

**WILLISTOWN 78 KNOEBELS PARK / RICKETTS GLEN TRIP**  
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 – SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2018**

**What: Day of Fun at Knoebels Amusement Park and Ricketts Glen Waterfall Hike**

We will be starting out the season with a simple trip to America's Largest Free Admission Amusement Park, which lucky for us is located in Columbia County PA. We will depart from the cabin early Saturday morning with breakfast in your stomach or in your hand. We will be taking the Troop bus to the park. We will arrive just before the park opens at 11AM allowing for people to purchase their ride tickets or passes. The troop will provide loads of food and drink during our stay in the park at a dedicated pavilion at no additional cost to anyone on the trip. On Saturday evening we will retire to camp with our tents at Ricketts Glen State Park. On Sunday, after breakfast, we will hike the Falls Trail past 21 individual waterfalls, the most waterfalls per mile of any trail in the 48 states. Proper hiking boots & socks MUST be worn on Sunday with a filled water bottle and day pack.

While the cost of admission to the park is free, and the troop will provide plenty of free tasty eats while in the park, the rides are a pay as you go affair that need to be paid for by the boys themselves. Details are on the website [knoebels.com](http://knoebels.com). Tickets can be bought for \$1 each with the average ride cost between \$1-\$3 and an All Day Ride Pass is available. We want the boys and their fathers, if on the trip, to pay cash not with debit cards. The Troop is suggesting one of the two following options:

- An envelope (with the scout's name on it) with \$20 in cash to buy 20 tickets which will yield about 10 rides.
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- An envelope (with the scout's name on it) with \$44 in cash for the Ride All Day Plan including the wooden coasters.

Driving separately than the bus on this trip is not an option. If this is a requirement for special circumstances you need to gain permission from Mr. Bilson on or before Sept 7<sup>th</sup>. Interested in discount tickets to save money contact Mr. Bilson before Sept 7<sup>th</sup>. Scouting Camping Account funds are not available for this trip.

**Cost (For Food Only):**

**For Scouts (up to and including 18 years old) and all Scout and Adult guests:**

\$0

**For Adults and Fathers of the Troop:**

\$20 for any adult who is registered with the Troop

\$30 for any adult who is NOT registered with the Troop

**ALL ADULTS MUST HAVE COMPLETED BSA YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING**

**Departure:** PLAN TO ARRIVE AT CABIN BY 8:00AM SATURDAY SO WE CAN LEAVE ON TIME!

**Return:** Sunday between 1 - 3:00 PM (Scouts will call when 20 minutes from cabin)

**Transport:** Bus for Scouts and leaders/accompanying fathers and leaders

### How to sign up for the trip:

1. Call (do NOT text) your Patrol Leader or speak with your PL in person by 7:00 PM on September 7th and let him know if you (and your father) will be attending. Please provide him with names of all attendees.
2. Drop off your completed form and payment to Jack Bilson on or before **Sept 7th**.
3. **CHECKS ONLY – NO CASH! Make checks payable to “Willistown Troop 78”.**
4. Patrol Leaders – Send Mr. Bilson and SPL Zach Fox a list of your attendees by e-mail, by no later than Sept 7. Please e-mail Mr. Bilson at jackbilson@gmail.com

### QUESTIONS? CALL YOUR PATROL LEADER or Senior Patrol Leader

### Trip Packing List

#### WHAT TO BRING:

Troop jacket and hat (if you have them)  
**Sleeping bag or sleeping bag w/blanket**  
Sleeping pad  
Flashlight  
Sunscreen  
Lip balm  
Jacket  
Rain gear  
Cash in an envelope with your name on it for the park  
Sturdy hiking shoes or boots  
Pair of sneakers on your feet  
Wool or synthetic hiking socks  
(no cotton socks, no sneakers for hiking)  
Water Bottle  
Day Pack  
Toilet articles  
**DRINKING CUP**  
(no metal cups – cup should hold at least 8 oz.)  
Spending money for souvenirs and extra tickets

\* Who knows what Mother Nature has in store for us? BE PREPARED!

**RETURN THIS PAGE!**

**Please complete and return this page, including the permission slip below, with payment by check, to Mr. Bilson per terms of handout.**

Scout Name : \_\_\_\_\_ Patrol: \_\_\_\_\_

Adult attendee name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent E-mail & phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

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

List all Food Allergies or Diet Requirements or say N/A:

**Troop 78 – Amusement Park and Hiking Trip Permission Form**

**If I am signing for a Scout:** 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 May 2018 Willistown Troop 78 Amusement Park and Hiking trip. This permission slip also authorizes any registered Willistown Troop 78 leader in attendance to execute any additional forms, releases or permission slips that may require be signed by a parent or guardian to allow my child to participate in this event. 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. If my child does not attend the trip for *any reason*, I understand that \$35 will be deducted from my son's Scout account, and if no funds are available, my son's Scout account will be debited until the \$35 has been paid in full.

**If I am an adult attendee:** My signature below is my agreement that my remitted payment will be forfeited in the event that I do not attend the trip *for any reason*. I have completed Youth Protection Training and (select one) \_\_\_\_\_ am attaching a copy of my certificate of completion; or \_\_\_\_\_ have provided the Troop with a copy of my current certificate previously.

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