

Boy Scouts of America, Transatlantic Council
Edelweiss District – Fall Camporee 2019
30th Anniversary of the ‘Fall of the Berlin Wall’
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**Welcome to the guidebook for the Edelweiss District
“Fall of the Wall”
2019 Fall Camporee**

The Edelweiss District Fall Camporee will be an extra special event this year! Held in the historic city of Berlin, the camporee will focus on the Transatlantic Council Historic Trail of Berlin with a Messengers of Peace gathering in the city center. This is being held to honor the 30th anniversary of the reunification of Eastern and Western Germany and "the fall of the wall". Scouts will be camping together at a single city campground and will be encouraged to explore the city of Berlin by completing the Inner Ring Historic Trail, the outer ring Historic trail or both!

Registration includes: 1 event patch per participant, 1 TAC Berlin Historic Trail booklet, costs associated with use of the camp location, Saturday and Sunday crackerbarrel snacks and bus/train transportation to and from the city to accomplish the Historic trail on Saturday and Sunday.

Scouts BSA and Venture Crews

- Camping, patrol cooking and historic trails for both Saturday and Sunday
- Come prepared to share a favorite song or skit for the campfire!

Cub Scouts -

- Saturday walk the Historic Trail (inner recommended)
- Sunday - choose to walk the outer ring historic trail or we'll try to have some Cub specific round robin games/activities organized at the camp for a portion of the day. - Still to be determined as getting volunteers to support this has been challenging!

Order of the Arrow

- Opportunity to serve - we will coordinate service projects with the campground
- The Achwon Woapalanne Chapter will host the Campfire Programs
- Brother conversion will be available at this event
 - Pre-registered for an additional \$20 fee to receive your brotherhood sash at the event

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Schedule of Events:

Camporee staff will be waiting to check you in on Friday, the 8th of November starting at 15:00. Call +491726672716 if you'll arrive after 9pm!

The Fall of the Wall Camporee will allow you to hike part or all of the Berlin Historical Trail or just tour in Berlin.

Friday November 8th, 2019

15:00 Arrival Troops begin to arrive at Zeltlagerplatz e.V. camp-site Rallenweg 4, 13505 Berlin.

15:00-21:00 Check-in / Set Up Adult Troop Representative must settle registration fees at HQ (Waldhütte) and provide a legible list with the attendees' names. Phone numbers and email addresses are to be provided for all adult leaders. These will be verified against the online registration record.

20:00 Movie & Popcorn To set the tone for the camporee, we will be showing Bridge of Spies.

OA Service Project - Over the entire weekend, during free time, we will be working on our service project (removing years' worth of eroded soil from the amphitheater. This is an onsite project at the campground. Work gloves recommended - bring your own if you have some.

21:30 Leader Briefing A/SPL briefing at Staff HQ. Please bring your Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster. Instructions for Saturday and any questions about the event will be covered.

23:00 Lights Out. Quiet Time

Saturday November 9th, 2019

6:30-8:15 - prepare your breakfast at your campsite

8:30 - Opening Flag Ceremony Guest speaker with opening comments please gather at the Amphitheater in your Class B uniforms.

9:00-17:00 All units - tour Berlin

16:00 -17:30 - OA Brotherhood walks

20:00 Campfire

21:30 Cracker Barrel

23:00 Lights Out

Sunday November 10th, 2019

6:30-7:45 Breakfast

8:00 - VFW Veteran's Day Ceremony/ Scouts Own Service (Class A Uniform)

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8:30 - Pack out or tour Berlin day two

10:00 -14:00 Cub Scout Program Activities at Campground

17:30 - Return to camp for dinner

20:00 - Hot chocolate social at camp

Monday November 11th

Clean your campsite and departure from camp - safe travels!

1. Fall Camporee Overview

1.05 any Scouting Units are welcome to attend the Camporee, however this should not be considered a ‘family camping’ event. All registered adult participants should be advised to complete the online Youth Protection training.

1.1 Camporee Program Events

The 2019 Edelweiss District Fall Camporee will be an educational and memorable event unlike our traditional District Camporees. This event has a primary focus on the Berlin Historic Trails (inner and outer - yes there are two trails). Units are suggested to plan to be walking the trails both Saturday and Sunday with Friday and Monday planned as travel days. Friday is all about arrival and camp set-up. Saturday and Sunday for the older Scouts, walk the trails - explore Berlin - attend campfire - bond as a unit and with fellow Scouts - enjoy the outing in Scouting that only the Transatlantic Council can provide! For Cub Scouts, we do not expect the younger ones to be up to the task of hiking two days in a row so on Sunday, we hope to provide some organized games and round robin activities available as an option at the campground pending enough supporting volunteers. Currently we do not have enough volunteer to support this plan so the Cubs are welcome to hang out at camp and play some games together or walk the Historic Trails like the older Scouts.

1.2 Where and When

The Fall Camporee will be held at Zeltlagerplatz Heiligensee Rallenweg 4, 13505 Berlin
Units should plan on arriving between 1700 and 2100 hours on Friday, **8 November 2019** and depart after the closing on Sunday when your campsite has been inspected.

1.3 Registration & Fees

All registrations must be made through the online registration website:
<https://scoutingevent.com/802-Fallofthewallcamporee>

1.4 Weather: This is November in Berlin; expect everything from sunshine, rain, snow and sleet, and all in the same day! We recommend extra clothes and layers!

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1.5 Camporee Management

Principal Camporee Staff members are listed below. You can reach them during evening hours.

Camporee Director:	Michael Kaiserauer	Email: kaiserauer.berlin@googlemail.com
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Registration & Camporee Staff Advisor	Rodney Henk +491726672716	Email: rodney.henk@scouting.org
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2. General Camporee Information

2.1 Parking & Access to Campsites

There will be no parking allowed at the campsites. All vehicles must be parked in one of the designated parking areas. Troops are encouraged to car pool and arrange to have as few cars as possible at the Camporee parking sites. Participants are asked to walk to their campsite. The site is within a 50-200 meter walk of the parking area, so carrying equipment should not be a problem. A Camporee Staffer will be directing traffic for vehicle parking.

2.2 Campsite Assignments

Campsites will be allocated based on the numbers given in the registration. When arriving at camp please see the welcome Staff and send ONE adult to the Staff HQ to check-in and settle Camporee fees and pickup neckerchiefs and event patches that were pre-ordered. Any late/unpaid fees are due upon check-in, so know the names and number of attendees in your unit upon arrival.

If your unit is arriving in several groups, please ensure that everyone knows the unit number (for example Troop 9) and name of the leader in charge, so they can be directed to the Unit's campsite.

2.3 Camping

Campsites will be located in an open field area. Space is limited so troops are asked to camp using the patrol method.

The patrol method emphasizes independence, self-reliance and resourcefulness. A sound Patrol

- has a duty-roster,
- has a well-maintained and tidy campsite and
- has all the cooking utensils, food and tools it needs,
- has a first-aid kit and
- is self-sufficient.

2.4 Meals

No meals are provided! Please bring all of your own food and gear necessary to prepare your meals. Potable water is available on site. Patrol method cooking should be used, so bring your essential cooking/food items, camp stoves and sufficient fuel. Fires are authorized in designated locations (firepits) only. Bonfires are not allowed. While on the Historic Trail Hikes, we recommend either planning to take your own sack lunch or purchase a meal on the go in the city - remember on Sunday in Germany most stores will be closed so stopping at a grocery store on Sunday is not possible.

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2.5 Emergency Contact

It is recommended that, if possible, Units should have access to a cellular phone that can be used as a primary contact for members of that Unit or Camporee Staff in an emergency. Call European 112 or 114 in case of an emergency. Rodney Henk can be reached at +49(0)1726672716 Please ensure callers know the Unit Number and, if possible, the Unit Leader’s name. In the event that an injury or emergency should take place while on the hike, please attempt to know the closest cross streets.

2.6 First Aid

The camp First Aid station will be set up at the Staff HQ and will be marked with a prominent sign. If assistance is needed, please contact a member of the Camporee Staff or send a runner to the Staff HQ. If the injury permits, *and it is practical to do so*, bring the injured person to the First Aid station for medical attention.

2.7 Medical Forms

A health history record and permission of a parent or guardian are required to bring for each Scout in case of serious injury or illness requiring emergency medical services or hospital treatment. This form, known as the Medical Form, must be accessible to the Unit Leader at all times. The Health safety form (680-001) parts A and B are required for all participants (youth and adult) of the Camporee.

2.8 Fire & Ambulance Service

In the unlikely event that fire or ambulance services are needed, send a runner to the Staff HQ or contact the Camporee Director immediately. If an emergency call is placed from a cellular phone at the site of the incident, you must still notify the Camporee Director (by phone or runner) of the emergency and to arrange for the emergency equipment to be directed to the correct location.

2.9 Packing List

The Berlin Fall Camporee will emphasize the patrol method of camping and cooking, so Patrols, bring your camping cooking and food items. No Food is provided - just a Crackerbarrel snack Saturday after the Campfire program and Hot Cocoa Sunday evening.

Below is a general packing list based upon the activities and expected weather. This is fall in Bavaria, so expect everything from sunshine, rain, snow, and sleet all in the same day. Dress appropriately and layer your clothing. In addition, we will be operating in and around rivers, streams and ponds. Be prepared in case you get wet.

CLOTHING (Bring Warm Clothing!)

- Scout Uniform (Class A) don’t forget your Neckerchief!
- Scout Uniform (Class B)
- Two Complete Changes of Clothing
- Rain Gear
- Extra Pair of Shoes
- Hiking Boots or High Top Tennis Shoes
- Layered Clothing Appropriate for Weather
- Coat Appropriate for Weather
- Many Pairs of Socks
- Gloves, scarf and hat
- Rubber Boots (if available)

SLEEPING

- Tent
- Sleeping Bag & Extra Blankets (Sleeping Bag rated for colder temperatures)
- Foam Pad or your cot - some type of barrier between you and the ground

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Plastic Ground Cloth (3' X 7')
Sweats; Dry Socks; Knit Hat
Hooded Sweatshirt to sleep in

EATING

Cup & Bowl or Mess kit
Silverware -utensils

MISCELLANEOUS

Personal Toiletries
Towel
Personal First Aid Kit
Water Bottle or Canteen
Flashlight & Extra Batteries
Backpack
Scout Handbook
Notebook
Pen or pencil
Non-aerosol Insect Repellent
Pocket Knife with Totin' Chip/Whittling Chip
Sunscreen and Insect Repellent
Work gloves if you plan to help with the service project

OPTIONAL

Handkerchief
Reading Material
Sewing Kit
Camera
Sunglasses
Chair/stool

3. Evening Program

3.1 Friday

There will be a special movie shown for earlier arrivals on Friday to help set the mood of the camporee

3.2 Saturday

The Saturday evening campfire will be organized and led by members of the Order of the Arrow Black Eagle Lodge. Campfire is a chance for the camp to sit back and enjoy some lighthearted entertainment from your fellow campers and end the day on a high note. Patrols are expected to participate either by putting on a skit or a song or leading a cheer. There will be a sign-up sheet in the main Check-in building. Please sign up early so that we can plan the order for the campfire. Feel free to practice your skits, songs and cheers ahead of time. Of course, props or costumes can sometimes help a lot.

3.3 Sunday

An evening social hour with Hot Cocoa will be arranged to wind down the day's events and talk with fellow Scouts and Scouters

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4.Registration, Check-in/ Check-out Procedures

4.1 Before the Camporee

All units attending should have registered online as set out in section 1.3. Please advise the **Rodney Henk**, of any significant changes to these numbers.

4.2 On Arrival

Upon reaching the site, a Camporee Staff member will show you where to park. All cars will need to remain in the designated parking area. The SPL and an adult leader (Unit Leader if all fees have not been paid in advance) should check-in at HQ for registration and to be assigned your camping site. Any outstanding fees for the weekend will be collected at check-in. To assist the staff, it is preferable to pay electronically via [the link](#) in section 1.3 in advance.

4.3 Check-out Procedures

Campsites need to be cleaned and trash must be placed in the correct receptacles on the property. Leave no Trace! Units should plan to be out of camp by 11:00 at the latest on Monday the 11th of November.

4.4 Late Arrival & Early Departure

If a unit is going to arrive or depart at any time other than those scheduled for the Camporee, please contact Rodney Henk at the above phone number in Section 1.5. All event patches and Neckerchiefs will be dispersed to a unit leader at check in. To depart, please dispose of your trash at the appropriate receptacles and clean your campsite. Leave no Trace!

5. Camping Guidelines

5.1 The Campground

As members of the Boy Scouts of America, it is our obligation and responsibility to see that everyone respects and observes rules and regulations in this package and follow guidance provided by the Zeltlagerplatz Camp staff.

5.2 Natural habitat

No trees, shrubs, or bushes will be cut within the campground or neighboring areas unless directed to do so for a service project. Do not interfere with the area's wildlife and do not play in the rivers, streams or ponds within the grounds surrounding the campsite.

5.3 Tent Ditching

There will be no tent ditching or other changes made to the ground contours to improve campsites. Remember that proper pitching of tents does not require ditching. Protect your tents by bringing sturdy ground cloths and protect your body by bringing foam pads or air mattresses for a good night's rest. Don't forget your pillow.

5.4 Ground fires

There are no ground fires allowed outside of the fire pits. Each Troop will have access to a fire pit. Bring your Dutch ovens.

5.5 Use of liquid fuel

The safety of our Scouts and Scouters must be the prime consideration in the use of liquid fuels. The use of liquid fuels in lanterns is acceptable only if:

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1. A knowledgeable adult provides supervision over the storage, transportation and usage of the fuel; and
2. Scouts have been taught the safe and proper handling and usage of the fuel, stoves and lanterns.

5.6 Water

Potable water will be available on the campsite. Some carrying of water will be required from the source to the campsite. Canteens should be carried during the program on Saturday, as drinking water will not be readily available in all program areas.

5.7 Toilets

Toilet and shower facilities are located on site. Please respect the facilities (and your fellow Scouts) and keep them clean. It is a good idea to bring a few spare rolls of toilet paper with your unit and take one to the toilets, just in case.

5.8 Trash

Every unit should bring a supply of plastic trash bags to securely store their own trash. A trash and recycling center is available for general usage and units are expected to take their trash to these receptacles. Trash/recyclables must be separated in accordance with German law.

6. Camporee Rules

6.1 Conduct at the Camporee

As in all Scouting activities, the Scout Oath and Law will be upheld. Respect to your fellow Scouts and their Campsites is vital. The Camp Staff reserves the right to force any participant to leave if that person's conduct is not upholding the Scout Oath and Law.

Entering other people's vehicles and tents/campsite is not allowed if a representative is not at the vehicle or site. Units or individuals that do not comply with these rules may be asked to leave immediately.

6.2 Flames in Tents.

Cooking or lighting with open flames of any kind is **absolutely not allowed** in any tent. Solar powered/charged or electric battery lanterns and flashlights are recommended.

6.3 Proper Uniform

BSA uniforms (Scout shirt for sure and Scout Pants/Shorts with proper socks recommended) should be worn for the Saturday Night Campfire and for the Scouts' Own on Sunday. Scouts are encouraged to wear scouting T-Shirts (Class B) for the day's activities and Neckerchiefs in full view. In accordance with BSA National Policies, **NO military garb or fatigues, including camouflage, should be worn.** Rain gear which is camouflaged is allowed, although it is not recommended.

6.4 Discipline

Leaders will be responsible for the behavior of their scouts at all times. Adult leaders who are not helping in the events or watching troop sites, should circulate through the events in which their scouts are participating. Use of electronic devices for other than emergencies or Camporee specific activities is highly discouraged.

6.5 Quiet hours

All activities will be subject to quiet hours and lights out from 2300 to 0600. Leaders in each Troop are responsible for enforcing these hours.

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6.6 Knives

Knives larger than local acceptable laws are not allowed at the Camporee. If any are found, they will be held for the remainder of the Camporee at HQ. Any scout found with a pocket knife but no Totin’ Chip will also have the knife confiscated. Knives confiscated will be returned to the Scoutmaster at the end of the Camporee.

6.7 Alcoholic Beverages

No alcoholic beverages of any kind are allowed at the Camporee.

6.8 Firearms

For safety reasons, firearms, pellet guns, BB guns, bow and arrows or slingshots of any kind are not allowed at the Camporee.

6.9 Fireworks

Absolutely no fireworks are permitted.

6.10 Pets

No pets are permitted on the campsite except those used as guide dogs for the blind or other aid for disabled campers.

6.11 Respecting Other Unit’s Sites

Everyone should respect other Unit’s campsites. Please do not cross through another unit’s site, please walk around. While we encourage Scouts and Scouters to visit other Units, please announce your arrival with a loud “hello” and ask for permission to enter instead of just walking straight into a site. Show others the level of courtesy you would like shown to you.

6.12 Health and Safety

The rules in the preceding paragraphs are for your health and safety. Please follow them and be careful. The Camporee Staff will be alert to safety hazards during the weekend. Please assist in the elimination of hazards or reckless acts as they are observed or brought to your attention.