central Registry Clearance forms)

April 1st , 2017

CAMPERSHIP DEADLINE

May 1st

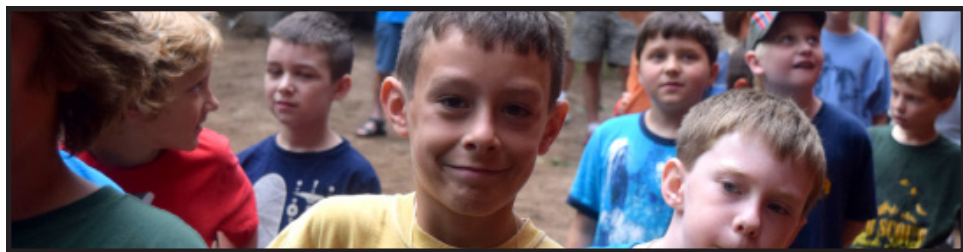
Ensure that your have Two deep leadership and one to one ratio for Tigers!

May 15th, 2017

All payments made after this date no longer get the early bird pricing.

*Do it before you leave camp!
Spots fill quickly*

Select a session for 2017.
michiganscouting.org



3 Weeks Before Camp

- Get Pack equipment ready.
- Prepare three copies of your pack roster. These should include everyone's name, age, address and contact phone number.
- Ensure your health forms are accounted for and have copies. Keep the originals on file, we can't return them at the end of the week. State law requires us to keep them on file for three years.
- Ensure transportation has been arranged for all Scouts.
- Remind Parents to pack a lunch for the trip to camp. No lunch will be served on check-in day.

- Any special needs of your Scouts and leaders must be communicated through the MCC Website while registering each scout. There is a text box for you enter any special needs that need to be communicated to the Camp Leadership. You can also express them directly to the Camp Director or Reservation Director.



Before You Depart

- Hold an inspection of all personal gear and equipment.

- Collect any remaining medical forms and make sure they have all the appropriate signatures. ENSURE all camp fees are paid in full on michiganscouting.org so you dont need to worry about it at camp!

- Leave all medications in their original containers and label them with the Scouts' name and unit number.

- Make sure parents are aware of how to contact camp in case of emergency and be sure that they know your unit number.

- Plan to arrive at Gerber Adventureland at 2:00 p.m. Registration starts promptly at 2:00 p.m. and ends at 3:00 p.m. If you come early your unit will just have to wait while we get things ready.

- Unless otherwise informed all packs arrive at the same time.

- We are always improving so be prepared to have the best camping experiece... EVER!



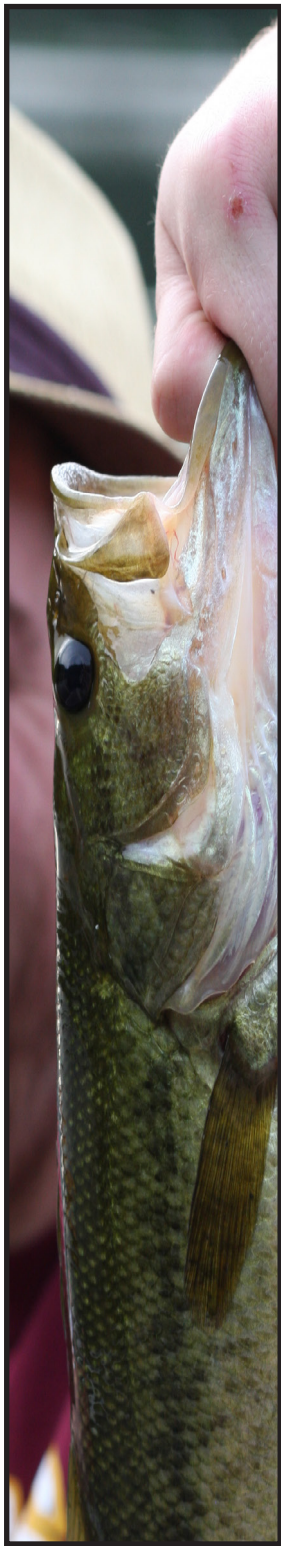
Cub Scouts Schedule

- Session 1: July 30 - August 1
- Session 2: August 3-5
- Session 3: August 6-8
- Session 4: August 10-12
- Session 5: August 13-15

Webelos Schedule

- Session 1: June 25-28
- Session 2: June 28-July 1
- Session 3: July 5-8
- Session 4: July 9-12
- Session 5: July 12-15
- Session 6: July 16-19
- Session 7: July 19-22
- Session 8: July 23-26

Reservations: All reservations can be made at MichiganScouting.org/gerber.



Cub Scout Fees

Regular Fee

\$155
\$85
\$7

Camping Opportunities

Cub Fee (Per Scout)
Adult Leader Fee
Visitor Meal Fee

Webelos Fees

Regular Fee

\$190
\$110
\$7

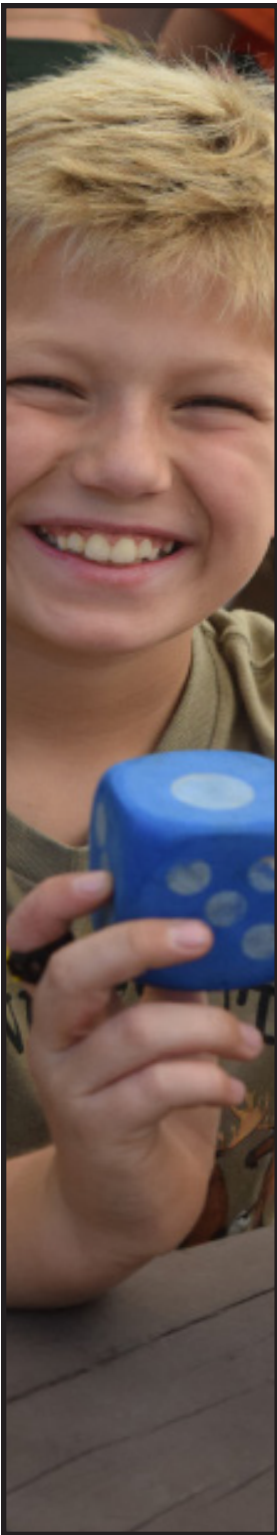
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Leadership - All leaders must be registered with the Boy Scouts of America and complete Basic Leader training, and have Central registry Check. Tiger Cubs must be accompanied by a leader at a 1 to 1 ratio. Cub scouts and Webelos must be at a minimum of 1:4 ration of adults to youth.

Camperships (Financial Assistance):

Financial assistance may be available on an individual basis for Scouts who could not otherwise attend summer camp due to financial hardship. No camperships will cover more than half of the scout fee.

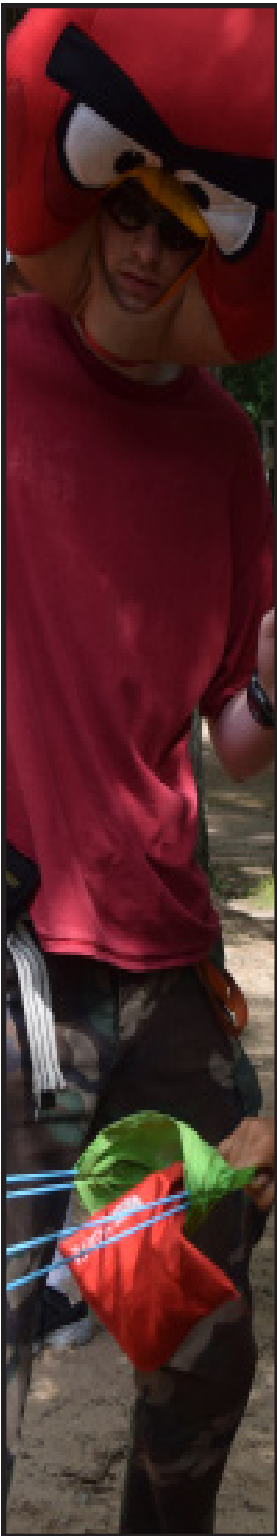


Refund Policy

Please visit the website below for full refund policy details.

<http://michiganscouting.org/outdooradventures/outdoor-adventures-forms-resources/>

The significant change is the value basis for refunds. Just as in prior years, if a participant cancels their reservation more than 30 days prior to the start of the event (the day their session starts), they are entitled to a refund. The cancellation fee is now, however, based on 15% of the value of the reservation and not the amount of fees paid at the time of cancellation. Likewise, there is still no refund for cancellations made less than 30 days before the start of the event. For example; if a Scout cancels his summer camp reservation 30+ days prior to the start of camp and has only paid \$50 toward his total camp fee of \$140, the 15% cancellation fee is \$21 (15% x \$140, not 15% x \$50) and the subsequent refund would be \$5 in this case. If a Scout cancels his reservation less than 30 days before the start of the event (and is not replaced by the unit) there is no refund.



Camp Policies

- No drugs.
- No fireworks of any kind.
- No smoking, unless in designated areas away from Scouts.
- No alcoholic beverages.
- No pets. Service animals are permitted by law.
- No fires or open flames in tents or outside of designated areas.
- No personal firearms, archery equipment or laser pointers in camp.
- Shoes or closed toed sandals are to be worn at all times while in camp.
- Anyone leaving camp during his or her stay must check out at the Health Lodge.
- All units must have “Two-deep leadership” at camp at all times.
- All Scouts and leaders are encouraged to attend evening programs.
- All leaders and Scout’s attending camp must be registered with the BSA.
- **Cell phones are for adult leaders only, no cub scout or webelo should have one.**

The Camp Director reserves the right to change the daily schedule at any time. Situations such as emergencies, excessive heat/cold or any weather condition may force program changes.

Policies

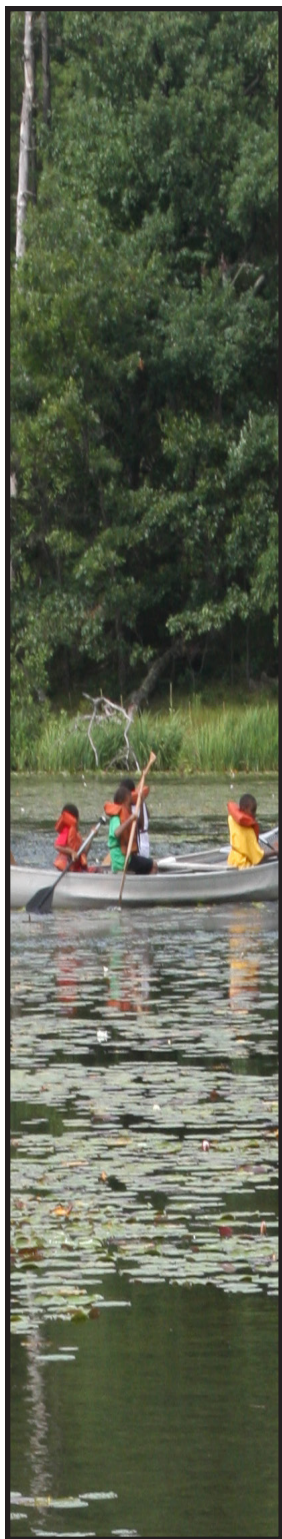
Golf Carts/ATVs - Please contact the Camp Director and/or Camp Ranger before attending camp for a full listing of rules and regulations that will apply. Gerber Scout Reservation does not supply these vehicles.

Parking - All vehicles will to be parked in designated parking areas,

Visitors - Parents and friends are always welcome at camp. Please sign in at Health Lodge to be advised of camp policys and get visitor badge, before going to find Scouts in camp! Parents & friends are always welcome at camp. While visitors are welcome at any time, we suggest visiting at certain times over others as it coincides with camp activities.

Family night - is on the last evening of every session. If you wish to eat dinner with us, please arrive at 6:00 p.m. and be prepared to pay \$8 per person. (notify in advance) If you wish to only attend the Fire Bowl show, arrive at 7:00 p.m.

Staff Areas - No camper, leader, or parent (including staff parent) is allowed in staff areas at any time. Staff areas are for staff members only, unless special permission is granted by the Camp Director.



Policies

Anti-Discrimination - No Scout, as defined by program regulations, will be discriminated against because of race, sex, color, national origin or handicap.

Child Protection Policy - All staff are trained to look for child abuse or neglect. If child abuse or neglect is suspected or known, it will be immediately reported to the Camp Director. If staff cannot be located, report to the next highest director. The information must only be reported to the proper authority and NOT to any other campers or other staff members. The Camp Director is required to report his findings to leadership in the Michigan Crossroads Council, State of Michigan Camp Consultant, Child Protective Services, and the Muskegon Sheriff Department, if necessary. All findings, investigations, and records will be kept confidential, and once an investigation begins the adult in question will be removed from the property until the investigation is complete to protect the safety and welfare of campers. While the leader is removed from the property he or she shall have no access to the Scout(s) involved. No one shall have access to the files unless approved by the Camp Director or proper authority. The Scout has the right to review and screen their own record.

Reporting - Any suspicious or belief that any child is or has been physically, emotionally, or sexually abused, exploited, or exposed to any form of violence, threat, pornography, or obscene material should be reported to the local authorities and the Scout Executive. At summer camp the Camp Director serves as designee for the Scout Executive.

Michigan Department of Human Services Hotline is 855-444-3911. This toll free number allows you to report abuse or neglect of any child or adult any time day or night.



Privacy Statement - By participating in Michigan Crossroads Council activities, you agree to allow the Michigan Crossroads Council to use photos, video and audio of yourself in camp and council promotional materials unless otherwise marked in your health form.

Camper records and applications are confidential, and only the Director or his or her designee shall have access. The Camper has the right to review and screen their own record.

Emergencies - Gerber Scout Camp has specific emergency signals and procedures. (These include instructions for violent weather, heat stress days, etc.) A copy of these emergency procedures is in your check-in packet. Please review these with your troop the first night of your stay.

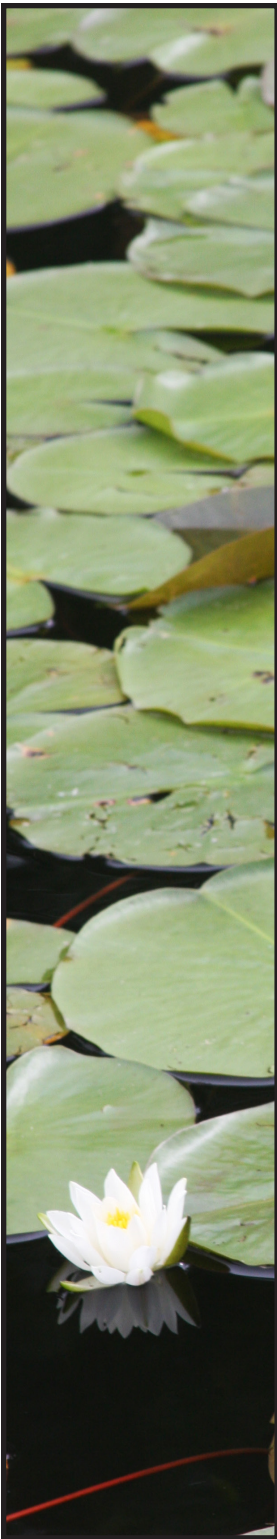
Signals and procedures will be explained to Scouts and leaders the first full day of camp.

Gerber Scout Reservation has a qualified Health Officer in communication with the camp physician for any emergencies. Minor scrapes and cuts are handled by the camp health officer. If the injury is serious, the camper or leader is taken to the emer-

Insurance - All Scouts registered in the Michigan Crossroads Council are covered by medical insurance for injuries that may happen while at camp.

The Council has a general liability insurance policy for the protection of all BSA registered leaders who comply with BSA rules and regulations.

Accident Insurance for non Scout youth at any of our Council Camps must be provided by the parents. Non-Scout youth are NOT COVERED by any camp insurance.



Central Registry Clearance & Michigan Laws - Every leader over the age of 21 must complete a DHS Form & submit to your local MDHHS office before April 1 (Check our website for more info). They will send you a return notice that you are clear. **The DHS Clearance form is required for each adult leader at Gerber Scout Reservation, as per Michigan State Law.** Have your DHS letter sent in with your health form to camp so that it can be pre-checked.

All medication brought to camp must be in its original container. This rule is mandated by the state of Michigan.

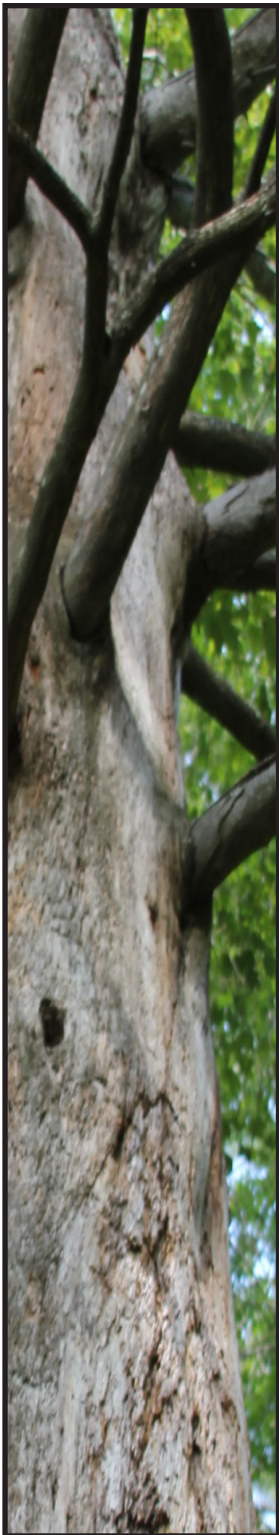
Michigan requires all adults attending camp have a criminal background check. **This means that all adult leaders must be currently registered with the Boy Scouts.** When you have selected your in-camp leaders, you should request a unit roster from your council service center to be sure all in camp leaders are registered.

Uniforms - are encouraged to be worn at firebowls and evening meals. For the rest of the day wear what is comfortable and appropriate for the activity.

Be proud of your Scout uniform and encourage the same from your Scouts. Everyone being in the official uniform can have a huge impact on your units performance, morale, identity and spirit!

Your Scout shirt, socks, belt, shorts/trousers, that's it!

Totems! and Wristbands - To identify youth and adults as campers not visitors they are totems. This is for their safety and should be worn at all times so it is visible to staff. If a totem breaks or is lost ask your super den chief to get a replacement. This is state law so please help us enforce it. All visitors will be uniquely identified when they check into camp.



Transportation - Most units either carpool or use buses. Either way, National BSA Standards must be practiced.

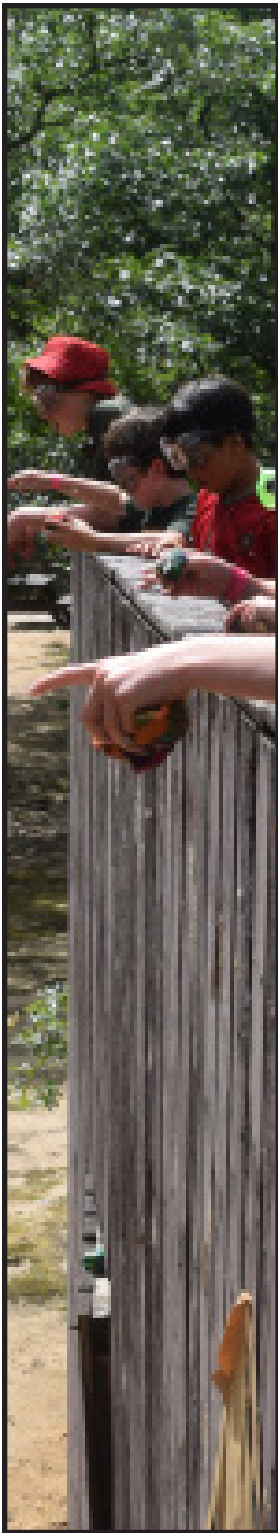
All drivers must have a operator's license and be 18+. Seat belts must be used by all passengers with the exception of commercial/ school buses.

Trucks and trailer beds will not be used to transport Scouts or leaders All vehicles must be in good working order and not present a danger to Scouts riding in them.

"All vehicles will be unloaded in the parking lot and left there during the entire session.
- Council Health & Safety Standard

Scout Leaving Early - If a scout need to leave camp early their guardian or an approved person designated on their health form by a guardian must fill out a Scout Release Request. These can be downloaded in advance and filled out before coming to camp. They are also available from the Health Lodge.

All Scout releases must be done in person at the Health lodge. The approved person must have a photo ID and the form must be completely filled out before the scout can leave the property. **If a Scout leaves the property and this form is not on file the police will be contacted to verify that the scout is safe and with a guardian.**



Damaged Equipment

Gerber Scout Reservation puts a very high value on its program and camp-site equipment. Any damage to camp-owned equipment through negligence or abuse will be the sole responsibility of the unit. Replacement will be valued at the cost to replace the damaged item.

Payment must be made **before** leaving.

Let's make our camp equipment last!

Letters of Thanks

The Michigan Crossroads Council is prepared to send a letter to your employer, company, and/or family telling them about your leadership in Scouting and how it is important in the lives of our Scouts. You may request this Thank You Letter from the Camp Leadership Team. We encourage all of our "in-camp" leaders to provide us with the information so we may send our informative Thank You Letter on your behalf.



Responsibilities of Leaders

- Maintain the camp health and safety policies in the campsite and camp.
 - Supervise Scouts in the program areas, and general camp areas.
 - Monitor the medication schedules of each Scout.
 - Advise camp leadership of any behavior problems of Scouts.
 - Must maintain at least “two-deep” leadership in camp at all times. This means that registered, trained leaders from your Pack must be in camp with your Scouts at ALL TIMES.
 - Advise Scouts of security measures that should be in place at all times while in camp.
 - Attend all adult leaders’ meetings.
 - Report any damage to Camp Director immediately.
 - Report any accident or injury to the Health Officer immediately.
 - Check in and out of camp with the camp leadership.
 - Leaders are expected to be responsible for the youth from their packs while in camp. They will ensure that guidelines and camp policies are followed by their youth in accordance with the Guide for Safe Scouting.
 - Maintain a 1:4 ratio of adults to youth (after the first two adults) (1:1 for Tigers Cubs!)
- **Don’t forget, HAVE FUN!**



Cub Scout & Webelos Leaders

Qualifications:

- Registered in the Boy Scouts of America.
- Be at least 21 years of age and of good moral character.
- Assistants may be 18 years old, and of good moral character.
- Must have Youth Protection training within the last 12 months.
- Have taken Cub Scout Leader Fast Start training, This is Scouting, and Cub Scout Leader Specific Trainings.

Qualities of Pack Leaders:

- Acceptance of BSA and chartered organization ideals and principles; possesses unquestioned integrity.
- Be a positive role model through appearance and consistent ethical behavior (fairness, honesty, trust and respect for others).
- Willingness to delegate tasks that permit use of adult and youth resources.
- An advocate of youth. Enjoys seeing development and growth.
- An appreciation of the outdoors. Enjoys the natural environment.
- Some experience in group activity leadership in civic service, club, lodge or church.
- Stature that wins confidence of parents, youth and community.
- A good listener. Easily builds rapport with others in a counseling role.
- Willingness to invest a definite amount of time for training and pack leadership.
- An active member of the chartered organization or its affiliates. Is well known and must be approved to be a member by the chartered organization.
- Must know how to have fun or be willing to learn.



Pre-Camp Training

The state of MI requires all adult leaders to have three hours of pre-camp training. Some training can be taken online at www.MyScouting.Org. It is the policy of the Michigan Crossroads Council that all leaders that attend camp are Basic Leader Trained for their position. Here is a list of training that you need to take to meet the criteria as an “In-Camp Leader”:

- Youth Protection**, 1.5 hours *
- Pre-Camp Kickoff, 1.5 hours
- Safe Swim Defense / Safety Afloat, 30 min.
- Climb on Safely, 30 min.
- First Aid Training, 35 min.
- CPR Training, 4 hours.
- This is Scouting, 2 hours. *
- Camp promotion by Order of the Arrow, 30 minutes.
- Wood Badge, 60 hours.
- Commissioner Basic Training, 3 hours.
- Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills, 16 hours.
- Leaders Specific Training, 5 hours. As per position *
- Powder Horn, 60 hours.

*** Required to be a leader in camp**



Homesick Scouts

- A parent who misses the Scout while he is at camp and worries that the camping experience will be unhappy often transfers this fear to the Scout.
- The treatment of homesickness is keeping the Scout active and participating in events with the Scout Leader, members of the unit, and camp staff.
- Homesickness often produces regressive behavior in a Scout. Sometimes a Scout will cry easily, wet the bed, or withdraw from others. When a Scout who is normally sociable suddenly becomes quiet and disinterested in what is happening around him, this can be a sign of homesickness.
- When homesickness is detected, the youth must be listened to and his feelings understood. Often an understanding person, willing to listen and empathize is all that is needed.
- If parents are contacted they should avoid promising that the Scout may come home, unless advised to do so by the Camp Director.
- Homesickness can be prevented. Parents must transmit positive messages about camp emphasizing that his days at camp will be a worthwhile experience.
- If a Scout wishes to take something small with him that reminds him of home he should be encouraged to do so.
- Allowing the Scout to call home could result in worsening the symptoms of homesickness. Do not allow a Scout to telephone home unless advised by the Camp Director.



Behavior Management

All behavior management issues will be dealt with by the Unit Leadership in camp with the Scout or Scouts involved. When needed, the Camp Director and other Camp Staff can be of assistance.

Corrective action will be in accordance with Local State and Federal Laws. Examples of discipline may be time outs, restriction of activities, cleaning designated areas, service projects, conferences, and removal from camp.

All of these will be implemented in a positive manner with an explanation to the Scout so they understand what they did and what the consequences are.

It is the policy of Gerber Scout Reservation that under no circumstances will a camper ever be deprived of food, sleep, clothing, and/or shelter. They shall not be placed alone without supervision, observation, and interaction and shall not be subjected to hazing, ridicule, threat, corporal punishment, excessive physical exercise, or excessive restraint.

All Scouts or Staff Members under the age of 18 will be kept in safe, positive environment and we expect all adult leaders, including Camp Staff, will adhere to the this policy as stated.

In the event a camper is subject to a violation of one of the above policies, the Camp Director will be notified. The Camp Director will notify Michigan Crossroads Leadership and take appropriate action as necessary. These actions may include Michigan Sheriff involvement and/or Muskegon Child Protective Service involvement.



Medical Forms

Health Forms - This form can be found at [scouting.org](https://www.scouting.org). BSA's health form includes a personal health history, which is essential should a Scout or leader become ill at camp. Be sure it is completely filled out with all required signatures and submitted on time.

The Health Form's front page requires a listing of the people whom a Scout can be released from camp with. By State Law, without this authorization the Scout can only be released to his unit leader (in-camp leader) or the parent who signed this form. Thus, please don't overlook the other parent if applicable.

Due to State Law, we must keep your health form on file for three years. **This means we cannot give your copy back to you after your week is over.** Keep your originals and send us a copy to avoid any issues.

The Health History should have specific information about whom to contact and telephone numbers where these people may be contacted during the camp. The injured or ill Scout may not be able to provide this information.

The current version of the National BSA Health form must be completed within the 12 months prior to arrival at camp. In addition, the parent or guardian must complete the health form for minors. We must have a current health form for each adult leader.

This form needs to be filled out completely. **There must be a parent signature.** If we do not have a signature, then your scout will not be allowed to stay at an enjoy his time at camp until it is complete

Note to adult leaders: Make sure you complete your Health Form, as well as have a DHS central registry clearance letter from your local DHS office (This is required by Michigan State law for adults age 21 and over).



The Family Doctor

A physical examination by your family doctor, Part C of the Health Form, is NOT required for Betty Ford Adventureland unless a condition exists that would make it advisable. This is because Scouts and leaders aren't staying at camp for more than 72 hours.

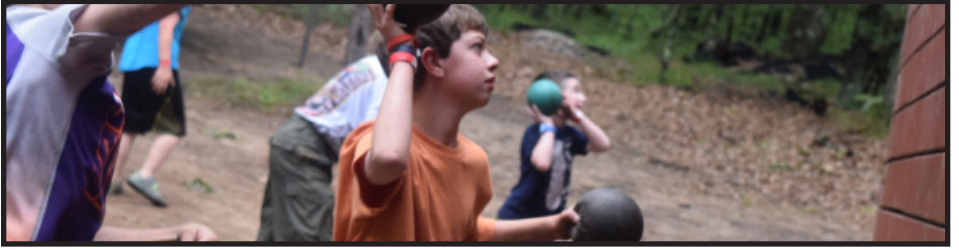
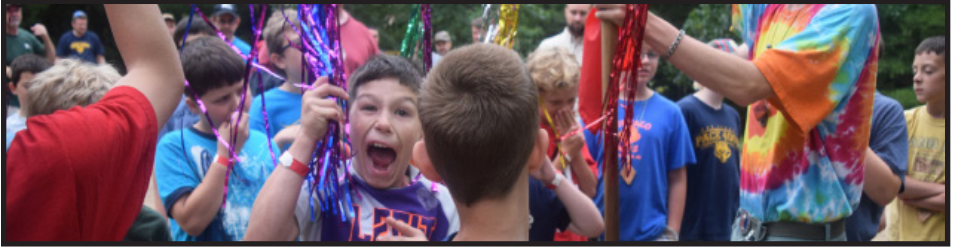
Medication

All medication brought to camp must be in its original container. The medication must be issued to the Scout and have the dosage listed on the container. This policy is mandated by the State of Michigan.

Medications such as EPI-PENs, sting kits, asthma inhalers, diabetes kits and nitro glycerin must be logged in at the Health Lodge. Campers and leaders will keep these items with them at all times. Any of these items should be logged at the Health Lodge so we know you have them.

Important:

Unit leadership should email bfa@gerberscoutreservaiton.org of any special needs of Scouts or leaders attending camp. Special dietary needs should also be addressed as soon as possible.



Betty Ford Adventureland 2017 Program



Welcome to the Island!

Webelos Adventureland

The resident camping programs offered at Webelos Adventureland are specifically geared for those Scouts who are currently of the Bear rank, and who are going to be first year Webelos, as well as those Scouts who are first year Webelos, and are going to be second year Webelos. Your current second year Webelos Scouts should be in a Boy Scout Troop attending Gerber Boy Scout Camp! The Wolf and Bear Scouts in your pack have their own specific program and camp booklet section at the bottom of this page. Please be sure you read through all of the information to better prepare you and your Webelos for the best possible experience at camp.

Second Year Webelos Program

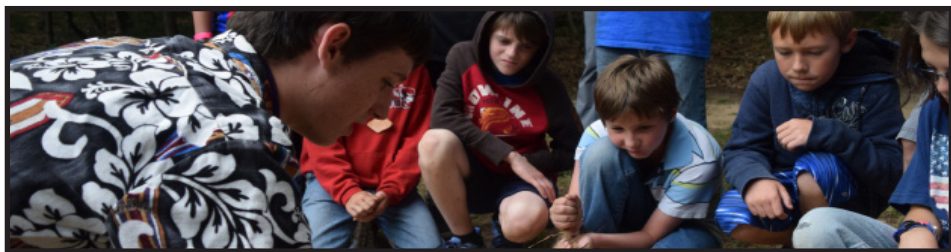
There will be activities for second year Webelos and their adult leaders only on both nights that you attend. These programs are for the second year Webelos only and they will take place on the second and third night they attend camp. These opportunities are designed exclusively for second year Webelos and their leaders; therefore, first year Webelos Scouts will not be permitted to take part in these programs and will instead participate in alternative activities such as an extended firebowl and marshmallow roasting party.

* Scouts must be at least nine years old to attend Webelos Adventureland.

Cub Scout Adventureland

The resident camping programs offered for Cub Scouts are geared specifically for those who are going to be a Tiger Cub, are currently a Tiger Cub and going to be a new Wolf Scout, and those who are currently Wolf Scouts and are going to be a new Bear Scout. The first year Webelos and second year Webelos have their own specific camp program and camp booklet section at the top of this page. Please be sure you read through all of the information to better prepare you and your Cub Scouts for the best possible experience they can have at camp.

*Scouts must be at least Six to attend, Nine, and ten year olds Should attend Webelos Adventureland listed at top of page not attend Cub Scout Adventureland.



Adventureland Life

All of the packs spend their time in small groups similar to dens, called color groups. Which are led by Super Den-Chiefs. The Super Den-Chiefs will be with the color groups for their entire stay at Betty Ford Adventureland. They will help make your stay at Gerber the best it could possibly be by singing camp songs, playing games, and helping you get from area to area.

All Scouts and adult leaders staying in camp are provided with wall tents. Wooden platforms keep you off the ground and metal cots with mattresses are provided for all Scouts and leaders. Each pack will be close together in nearby tents, with five Scouts to a tent. Parents and Scouts will be in separate tents but nearby. Male and female adults will sleep in separate tents, unless married. Tent Village has picnic tables, dining flies and a leader's lounge. There are shower facilities in Tent Village for men, women and youth. Thank you Steelcase Foundation for providing our super Tent Village!

This year's theme at Betty Ford Adventureland is Adventure through Books. Each program area will be bringing your favorite characters to life as you help them cast spells, find treasure, and battle bad guys!

Betty Ford Adventureland's program is designed for you and your scouts to have the most fun experience and to acquire the skills that you will use in your future outside of camp. We like to use the phrase "Fun with a purpose!" We create a program that guides you from area to area that takes you to every program that we offer. No need to worry about signing up for anything as our program will do that for you.

Express Check-in

With up to 250 Scouts and leaders checking in during any given session, we want to make this the easiest, fastest, and most efficient process possible. Here is what to expect:

Check-in will be between 2:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. on the first day of the session. Scouts need to arrive together as a pack or den with their camp leaders during this time. One leader per pack should check in your group at the Registration pavilion. The other leaders should load the gear into the carts provided and watch over the Scouts during this time. Leaders should have a roster of their group and any receipts from payments prior to camp. Any additional registration fees will be handled by the Camp Business Manager.

After you are done at the Registration pavilion, follow your Super Den Chief to your area in Upper or Lower Tent Village. Scout tents hold five youth and are marked by color group flag. Please unload your equipment and send your cart back with a staff member. Your Den Chief will then lead your Scouts in for medication and medical checks. After you are settled in, you'll be led on a tour of Adventure Island!

At 4:30 pm, a leader's meeting will be held at the Upper Tent Village canopy, for all adult leaders in camp.

Trading Post

The Trading Post offers a large variety of products ranging from cold beverages, candy and chips, to camp souvenirs such as tee-shirts, water bottles, and backpacks. Look for new additions this summer, such as healthy choice snack items.

Leader Program Evaluations

An evaluation form will be provided to camp leaders during your session at camp. It is very important to us that you complete the form and turn it in to the Camp Director. We need to know what pack leaders are thinking—what you and the Scouts like, and what we could improve upon. Your ideas are important to us and your evaluations will be shared with all of our staff. The Key Three welcome the chance to talk with you about your concerns and suggestions.



Daily Program Schedule For Webelos Adventureland

	Day of Arrival	Day 1 Program	Day 2 Program	Closing Day
7:50		Flag Raising		
8:00		Breakfast		
8:35		Leader's Meeting		Depart for Home
9:00 - 12:20		Program on Adventure Island		
12:35		Lunch		
1:00		Rest Period		
2:00 - 3:00		Arrival & Check-in/ Camp Tour	Program on Adventure Island	
4:00				
4:30	Leader's Meeting			
6:00		Camp Photo (Packs w/ Sunday arrival)	Camp Photo (Packs w/ Wednesday arrival)	
6:20	Flag Lowering			
6:30	Dinner			
7:45	Opening Firebowl	Evening Program	Closing Firebowl	
10:00	Lights Out			



Daily Program Schedule For Cub Scout Adventureland

	Day of Arrival	Program	Closing Day	
7:50		Flag Raising		
8:00		Breakfast		
8:35		Leader's Meeting	Leader's Meeting	
9:00 - 12:20		Program on Adventure Island	Program on Adventure Island	
12:35		Lunch	Lunch	
1:00		Rest Period	FIREBOWL	
2:00 - 3:00		Arrival & Check-in/ Camp Tour	Program on Adventure Island	Check out
4:00				
5:00		Leader's Meeting		
6:00			Camp Photo	
6:20	Flag Lowering			
6:30	Dinner			
7:45	Evening Program	Closing Firebowl		
10:00	Lights Out			

Program Areas

Fort Clatsop

Shoot some paintballs while learning about the great adventures of Lewis and Clark across the American wilderness.

Special thanks to Peg & Keith Burns and Family for this area!

Wagons On

Welcome to the hottest area on camp! Hitch up your team and join the wagon train to Funville!

Thanks for the wagons, Gerber Foundation!

Babe The Blue Ox

Scale the Bouldering wall.

Conquer your fears.

Impress your peers!

Thanks to the Meijer Corporation and Fred Meijer, for this area and for our Adventureland bridge!

The Lost Ship

KAPOW!! WHOOSH! Feel the rush as dodgeballs sail past you (or into you) at the Lost Ship!

Many thanks to our shipwrights, Esther and Seymour Padnos!

Pirates' Cove

Too hot to party, but too jazzed to stop? Come down to Pirate's Cove for a nice dip in Big Britton.

Thank you, Fremont Foundation, for this area!

Crockett's Challenge

Come on down for BB guns, look down your sights, you're shooting for fun. Archery is next, you'll pull back your bow, aim at the bullseye, let your arrow go!



Program Areas

Huck Finn Rafts

Wishin' for some fishin'? Then prepare the cannons for some high seas hijinks at the Huck Fun Rafts!

Thanks again to the Fremont Foundation for our awesome rafts!

Tree Houses

Hail, Adventurers! Come witness nature in its purest form in the vast wilderness of the Island!

Thank you Danny Gaydou and Grand Rapids Press for this area!

Fort Akela

Feeling too dry? Cool off with THOUSANDS of spongeballs at Fort Akela!

Firebowl

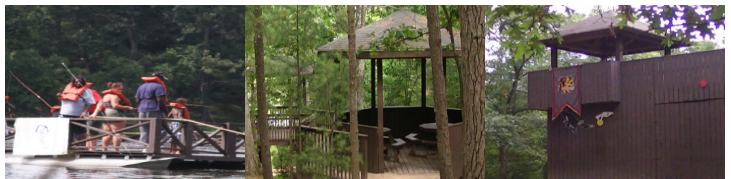
Get ready for the wackiest songs, the messiest skits, and the craftiest pranks imaginable as the Adventureland staff puts on their kookiest camp-fire yet! Formal attire is NOT required.

Evening Program

Gerber Adventureland is cranking the Fun-o-meter to 11 with an all-new game lineup. Be ready for some high-impact mayhem with every color group in the camp!

Uncharted Lands

Explore the outdoors! Stop at Uncharted Lands and discover something truly spectacular!





Gear Check List

- Mosquito Netting & poles
- Swimsuit
- Hiking Shoes & Sneakers
- T-Shirts
- Long Sleeve Shirt
- Hat
- Sleeping Bag
- Sweatshirt or Jacket
- Shorts
- Insect Repellent (No Aerosol)
- Pillow
- Sunscreen
- Flashlight/batteries
- Backpack
- Spending Money (\$30 recommended)
- Soap, Toothbrush, washcloth etc
- Rain gear
- Towel
- Extra Pants
- Socks & Undies (one pair for each day plus spare)
- Canteen
- Pocket Knife with Whittlin' Chip
- Watch
- Pajamas
- Extra Blanket
- Fishing Gear
- Medication
- Camera (Digital or film)
- Extra Shoes
- Copy of Completed Health Form

Lost and Found

Items left at camp after closing day will be cataloged and kept for three months. Contact the Reservation Director Matt Langlois with inquiries at matt.langlois@scouting.org.

Scout Release Request

Scouts may only be released to adults indicated by the Scouts' legal guardians on the Scouts health form. Photo ID is required. This form can be filled out in advance but Scout must be checked out from the health lodge in person.

Request is made that Scout _____

Scout's Home Address _____

Council _____

Unit No. _____

Be permitted to leave camp for the following Reasons:

Scout to leave-Date

Accompanied by: _____

In signing this request, BSA and parents or guardians mutually acknowledge that there will be no refund of camp fee unless deemed appropriate by the Scout Executive and only after appropriate forms are completed on time - the Council's health and accident insurance terminates with the Scout's departure from the Scout Camp. The BSA or its representatives shall not be liable for any loss or injury departure from the Scout Camp and the BSA or its representatives shall not be liable for any loss or injury to the Scout's person or property.

Parent's or Guardian's Signature

Telephone _____

Request made _____

Approval Unit Leader Signature

On Site Release

Before leaving Scout Camp, the Scout & Unit leader must receive approval from the Camp Director.

APPROVALS _____ Unit _____ Date _____

Unit Leader _____

Camp Director or Authorized Representetative.

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