

Outdoor Training: Troop Camping



Some things to keep in mind about outdoor training:

All troops are required to have at least one “Troop Camper” (an adult who has completed all 3 **Troop Camping** courses, including an overnight campout) at all tent camping events. This year the campout portion of the course (**Troop Camping III**) will be Wed. Feb. 9th 5:00 PM through Thu. Feb. 10th 4:00 PM at the Texaco residential camp in Mina Al-Zour. Both **Troop Camping I** and **Troop Camping II** must be taken as prerequisites or you must apply for exemption from them before the campout.

I can either teach the **Troop Camping I** and **II** separately or together.

If you plan to take Troop Camping, please let me know which option you prefer by filling out the following, emailing me (ScoutKatie@hotmail.com), calling me on the phone, faxing me, or leaving this sheet in the Girl Scout mailbox at ASK by **Wednesday, Jan. 19th**:

Name _____ Phone _____

A) **Troop Camping I** – at GS Univ. on Jan. 27th (AM)
Troop Camping II – at ASK Wed. night, Feb. 2nd 5-8 PM
Troop Camping III – at Texaco camp Wed. night, Feb. 9th 5PM – Thu. aft., Feb. 10th 4PM

B) **Troop Camping I** – at ASK on Thu. Feb. 3rd (9AM-noon)
Troop Camping II – at ASK on Thu. Feb. 3rd (12:30 –3:30 PM)
Troop Camping III – at Texaco camp Wed. night, Feb. 9th 5PM – Thu. aft., Feb. 10th 4PM

C) **Troop Camping I** – at Texaco camp Mon. Jan. 24 (9:30 AM – 12:30 PM)
Troop Camping II – at Texaco camp Mon. Jan. 31st (9:30 AM – 12:30 PM)
Troop Camping III – at Texaco camp Wed. night, Feb. 9th 5PM – Thu. aft., Feb. 10th 4PM

D) **Troop Camping I** – at Texaco camp Mon. Jan. 24th (8:30 AM – 11:30 AM)
Troop Camping II – at Texaco camp Mon. Jan. 24th (12:00 PM - 3:00 PM)
(or can do both on Jan. 31st)
Troop Camping III – at Texaco camp Wed. night, Feb. 9th 5PM – Thu. aft., Feb. 10th 4PM

E) Other timing – please specify _____

If you wish to apply for an exemption for any part of the **Troop Camping** course, please see the **Outdoor Training Requirements Chart** for more information.



USAGS - Kuwait
GS Mini University
Jan. 27, 2000
9:00 AM-4:00 PM

American School of Kuwait

Name _____

Phone _____

FORM DUE BY WED. JANUARY 19TH TO KATIE C. (ScoutKatie@hotmail.com), OR IN THE GS MAILBOX AT ASK, OR FAX/PHONE IN YOUR RESPONSES TO 395-1391 (between 8 AM & 5 PM please).

Troop Leaders:

Please rank the possible classes listed below so that we will know which ones would be best to offer at the GS Mini University training day. Note that some of the classes will not be offered – you will be choosing which ones we will actually teach on the 27th. The instructors wish to tailor their courses to your needs, so we will choose the courses that are most requested by leaders who plan to attend. Also, note that some classes take 3 hours, others take only 1 – 2 hours. You will be taking 6 hours of class but please choose your favorite 12 hours of classes, so that if we cancel some, you will still be placed in classes you want.

Rank 1 = favorite choice of activity to 12 = least favorite choice

_____ **Advanced Outdoor Cooking (3 hrs.) – Instructor – Katie B.** Use solar ovens, box ovens, and other advanced outdoor cooking techniques to learn to cook some tasty dishes for your next campout.

_____ **Age Level Training (3 hrs.) – Instructor – visiting GS trainer** Did you miss your age level training in the fall? If so, now's the time to take the class – a visiting GS trainer may be available to teach this class if enough people are interested. Specify which age level _____

_____ **Beginning Outdoor Cooking (3 hrs.) – Instructor – Katie B.** Learn some easy outdoor cooking methods and practice cooking simple camp foods – then you're almost ready for your troop campout!

_____ **Crafts with Disposable Items (1 hr.) – Instructor – Karen A.** Have a lot of old tuna cans, bleach bottles and dishwashing detergent bottles around the house? Karen will show you how to make these into craft projects for your Girl Scout meetings.

_____ **Event Planning (3 hrs.) - Instructor – Katie C.** - a mini course summarizing the NORAGS 1½ day course. The participant will learn the steps to plan "events" which could be as small as a troop field trip, or as large as a Thinking Day event for 600 people or more!

_____ **Games (1 hr.) - Instructor – to be assigned** - We'll play a lot of games, discuss games in Girl Scouts and provide a handout with games you can use with your troop.

_____ **Girl Scout Computer Resources (1 hr.) – Instructor – Katie C. or Karen A.** You'll learn where to find all sorts of interesting resources for Girl Scouts on the internet and practice using them on the computers in the High School library. We have a handout to remind you where to find it all when you get home!

_____ **Girl Scout Record Keeping and Computers (1 hr.) – Instructor – Katie C.** Having troubles staying organized? Want to learn how to use spreadsheets and other programs to keep your Girl Scout records in order? Katie will show you how to do both on the computers in the High School library.

_____ **Girl Scout Traditions and Ceremonies (1 hr.) – Instructor - Karen A.** Get hands on experience planning and carrying out ceremonies. Karen also has an impressive collection of fun Girl Scout Traditions and ceremonies to share with you in a handout.

_____ **Troop Camping I (3 hrs.) – Instructor: Katie C.** - Philosophy of Outdoor Education in Girl Scouting, Girl Readiness, Girl Planning, Progression in camping, Safety Management, Trip Preparation. This course is **REQUIRED** before you can take your troop on any hike, cookout, or campout. **Troop Camping** , which is a 2 part course consisting of a 3 hour camping preparation session and an overnight campout for leaders only is also **REQUIRED** before you can take your troop camping. If enough people are interested, Katie will offer this course the following weekend, Feb. 3rd, along with the 1st part of Troop Camping. (9-3:30 PM ASK Room 204)

_____ **Songs (1 hr.) – Instructor – Mardi H.** – A songfest of songs Mardi will teach you plus songleading techniques, selecting appropriate songs, sources for songs, etc.

_____ **Tie Dying (2 hrs.) – Instructor – Katie C.** – Bring a pre-washed white cotton t-shirt and I'll teach you how to turn it into a masterpiece! This is a fun craft for older Brownies and up. (Younger ones can do it with help.....)

_____ **Other Training (1 hr.) – Instructor - ???** – Do you have an idea for another course we should offer? Or do you have one you could teach? Let us know about it whether it's for this GS University or for the future:

Please let Katie C. know whether or not you will attend as soon as possible!