

Who says Catholics Can't party ?

Join with Scouts from all over the Diocese of Peoria and from the Diocese of Davenport and find out that just because this is a "Catholic Event" won't mean you won't have a rocking good time!

Oh,
It's On

- You don't have to cook! All meals are prepared for you and we even wash the dishes for you.
- Did someone say shooting? Rifles, shotguns and pistols for those 14 and older. Paintball for those under 14. (Paperwork warning: we will need waivers signed for those 14 and older).
- Did someone say hiking? Yep, we're gonna hike around Camp Loud Thunder and see what God has said to us while we're admiring His handiwork.
- I'd rather just sit and watch a good movie with snacks.... We have that covered too!
- What's in it for me??? You not only will go home with 2 patches (one event patch and one religious activities patch from the NCCS) but also a personalized walking staff for each person.
- I'd rather play with chemicals! We also have a glo-stick activity. You keep the glo-sticks to keep you company all night.
- I don't like being cold! You will either be in a really warm cabin with a truly efficient wood burning stove heating system or in the bunk beds of the heated Dunkin Lodge.



- I don't want to sit in a circle and be all touchy-feely singing Kumbayah! Oh, the competitions are on! There will be questing, Capture the Flag and some version of C.O.P.E.
- But then after I've had fun all weekend I've got to go home and go to Mass (whine). Nope, your Sunday Mass obligation will be met with a Saturday vigil Mass with just us Scouts. Very informal (except that you will need to be in Class A)!
- Promise me we won't have to pray. Sorry, we will have some time devoted to spending time in the presence of our Father in the company of the Saints, but I promise it will not be tiresome and tedious, and hey, you might find you like it!
- Does this meet my requirement for a retreat for Ad Altare Dei or Pope Pius XII? Yes, it does, and with no classroom sessions!
- How old do you have to be? And, is there anything special for those of us who are almost 18 or an older Venturer? You must be a registered Boy Scout, a Girl Scout who has completed the 6th grade, a Venturer, or an American Heritage Girl who has completed the 6th grade. And yes, have your Scoutmaster sign you up as an assistant leader and there will be leadership opportunities and special activities for older youth, your choice!

Okay, you've convinced me. How do I sign up?

Your Scoutmaster or group leader has a sign-up sheet for the weekend. Just let that person know you want to have fun and sign up! Bring sleeping bag, toiletries, Class B weather appropriate clothing, your Class A for Mass, flashlight, pocket knife and stuffed teddy bear. Mess kits are not needed.



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