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Camp Director Message

Hello leaders,

Camp is a few short months away and it's time to really ramp up your promotion and preparation for camp. Camp is the outdoor laboratory of scouting, bring your troop and some new members too.

For all thing involving Black Pug, please contact our Program Chair, Chris Smith (scs_blondie@yahoo.com) and for questions about program contact me (gus.chutorash@scouting.com).

We appreciate you choosing Michigan Camps Cole Canoe Base. We need everyone's help to fill up our summer camp weeks as our numbers are currently lighter than usual. The program committee has been hard at work improving the program with many enhancements your scouts are sure to enjoy. We look forward to seeing you at a pre-camp meeting this spring.

Thank you.
Welcome home.
Gus Chutorash
Camp Director



Program Director Message

Hello!

Welcome to the run up to summer 2020 at Cole Canoe Base. The staff and I are looking forward to having you all for an extraordinary time this summer.

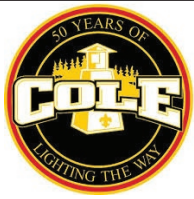
Want to have the time of your life on Cole Canoe Base staff this summer? Do not worry, there is still space on the greatest Boy Scout Camp Staff. Just look for the online application.

The camp is preparing many amazing new programs for you to enjoy when you and your troop are up here for the week. The staff and I can not wait to see you all. Enjoy the rest of the time you have left until Cole Canoe Base 2020. 132 days and counting!

Please visit our Facebook page for our latest updates and event registration links.

Welcome Home!
Samantha Howell
Program Director





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From the Desk of the Dean

I am returning as Dean of Merit Badges again this year. I am available to help with any of your Merit Badge or Advancement questions. Merit Badge sign up will be open on March 1st. Be sure to check out our updated Pre-Requirements which should be available soon and based on the newest BSA Merit Badge requirement updates.

Merit Badge Counselor training will be available for any adult wanting to become a trained Merit Badge Counselor each week. Check the weekly calendar for more information concerning the day and time. All participants will receive a Certificate of Training Card.

We always welcome experienced Merit Badge Counselors to assist or lead a Merit Badge session or two. Scouts learn so much more when they are working with Professionals or a Counselor who is passionate about a subject matter. If you would like to help, please let me know during the Sunday Night Expo.

Michele Grimble
Dean of Merit Badges



BEAST FEAST

Beast Feast is the most popular camp-wide event at Cole Canoe Base. It is a pot-luck dinner gone wild. Each unit is asked to bring one or more dishes to pass and be entered in the Beast Feast Cooking Contest. Most units prepare more than two and get really into the spirit of the event by having a theme with costumes and facades surrounding their table.

There are 6 categories for awards at the Beast Feast cooking contest:

- Main Dish
- Side Dish
- Appetizer
- Dessert
- Beverage
- Facade/decorations/ costumes

If you have adults that would like to judge, let us know at the Beast Feast.

As you plan your menu items, we ask that you plan to bring enough food to serve your unit as well as about 30 additional small servings. You can bring even more if you would like.

Get your best cooks and decorators busy planning so we can have the best Beast Feast ever!





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Main Street

Hello, and welcome to Main Street. The biggest outdoor pavilion in Michigan offering the most merit badges and eagle badges of any area of Cole Canoe Base. We are looking forward to helping your scouts reach eagle rank. It may be work, but we make it fun!

Welcome.
Matthew Teale
Main Street Director



First Year Camper

Hi all! Welcome to Cole Canoe Base 2020! We are looking forward to starting the trail to Eagle with your scouts. This year we are changing up our program a bit. We are now splitting our sessions to having Scout and Tenderfoot requirements in our morning 10AM-12PM session and Second Class and First Class requirements in the afternoon 1:30PM-3:30PM session. On Wednesday we are still doing our five mile hike over both sessions. Also on Wednesdays, we have our First Year Camper S'mores night, open to all first year campers.

Welcome home
Victoria McGow
First Year Camper Director



Commissary

Hello scouts and leaders! We in the commissary are excited to bring you another fun and delicious summer. We hope to see you at our events this year including our Pie Eating Contest, and the Ice Cream Social. Also, for the leaders, the Root Beer Chug on Lumberjack day.

Hope to see you soon!
Kylie Thorne
Commissary Director



Shotgun

Hello, we are excited to spend the summer with you. Whether you are taking the Shotgun Merit Badge or not, we are looking forward to seeing you at our open shoots. Also, we are looking forward to seeing all of the Scoutmasters and SPL's at our Scoutmaster and SPL shoot.





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Rifle

Hello, and welcome to Rifle. One of the most fun, but safest program areas. We teach your scouts how to safely use the rifles. We also have open shoots where you, the leaders and scouts, can come down and have a little fun yourself, or the scouts can continue working on the merit badge. We hope you will have a great week at Cole Canoe Base Summer Camp 2020.

Hope to see you soon.
Gary Williams
Shooting Sports Director



Archery

Hi! We are excited as summer approaches. We have an assortment of activities for you this summer including open shoots, Action Archery, and 3D Archery. Also, for the leaders we have a Poker Shoot. Whether your scouts are taking the Archery Merit Badge or not, we hope to see you all this summer!



Aquatics

Greetings from the Aquatics staff! We are super excited for the 2020 summer season. We offer many aquatics merit badges. We have a couple of events down at the waterfront including, Open Swims, Snork Hike, Teddy Bear Swim, and the War Canoe Time Trial. We also host one of the most exciting events that camp has to offer: the Splashtacular Water Carnival. On Friday afternoon you can end off your week at camp with fun events like the Canoe Tug-of-War, Rump Bump Relay, Cardboard Boat Race and many more! We look forward to seeing all of you at camp!

Gloria Cabadas
Aquatics Director





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Eco-Con

This summer at Eco-Con, we are out with the old and in with the new! Eco-Con Live will be replaced with the brand new Neature Feature! With updated events, new ways to score, and a secret prize for the first place team! New events will test your ecological knowledge as well as your physical strength. Are you up to the test? We look forward to finding out at the Neature Feature!

Walter and Max
Eco-Con



River Store

Hello everyone. The River Store is looking forward to seeing you this summer! We have all of the necessary Merit Badge kits that you will need this summer, all the snacks you could want, and even our newest Cole Canoe Base hoodies.

See you soon.
Brandon Webster
Store Manager



Outdoor Skills

Welcome to Outdoor Skills! Located just past the entrance of camp, we teach the campcraft and scoutcraft merit badges as well as many of the physical activity Merit badges. From camping to wilderness survival, we have a wide range of unique and important required badges for Eagle. In addition to normal merit badge instruction we have a couple of events that are sure to be a lot of fun for the scouts that attend them. One is the Outdoor Skills Extravaganza where we have Foosball Blitz, an open Gaga ball pit, Troop vs Troop tug of war, Ultimate Frisbee, Football Throwing and Hoop Shooting competition, Knot Identification, and new to the Extravaganza is a catapult firing demonstration that scouts can participate in to earn points and be recognized in the Cole Chronicle and earn awards at the end of camp.

Another activity we have at outdoor skills is our Staff Vs Troop Human Foosball games. If your scouts think they have what it takes to take on the elite Cole Canoe Base Staff by all means have your troop sign up for a game at the Sunday night Program Expo!

The newest activity to be added to Outdoor Skills is Capture the Flag. Matches will be held by appointment by signing up at the Sunday Night Program Expo and will be held across the river three days out of the week.

Welcome.
Lucas Worden
Outdoor Skills Director





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Cole Canoe Base Presents



2020 Cole Canoe Base Pre-Camp Leaders Orientation Meeting



You're invited to join one of our six meetings around Michigan this spring, where the Camp Director will cover all the essential and new information for summer camp 2020. Scoutmasters and SPLs are strongly encouraged to attend, and any parents interested in asking questions about the summer camp program are invited as well. Each troop will receive a Leader's Guide packet with all the information you'll need to make your unit's Cole Canoe Base experience a success. Key staff will be present to answer questions, and brief you on all the exciting changes we have in store for 2020. **We will be streaming one of the meetings via Facebook Live for Leaders unable to join us in person.** Follow the Cole Canoe Base Facebook Page and michiganscouting.org for the latest information.

THE SAME PROGRAM IS PRESENTED AT ALL LOCATIONS

Register online at: <https://scoutingevent.com/272-ColePreCamp>

Monday, March 2nd, 2020 - 7pm
First Presbyterian Church - Dearborn
600 Brady Rd, Dearborn, MI 48124

Thursday, April 23rd, 2020 - 6pm
Jay's Sporting Goods - Gaylord
1151 S Otsego Ave, Gaylord MI 49735

Wednesday, March 25th, 2020 - 7pm
Warren Woods Tower High School
27900 Bunert Rd, Warren, MI 48088

Saturday, April 25th, 2020 - 1pm
DeVos Family Center for Scouting
3213 Walker Ave, Grand Rapids 49544

Wednesday, April 1st, 2020 - 7pm
St. Lorenz Lutheran School
140 Churchgrove Rd, Frankenmuth 48734

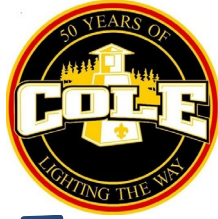
Saturday, May 9th, 2020 - 1pm
Cole Canoe Base
1356 E Greenwood Rd, Alger, MI 48610



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Cub Scout



Adventure

Family Camp at Cole Canoe Base

Join us for 3 days and 3 nights of fun at the Michigan's very own High Adventure Base.

August 6th through 9th

\$45.00 per person (\$20.00 for siblings under 5) covers all activities and meals.

Activities at both sessions include:

- * Swimming, Kayaking, Fishing & Rifle River Tubing
- * Crafts, Leather Projects, Face Painting & Tie-Dye
- * B.B. Guns, Archery & Bouldering Wall
- * Nature Exhibit, Hikes & Hay Rides
- * Human Foosball, Sports & Contests
- * Movie Night and Awesome Campfire
- * Advancement, Patches, Pack Photos and more...



Thursday, Aug. 6th, is our registration evening. The full program begins Friday, Aug. 7th. If you are only able to join us for part of the weekend that's OK! We would love to welcome you to our camp to experience the program.

Don't have a tent? You can rent tents and camping equipment from us. For a small fee we offer tents, cots, and more.

Have an RV or Trailer you want to bring? For \$25.00 a night you can reserve a space at Elliott Turkey Run Family Camp with full hookups.

Register Online at www.michiganscouting.org

Questions? Contact Gus Chutorash at Gus.Chutorash@scouting.org





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Mix-Fix 2020 Cole Canoe Base



Saturday & Sunday, May 16 - 17, 2020

Friday Arrivals Encouraged – No camp provided meals that evening

Saturday Meals Times:

Breakfast 7:30am, Lunch 12:30pm, Dinner 7:00pm

Sunday Brunch 10:30

Bring Your Tools and Your Energy!

Sign up online at michiganscouting.org

This is an Adult / Older Scout Function

