

## **Willistown Troop 78 Schuylkill River Canoe Trip**

### **Saturday May 4, 2019**

#### **Basic Information:**

Leave cabin Saturday morning on the bus, drive to our canoe put in point at Port Providence Park in Upper Providence just outside Phoenixville, PA. We will canoe up the canal, which borders the epic Schuylkill River Trail (SRT), pulling our boats out at Lock 60 and putting them in the river where we will continue down the river, to Betzwood Trailhead which is part of the Valley Forge Park system. This stretch of watershed is filled with multiple bird species. We should be on the water for 4-5 hours, and it will be a mix of easy canal and quick river. We will eat a bagged lunch on the water. Scouts (and their dads) must be able to pass the Red, White, and Blue Scout Swim test in order to attend this trip. The Troop reserves the right to engineer boat crews for participant safety. **We are hoping for great weather, but this trip could be pushed to Sunday for bad weather.**

The Troop has boats and personal floatation devices for about 40 people. Additional drivers/vehicles are not at all possible on this trip.

**Arrive to the Cabin at 8:00 AM SHARP on Saturday Morning, with breakfast in your stomach or your hand!**

**Return to the Cabin at about 3PM on Saturday. Scouts must stay and help unpack canoes and gear before heading home. Parents – Scouts will call with pick-up time, our exact arrival is highly variable on this trip and the boats must be stored properly which means all scouts must stay until we are done!**

#### **Packing List:**

**In a knapsack, please pack the following in Ziploc bags or other waterproof container (these items will go in the canoe with you). Lunch will be provided, but leave some room in your sack.**

- Nalgene bottles (at least 2 liters of water)
- Dry pants (synthetic, quick-dry material – NOT cotton or jeans)
- Dry shirt (again, synthetic quick-dry)
- Wear lightweight sneakers – must have close-toed shoes on (Gators do not count)!
- Sunglasses with strap
- Visored hat
- Sunscreen & Bug Spray

It should go without saying – check the weather and dress appropriately! (check weather prior to departure). Quick dry clothing is highly suggested for this trip wearing and packed. You will get wet.

## 2019 Canoe Trip Registration Form and Info:

### PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

1. Drop your completed form (and payment if applicable) to Jack Bilson – Camping Chairman **at the cabin by May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7PM (The start of the Scout meeting)**
2. **CHECKS ONLY – NO CASH!** Make checks payable to “Willistown Troop 78”

**QUESTIONS? CALL YOUR PATROL LEADER or Mr. Bilson (610-547-7934)**

**Please return this section and the permission slip below with payment if applicable to Mr. Bilson. Everyone MUST have a form.**

Scout name and patrol: \_\_\_\_\_

Adult name (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address and phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list all food and medication allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

**INSERT # OF EACH ITEM IN APPROPRIATE BOX, ADD TOTAL AND INCLUDE PAYMENT IN FORM OF A CHECK.**

[    ] \$5 Registered Adult Fee

[    ] \$10 Non Registered Adult Fee

\$\_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL    **Make checks made payable to “Willistown Troop 78**

### **Troop 78 –Permission Form**

I am the parent/legal guardian of the Scout/guest named above, and my signature below constitutes my permission for my son to attend the 2019 Willistown Troop 78 Canoe Trip. My signature below also authorizes any registered Willistown Troop 78 leader in attendance to obtain medical treatment for my son if, in the discretion of such registered leader, such treatment is warranted. I am aware that the trip involve many risks, dangers and hazards including, but not limited to: accidents which occur during transportation or travel to and from the put in; slip and falls while getting into or out of the boats; overturning of the boats; loss of balance; impact, collision with or entrapment by trees, logs, deadfall, boats or equipment; negligence on the part of other participants. I am aware of the risks with the trip and I freely and fully assume all such risks, dangers, and hazards and the possibility of injury or loss for myself and or child. If my child, myself or any member of my family does not attend the trip for *any reason*, and has signed up, I understand that we will forfeit the full amount of any payment as well as the fee of \$40 for each canceled person to be pulled from my sons scout account.

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(parent signature, or signature of adult attendee if submitted by attending adult)