



# PATHFINDER

## Camp Betz

Have you ever wanted to try archery, bb gun shooting, or canoeing? Here's your chance.

Scouts and adults can take part in these events plus many more. At night everyone at camp gets together in an outdoor theatre to perform skits. After a day filled with these events you think to yourself, "I've done everything. What else is there to do?"

There is plenty more. After all of these activities are over we go back to our campsite with our pack. We sit around the camp fire and eat s'mores, tell stories, or play games. Lunch and breakfast are served in an indoor lunchroom.

Now you're thinking, "it



sounds good, but I don't want to sleep in the woods because there is no shower or bathroom." You would be totally wrong. There is an indoor facility with private showers and bathrooms. When I say private I mean private. There are separate rooms with your own lockable door.

## April Bridge Crossing



April's pack meeting shall feature our annual Bridge Crossing Ceremony. The Bridge Crossing is the culmination of the scout year and marks the start of a new year of discovery for each scout.

Our Tigers will receive their first rank advancement since joining scouts and our 1<sup>st</sup> Year Webelos will cross over to their final rank as Cub Scouts. All of the boys (and parents!) have completed another year's worth of requirements, seen and done a number of things they never have before, learned many useful skills, and had a lot of fun along the way.

## Spring Campout

On Saturday, May 16th - Sunday, May 17th the Cub Scouts from Pack 542 will be camping at the Carmelite Monastery. There will be a grotto tour and other activities.

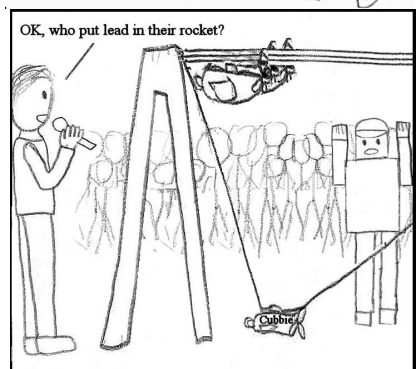
A flyer with more details will be sent out.

Trust me. This will be one of the greatest memories your scout will have. Who knows, you might have fun too.

The Camp Betz outing runs over the weekend of July 10 through July 12. Camp Betz is located in Berrien Springs, Michigan which is about an hour's drive.

Contact Rey Rodriguez at 708-299-4103 or email [reyrodi6@yahoo.com](mailto:reyrodi6@yahoo.com)

## Cubbie Comics



## 2009 Summer Day Camp

You're alone, in the wilderness, no shelter, no food, nothing to help you survive except your own skills. What would you do? How would you SURVIVE?

Attend Survival Camp this summer at Calumet Council Cub Scout Day Camp and you will learn the skills needed to survive in many situations that can arise: you could be stranded in a snowbound car, get lost on a hike in the woods, be stranded in the desert, or caught up in a storm of flood.

You will be able to handle yourself in many situations or emergencies.

You will learn about finding food and safe water, constructing shelter, starting fires and preparing a survival kit, and of course Archery and BB gun skills.



Camp runs from Tuesday, July 21 through Friday, July 24 at Crossroads Community Church in Schererville.

Parents are expected to assist one day at camp.

### Camp Cost

*Early Registration* until April 29 is \$60.00

*Open Registration* from April 29 to June 1 is \$70.00

*Late Registration* If turned in after June 1 you must

go to the Council to register before July 10.

*Family Discount* \$5.00 per sibling  
*Financial Assistance:* Cub Day Camp has developed a pre-camp work program for those families that need assistance.

To register, contact Margaret Caraher at 838-2943 or mcaraher@pros.com

## Word War II Reenactment

Reenactors from all over the Midwest, and some from as far away as Canada, don authentic uniforms and use restored military equipment to portray that most important time period in our history.

Throughout the weekend, the park comes to life with memories of the war years, both military and on the home front. If you are a veteran, history enthusiast, or would just like to learn more about the 1940s era, this is the place for the entire family.

It's wonderful for families and students.

On May 2nd, dens are encouraged to meet at Buckley Homestead at the main office at 10 am. Directions are as follows: 80/94 east to I-65, I-65 south until IN-2 exit, Exit 240 towards Lowell, turn RIGHT onto E 181st Ave/IN-2, turn left onto Hendricks St, parking lot/main office is on the left. Please contact John or Jennifer Klaich at 219-922-1077 for questions.

## Upcoming Calendar

### March 28, 2009

Potawatomi Hike. Indiana Dunes, 8:30AM.

### April 3, 2009

Pack Committee meeting. Town Hall 7PM.

### April 6, 2009

Den Leader Meeting. STM Coat Room. 7:15PM.

### April 29, 2009

April Pack Night. 6:30PM in the Gym. Bridge Crossing.

Adults are in charge of flag ceremony, clean up and setup.

### May 16-17, 2009

Carmelite Monastery campout.

### July 10-12, 2009

Camp Betz weekend.

### July 21-24, 2009

Day Camp at Crossroads Community Church.



## Cubbie's Corner

Thank you to everyone at this year's Blue & Gold for helping to stop Mr. The Can Opener's silly plans to build another me. Though, it would be fun to have a twin!

April Bridge Crossing is one of my favorite pack meetings. Not just because we get to trot out the teepee and face paint and tom-tom music (although that's certainly part of it!), but also because this meeting marks a major milestone in every scout's journey down the Scout Trail - completion of another rank.

The Bridge Crossing certainly is a special event. So make sure you have your batteries charged and your cameras ready for our April Bridge Crossing on April 29th at 6:30PM in the STM gym!