

## Willard Woods Campout

**Who can go:** Anybody who wants to

**Who should make a special effort to go:** All New Scouts

This hike will introduce you to the troop and to camping in the outdoors. It will help you prepare for camp. It will satisfy the requirement for your first hike and camping trip. You will learn about lighting camp stoves and you will cook your first meal in the outdoors as a Scout.

**Meet:** 4:30 PM at St. Brigid on Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup>

**Pickup:** 10:00 AM at the North Street Parking Lot of Willard Woods

We understand that Scouts may have other commitments and may need to leave early or come late.

We will hike to Willard Woods along the Minuteman Bicycle Trail. From the trail we will cut across the Diamond Middle School playfields, then enter the Woods either through the Hathaway or Brent Road entrances. We will set up camp, prepare an evening meal by patrols, and then enjoy a campfire if we get permission from the Fire Department. It has been a very dry year and we may have to make do with charcoal. All of the heavy equipment like stoves, lanterns, tents, and cooking gear will be transported to the Woods for you.

What each Scout should bring:

- Sleeping bag
- Ground cloth (a piece of plastic will do)
- Warm clothing
- Reasonable walking and hiking shoes
- Wet weather gear
- Eating gear—plate or bowl, cup, utensils. Experienced campers travel light—many of carry simply a bowl, cup, and spoon with a sharp edge.

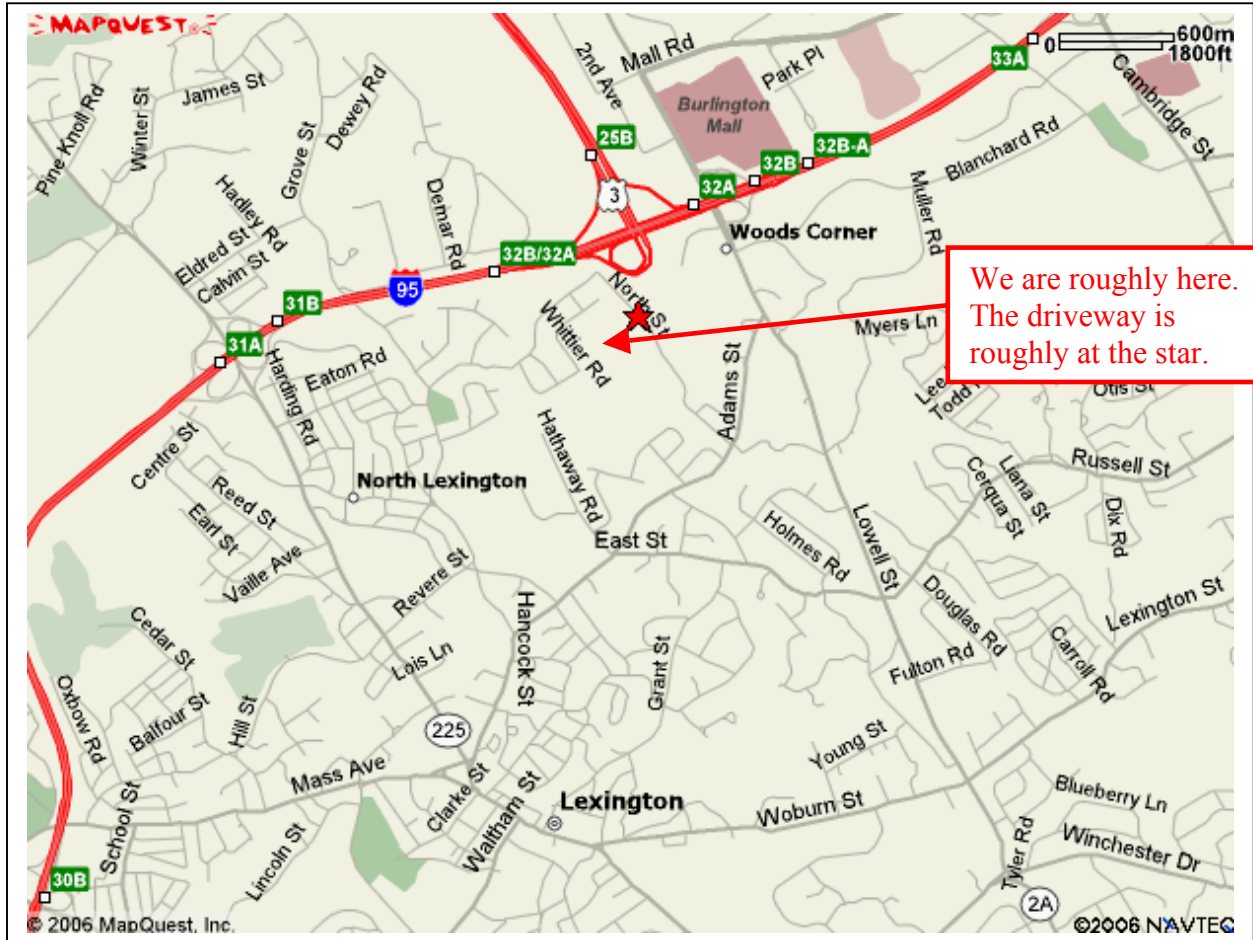
The patrol should plan a menu for Friday night and Saturday morning and purchase the food Friday with money that will be issued to each patrol by the Treasurer. There will be time at the Thursday meeting to plan those meals. There will also be a demonstration of what to bring at that meeting.

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Name of Scout

Willard Woods campout sponsored by Troop 160. We will assemble at 4:30 PM, Friday, April 7, 2006, outside RFK Hall at St. Brigids Church, then walk to Willard Woods using paths and roads within Lexington. We will camp overnight until approximately 10 AM Saturday morning. Two meals will be cooked by the Scouts. The cost for the event is \$5.00. If paid by check, make it out to **Troop 160**.

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Signature of parent or guardian



### Quick Directions

- ❑ Take Adams Street toward Burlington Mall
- ❑ Just before the sand and gravel operation, take a left onto North Street
- ❑ You will pass a turnoff on your left which has a large sign with Willard Woods on it
- ❑ Keep going—just past the next house on your left is an unmarked gravel road
- ❑ Follow the unmarked road a short distance to the parking area. Be careful. The parking area is rutted and after a rain can be muddy.
- ❑ From the parking area continue into the apple orchard
- ❑ Our tents will be at the far end of the orchard

There are, of course, other ways to get to North Street. If you are walking, there is an entrance off Hathaway and another off Brent near the Adams Pool. The campsite is about a quarter mile from those entrances, but is only about a hundred yards from the North Street parking lot. If the gate on the parking lot is locked, park near the gate and walk in.