

Scout Programs at Ripley's Aquarium

Registration is done by calling Colin Lemon at (864)906-5569 or emailing at aquatic eagle@hotmail.com. Registration must be done by contacting Colin before the class date. If nobody pre-registers for the class, it will be canceled so please do not show up on the class date unannounced. Please register at least one week prior to the date of the class so the classroom can be reserved.



Oceanography Merit Badge

This merit badge will introduce scouts to the ocean and the four major disciplines of its study. Scouts will not only receive lecture on the material but also will get to participate in discussions and hands-on activities.

Who:	Boy Scouts	
When:	Spetember 13, 2008	10:00 AM to 2:00 PM
Where:	Ripley's Aquarium	
Fee:	\$15.00 *	
Note:	Includes pizza lunch	



Environmental Science Merit Badge (Combined with Fish and Wildlife Management)

Scouts will complete most requirements for the Environmental Science merit badge. This program will introduce scouts to all aspects of environmental science and conservation. Fish and Wildlife Management merit badge will also be covered.

Who:	Boy Scouts	
When:	September 20, 2008	10:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Where:	Ripley's Aquarium	
Fee:	\$15.00 *	
Note:	Includes pizza lunch	



Fish and Wildlife Management Merit Badge (Combined with Environmental Science)

Scouts will complete most requirements for the Fish and Wildlife Management merit badge. This program will introduce scouts to the roles and responsibilities of wildlife managers and the importance of these roles. This class will be offered together with Environmental Science because of similar requirements.

Who:	Boy Scouts	
When:	September 20, 2008	10:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Where:	Ripley's Aquarium	
Fee:	None other than fee for Environmental Science merit badge.	
Note:	Includes pizza lunch	



Mammal Study Merit Badge

This is a very good introduction to the Boy Scout merit badge program. Scouts will learn about different mammals and what the differences are between mammals and other animals. Scouts will be able to complete most requirements of this merit badge in one session.

Who:	Boy Scouts (Good merit badge for new scouts)	
When:	September 27, 2008	12:00 PM to 3:00 PM
Where:	Ripley's Aquarium	
Fee:	\$10.00 *	



Wildlife Conservation Belt Loop and Pin

Cub Scouts will learn about wildlife and natural resource conservation. Scouts will be able to complete the requirements for both the belt loop and pin in one session.

Who:	Cub Scouts and Webelos	
When:	September 11, 2008 and September 11, 2008	6:30 PM to 8:00 PM
Where:	Ripley's Aquarium	
Fee:	\$10.00 *	



Webelos Naturalist

Scouts will learn about different plants and animals and how they relate to each other in the food chain. Scouts will be able to complete the requirements for this activity pin in one session.

Who:	Webelos Scouts	
When:	September 4, 2008 and September 18, 2008	6:30 PM to 8:00 PM
Where:	Ripley's Aquarium	
Fee:	\$10.00 *	
Note:	Webelos should have earned the Wildlife Conservation Belt loop already. This class can be combined with the Wildlife Conservation program to satisfy this requirement.	



BSA Underwater Weekend

Scouts participating in this program will be able to receive Snorkeling BSA and SCUBA BSA. On the first day, scouts will complete requirements for Snorkeling BSA. The second day will introduce the scouts to SCUBA diving. These programs will introduce scouts to the equipment, safety precautions and skills required for safe snorkeling and SCUBA diving.

Who:	Recommended for older scouts	
When:	TBA	
Where:	Ripley's Aquarium	
Fee:		
Capacity:	6-8	
Note:	Scouts must have passed the BSA Swimmers test before participation in either program. Scouts must be 14 years old to participate in SCUBA BSA. Certain medical conditions may disqualify scout from participating.	

Parents and leaders are welcome to join the Cub Scout programs, however it is recommended that only scouts attend the merit badge classes.

*** The listed fees for each program are for the scout participating in the class. There is no fee for registered scout leaders. Any extra participants (parents, siblings) are \$6.50 each.***