

BSA Troop/VC #71

January 17-19, 2015

MLK Weekend: 8am Sat-3pm Sun

Levi Jackson State Park

998 Levi Jackson Mill Rd, London, KY, 40744

**Caving, Hiking, Games, Food,
Fellowship, and Fun!**

Cost: est. \$50 per person

max 75 participants

--accepting checks at mtg: Dec 16th

MUST pay w/check no later than Dec 31--



**POC & Payment/Registration: Dawn & Phil Mumford at DMDM51@att.net
H 937.429-4650 2919 Crone Rd, Dayton 45434**

EVENT: No caving experience necessary! Come for the adventure and enjoy the thrill of caving where the caves are warmer than the typical winter day! This event is open to registered adult scouts & scouts age 11+. Both boys & girls may participate from scout troops/venture crews from Beavercreek and select areas of Ohio. We appreciate our volunteer CAVE TRIP LEADERS & EVENT VOLUNTEERS! The success of this event DEPENDS on getting older scouts or adult volunteers who are able to assist in cave leadership, pull the troop trailer, drive scouts, help w/meals, lead knots/fire building/knife safety or cave groups, help plan, etc.

Space available in caving groups will depend on the number of volunteer cave leaders. We need adults to assist cave leaders +/- or consider training to become a cave trip leader!!! Please "pay it forward" & help us to train up our scouts to be part of our leadership in the caves!

Registration Form & Payment:

Registration Form is available in attached file or at Dec meeting; scout/adult must correctly & completely fill out form including caving experience with troop 71 & arrival/departure time; we also need some adults to register as cave leaders in training

- **This event fills up quickly; max total 75** from all combined invited troops/crews
- **Bring Registration to Dec 16th meeting** OR
- **MAIL OR EMail** Registration Form to Dawn MD Mumford DMDM51@att.net
- Reg Form with PAYMENT must be received or postmarked by Dec 31st.
- **Please give BSA 71 treasurer, Stan, 1 check per family**
- **Payable to BSA Troop #71 ; memo should say Caving 2015 & scout's name**
- **Confirmed reservations** will depend upon space available and final payments that are received by Dec. 31st to Dawn

Refunds: If you must cancel, Last day for refund is Tues., Jan 7th

GEAR: 3 days& 2 nights:Be prepared for caving gear check.Sat&Mon: WEAR uniform!

Pack \$10+ for 2 meals on the road, & a lunch for the Sunday cave trip (not to be eaten on the road trip to camp). Pack caving gear in separate duffle bag to aid in quickly getting ready!!!

Proper clothing [coveralls are preferred for crawling], layer of clothing under coveralls, wool boot socks, caving helmet, headlamp w/batteries, small cave pack, work gloves, knee pads, 2 additional sources of light [light stick & small/mini flashlight], extra batteries/bulb, water bottle, small snack for in cave like beef jerky, Ziploc bag for litter, 2+ bandaides, duct tape, large trash bag, compass, and other caving equipment are required. i.e. **NO Tennis shoes** for caving; Wellington boots with good tread are ideal since they are easy to decontaminate and provide traction in both dry & wet caves.

We suggest experienced cavers that are caving more than once plan on bringing 2 caving coveralls. Each camper **must have winter camping/overnight gear for unheated cabins:** winter coat & gloves, sleeping knit cap, "4 season" sleeping bag, blanket, long john tops & bottoms, PJ bottoms, sweatshirt, extra dry warm socks for sleeping, small pillow, toiletries, towel, **No Electronics in the Dining Hall.** Bring a game to share! --separate packing checklist available--

Optional: disposable camera with flash, book [don't need mess kit]

-- Some caving equipment is available upon request.: Helmets & ?headlamps--

Schedule: safety measures—make certain you check in at the Dining Hall/Lodge before & after each cave trip/hike and don't forget to check-out w/ Dawn before you break camp and head home!
CAVING: depends on number of cave trip leaders and each person's caving experience.

Saturday 17 January 2015

8:00 am – Meet at Scout Hut, check in w/Dawn, load gear, assign drivers, passengers, etc.

8:30 am – Depart Scout Hut (stop along the way for lunch)

~1:00 pm – Arrive Levi Jackson St Park

SEE DAWN OR PHIL

- CHECK-IN; SIGN UP FOR SCOUT DUTY/KAPER; GET CABIN ASSIGNMENTS
- Possible EXPERIENCED caver TRIP—need to arrive~1pm (MUST pre-register)

Activities & Dinner: Optional Field Trip:i.e.Cumberland Falls St Park; Gear Check & Caving Tips, Knots, Games, Experienced Cavers only--possible trip to Great Salt Peter or other cave trip

Sunday 18 January 2015

Caving & Meals: Breakfast & Dinner provided; Sign up for a cave trip depending on your caving experience; Cave Trips in Sloan's Valley Cave, Somerset KY; if not caving just relax, help cook, site-seeing, &/or play games! Take your own sack lunch from home on your caving trip.

Monday 19 January 2015

8am Breakfast

~9:00 am – Clean up cabins, Dining Hall, outside, pack up, and Check-Out

---We need everyone to show up on time for Clean Up!

~10:00/11am—**Depart** for home, each car stops for lunch

~2pm – **Arrive Scout Hut**

Check-In : Sat 1+pm in **Levi Jackson Dining Lodge** -- with Dawn or Phil upon arrival

1. Each Crew/Troop **MUST check-in** to confirm number & names of participants
[ONLY those that Pre-Paid by Dec 31st may attend]
2. Sign up for scout/adult duty/kaper ****EVERYONE****
3. Cabin Assignments
4. Initial & Confirm your day and time of when you will be Checking-Out.
5. Scouts: Sign Kaper Chart; Kapers are to be completed BEFORE you CHECK OUT!

Accommodations: Winter Camping- see Check-In for cabin assignments; Unheated cabins have bunk beds and mattresses. Scouts cabins are separate from adult cabins. There are 2 heated buildings: the Shower building has separate facilities for men and women; the Dining Lodge has additional bathrooms, indoor fireplace, and full kitchen. --Adults ONLY may sleep in the heated Dining Hall; FYI: Dining Hall does NOT have bunks or mattresses.

Food: Meals will be provided at the Dining Hall by Troop 71 and are included in the above cost along with plates, cups, and plastic-ware. **THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR MAKING CERTAIN ALL SCOUTS TAKE TURNS HELPING AT MEALS/CAMP DUTIES** [& CAMP clean up]. We suggest you **pack \$10+ for 2 meals on the road & a sack lunch for your caving trip.**
FYI: Caving Trips take 5+ hrs including driving to/from the cave.

Leadership: Each scout unit that participates in this caving event **needs to send experienced volunteer cave trip leaders. Number of participants from each crew and troop is limited.** See Dawn for max. number of participants for your crew/troop. In order to include every interested scout from troop 71, we prefer you register by Dec 16th and pay by Dec 31st.

Caving Experience : fill this in on your registration form!

- **1st year cavers** cave on Sunday. On Sat, we offer Gear check, Field Trip, & Caving Tips.
- **Experienced cavers only** will be offered a Bonus caving trip on Saturday & choices of Sun cave trips. This is strictly based on # of years of prior caving experience with BSA/VC #71.

Duties: Scouts will sign up for Kaper duties including taking turns helping at each meal; ALL campers/participants will help in Clean Up before they check out !!

Check Out: Each Venture Crew and Scout Troop will make certain they complete Kaper duties before they CHECK OUT at their scheduled day&time with Dawn or Phil