

## February Winter Wonderland Trip

The annual Winter Weekend is almost upon us. This year we will look to continue the HUT TRADITION and camp at the Carter Notch Hut located in Carter Notch of the Mt. Washington State Forest in NH. No Tents needed! The hike in is 4.8 miles. Bring snowshoes if you have them. The area views are SPECTACULAR and you don't want to miss this event!

All scouts will meet at 7:30 and depart from the Parish Center on Saturday February 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am. Scouts will return from the event for pickup at the Parish Center at 3:00 pm on Sunday February 10<sup>th</sup>. All scouts should eat breakfast before they depart and should bring a bag lunch on Saturday as there will be no meal stop on the ride up north.

Like Lonesome Lake, we'll be able to use the Hut's gas stove for our gourmet menu. The Hut will allow us to use their pots and pans for cooking. We'll stop for a fast food lunch on the ride home. Meal planning will be done by scouts at the January 24<sup>th</sup> troop meeting. Remember, as with all camping trips, if you sign up to go, and something comes up at the last minute, you must make arrangements to provide your assigned food items to your patrol leader.

While no tents are required, scouts should bring their full complement of winter camping gear (see website checklist), including a winter weight sleeping bag. Sleeping pads are not needed.

There is a \$45 fee for this camping trip to pay for the cost of the luxurious hut accommodations. **A permission slip for this event is due at the December 13<sup>th</sup> Troop Meeting. We need to enforce this deadline for this camping trip as the Troop will need to confirm numbers and make its payment in full shortly thereafter.**