

Troop 480 Erie/Buffalo Trip – May 14-16, 2010

Troop 480 is planning a weekend trip to Lake Erie and the Buffalo Naval Park.

Departing from St. Paul's parking lot on Friday, May 14th at 4:30PM (arrive by 4:00) and returning on Sunday, May 16th around 6PM.

Lampe Marina and Campground – www.porterie.org/camping.html - (for more information on campground)



We will overnight on Friday in tents at Lampe Campground (fenced in RV and tent campground). The Troop has reserved six camp sites (up to seven per site) with parking pads, grassy tent area, water, fire rings and new shower/bath house. The campsite is located on the Erie Harbor Channel with an easy walk to South Pier and a view of Presque Isle State Park. We will be having dinner and breakfast at camp.

United States Coast Guard – Sector Buffalo

We will depart the campground on Saturday morning for Buffalo. We will spend the late morning and early afternoon at the Coast Guard facilities. The campus tour will include a lighthouse located on the property. More information for this excursion will be available in late March.

Buffalo and Erie County Naval & Military Park - www.buffalonaivalpark.org – (for information)



We will depart Presque Isle to arrive in Buffalo by 3:30pm. The park is a museum on the shore of Lake Erie in Buffalo, NY. It is home to several decommissioned US Naval vessels, including the Cleveland-class cruiser USS Little Rock, the Fletcher-class destroyer USS The Sullivans, and the submarine USS Croaker. The scouts will spend the night aboard the USS Little Rock and be served an evening meal and breakfast on the ship's mess decks. A self-guided tour of the ships and park is included as well as one ride pass on the motion simulator.

- The Troop will depart Buffalo, NY around 12:30pm. We are planning to stop for lunch at a fast food restaurant on the return trip (please plan on spending money for this and other activities/souvenirs). Arrival back at St. Paul's is expected around 6:00pm.

- Total Cost - \$85.00 – The cost breakdown is as follows: \$40.00 – Overnight on Little Rock; \$20 – Food; \$20 – Gas Reimbursement (Drivers are needed for this trip); \$5 – Lampe Marina. Adults accompanying the scouts are only responsible for the Little Rock and campground fees of \$45.00.

A \$25 NON REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT AND SIGNED PERMISSION SLIP ARE DUE TO MR. KARL OR MR. GILBERT NO LATER THAN MARCH 10TH. SPACE IS AVAILABLE FOR UP TO 50 SCOUTS ADULTS AND IS ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS!

For those taking this trip, final itineraries will be distributed in early April. A substitution may be required for the Coast Guard tour if there is a military operation procedure in effect.

I give my permission for my son, _____ to attend a weekend trip to Erie, PA and Buffalo, NY. The scouts will be accompanied by Scout Leaders and/or adult Scout volunteers. I understand that transportation will be provided by Scout Leaders and or adult Scout volunteers to and from this destination.

"The troop may use photos of people and groups on the troop website, newsletter and via other methods of media. Any member objecting to the use of his or her photo, and/or objecting to the use of their child's photo, should inform the troop committee in writing. Names are not normally used with photos but if so, minor children will only be identified on the troop website by first name, last initial."

Parent Signature

Date

Daytime Phone Number