## BOY SCOUT TROOP 186 Winter Packing List

Read chapter 8, "Trailhead," of your *Boy Scout Handbook* (starting on page 196) to learn why the following gear is recommended. There is a short, incomplete packing list on page 204.

## AVOID CLOTHING WITH COTTON CONTENT, WHICH LEADS TO HYPOTHERMIA!

Please make sure you pack ALL of the following items:

## Bring your Class-A uniform.

warm winter coat with hood
warm winter knit hat
warm winter gloves (2 PAIRS!)
rain gear (DO NOT FORGET)
sweater, fleece, or sweatshirt
long johns
long pants – 2 pairs (avoid jeans or other cotton!)
extra long-sleeved shirt
2 sets of extra underwear
sleeping pants and shirt
3 pairs wool/blend winter socks (1 just for sleeping)
knit hat for sleeping
insulated, warm winter boots (preferably water proof)
extra pair of boots or warm shoes
sleeping bag w/fleece bag line and/or extra blanket
foam sleeping pad (closed-cell type)
pillow and pillowcase
flashlight w/extra NEW batteries
pocket knife & Totin' Chip card
compass
towel, washcloth, toothbrush/paste, soap, toilet paper
personal first aid kit (keep it simple)
mess kit (or plate & cup) knife, fork, spoon
small day pack
plastic canteen or water container (2/3 full or less)
matches in waterproof container
Boy Scout Handbook, notebook paper, pen or pencil
camera and film (optional)
advancement needs or items/supplies
money for trading post/patch auction
any assigned patrol equipment (flag, etc.)
kindling/tinder & dryer lint (for competition: 1 per patrol)
rope, 2-foot length (for competition)

\_\_\_\_\_ flint & steel (for competition: 1 per patrol)

Patrols will be required to have knowledge of <u>orienteering</u>, <u>compass use</u>, <u>knots</u>, <u>first aid</u>, and <u>fire building</u>. Scouts should wear warm, layered clothing with minimal cotton content. Pack all gear (except sleeping gear) in a soft duffel bag to be placed in the Troop Trailer.

<u>Troop prohibits bringing personal snacks, carbonated beverages, electronic items, lighters or</u> <u>aerosol cans</u>.