

CALLING ALL SCOUTS AND ADULTS...

Become a **Leave No Trace Trainer!**



To provide the training necessary for youth and interested adults to become Leave No Trace Trainers, Seneca Waterways Council will hold a *two-part* Leave No Trace Trainer course in the Spring of 2012.

The LNT Trainer course is a 16+ hour course and both parts are **mandatory**. **If you cannot commit to both sessions, then please do not register for this course.**

Course Dates: March 28, 2012 (6:00pm-8:30pm) **AND** May 5th to May 6th, 2012 (8am Sat. until 11am Sun.)

Locations: Part I Pre-Session: March 28, 2012 - FLCC/Victor campus

Part II Overnight Experience: May 5 & 6, 2012 at Camp Babcock-Hovey, Ovid, NY

Fee: \$35 per person; this fee covers course handouts, a Trainer resource DVD and meals that will be provided during the overnight experience. This fee must be paid at the time of registration.

***** Registration forms and payment must be received by Monday March 26, 2011; NO EXCEPTIONS *****

Participants **MUST** bring a copy of your current BSA Medical Form to the Part I pre-session on 3/28.

This must be the new BSA medical form, and Parts A & C must be completed. Please do not forget!!!

LNT Trainer youth leadership position of responsibility:

As of January 1st, 2010, a brand new youth leadership position of responsibility became available for Boy Scout Troops... It's the *Leave No Trace Trainer!* To be placed into this new position of responsibility scouts must first complete the Leave No Trace Trainer course!!!

IMPORTANT!!!

- Per BSA guidelines, **participants must be at least 14 years old** by May 6, 2012 to take this course.
- Please read the Trainer course description on the reverse of this flyer. It contains important information on course content and expectations.
- If you have any questions, contact **Nic Colasurdo** at seneca_waterways_lnt@yahoo.com or (585) 615-6958.

LNT Trainer course participants are also **strongly encouraged** to take **Trainer's EDGE** to enhance their teaching and presentation skills. The Spring 2012 Trainer's EDGE course begins on April 14th, 2012, and information should be available on the Seneca Waterways Council website sometime in early 2012.

LNT Trainer course participants that have previously completed Trainer's EDGE, do not need to retake it.

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Name: (PLEASE PRINT) _____

Date of Birth: ____ / ____ / ____ (MM/DD/YYYY)

Unit Type: Troop / Team / Crew/ Other (circle one) **Unit #:** _____

E-mail: _____

Home address: _____

Phone #:(____) _____ - _____

The \$35 course Fee can be paid by cash or check; please make checks payable to **Nic Colasurdo**

Complete the information requested at the left, detach the bottom portion of this form, and mail it with the payment to **121 Nob Hill, Rochester, NY 14617**

Do NOT try to pay or register for this course at the Scout Shops or Scout Office!!!!

Leave No Trace Trainer course information:

Please note that the Leave No Trace Trainer course is **not** intended to teach Leave No Trace methods and skills. Although we may cover some of these low-impact practices during the course, the primary focus of the Trainer course is to teach participants how to teach Leave No Trace to other people. Consequently, each participant will be given an assignment to prepare and make a presentation to the other participants about some aspect of Leave No Trace. These presentations will take place during the Part II Overnight Experience. Simply participating does not guarantee that you will successfully complete the LNT Trainer course; that is why completion of the **Trainer's EDGE** course is strongly recommended for LNT Trainer course participants. We want you to be a prepared presenter.

The first part of the Spring 2012 Leave No Trace Trainer course will be held from 6pm to 8:30pm on Wednesday, March 28th. This Part I Pre-Session is a classroom session that will cover course expectations, an overview of the Leave No Trace program, planning for the outdoor overnight experience and selecting participant teaching assignments.

The second part of the LNT Trainer course will be held from 8am on Saturday May 5th until 11am on Sunday May 6th. This part of the course will involve an overnight campout at the Tuscarora lean-to site at Camp Babcock-Hovey. Although the Trainer course is not intended to be overly strenuous, participants must be able to carry their gear the short distance to the campsite and take a "leisurely hike" throughout the camp.

If you are not familiar with the Leave No Trace program, then we recommend that you consider taking the **LNT in Cub Scouting** and/or **Introduction to Leave No Trace** course(s) at **Leadership University** which will be held on Saturday March 3, 2012.

If you are not familiar with low-impact outdoor activity methods and skills, then we also recommend taking an **LNT 101** course. Unfortunately, **LNT 101** may not be offered prior to the Spring 2012 LNT Trainer course.

The BSA - Leave No Trace Partnership:

The Leave No Trace program is wholly owned and trademarked by The Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics located in Boulder, CO. The Center operates under the auspices of four federal land management agencies: the United States Department of Agriculture-Forest Service, the United States Department of the Interior-Bureau of Land Management, the Fish and Wildlife Service, and the National Park Service.

BSA has entered into a partnership agreement with The Center and has agreed to follow all of The Center's requirements, practices and protocol for Leave No Trace training and standards. The requirement that youth take the same training as adults, the minimum 14 years of age to take a Trainers course, and the duration and content of the Trainer's course, are all a direct consequence of BSA's partnership agreement with The Center and cannot be modified.

Note that a youth can successfully complete the Trainer course and decide not be placed into the **LNT Trainer** position of responsibility, but they cannot be placed into the LNT Trainer position of responsibility without first successfully completing an LNT Trainer course.

A youth can be placed into a **Troop Instructor** position and be designated as a Troop Instructor of Leave No Trace for his/her unit without completing any training requirement for that position, but it is important to note that **a Troop Instructor is NOT the same thing as a Leave No Trace Trainer!!!** They are two different positions!

It is **highly recommended**, but not required, that a **Troop Instructor** at least take a 3-1/2 hour+ **LNT101** course to obtain the skills and knowledge necessary to teach Leave No Trace methods the other scouts in their unit.

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