

Camp Squanto

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Brought especially to you by Old Colony Council and
YOUR SUMMER CAMP PLANNING TEAM

Mr. Ernie Guy – Scoutmaster
Mrs. Joyce Lewis – Summer Camp Advancement Coordinator
Mr. Chris Mitchell – Summer Camp Medicine Man
Mr. Bill Parker – Summer Camp Scribe

Important Dates

April 27th	Final Payment Due to Bill Parker (\$25 late fee if a Scout signs up after this date)
June 8th, 6pm	Mandatory meeting for all new scouts (and a parent) attending summer camp. The agenda will include additional summer camp information and Q & A.
June 8th, 7pm	Mandatory meeting for all scouts going to summer camp, to complete Merit Badge forms. Class B T-shirts will be available for \$7 each.
June 8th	Health Forms Due to Chris Mitchell
August 5th	Meet at Ahern School parking lot at 11:00am. Troop will depart for camp together at 11:30am. Transportation will be provided. Troop 7 enters CAMPSITE PIONEER at 1:00pm. Scouts are not allowed to drive themselves to camp or have vehicles in the Camp Squanto parking lot. Wear Class A Uniforms and have a swim suit (and towel) in hand or underneath uniform.
August 11th	Return to Ahern School parking lot between noon and 1:00pm. Transportation will be provided.
September 7th	Troop Court of Honor at Bethany Church starting at 8:00pm to recognize all of the Scout's achievements earned during their stay at Camp Squanto.

Squanto 2007

TROOP 7 SUMMER CAMP
August 5th – 11th, 2007

Old Colony Council Camp Squanto, BSA
Plymouth, Massachusetts

www.campsquanto.net

Program

Adventure, friends, fun and advancement are the most obvious features of the summer camp program. Scouts of all ages and rank enjoy Squanto's great natural facilities. Located deep in the woods of Miles Standish State Forest and adjacent to Fawn pond, camp provides opportunities for swimming, canoeing, sailing, boating, fishing, hiking, climbing, golfing, and exploring. The program centers feature riflery, archery, golf and other similar activities and crafts. No personal sports equipment is required or desired, as Squanto has all the state of the art outdoor equipment for you week of adventure. The camp also offers numerous merit badges for the Scouts to earn. A list of merit badges offered at Squanto will be given to the Scouts on June 9th. The Scouts at that time will be able to choose what badges they would like to participate in during camp.

Informational Meeting for Parents and Scouts

An informational meeting is being planned for Friday, June 8th at 6pm at Bethany Church for scouts that have not attended summer camp in the past (at least one parent must attend as well). At this time we will provide more details concerning summer camp and answer any questions you or your son may have.

Merit Badge Sign-up

Merit badge sign-ups will take place at the **June 8th** Troop meeting. It is very important that every Scout going to summer camp attend this meeting. If you cannot attend this meeting please contact Mrs. Lewis.

Directions

The trip is about 45 miles one way and requires about one hour. Take Route 495 South. Take Exit 2 off Route 495 (Route 58). Take a left onto Route 58 North. Follow the signs that say "Myles Standish State Forest." You will come to a fork in the road (approximately 2.6 miles) where Route 58 bears to the left. Stay to the right on Tremont Street. Take a right onto Cranberry Road (approx. 0.8 miles). This will take you to the Forest Headquarters' building (approx. 2.8 miles). Go left and follow detour signs around College Pond to a right onto Upper College Pond Road. Follow the signs that say Camp Squanto. You will pass the entrances to Charge Pond and Camp Cachalot. Camp Squanto is the next entrance opposite Fearing Pond. Take this right and follow this curving road to the camp parking lot.

Payments

The cost for camp is **\$280.00** per Scout. This fee includes all meals, camping fees, a Troop photo, and evening snacks and beverage. Payments are requested as follows:

February 16th - \$30.00 deposit
April 27th - \$250.00 final payment

There is a \$25.00 late fee for any Scout who has not signed up and paid in full by April 27th.

All camp fees need to be paid before camp starts. Payments can be given to Bill Parker or mailed to him at 9 Hitchcock Road, Foxborough.

EVERY SCOUT WHO WANTS TO GO CAMP HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO GO. Full and Partial camperships are available. If your son wants to go to camp but family finances prevent him from attending, please discuss this with the Scoutmaster. Arrangements made by the Troop of this nature remain confidential.

Medical Forms

The following is the Policy at Camp Squanto regarding Medical Forms:

- All Scouts and Leaders, under age 40, attending camp **MUST** have a medical exam performed by a physician within 24 months of your camp arrival date, however, your Medical form must be revised each 12 months. Therefore, your medical form must be signed by a physician within the past 12 months but you need only to have had a physical exam within the last 24 months.
- All leaders over age 40 attending camp **MUST** have a medical exam performed by a physician within 12 months of your camp arrival date.
- All completed medical forms are due to Chris Mitchell by June 8th, and will be presented to the Health Lodge upon arrival at Camp Squanto.

SCOUTS AND ADULT LEADERS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO REMAIN IN CAMP WITHOUT A PROPERLY COMPLETED HEALTH RECORD. CURRENT IMMUNIZATION DATES ARE REQUIRED BY STATE LAW. Check marks or words "Up to date" are not acceptable. **ALL MEDICATIONS MUST COME IN THEIR ORIGINAL CONTAINERS. ALL MEDICAL FORMS MUST BE SIGNED BY A PHYSICIAN, APPLICANT AND A PARENT/GUARDIAN IF UNDER 18, WITHIN THE LAST TWELVE MONTHS.**

Sickness & Injury Emergency health care will be provided on site by trained first aid staff, followed up by our Health Lodge staff and transport to Jordan Hospital if deemed necessary.

Telephone Calls

The number for you to get an emergency message to Camp Squanto, BSA is (508) 223-2010. Phones are available to Scouts for emergency calls only.

Usage or carrying of Cell Phones, by scouts, is **NOT** allowed. Internet service is **NOT** available.

Camp Address

If you want to send a letter or postcard to your Scout or adult leader while they are in camp, the address is:

Scout Name
Troop 7 Foxborough
Pioneer Campsite
Camp Squanto, BSA
PO Box 931
South Carver, MA 02366

Please do not send food/drink packages, for reasons of camp sanitation and avoidance of critters in the tents.

Spending Money

There is a camp store where Scouts can buy supplies they might have forgotten like toothpaste and batteries. They can also purchase soft drinks and snacks. It is suggested a Scout bring no more than \$5 per day to camp. He will be responsible for managing his own money.

MERIT BADGE CRAFT KITS

A scout might need extra money at camp if he chooses to work on his leatherwork or basket weaving merit badges. These kits are available at the camp store at prices varying from \$7 to \$12 each. After the informational meeting held in June you will have a better idea how much extra money you need to send with your Scout. At that meeting he will choose which merit badges he wants to work on during the week

2007 Camp Squanto Hats

If a scout would like to purchase a 2007 Camp Squanto hat or patch, the cost is approximately \$10 each for those items.

Church Services

A Scout is Reverent. Scout Vespers will be held weekly at 5:15pm at the camp chapel on Wednesday. The camp memorial services will be held on Thursday's in the Memorial area.

Trading, Swapping, Buying, and Selling

All personal equipment that a Scout brings into camp, e.g. pocket knives, should return home with him. Summer camp IS NOT the time or place to be exchanging personal property. This activity is not permitted. One for one patch trading, however, is allowed and suggested for scouts who are interested. Bringing a few tradable scout patches from home is a good idea.

Lost and Found

There is a lost and found box in camp. Remember to label all clothing and gear with your name and Troop 7.

Pictures

Troop pictures are taken Monday from Noon to 2pm by the Camp photographer. We will provide one picture for each Scout.

Uniform

Scouts will need a full Boy Scout uniform consisting of a "Class A" short sleeved shirt, "Class B" T-shirts, scout shorts, scout belt and scout socks. New Scouts should check with the scoutmaster for the availability of used uniform items in their size. Scouts who have outgrown their old uniform are encouraged to offer them to their fellow Scouts or to the scoutmaster to add to the Troop uniform exchange.

"Class B" T-shirts will be available for \$7 each at the June 8th Troop meeting and at the Ahern parking lot on August 5th just prior to departure for camp.

Provisional, Eagle Week, and National Youth Leader Training Camps

Several of our Scouts, in past years, have attended camp a second week as provisional campers. If your son is interested in attending Provisional, Eagle Week, or National Youth Leader Training Camp you can get more information and camp dates at www.campsquanto.net or talk to Joyce Lewis. Additional weeks at Squanto cost \$225.00. Troop 7 plans to send a few highly motivated scouts this summer to National Youth Leader Training (NYLT). In addition to Camp Squanto requirements, scouts must be a minimum of 1st Class rank and be recommended by the scoutmaster. A limited number of slots may be reimbursable by the troop. Interested candidates should see the SM.

We are looking forward to a great week at Camp Squanto in Campsite Pioneer!!!

Troop 7's Campsite



Welcome to
CAMP SQUANTO

Summer Camp Equipment Checklist

- Class A Scout Summer Uniform (to be worn at arrival, dinner, picture taking and closing ceremony)
 - Short sleeve scout shirt with correct patches & shoulder loops
 - Scout shorts or (Scout green) equivalent camp shorts with belt loops and pockets
 - Scout belt
 - Scout socks
 - Camp hat will be distributed at Squanto
- Outdoor Clothing for one week – Sunday through Saturday (laundry facilities are not available on site)
 - Shirts, Long and short pants (3 sets)
 - Class B T-shirts (one new shirt will be issued at camp – additional may be bought for \$6)
 - Comfortable shoes for hiking and extra pair of sneakers in case of wet weather
 - Underwear and socks (6 pairs)
 - Swim suit & 2 beach towels
 - Light jacket
 - Boots and poncho for wet weather
- Sleeping Gear
 - Sleeping bag
 - Pajamas, sweats or shorts to sleep in
 - Mosquito net with four, approximately 2 1/2 foot long dowels and duct tape to attach netting
- Toiletries
 - Tooth brush and toothpaste
 - Soap in a plastic box
 - Shampoo in small container
 - Comb (get crew cut & leave it home) ;-)
 - Labeled medication to be checked in and dispensed as prescribed
- Miscellaneous Required Articles
 - Scout book
 - Pencil and notebook
 - Merit badge books and cards for those already underway
 - Flashlight or small battery powered lantern
 - Insect repellent
 - Sunscreen and sunglasses
 - Plastic mug for drink use all week in camp
- Optional Gear
 - Spending money (\$20 to \$25 – more than this should be discouraged)
 - Fishing tackle
 - Disposable camera
 - Watch
 - Pocket knife
 - Canteen
 - Compass
 - Day pack for hiking
 - Personal first aid kit
 - Theme week costume (see below)
 - Acoustic musical instrument
- Leave Home
 - All radios, electronic games, comic books, sheath knives, skateboards, bicycles, archery equipment, firearms, kitchen sink, toaster oven, electric hair dryer and any non scout related equipment
 - Any items prone to weather damage
 - All expensive or irreplaceable items
 - Cell phones and all electronics
- Label
 - Everything with name & “Troop 7” with indelible marker
- Pack
 - All gear in large plastic Rubbermaid type storage boxes (approximately 2' x 3' size) or large duffel bag
 - No gear should be loose
- Questions?
 - Please contact a Summer Camp Team Member

Tuesday Night is Medieval Night

Knights, castles, dragons, wizards, damsels in distress, and the Holy Grail.
For you Python fans... **“Bring out your dead!”**

HAVE FUN!!!