

"A Fantastic Course - Extremely Enjoyable!" **Registration Is Now Open!**



# Okpik 2019-2020

## Cold Weather Camping Course

'Okpik' is the Inuit name for a Snowy Owl. This course provides the knowledge to enjoy safe and fun outdoor activities in cold weather. These skills can be shared with your unit to extend your Scout outing season to every month of the year!

**Okpik Sessions Cover:** Cold Weather Clothing Systems & Sleeping Systems; Cooking, Meal Preparation & Planning; Equipment & Sleds; First Aid & Hypothermia; Travel Safety; Winter Naturalist; Winter Photography; Stoves & Fire Building; Leave No Trace; and Tents & Shelters. These skills are taught over five sessions using the Patrol Method.

**The Overnight Session:** Introduces participants to a variety of winter activities and games and provides an opportunity to try out the skills and techniques that have been learned in a safe environment. Think Klondike Derby for adults and senior Scouts!

### Okpik - how to have fun in the cold!

**Who:** Okpik training is open to all levels of Scout leaders and all experienced Scouting youth who are 14 years old by the date of the Indoor Session. Scout youth must be First Class rank or above. Participants must attend all sessions and patrol meetings to complete the course and earn the coveted Okpik Cubes!



#### \* **Indoor** Tuesday, December 10, 2019

First Presbyterian Church  
715 North Carlton Ave, Wheaton, IL

Registration: 6:30 PM  
7:00 PM - 9:30 PM

#### \* **Outdoor** Saturday, January 18, 2020

Von Oven Scout Reservation  
701 S. West Street, Naperville, IL

Registration: 8:00 AM  
8:30 AM - 1:00 PM

#### \* **Overnight** Friday-Saturday, February 7-8, 2020

Camp Big Timber  
37W955 Big Timber Road, Elgin, IL

Arrival: Friday 5:00 PM  
Departure: Saturday 4:00 PM

#### \* **Patrol Meetings**

Each patrol will have 2 meetings. Date, time, and location are determined by each patrol.

**Registration & Cost:** Online registration: [threefirescouncil.org/training/#skills](http://threefirescouncil.org/training/#skills). The cost is \$80 per person. The fee covers registration, materials, snacks during sessions, and a food allowance for the overnight session.

#### **More Information:**

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