

## *Murray Farm Campout* **Saturday February 21 & Sunday February 22, 2004**

**Overview:** We will travel to the Townsend War Correspondents Memorial on South Mountain, Gatland State Park, MD, and proceed to walk the Appalachia Trail from MP 29.9 to Harpers Ferry, WV at MP 39.9 (10 mile hike). This is an easy hike, either level or down-hill. This hike features a fantastic cliff view of the Potomac River (Weaverton Cliff) and snacks at Harpers Ferry. From there, we will proceed to the Murray Farm to camp in their horse pasture in bucolic Middletown, MD. On Sunday, Road to First Class requirements will be covered before returning home.



**Assemble:** 7:30 AM Saturday at Chevy Chase United Methodist Church. **Depart:** 8:00 AM

**Return:** 1:00 PM Sunday at the Church

**Emergency contact: Mr. Rose's cell phone 301-807-6441**

Peter and Elaine Murray farm, 6201 Harley Road, Middletown, MD  
phone: 301-371-6201

**Equipment for Overnight:** For all Scouts except those going to Del Webb – day packs with lunch and snacks, water and emergency supplies. For Del Webb Scouts and adults: Back packs with at least 30-35 lbs, lunch, water and snacks. Be sure to bring your raingear. **All Scouts:** Normal gear for winter camping (refer to Troop Winter Camping Checklist). Be prepared for temperatures as low as 15 degrees F. While technically a car-camping trip, for packing purposes, please pack all gear in back-packs. Fires are allowed and expected, so Road to First Class Scouts should prepare to satisfy fire making and cooking requirements. Ample firewood will be available but probably will have to be cut.

**Parents:** The Murrays are offering a limited amount of guest quarters space (a 1 over 2 bunk bed and a futon bed) for those souls not up to winter camping. Bring your own bedding.

**Food:** Saturday: Lunch – bring lunch and snacks in day-pack. Dinner: Patrol decision; also food will be a function of Road to First Class requirements. Sunday: Patrol decision on breakfast. Lunch: Fast food on way home.

**Cost:** Transportation: \$5. Each Scout responsible for own money for Harpers Ferry snacks and Sunday lunch.

**Parental assistance needed:** This trip requires 2 people to shuttle a car around from the drop-off point to a pick-up point. Either one or two parents who are willing to come and shuttle and then go home, walk the opposite direction and meet the troop, or visit the Murrays would be appreciated. Please contact Keith Pierce at (hm) 301-951-5290, (of) 202-502-8525, or [keith.pierce@ferc.gov](mailto:keith.pierce@ferc.gov).

**Directions:** To be provided at the Church.

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**APPROVAL / PERMISSION SLIP**

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Approval/permission is granted by the parents/guardians of Boy Scout \_\_\_\_\_ for their son/Scout to participate in the activities of Troop 255, Chevy Chase, Maryland, National Capital Area Council, Boy Scouts of America.

Approval/permission is granted to the adult members of Troop 255 to authorize treatment of the Boy Scout named above in the event of an accident or emergency. Adult members of Troop 255 that authorize treatment of the Boy Scout in the event of an accident or emergency shall be released from any or all liabilities.

Local and national tour permits will be obtained by Troop 255 when necessary.

This approval/permission is valid for the February 21-22, 2004 Murray Farm Camping Activity.

I can drive: \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

If YES, I can carry \_\_\_\_\_ scouts including my own.

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**Parent Signature**

**Parent Name (Print)**

**Date**

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