

*Working together we can make Klondike 2010 GREAT!!!*



**Klondike 2010: Initial General Information & Planning**  
**Dates: February 5, 6, & 7, 2010 at Camp Big Timber**

Klondike is an annual event **Hosted by Troops** for Boy Scouts and Webelos skill building. Webelos units may also host a town. Boy Scouts usually sleep over on Friday and/or Saturday night. Webelos arrive early on Saturday. Troops set up and plan events that are either run by the troop or manned by volunteers selected from among the attending adults. Events stress **FUN FIRST** then **DISCOVERY LEARNING METHODS** of imparting First Class Scouting skills through games, competitions, and physical “learn by doing” events. Klondike is not a test. Events are separate for Webelos and Scouts. They may be similar, but participated in and scored separately for each level.

**Troops need to volunteer to host a Klondike Town** individually or in partnership. A town consists of three or four different skill events. Each skill event should have at least two stations, one for scouts and one for Webelos, but multiples are preferred, as we do not want lines. We do want daylong activity, i.e. no down time (except for lunch).

In addition to troop-sponsored activities, the district staff sponsors indoor events usually featuring groups outside of scouting such as reenactors, vendors, and clubs. A typical day for a participant starts with a sled inspection made by the unit leaders and Klondike staff checking for proper clothing, adequate supplies, and competition equipment carried on the sledge. After passing inspection, the sledge is allowed to travel to two Klondike towns for from three to six outdoor skill events. The next town will be an indoor event where the boy removes outside clothing and has a chance to enjoy a presentation while warming up a bit. The patrol then goes back outside for two more town events, then back inside again. This formula is repeated throughout the day stopping only for lunch. After all activities (or as many as the patrol was capable of completing) are done, the patrol reports to the “Klondike Soup Line” and is furnished with a hot soup meal with rolls. The day ends with a campfire awards presentation. Most units pack and leave for home.

**I will contact you directly with our January Planning Dates!**

**Please email me at: [shungness@gmail.com](mailto:shungness@gmail.com)  
to volunteer your unit to host a Klondike town!!**