



TROOP FIVE
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WINTER CAMPING
at Durland Scout Reservation

Located in Putnam County, the Agatha A. Durland Scout Reservation boasts 1,400 acres of largely undeveloped land with many campsites, miles of hiking trails, and two lakes. It is operated by Westchester Putnam Council, BSA.

We will be backpacking (about 1 mile) to Lean To Site #3 and camping overnight in Durland. We may go snowshoeing, that will be confirmed later.

LOCATION: Durland Scout Reservation. We will be camping at Lean To Site #3, which is near site #41 and very close to Clear Lake (see the map attached.)

DATE: Saturday and Sunday, February 7 and 8.

TIME: Be at the Reformed Church Parking lot no later than 8:00 AM. We will leave Bronxville at 8:15 AM sharp on Saturday morning to arrive at Durland by 9:00 AM.

TRANSPORTATION: You must call the Troop's transportation chairperson, Elizabeth Engros (Hm# 961-3922, Fax 914-771-7793 or Email EENGROS@AOL.com) by Wednesday, February 4 to arrange rides for both directions of the trip. If your parents are going on the trip or are willing to drive, please

be sure that Mrs. Engros knows. A ride will be arranged for you as long as your name is on the roster. Be sure to be at the Church parking lot well *before* it is time to leave. Don't get left behind!

FOOD: We are camping and cooking Patrol Style. You and your patrol will shop for and plan your own meals for Saturday's lunch and dinner and Sunday's breakfast.

GEAR AND ACCOMMODATIONS: *Wear warm layered clothing and pack a change of clothing.* The weather is likely to be very cold, so remember the principles of cold weather camping (3 layers: wicking, warmth, and weather) and NO COTTON (this includes sweatshirts/pants, blue jeans, etc.) Be sure that at least one Patrol member has a stove, wood tools, lantern etc. For a list of the essential equipment see your Scout Handbook and or Fieldguide. The Troop will be supplying tents only. Stoves and utensils will **not** be supplied by the Troop.

Assignments: Patrol Leaders - Be sure that all of these jobs are assigned, duty rosters prepared, and reviewed by the SPL and Scoutmaster *before* you leave for Durland Reservation. Be prepared, do not wait until the last minute!

Camp Setup Jobs: Your Patrol Leader or his designee must assign the campsite setup jobs *before* the campout. Patrol Leaders, see the BSA Patrol Leader's Handbook *or* the Troop 5 Patrol Leaders Council Handbook (available on our web site at <http://troop5.wordpress.com/documents/>)

Cooking Jobs: Including clean up etc. See Patrol Leader's Handbook for details. Be sure to have any patrol member that needs to complete First Class cooking have a chance at this job. It will then be his job to assign the cooking jobs.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO DURLAND RESERVATION:

- Taconic Parkway to Peekskill Hollow Road Exit.
- Turn Left at end of road.
- 1 Mile to Wiccoppee Road (General Store on right).
- Turn Right onto Wiccoppee Road.
- 6/10 mile to Oscawana Heights Road.
- Then, turn Left onto Oscawana Heights Road.
- 1-7/10 miles to Northshore Road.
- Turn Right onto Northshore Road.
- 0.4 miles to Camp Entrance on Right.
- Main Parking Lot / Rangers Station is 1 mile from the Camp entrance.
- We will park and meet at Sperling Center, .5 miles past the Rangers Station.



