



2019 Polar Bear A Viking Adventure

January 18-20, 2019
Saukenauk Scout Reservation
Camp Illiniwek (Jambo Side)



*Winter Camping at its best... .check out detailed information for the Polar Bear Camporee on our Council website at www.mississippivalleybsa.org.
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WHO: All Boy Scout Troops and Venture Crews. Webelos are invited to participate with a Troop.

WHEN: January 18-20... Check in between 5:00 pm and 8:00 pm on Friday or 7:30 am to 8:00 am on Saturday. Any visitors, Troops, or Webelos coming just for the day on Saturday are asked to park on Main Side.

FEES: \$16.00 per youth if paid **on or by January 11th.**
\$10.00 per adult if paid **on or by January 11th.**
\$20.00 per person if paid **after January 11th.**
Patches are included.

WHAT TO BRING: Be extra prepared for the winter weather with clothing, bedding and foot wear. Each unit must furnish its own equipment and provide their own food. Each unit attending will need to bring Health and Medical forms for each participant. See events section for additional needed materials.
Optional: Long Sleeve T-Shirt to screen print or purchase a shirt at the event.
See Next Page for Shirt Preorder and Information.

ACTIVITIES Various Viking Challenges – See Below in Registration Booklet

POLAR BEAR REGISTRATION

Send to:

Mississippi Valley Council, BSA
2336 Oak Street
Quincy, IL 62301

or

Mississippi Valley Council, BSA
3007 Flint Hills Drive
Burlington, IA 52601

Troop / Crew Unit # _____ District _____ Leader In Camp _____

Phone number (_____) _____ E-Mail Address _____

On time registrations

Number of Youth _____ x \$16.00 = \$ _____
Number of Adults _____ x \$10.00 = \$ _____

Total registrations due = \$ _____

Late registration after 01/11/19

Number of Youth _____ x \$20.00 = \$ _____
Number of Adults _____ x \$20.00 = \$ _____

Total registrations due = \$ _____

Polar Bear Shirts

The shirts will be long sleeved and a light blue if you purchase and ink will be white. If shirts are preordered, we will try to have them ready upon your arrival

Sizes Available

Youth Medium, Youth Large, Adult Small, Adult Medium, Adult Large, Adult X Large, Adult 2XL, Adult 3 XL

Shirt Cost

To purchase a shirt, cost is \$15
If you bring your own shirt, Screen cost is \$5

Scout/Scouter Name	Unit #	Size

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Friday 1-18-19:

- 5pm to 8pm - Check in at polar bear cabin
- 8pm - SPL meeting in polar bear cabin
- 8:30pm - cracker barrel in polar bear cabin

Saturday 1-19-19:

- 8am to 11am – patrol activities and competitions
- 11am to 1pm - lunch at campsites
- 1pm to 3pm – Viking boat race in activities field
- 3pm to 5pm – open activities on main side
- 5pm to 8pm – dinner at campsites
- 8pm – campfire and awards in front of polar bear cabin
- 8:30 pm - cracker barrel in polar bear cabin

Sunday 1-20-19:

- 8am – checkout begins in polar bear cabin
- 11am – everyone out of camp

Patrol activities and competitions Saturday 8am to 11am:

- Odin’s test – Norse mythology and Viking History – fire ring outside polar bear cabin
- Loki’s riddles – decipher a riddle written in ancient Viking
- Thor’s challenge – test of physical and teamwork – outside polar bear cabin
- Viking chess – activities field
- Berserker challenge – throw axes and knives – activities field

Open Activities – 3pm to 5pm - on main side

- Flight to Valhalla – soar to Valhalla face first on the zip line
- Yggdrasil climbing challenge – climb the tree Yggdrasil thru the 9 worlds at the climbing tower
- Open archery

Other competitions:

- Best patrol shield – made of wood, single scout must be able to lift and use as if in battle. Judging design, creativity, and usefulness in battle. Bring shield to the activities field at 1pm to be judged.
- Best shelter – must use all-natural items, no milled wood, only exception is a tarp or plastic sheet. Shelters will be judged while scouts are at morning activities.
- Best Scoutmaster Viking costume- come to the activities field at 1pm for judging.

Schedule is subject to change

Camp Rules and Regulations

Camp Code	The Scout Oath and Law will be the law of the camp.
Early Arrivals	Those persons who are not on Staff that arrive prior to 5:00 PM Friday will be asked to wait to set up camp.
Roster	The Troop roster form, enclosed in this manual or equivalent, must be completed and turned in at Check-In. Please make additional copies as needed.
Ground Fires	Ground Fires are permitted. Please try your best to keep them within fire pits.
Generators	Generators are not allowed for unit use.
Cooking Fuel	Use wood, charcoal, or pressurized fuel in preparation of meals.
Pressurized Fuels	The use of either high or low-pressure lanterns or stoves must be in accordance with current council policy.
Use of Water	Water sources are only for filling water containers. Please do use the spigot for personal hygiene, washing or rinsing dishes, or washing clothes.
Tent Ditching	“Proper pitching avoids ditching.” Digging ditches around tents is strictly prohibited.
Garbage	Each unit must take their trash home with them when they leave or take it to dumpsters.
Tobacco	No person under the age of 18 is allowed to use tobacco products. Violators will be asked to leave. All adult smokers are encouraged to refrain from smoking around the Scouts during the weekend.
Dress Code	Activity (Class B) uniforms are encouraged throughout the duration of the campout. No inappropriate civilian clothes are permitted. Closed toed shoes must be worn around camp for safety.
Early Departures	Units needing an early departure on Sunday should make prior arrangements with the Campmaster or District Camping Chairman.
<i>Prohibited</i>	<i>Sheath knives, alcohol, fireworks, firearms, and non-medically prescribed drugs are all strictly prohibited.</i>

Suggested Packing List

This list is provided as a simple guideline to plan what you will need for a typical weekend camping trip. We recommend packing your items in a backpack or duffle bag. Clothing and personal property should be permanently marked with your name and troop. Medications should be clearly marked with Scout's name, medication name, dosage.

Official BSA Uniform:

- _ Uniform Shirt (khaki)
- _ Shorts/Pants (green)
- _ Belt
- _ Scout Socks
- _ Troop Neckerchief
- _ Neckerchief Slide

Clothing:

- _ Socks (2 pairs)
- _ Tee Shirts (1)
- _ Underwear (2)
- _ Pair of Long Pants (2)
- _ Pair of Shorts (1, optional)
- _ Sweatshirt
- _ Jacket/Coat (seasonal)
- _ Sleepwear
- _ Hiking shoes/boots- (broken in)
- _ Extra Pair of Shoes or sneakers
(No Open-Toe Sandals or Shoes)
- _ Raingear/Poncho

Toiletries:

- _ Soap in a carrier (or plastic bag)
- _ Towels and washcloths (1)
- _ Toothbrush & Toothpaste
- _ Comb or Brush
- _ Deodorant
- _ Tissues

Camping Gear:

- _ Backpack/Duffle Bag
- _ Canteen or Water Bottle
- _ Flashlight (w/extra batteries & bulb)
- _ Utensils
- _ Mess Kit
- _ Cup/mug

Bedding:

- _ Sleeping Pad (optional)
- _ Sleeping bag
- _ Pillow or camp pillow

Other Items:

- _ Medications - Clearly labeled
- _ Boy Scout Handbook
- _ Wristwatch
- _ Notebook and pencils
- _ Compass
- _ Pocket knife
- _ Folding Chair (optional)
- _ Card Games (optional)
- _ Musical Instrument (If you play one)
- _ Camera and Film (Optional, Disposable is good)

Winter Dressing Hints

The best way to dress for comfortable warmth in winter is in layers or shells. Start with long johns, not too tight. Next, flannel shirt and wool trousers and over that, a wool turtleneck sweater. With earmuff and wool gloves, this will be enough if you're going to be active.

For more severe cold and less activity, add a light jacket, wool cap and heavy boots. Dry your hands before you put gloves on and keep your gloves dry, too. Keep your feet dry inside and out, use foot powder, dry them thoroughly. Put on dry socks; wear two pairs of well-fitting socks.

Unit Roster

District: _____
Unit Type: Troop or Crew
Unit # _____

	Name	E-mail Address	Circle One:	
1			Youth	Adult
2			Youth	Adult
3			Youth	Adult
4			Youth	Adult
5			Youth	Adult
6			Youth	Adult
7			Youth	Adult
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16			Youth	Adult
17			Youth	Adult
18			Youth	Adult

Polar Bear Camporee Evaluation

Please rate the following on a scale of 1-5 (5 being the best)

Location – Was this the best venue for the event?	1	2	3	4	5
Information & Communication – Overall Score	1	2	3	4	5
Did the information help prepare you for this weekend?	1	2	3	4	5
Did you receive the information in time?	1	2	3	4	5
Was any information missing that should have been included?					
Staff & Logistics – Overall Score	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of Registration	1	2	3	4	5
Did staff fulfill your expectations?	1	2	3	4	5
Activities – Overall Score	1	2	3	4	5
Diversity of Activities	1	2	3	4	5
Quantity of Activities	1	2	3	4	5
Were they interesting?	1	2	3	4	5
Activity Difficulty – 1 being too easy, 3 being just right and 5 being too hard	1	2	3	4	5
What can we START doing to improve?					
What can we STOP doing?					
What can we CONTINUE doing?					
General Comments and Suggestions:					

Would you like to help plan or staff the next Camping Activity?

Please Check One: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes! Count me in! <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know. Call me when it's time.	
Name:	Phone:

Important Contact Information

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Quincy Administrative Office
217-224-0204

Burlington Field Office
319-754-8413

Adams County Sheriff
217-277-2200

Adams County EMS
217-277-2001

Blessing Hospital
217-223-8400

Poison Control
1-800-222-1222