

# WE ARE GOING TO THE 2010 FOX VALLEY DISTRICT WINTERALL!!

February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Registration: 8:00 AM

Opening: 9:00 AM

Closing: 3:00 PM

## LEROY OAKS FOREST PRESERVE IN ST. CHARLES

There will be competitive events for all ages of Cub Scout Dens and Boy Scout Patrols throughout the day. The events will require teamwork to complete. Award ribbons for the top four finishing dens and patrols in each age group will be presented at the closing ceremony.

Patches will be given to all participants.

Just prior to closing, there will be a Klondike sled race for Boy Scout Troops and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Webelos. Ribbons will be presented to the top four finishers in each group.

Boy Scout Troops are encouraged to camp overnight on Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup>. Plan to arrive no later than 7:00 PM. EARN THE POLAR BEAR AWARD!

Each participant must bring a can of soup for our lunch program (No cream or bean soup please). We will be providing hot drinks throughout the day. All paid participants will get lunch.

For more information, contact Bob Holmes at (630) 440-4437 or [winterall@sbcglobal.net](mailto:winterall@sbcglobal.net)

**Return this form with payment by February 3, 2010**

**To: The Scout Shop at the Norris Service Center**

415 North Second Street, St. Charles, IL 60174

If the event takes place, there will be no refunds

Pack/Troop: \_\_\_\_\_ Den/Patrol: \_\_\_\_\_ Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

This registration includes: \_\_\_\_\_ Scouts\*

\_\_\_\_\_ Leaders (and parents)\*

TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$7.00\* = \_\_\_\_\_

(\*Registrations after February 3<sup>th</sup> are \$9.00 per person)

Note: At some events, extra points are awarded for bringing certain scouting items, check out the following pages for a list of items to bring, and building instructions for the Klondike sled and snow snake.

## Things to Bring to Winterall

### **Everyone:**

- Proper clothing for the weather - please no gym shoes (waterproof boots and gloves are minimal requirements)
- Can of soup for each person (no cream soups or bean soups)
- Kindling and tinder for fire building event and friction kit
- Snow Snake
- Sled with cooler for storing dry clothes and water
- Team spirit, great attitude, and the desire to have fun!!!

### **Boy Scouts:**

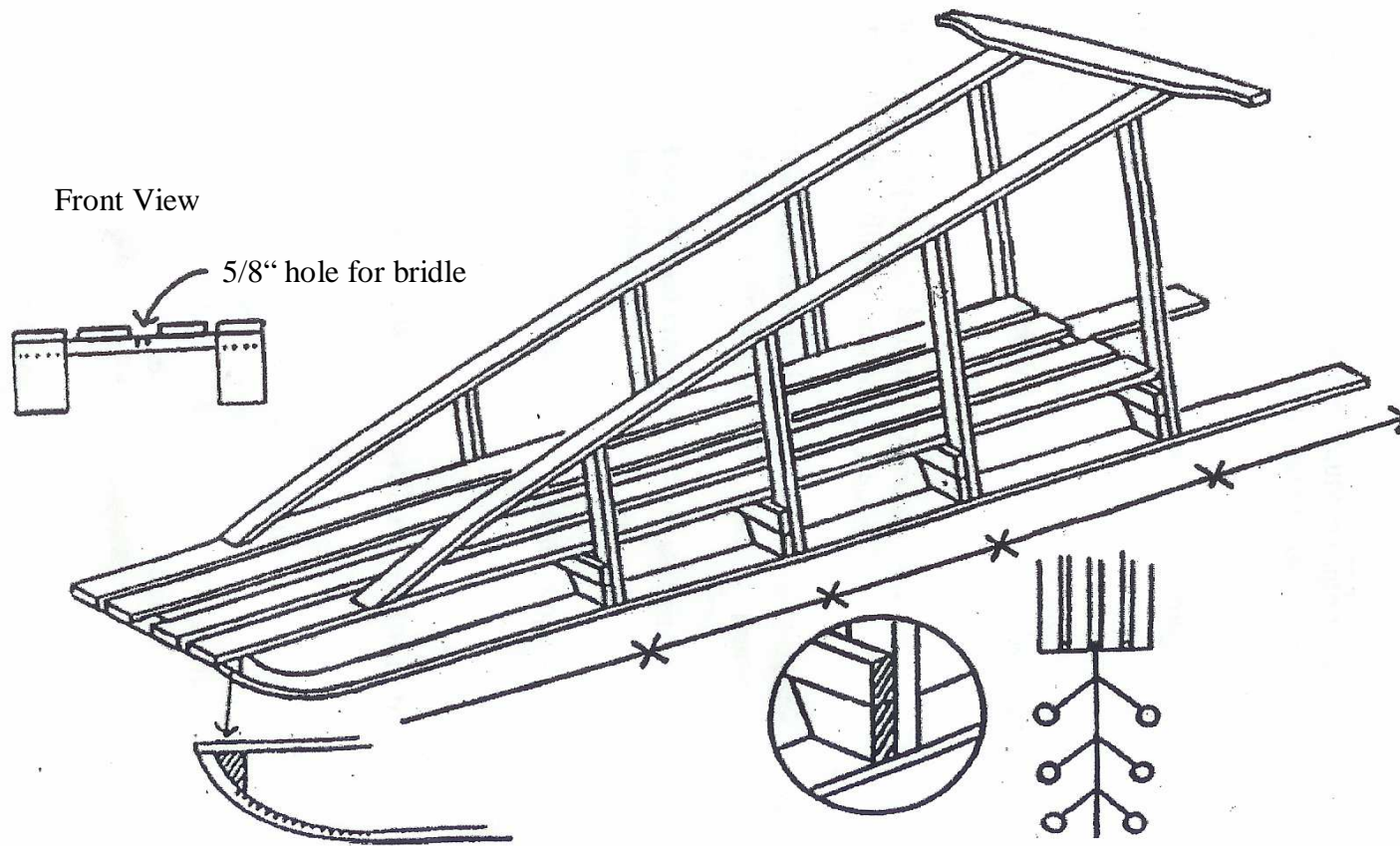
- Klondike sled
- Compass
- First Aid kit
- Ingredients, equipment, and fire supplies for cooking event
- Water and cooking vessel for egg
- Tarp (at least 6'x8'), stakes, at least 6' rope per patrol member, and 2 (or more) staves for shelter building
- Patrol flag and yell

### **Cub Scouts:**

- Egg decorating materials
- Klondike sled for Webelos (optional)
- Den Flag
- Den yell

# KLONDIKE SLED PLAN

Paint your sled bright colors. Varnish the bottom of the runners, and then apply wax before use. The Eskimos iced their runners. Add accessories of your choice – a canvas snow curtain as a snow guard front and sides will keep equipment dry. Use screws in place of nails, drill first to avoid splitting! Use exterior wood glue on all joints. Note: experience indicates that using an old pair of skis for runners makes the sled much easier to pull.



## Bill of Materials

- 2 pcs. 4" x 1/2" x 6'6"  
Runner
- 4 pcs. 1 x 1/2" x 18"  
Cross Support
- 4 pcs. 3/4" x 4" x 5"  
Floor Cover
- 8 pcs. 1" x 2" x 6"  
Upright Support
- 2 pcs. 1" x 2" x 40"  
Rear Upright
- 2 pcs. 1" x 2" x 38"  
2<sup>nd</sup> Rear Upright
- 2 pcs. 1" x 2" x 26"  
2<sup>nd</sup> Front Upright
- 2 pcs. 1" x 2" x 12"  
Front Support
- 2 pcs. 1/2" x 2" x 6"  
Hand Rail
- 1 pc. 1/2" x 2" x 30"  
Front Curved Guard
- 1 pc. 2" x 2" x 18"  
Tow Bar
- 1 pc. 1" x 3" x 30"  
Pushing Handle

# SNOW SNAKE CONSTRUCTION

## History:

Snow snakes were a Seneca Indian sport of strength and skill. The game was simple: the goal was to slide a long smooth stick along a trough in the snow the farthest. Expertise required not just strength, but an accurate eye and great skill at placing the shat properly in the trough to enable it to travel the maximum distance.

Snow snakes were between 5 and 9 feet long and were made of hickory, maple or walnut wood. They were superbly designed for speed and, if skillfully handled, traveled with the velocity of a loosed arrow. To give the stick sufficient weight, its conical head was enlarged and beveled up in the shape of a snake's head.

The trough was made by dragging a smooth-barked log lengthwise through the snow several times until the trench was about 1500 feet long and at least 10 inches deep. Any number could play the game individually or as team members. In addition to active participants, each side had now snake "doctors" who card for the sticks, rubbing them with "medicine" (beeswax or animal oils) to reduce their friction. Contests were judged by umpires who made certain the rules of the game were strictly observed.

Materials needed:  $\frac{3}{4}$ " by  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " wood stick between 5 and 6 feet long

Construction: Cut a piece off one end of the stick and attach to the top as shown. Shape the head of the snake with a wood rasp and sand paper. Be careful not to make it top heavy! Paint and decorate the "snake". Gloss alkyd paint works the best. Apply several coats of auto wax for a highly polished surface.

THE GAME: Practice throws are not allowed in the competition trough. You will have to go elsewhere to practice. Your best of TWO throws in the competition trough will count for your score. If you chose not to make a snow snake, you may still compete with a Scout stave, but do not expect much of a score for distance, as they tend to "dig-in".

