

## Attention Troop 291!

It is time once again to prepare for fun in the snow.

**Video Games! Board Games! Movies! Snow! Cross-country skiing! Fun, fun, fun!**

**and a visit to nearby Swallow Falls!!**

Cabin camping is back by huge demand at Herrington Manor State Park in Garrett County, MD from **January 11-13, 2019**, which is not the weekend after New Year's Day. It is the second weekend after New Year's. Herrington Manor has miles of trails for cross country skiing or winter hiking. We will sleep in *heated* cabins with beds, nicely-equipped kitchens, and bathrooms. Scouts will be staying in separate cabins from the adults, except for first year scouts.

**Register NOW at:**

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScWrNIKWyz\\_syQNbwtD2T0uyFw3ykNeiUAkMpH6-IFiS-X2ZA/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScWrNIKWyz_syQNbwtD2T0uyFw3ykNeiUAkMpH6-IFiS-X2ZA/viewform)

**Please register by Sunday, December 16**, so we can get a rough head count before the final Troop meeting for calendar year. Most of the cabins hold four to six campers, or one more with the optional cot.

The plenary trip **planning meeting** will be held on **Wednesday, January 2nd at 7:00 p.m.** at the Fellowship Hall at Fairhaven United Methodist Church, which is one week before our trip and the first day back to school after the MCPS Winter Break. Be there!

We will meet to depart at **Thurgood Marshall E.S. on Friday, January 11th at 4:45 p.m.** and return on Sunday, January 13th at approximately 1:00 .p.m. (including stopping for lunch on the way home).

**Parents:** we are looking for adults who can drive up in their own vehicles and take 3 or more boys. Parents not driving will need to find a ride for their son with those parents who are driving.

Remember to prepare for the cold and **bring your cold-weather gear** including water-resistant clothing in layers, hats, gloves, and boots. Leave tennis sneakers at home and be prepared to participate in cross country skiing on Saturday. Whether or not you choose to ski, we will all go see spectacular Swallow Falls as a group in the afternoon.

Even though the cabins are stocked with cooking and eating utensils, you will need to **bring sleeping bags, pillows, toiletries, and flashlights/headlamps**. Indoor temperature can vary from one cabin to the next, so be prepared (e.g., extra blanket / sleeping bag liner, layers)

Meals and Saturday night entertainment (such as in-cabin movies) need to be arranged by the cabin members. Consult your Scout Handbook for any additional packing ideas.

**Cost:**

The base cost is **\$70** per person, plus an additional \$10 **or \$80.00 in total if you are cross country skiing**. In addition, each boy should bring cash to cover the cost of a Friday evening meal stop. This has traditionally been a very popular trip, and each boy's and adult's participation is guaranteed only after payment has been received. We will be at the troop meetings collecting payments, up to December 17th.

For additional information, please contact Wayne Woo ([WayneWoo@NetZero.net](mailto:WayneWoo@NetZero.net)) or Sean Smith ([Seansky\\_Smith@yahoo.com](mailto:Seansky_Smith@yahoo.com)).

Thank you.

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