

What is White Stag?

White Stag is a seven-day outdoor experience for youth leaders in support of the Scoutmaster's responsibility for the training of troop junior leaders. The council leadership training committee conducts White Stag using an outline approved by the Boy Scout Division of the Boy Scouts of America.

What is its Purpose?

Scouting recognizes that Scoutmasters have the responsibility of training their own junior leaders. The purpose of White Stag is not to assume that role, but to support it. The objectives of White Stag are:

1. To give participants the confidence and knowledge to run the troop program.
2. To give participants a basic knowledge of the eleven skills of leadership and help them relate these skills to their home troop responsibilities.
3. To give participants the opportunity to share ideas and experiences with Scouts from other troops.
4. To create an atmosphere where Scouts will experience Scouting at it's best.
5. To enhance the relationship between the Scoutmaster and the participant.
6. To have fun.

Who May Attend?

Each White stag Participant must be a First Class Scout, 13 years old by the first day of their selected course and currently filling or likely to assume a leadership position in the troop

Is the Home Scoutmaster Involved?

White Stag is intended to strengthen the relationship between the junior leader and his Scoutmaster. Scoutmasters must attend a special orientation session on the eleven skills of leadership. This is not required if the Scoutmaster has Wood Badge training. An after conference session will be conducted for the Scoutmaster and the junior leader on how to use their new skills.

What are the Dates?

White Stag sessions will be **June 18 – 24** or **July 23 – 29, 2000** (Sunday to Saturday). Participants should plan to arrive between 8:00 and 9:30 a.m. on the opening day. Scouts will be ready to depart by 11:30 a.m. of the final day after closing ceremonies. **All participants must be in camp for the entire duration of the course.**

What is the Location?

White Stag will be held at Camp Redwing. A map to the camp will be enclosed in the packet sent to each participant.

What is the Cost?

The cost for White Stag is \$125.00 and includes all food and training materials. A deposit of \$25.00 per scout should accompany the reservation form, with the balance of \$100.00 per Scout remitted no later than June 5, 2000 for June session or July 10, 2000 for the July session. Scouts may wish to bring a small amount of spending money for the trading post. There will be a Trading Post open the first and last day of the course.

Discounts Available -- When a Scout attends White Stag and his adult Scout Leader (same troop) attends Woodbadge in 2000, each will be given a 10% discount on their fees.

Is any special Equipment Needed?

An equipment list will be sent to each participant as soon as the troop's reservation is received. Most Scouts participating in an active troop outdoor program should have the necessary equipment. Each participant will be asked to have at least one (two are recommended) complete Scout uniform with all badges and insignia properly placed and the uniform work correctly.

Where Can We Get More Information?

Additional information can be obtained from:

- Tim Palmer, June Session Director, 765-643-4831 or
- Dick Parrott, July Session Director, 317-577-7800 or
- Pam Ballard, Professional Advisor at 317-925-1900

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