

**KLONDIKE 2018**  
**FOX RIVER AND GATEWAY DISTRICTS**  
**EQUIPMENT LIST**

- Scout Handbook (1 per Patrol)
- Scout-made Klondike Sled (1 sled per Patrol)
- Patrol flag
- 1 – Knife per Patrol
- 1 - Tinder Kit per Patrol (No liquid or gel accelerants) Flint and steel for starting fire along with Fuel for fire – Starting material MUST be found in nature; no man-made or man processed material
- 2 - Poles at least 6' long (Poles should be AT LEAST 2" in diameter. Do not use 2x2 lumber)
- Blanket
- 12 – 8' Lengths of rope or Paracord (No Bailing Twine or Jute)
- Patrol first aid kit
- 2 - Pieces splint material (may be wood slats)
- 1 - Compass for orienteering per patrol
- Neckerchief per Scout
- Gallon drinking water with (1) cup per Scout OR (1) Nalgene full of water per Scout
- Pencil
- Notebook (small notebook is fine)
- 1 - Can non-cream soup per Scout

## **Klondike Information for SPLs & Patrol Leaders**

### **Preparing for the Klondike**

Winter Klondike is traditionally a time for Troops to assemble and challenge each other to friendly Patrol competitions designed around basic Scout Skills. These competitions are designed to allow Patrols a chance to PRACTICE and HONE their Scouting Skills in situations that simulate real-life experiences under the guidance of older scouts and adults.

The following information will help Patrols focus their planning and prepare to do their best at each challenge throughout the day. Younger Scouts and Patrols should not be discouraged! Although Scouting Knowledge and Skill grows and improves as Scouts gain more experience, often younger more eager Scouts are able to thrive during Klondike and Camporee competitions . EVERY Patrol has the potential for GREATNESS!

These competitions are intended to encourage learning and camaraderie and are just plain fun! So, replace any stress you may have with planning and forethought and don't forget to read up on Yeti behavior and how to identify Yeti tracks;)

“There is gold in them thar hills...and I hear tell there may also be Yeti!”

### **Patrol Skills**

This year's Klondike is designed to offer Scouts a chance to test their Scout skills including First Aid, Leadership, Pioneering, Wilderness Survival, Orienteering, Physical Fitness, and Scout Spirit.

In addition to all the basic skills Scouts are expected to know on a daily basis, Patrols should brush up on the following:

Outdoor Winter First Aid

Fire-building

Knots - especially those needed for winter rescue

Pioneering/Lashing

Communication

Scout Spirit – Patrol Flags, Patrol Yells, Teamwork, Encouraging Patrol Members and Other Scouts, All Points of the Scout Law

### **Scouting Knowledge**

Scouts should be prepared to relay their knowledge on all the information in the 2016 Rank Requirements from Scout through First Class.