

## Webelos are always welcome to visit Troop 288.

Troop 288 encourages all Webelos 2 to continue their scouting by crossing over to the troop of their choice. As such, any leader or committee member is open to reviewing the troop with prospective Webelos and parents.



Each of the Boy Scout Troops in Ponte Vedra will typically have a particular event that makes for a good presentation for the visiting cub scouts. Ours is called **WEBELOS DAY**, and it is scheduled for **11 AM Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2012** to be staged at Ponte Vedra United Methodist Church.

This annual event features all aspects of Boy Scouting adventure, advancement and camping in an inter-active format. I urge you to contact all of your parents to block out their calendar for this special morning presentation.

### WEBELOS DAY ACTIVITIES:

- ✳️ Color Guard demonstration & opening ceremony;
- ✳️ BSA Trailer display (showing all of the Troop equipment used for camping);
- ✳️ Tent Village (showing the typical Boy Scout set-up for tents and camping gear);
- ✳️ Cooking Demonstration (showing the Boy Scout method for cooking over a gas stove and the proper method of food storage and clean-up);
- ✳️ Fire building (showing the best way to build a campfire, using various fuels);
- ✳️ Backpacking (showing the proper way to pack for a long hiking trip);
- ✳️ Knot Tying Demonstration (displaying and practicing the various types of knots);
- ✳️ Uniform display (Showing all aspects of the Boy Scout uniform, including rank advancement patches, merit badges, religious medals, scout handbook, etc.);
- ✳️ Information booth for all Boy Scout related questions (and parent chat).

**TROOP 288** would like to extend a second opportunity for your parents & scouts to visit with our Troop. We would like for all of you to attend a **Troop Court of Honor**. This is a very special type of meeting where we recognize the rank advancement of our scouts and the awarding of merit badges earned. This special date is **August 29, 2011**, or **November 28, 2011** at **7:00 pm** at **Ponte Vedra United Methodist Church**. On this special evening we will conduct the following:

- ✳️ Color Guard presentation and opening ceremonies;
- ✳️ Introduction of all adult leaders and scout leadership corp;
- ✳️ Special recognition awards;
- ✳️ Merit badges awarded;
- ✳️ Rank advancement awards;
- ✳️ Presentation of our Spring and Summer calendar;
- ✳️ Refreshments.

The Court of Honor will allow us to talk with your families about the activities in our Troop, to explain how Troop 288 is uniquely different from other troops, and to answer any questions they may have about Boy Scouting in general.

We look forward to seeing all of your families on **February 4th (Webelos Day)** and at the **August 29 or November 28th Court of Honor**.

Yours in Scouting,  
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