

Join the Seven Feathers and Prairie Winds Districts at Homestead National Monument for the Rural Impact Big Idea Spring Camporee. We are partnering with the Homestead National Monument and the Homestead Conservation and Trails Association ( Chief Standing Bear Trail) and Members of the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska for a great weekend of service , learning and fun.

The Service Projects and Activities will touch on elements of several Merit badges including but not limited too: Astronomy, Indian Lore, Soil and Water Conservation, and Genealogy. Additionally we will be working to have The Standing Bear Trail which we will be hiking and working on in the afternoon designated as a BSA National Historic Trail, other possible Special recognitions include the National Park Services Scout Ranger Patch.

It is only through special Partnership that Group such as Scouts are able to Camp on National monument Ground so this is a wonderful opportunity to do something the general public us unable to do.

#### Schedule

5:00 ----9:00pm Friday April 21

Units Camping overnight arrive, Check in and set up camp in designated area/

10:00pm Adult Leader SPL Cracker Barrel (at the Education Center Back Porch)

11:00 PM Lights out.

7:00 am Rise and Shine Start your Breakfasts

8:30 am Flags ( SPL will remain to receive Project Assignments) remainder of troop should finish Clean up and gather tools and Equipment

9:00 Assembly (Location TBA) and receive instructions from Ranger Staff on Morning Projects

12:00 Break and Head for Lunch ( location TBA lunch will be provided Courtesy of the Homestead Conservation and Trails Association)

1:00pm or there about Project Assignments on the Standing Bear trail will be handed out to Groups and begin Project.

When Trail Project is finished then we will return to Homestead and Scouts will be free to visit the Monument and the Heritage Center

6:00pm Evening Colors

7:30 Evening Program opportunities ( Astronomy( Various). Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Program, Program will continue as long a Necessary to accomplish the Astronomy Components offered

Sunday, Rise and Shine Breakfast up and Load out let be on our way home by 10:00

As Scouts own Service will be Offered at 8:30 am

Additional Details. Registrations will be Assigned Camping on a first in first assigned basis with First units being camped closer to the Education Center and later units being assigned to the Freeman School Site or Monument site and will be camped furthest out from the center of activities and program.

Lunch will be provided as a part of Registration, All other Meals are the responsibility of the troops. No open or Ground fires will be allowed on site so come prepared to bring your Low impact / Propane setups.

Trailers will also not be allowed in the camping Area so be advised that equipment will need to be Carried into the Camp Space from Designated Parking Areas.

The Following Equipment is recommended to be brought for the Service Project Work.

Pruners,

Loppers,

Hand Saws

Axes, Hatchets

Dandelion Diggers

Small Trowels/ Garden Hand Shovels

Trash Pics

Each Participant Should have a pair of Work Gloves

Water Bottles