



April 13, 2022



# Outdoor Ethics & Conservation Roundtable

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Outdoor Ethics Games and Activities for Summer  
and Day Camps

*Youth, please turn off your cameras. Thank you!*

# Agenda

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- Welcome and opening (7:00pm Central)
- Safety moment – Poisonous plants
- OE Activities on the Go!
- Games and Activities
- OE Activities and Programs at Camp
- Games and Activities for Events
- OE Camporee Program
- Announcements
- Q&A
- Adjourn (8:30 Central)

# Pledge

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I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.



# Scout Oath

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On my honor I will do my best  
to do my duty to God and my country  
and to obey the Scout Law;  
to help other people at all times;  
to keep myself physically strong,  
mentally awake, and morally straight.



# Scout Law

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A Scout is:  
Trustworthy, Loyal, Helpful,  
Friendly, Courteous, Kind,  
Obedient, Cheerful, Thrifty,  
Brave, Clean, Reverent.



# Outdoor Code

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As an American, I will do my best to –  
Be clean in my outdoor manners.  
Be careful with fire.  
Be considerate in the outdoors.  
Be conservation minded.



# We Need Your Feedback, Please!

<https://tinyurl.com/OECCRT>

SCAN ME



# Please introduce yourself!

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Type your name and your council's name into the chat window.



A photograph of a forest stream with mossy rocks and trees. The scene is slightly faded to allow text to be overlaid.

# Safety Moment

## Poisonous Plants

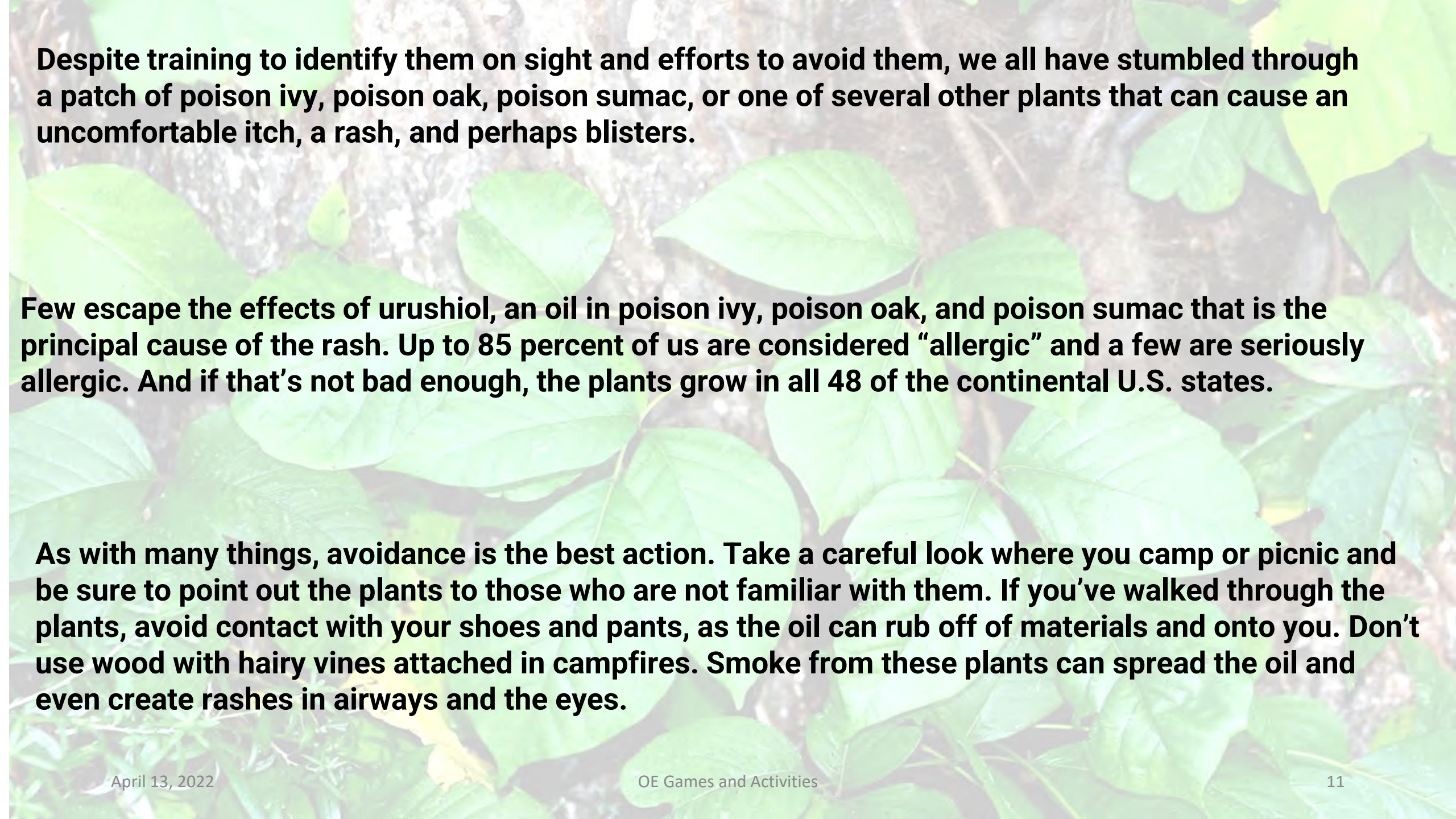
# Leave What You Find and Hike on Durable Surfaces



•**Poison Ivy:** Found throughout the United States except Alaska, Hawaii, and parts of the West Coast. Can grow as a vine or small shrub trailing along the ground or climbing on low plants, trees and poles. Each leaf has three glossy leaflets, with smooth or toothed edges. Leaves are reddish in spring, green in summer, and yellow, orange, or red in fall. May have greenish-white flowers and whitish-yellow berries.

•**Poison Oak:** Grows as a low shrub in the Eastern and Southern United States, and in tall clumps or long vines on the Pacific Coast. Fuzzy green leaves in clusters of three are lobed or deeply toothed with rounded tips. May have yellow-white berries.

•**Poison Sumac:** Grows as a tall shrub or small tree in bogs or swamps in the Northeast, Midwest, and parts of the Southeast. Each leaf has clusters of seven to 13 smooth-edged leaflets. Leaves are orange in spring, green in summer, and yellow, orange, or red in fall. May have yellow-greenish flowers and whitish-green fruits hang in loose clusters.



**Despite training to identify them on sight and efforts to avoid them, we all have stumbled through a patch of poison ivy, poison oak, poison sumac, or one of several other plants that can cause an uncomfortable itch, a rash, and perhaps blisters.**

**Few escape the effects of urushiol, an oil in poison ivy, poison oak, and poison sumac that is the principal cause of the rash. Up to 85 percent of us are considered “allergic” and a few are seriously allergic. And if that’s not bad enough, the plants grow in all 48 of the continental U.S. states.**

**As with many things, avoidance is the best action. Take a careful look where you camp or picnic and be sure to point out the plants to those who are not familiar with them. If you’ve walked through the plants, avoid contact with your shoes and pants, as the oil can rub off of materials and onto you. Don’t use wood with hairy vines attached in campfires. Smoke from these plants can spread the oil and even create rashes in airways and the eyes.**

If you think you've been exposed, you have a limited time to wash off the urushiol before it affects you. Use soap and water or a specially designed product (like Zanfel®, Ivy Wash®, or Tecnu®) that has been formulated to more fully remove the urushiol, especially when used within a few hours of exposure.

Be sure to check your first aid kit before heading to camp or out hiking.

Signs and symptoms of a poison ivy rash include:

- Redness
- Itching
- Swelling
- Blisters
- Difficulty breathing, if you've inhaled the smoke from burning poison ivy

Poison ivy rash often appears in a straight line because of the way the plant brushes against your skin. But if you develop a rash after touching a piece of clothing or pet fur that has urushiol on it, the rash may be more spread out. You can also transfer the oil to other parts of your body with your fingers. The reaction usually develops 12 to 48 hours after exposure and lasts two to three weeks.



# Outdoor Ethics Activities on the Go!

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Paula Church, Longhorn Council



# Outdoor Ethics Activities on the Go!



Build your own tool  
kit, for  
Outdoor Ethics  
Activities!

Home made tool kits work great too!





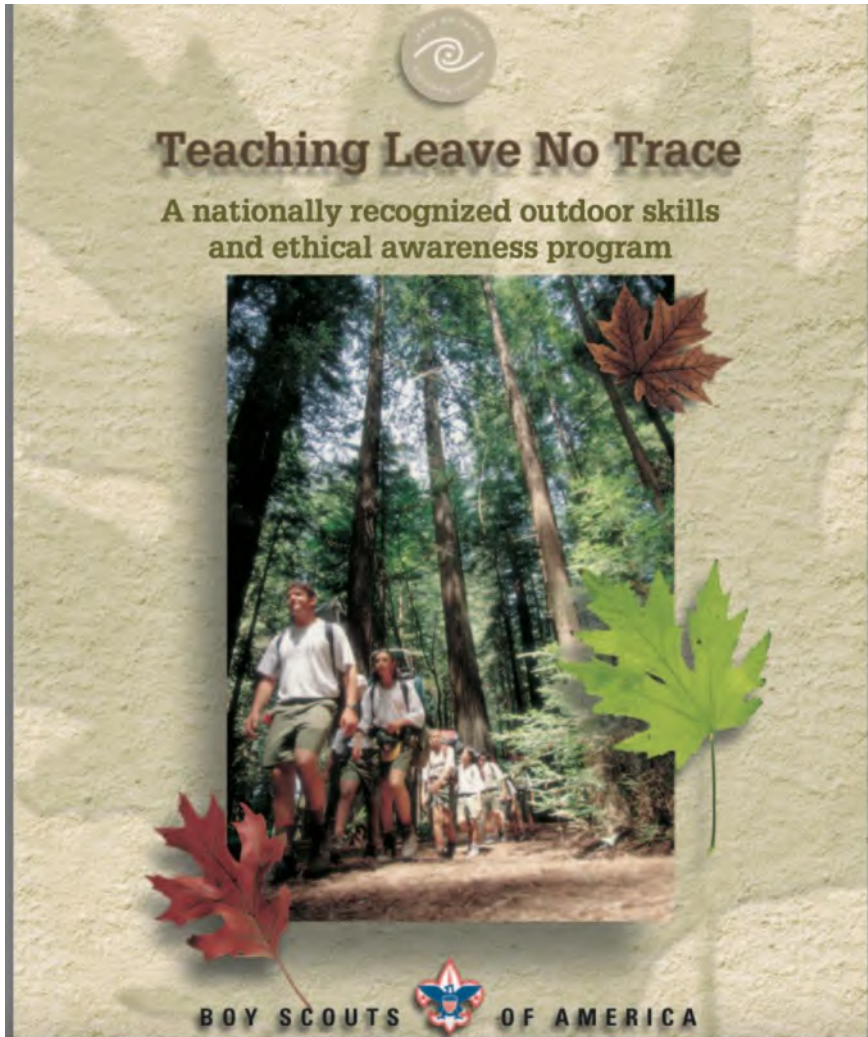
# Ready made tool kit from Leave No Trace: Int.org



# Activity Resources from Leave No Trace: Int.org



<https://Int.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/BFPB-Activity-Materials-Packet.pdf>



# Teaching Leave No Trace



The member-driven Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics teaches people how to enjoy the outdoors responsibly. This copyrighted information has been reprinted with permission from the [Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics](#).

## OUTDOOR CODE

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and be conservation-minded.

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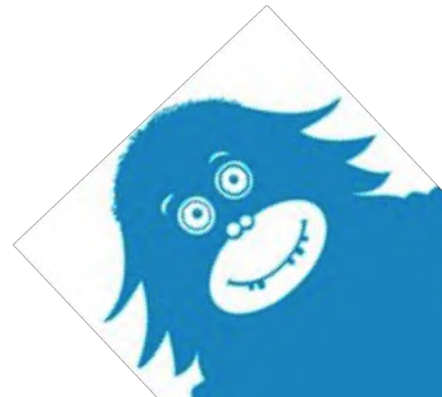
[Where to Start](#)

<https://www.scouting.org/programs/scouts-bsa/troop-resources/leave-no-trace/teaching-leave-no-trace/>

# Bigfoot's Bucket:



- Contains activities and games for teaching the Leave No Trace Principles for Kids and the Outdoor Code.
- Available for checkout for Day Camps, Resident Camp and Cub Scout Events.





# Games and Activities

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Maria Brown, Southern Sierra Council

# Contact me!

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# Nature Journaling Activity

I notice



I wonder



It reminds me of

*This activity is from John Muir Laws, [johnmuirlaws.com](http://johnmuirlaws.com)*

# OE on the Cub Scout Trail

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- **Lions: Mountain Lion Adventure.** No explicit OE language used, but incorporates Plan Ahead and Prepare, Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces, and Respect Wildlife. [Have you seen the *Hug A Tree and Survive* program from the National Association of Search and Rescue? There are materials, activities, and everything!  
<https://nasar.org/education/hug-a-tree/>]
- **Tigers: Tigers in the Wild.** Incorporates Outdoor Code and Leave No Trace Principles Kids. Explain why we trash our trash. (The Trash Your Trash Relay from BP is perfect for this!) TitW Requirement 5 option calls for a song and a skit.
- **Wolves: Paws on Path.** Incorporates the Outdoor Code and Leave No Trace Kids. This is a great place to insert a nature journaling activity.



# OE on the Cub Scout Trail, cont.

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- **Bears: Bear Necessities.** No explicit OE language used, but incorporates Plan Ahead and Prepare and Camp on Durable Surfaces. This would be a great place for a relay game where the den has to "pack" essential items.
- **Webelos: Webelos Walk About.** The scouts have to recite the OC and LNT Principles from memory and tell how they can practice them. Challenge the scouts to create their own hand signs for the seven principles. I have seen dens do this, and they are so creative!
- **Arrow of Light: Outdoor Adventurer.** This is another "Tell how you practiced the OC and LNT". I love the idea of an art gallery, and this is a great place to have the scouts design instructional posters to be displayed at the monthly Pack meeting. Each scout can pick a single principle and focus on designing something to teach that concept.

# Using Hand Signs to Teach the Outdoor Code



# OE Campfire Resources



## The Leave No Trace Song

(To the Tune of “If you’re Happy and You Know It”) Song written by Angie Merrick

When you’re wanting solitude, Leave No Trace  
Out in nature don’t be rude, Leave No Trace  
If your family likes to hike,  
Beach, camp, or ride a bike,  
Leave No trace, Leave No Trace, Leave No Trace

If you want to see a WOW, Leave No Trace  
So do others, show them how, Leave No Trace  
Get your camera, snap a few  
Sketch a memory or two,  
Leave the WOW for others too, Leave No Trace

Learn the principles by heart, Leave No Trace  
Taking pictures is just a start, Leave No Trace  
Resist the urge to leave your mark,  
Stay on the trail, that is smart  
Things in nature play a part, Leave No Trace



# OE Campfire Resources



## Leave No Trace

(To the Tune of “Row, Row, Row Your Boat”) Song written by Troop 376, Milwaukie, Oregon

Think, plan, and be aware  
In nature’s fragile place,  
In wilderness we’re visitors  
Protect this unspoiled space.

Camp, camp, far away  
From the fragile shore  
And when you do, you’ll save the lake  
It’s clean water we’re working for.

Sack, sack, sack your trash  
Put it in a bag.  
Pack it out upon your back  
‘Cause leaving it’s a drag.

Dig, dig, dig a hole  
About six inches down,  
When nature calls, bury your waste,  
And leave it underground.

Sniff, sniff, sniff the flowers  
Leave them where they grow.  
Endangered plants you pick today  
Your kids may never know.

Cook, cook, cook your food  
On a backpack stove,  
Save the snags and save the trees  
‘Cause wilderness is gold.

Leave, leave, leave no trace  
With your camping gear,  
‘Cause no one, no one in the woods  
Wants to see you’ve been here.



# The Leave No Trace Song Challenge

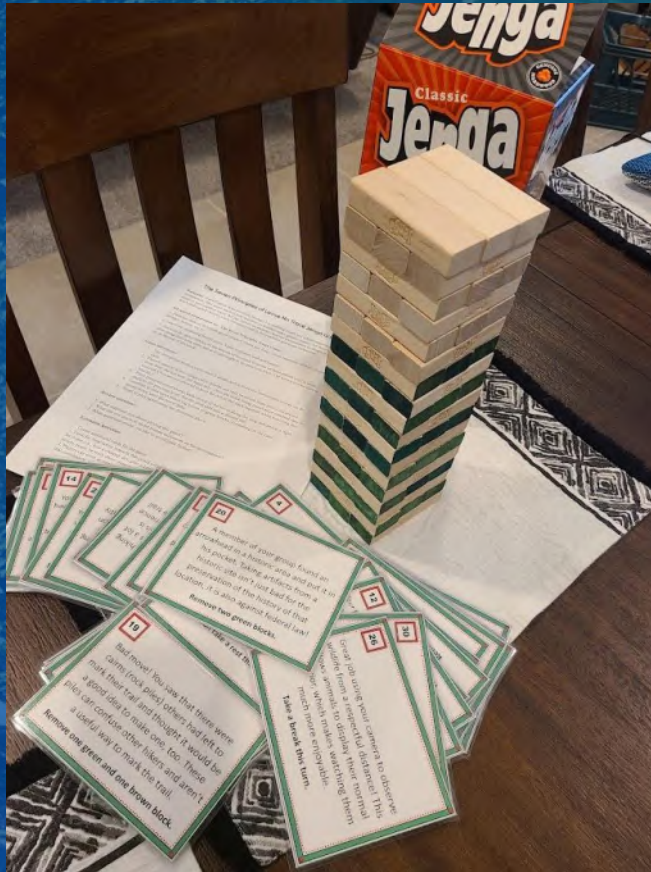
## We're missing a principle!

Principle 6, Respect Wildlife, is not represented in this song. We need a verse! You are challenged to write a verse either alone or with your patrol. The winner gets a trio of these beautiful 3-D printed slides!

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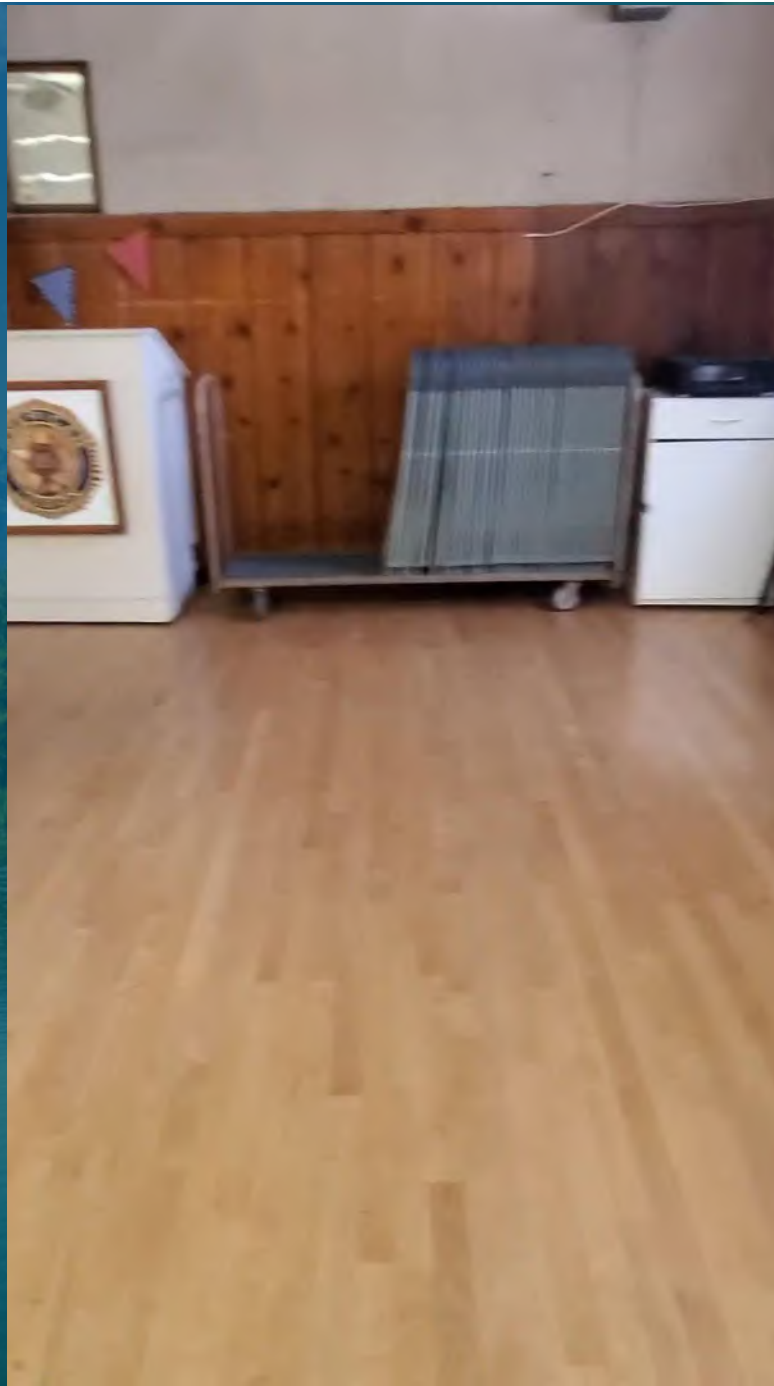


# Games with an (OE) Purpose



# Campfire Opportunities!

OE Games and Activities



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# OE Activities and Programs at Camp

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Matthew Durrant, Crossroads of the West Council



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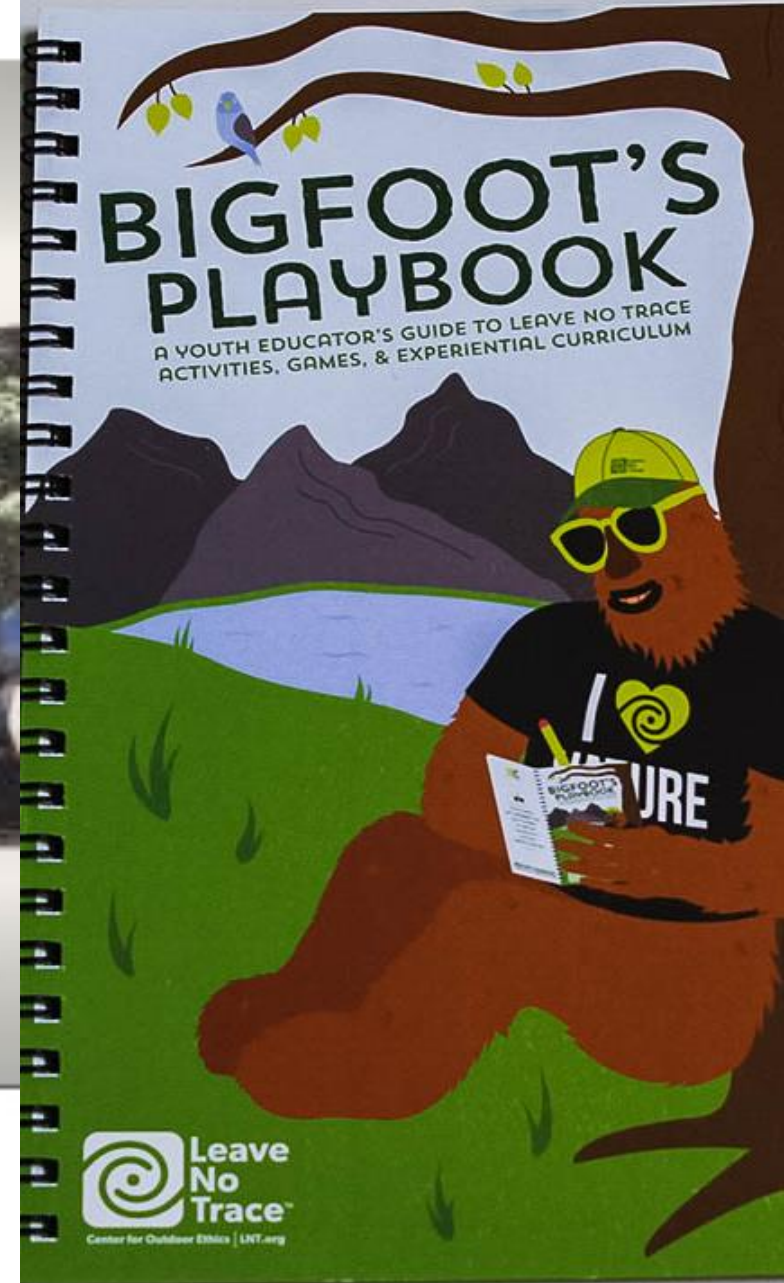
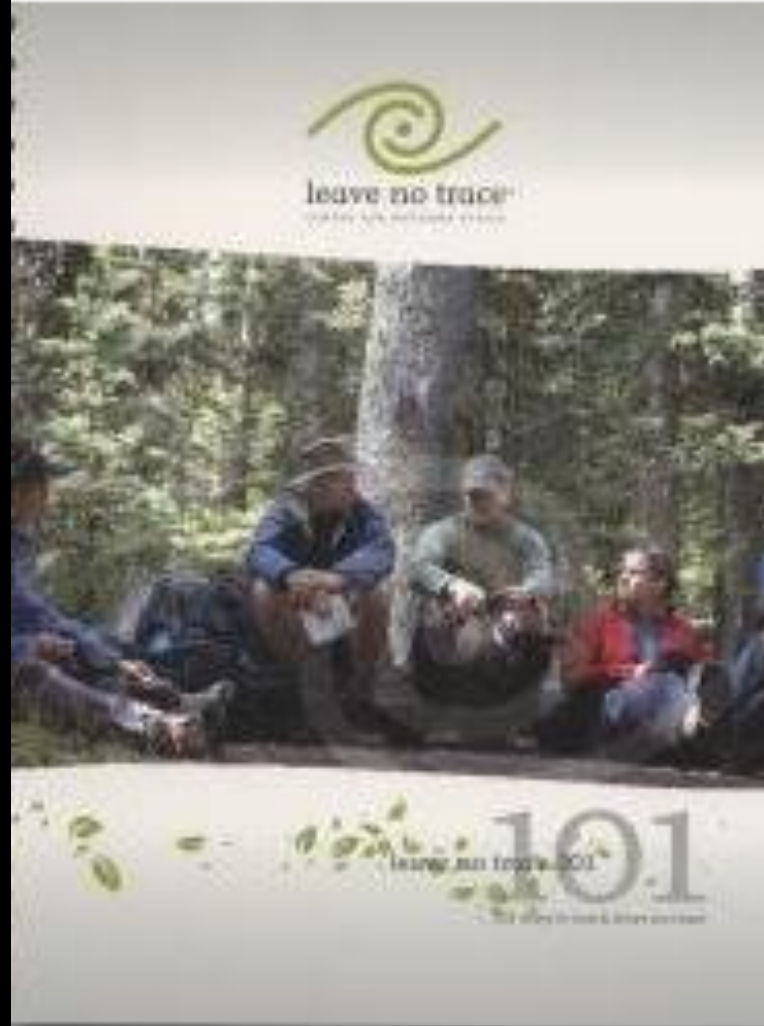
# Outdoor Ethics activities and programs at Camp

Matthew Durrant



Don't  
reinvent the  
wheel

Ready-made  
activities





Use your resources



# Combine with other requirements and Activities



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# BIGFOOT BOOTCAMP

- 1. Web of life
- 2. Specific is superior (#1)
- 3. Surface Hopscotch (#2)
- 4. Trash Timeline (#3)
- 5. Generation Game (#4)
- 6. Campfire Race (#5)
- 7. Paper Trail (#7)
- 8. Bear Bag (#6)
- 9. Okay vs. No Way (Review)
- 10. Ethics Game (if there's time)



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Have fun!



# Games and Activities

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Don Reinicker, Potawatomi Area Council



# **GAMES & ACTIVITIES**

**Don Reinicker – Council Outdoor Ethics Advocate  
Potawatomi Area Council**

**OUTDOOR ETHICS VIRTUAL ROUNDTABLE – April 13, 2022**



# Games & Activities

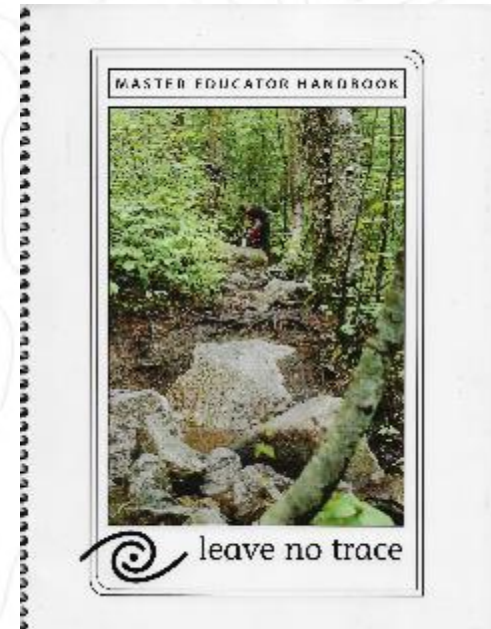
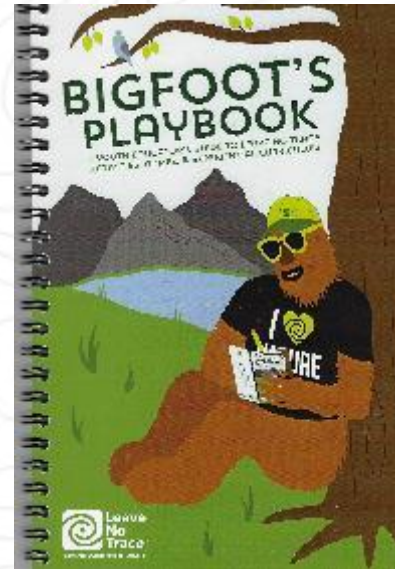
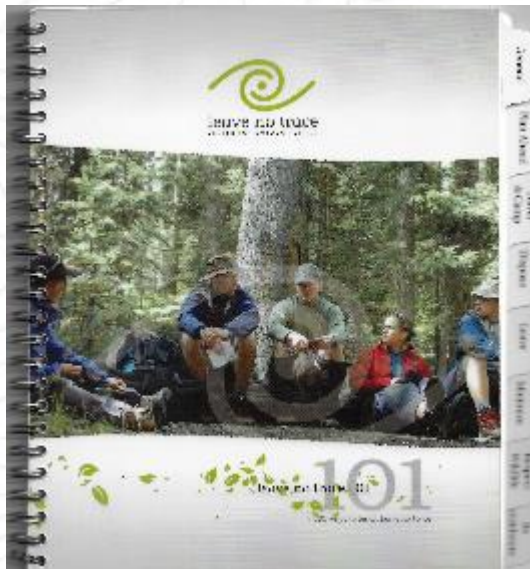
Games and activities are an important part of any training or introduction to Outdoor Ethics and Leave No Trace

- Games and activities are FUN!
- Lecture is BORING
- Games and activities break up seat time

# Games & Activities

## RESOURCES:

- Leave No Trace: <https://outdoorethics-bsa.org>



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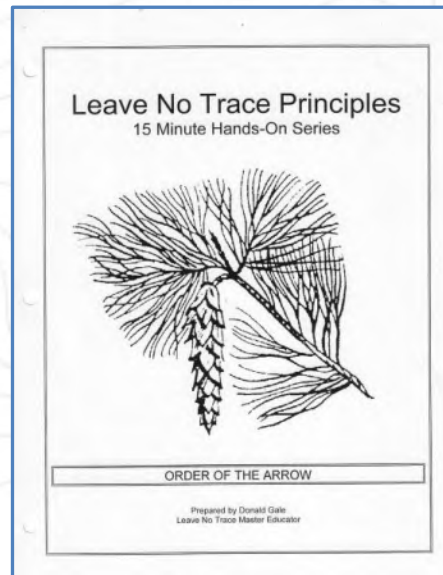
- Leave No Trace Dudes: <https://leavenotracedude.com>



# Games & Activities

## RESOURCES:

- ROAR (Don Gale – Master Educator Utah) – information no longer on the internet



- YouTube – Many trainings available

# Games & Activities

## **Games presented at the Leave No Trace Trainer course**

### **Numbered ball & LNT Principles:** From Don Gale (Master Educator Utah)

See attachments for the 7 LNT Principles

### **Garbage game:** See attachment or use the info below

Leave No Trace 101 book: #059 Trash Timeline

LNT Dudes: <http://leavenotrace.com/default.shtml>

How Long Will it Last? <http://leavenotrace.com/teach/dispose-waste-trash.shtml>

### **Mound fire cake desert:**

2 – 9" round yellow cakes (mineral soil)	Small pretzel sticks (tinder)
Pretzel sticks (larger wood)	Red hot candies (coals)
Whip cream (smoke)	

### **The Path:** Path Scenario –

Participants sit on the ground in 2 lines facing each other about 2 feet apart  
Walk down the path as a single person and with another person side-by-side  
Show how the path has to widen for 2 people  
Make rain sounds slow to hard to slow  
Walk down path and discuss stepping around a puddle – move participants to widen path  
Walk outside of the path to avoid the muddy path completely - discuss  
Walk down again and move participants to allow the picking of a flower outside of the path  
Use other variations to show how paths widen

### **Web of Life:** Check the internet for "Web of Life Game".

There are many versions and variations to choose from.

### **Bare Ground:** LNT Dudes: <http://leavenotrace.com/teach/fire-consume.shtml>

### **Animals:** (Stop Bothering Me)

LNT Dudes: <http://leavenotrace.com/teach/wildlife-bother.shtml>

### **Puzzle pieces:** (Puzzling Discoveries)

LNT Dudes: <http://www.leavenotrace.com/teach/leave-puzzling.shtml>

I use a variation of this by laminating pages out of nature magazines, laminating them and cutting them out as a puzzle. I use puzzles of 6 pieces for Cubs and puzzles of 9 or 11 pieces for Boy Scouts and adults.

### **Hiker, Biker, Horse:**

LNT Dudes: <http://leavenotrace.com/teach/considerate-game1.php>

### **Unknown Destination Hike:** We varied this by giving you the Alpine setting.

LNT Dudes: <http://leavenotrace.com/teach/plan-ahead-mystery.shtml>

# Games & Activities



**DATE:**  
**APRIL 22 - 24, 2022**  
Registration Opens February 16, 2022

**REGULAR PRICE:**  
**\$65** | **\$45**  
SCOUT | ADULT

## TROOP SHOOT



- Scouts BSA Ages 12-17
- Meals Included
- Individuals & Patrols
- Shooting Competition & Awards

## MERIT BADGE PALOOZA



- Scouts BSA Ages 10-17
- Meals Included
- Individuals
- Different Merit Badge Instruction

## QUICK START



- Scouts BSA Ages 10-13
- Meals Included
- Individuals & Patrols
- Requirements for Scout through 2nd Class

WEBSITE: [CAMPLONGLAKE.ORG](http://CAMPLONGLAKE.ORG) | EMAIL: [PROGRAMPAC@SCOUTING.ORG](mailto:PROGRAMPAC@SCOUTING.ORG)

# Games & Activities



Leave No Trace –Ball Game



# Games & Activities

## GARBAGE GAME – “How Long Does It Last”





# Games & Activities

## OK vs. NO WAY

Put the "OK" and "NO WAY" signs in the ground approximately 10 to 12 feet apart facing the participants. Stand between the signs and have the participants line up on you keeping the recommended social distance between each other. Explain that you will ask a question and they should individually decide if it is "OK" or "NO WAY" and then step to their right or left to line up behind the sign of their choice. Once everyone has moved ask each group why they chose the line they are in. After each has explained their choice discuss to correct answer. After the explanation go back to the starting position for the next question.

NO  
WAY



OK



# Games & Activities



# **Games & Activities**

**Thank you for the opportunity to make this presentation**

**Materials presented are available from the  
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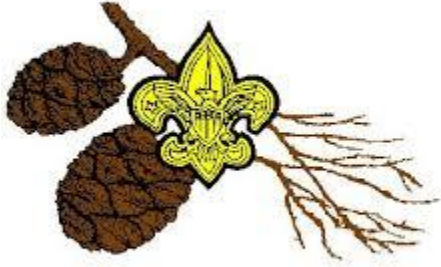
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# Outdoor Ethics Camporee

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Michael Bethel, Sequoia Council



**San Joaquin District**  
**Outdoor Ethics**  
**Camporee**  
**Sequoia Council, BSA**





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# Morning Assembly



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# Outdoor Ethics Games

1. Outdoor Ethics Crossword
2. Decomposition Guessing (Trash Timeline)
3. Mound Fire Building and Lighting
4. Flag Relay
5. Puzzle Station
6. Trail Trash Memory Game (Kim's Game)
7. Camp Oh-No!
8. Outdoor Ethics Giant Jenga
9. Big Foot Hunt







# OE Crossword

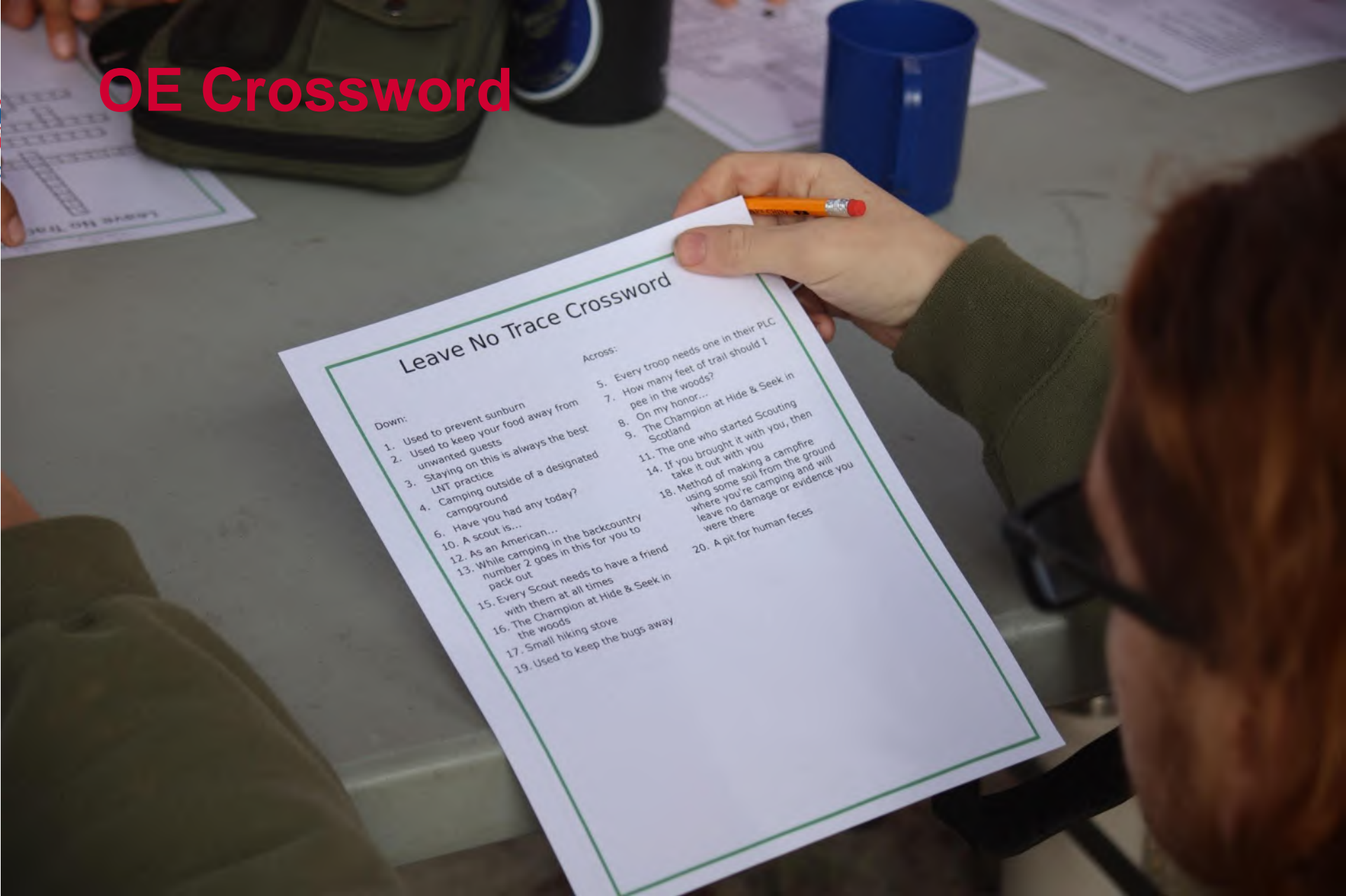


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# OE Crossword



## Leave No Trace Crossword

### Down:

1. Used to prevent sunburn
2. Used to keep your food away from unwanted guests
3. Staying on this is always the best LNT practice
4. Camping outside of a designated campground
6. Have you had any today?
10. A scout is...
12. As an American...
13. While camping in the backcountry number 2 goes in this for you to pack out
15. Every Scout needs to have a friend with them at all times
16. The Champion at Hide & Seek in the woods
17. Small hiking stove
19. Used to keep the bugs away

### Across:

5. Every troop needs one in their PLC
7. How many feet of trail should I pee in the woods?
8. On my honor...
9. The Champion at Hide & Seek in Scotland
11. The one who started Scouting
14. If you brought it with you, then take it out with you
18. Method of making a campfire using some soil from the ground where you're camping and will leave no damage or evidence you were there
20. A pit for human feces

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# Decomposition Guessing Game





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# On Your Mark!



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Get Set!



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GO!!!



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# GO!!! Flag Relay



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# Puzzle Station – Something's Missing



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# Trail Trash Memory Game



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# Camp Oh-No! and the Oh-No! Tree

Welcome, Investigators to  
**Camp Oh-No!**  
Where Crimes Against  
Outdoor Ethics Have Been  
Committed!

**INVESTIGATORS:** Please use  
an index card to document each  
Outdoor Ethics violation. Put  
your name, patrol and unit  
number at the top of the card  
and turn it in to a Commissioner.



This Beautiful and Majestic

**Oh-No! Tree**

is very rare and fragile  
**PLEASE DO NOT TOUCH**



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# Camp Oh-No! Crime Scene



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# Crime Scene Investigators at Work



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# CSI's Gather to Discuss



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# GIANT JENGA

## (Outdoor Ethics Style)

**Standard Jenga rules apply to removal and replacement of blocks. You may use two hands but can only touch the block you are removing. You may “test” a block for ease of movement but once you start to move the block, you must continue. Once successfully removed, read the block aloud and follow the instructions or answer the question as a group. All removed blocks must be stacked on top of the tower. You are encouraged to use the internet to answer any unknown questions. Only restack if the tower falls to add difficulty for the next group.**

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# Outdoor Ethics Giant Jenga



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# Hunt for **BIGFOOT**

**Get your cameras ready!**  
**Take photos of any BIGFOOT  
related item and especially any  
BIGFOOT him/her self.**  
**BIGFOOT sightings are rare, so  
be sure to show your  
Commissioner staff for credit  
for your patrol.**

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# BIGFOOT KNOWLEDGE

### THE BIGFOOT PHENOMENON

World's largest unexplained tracks that appear only in North America. The creature's existence is possible, but according to an expert, the odds are slim.

**Do you think Bigfoot's hairless? Hairless? Or is it covered in hair?**

75% believe it's hairless	25% believe it's covered in hair
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**Size comparison**

Bigfoot: 8' tall, 250 lbs	Human: 5' tall, 150 lbs
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### Alleged Bigfoot Sightings

By state, from 1960 to 2010

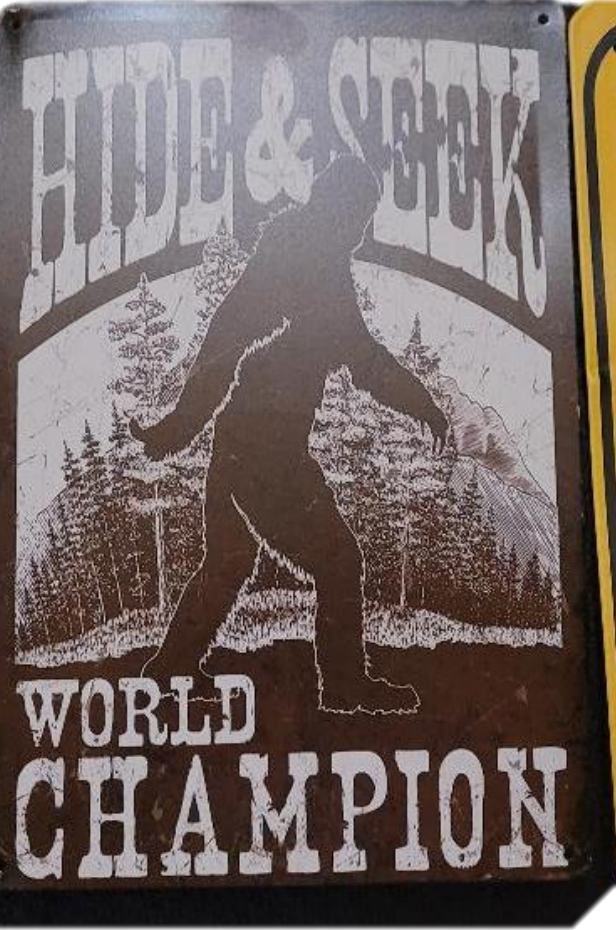
### ANATOMY OF A BIGFOOT

The Creature Behind The Myth

- Big Heavy Head** - Said to be strong as iron
- Big Heavy Neck** - Develops from thickening down from the skullbone
- Big Heavy Chest** - To protect the heavily muscled chest
- Massive Heavy Thighs** - Developed from climbing mountains and jumping down
- Large Heavy Feet** - Hair. Thick pads for grip
- Large Heavy Hands** - Large, thick, webbed with the wrist

### NAMES FOR BIGFOOT RELATIVES AROUND THE WORLD

- SASQUATCH
- SKUNK APE
- YETI
- YOWIE
- ALMAS
- WENDIGO
- YEREN



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# Announcements

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# 2022 National Outdoor Ethics & Conservation Conference

NOVEMBER 10-13

Bert Adams Scout Camp, Georgia

*Where education meets  
adventure!*



<http://outdoorethics-bsa.org/Conference2022>

# Upcoming Master Educator Courses



- **FULL:** April 29-May 1, May 12-15 – Baltimore Area Council, MD
  - <http://www.baltimorebsa.org/leave-no-trace/50513>
- May 17-22 – Grand Canyon Council, AZ
  - <https://scoutingevent.com/010-Intmastercourse>
- August 14-20 – Northern Tier, MN
  - <https://www.ntier.org/training/>
- October 7-12 – Philmont, NM
  - <https://www.philmontscoutranch.org/philmonttreks/secondseasonprograms/leavenotrace/>

**Check [outdoorethics-bsa.org](http://outdoorethics-bsa.org) for updates!**

# Need help?

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If you're looking for help with Outdoor Ethics or Conservation in your Council and don't know who to go to, the Program Operations team is here to help!

Send an email to [programops@outdoorethics-bsa.org](mailto:programops@outdoorethics-bsa.org) to let us know which council you're in and how we can help you. We'll be happy to connect you with someone who can help you.

# Reflection

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## Back from the Argentine

“When dandelions have set the mark of May on Wisconsin pastures, it is time to listen for the final proof of spring. Sit down on a tussock, cock your ears at the sky, dial out the bedlam of meadowlarks and redwings, and soon you may hear it: the flight-song of the upland plover, just now back from the Argentine.”



Excerpt from “May: Back from the Argentine” in *A Sand County Almanac*  
by Aldo Leopold





# Questions?

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Please share your feedback on this roundtable at  
<https://tinyurl.com/OECCRT>

Next month's roundtable topic:

**I'm a Council Outdoor Ethics Advocate.  
What do I do now?**