

## 1 Expectations and Purpose

- ❖ It is not reasonable to expect that every Scout will be able to attend every High Adventure Outing.
- ❖ The primary purpose of this presentation is to present the opportunity far enough in advance to provide a reasonable amount of time in which to properly evaluate the opportunity, assess the financial requirements and make a decision to participate.

## 2 CODE of CONDUCT

- ❖ This is an Official BSA outing. It will be conducted in strict accordance with the policies of the BSA, with particular emphasis on Youth Protection and the Guide to Safe Scouting.
- ❖ All participants will be expected to conduct themselves in accordance with the Scout Oath and Law. No Exceptions.

## 3 WHY HIGH ADVENTURE?

- ❖ High Adventure is the rocket fuel of Scouting
- ❖ High Adventure provides experiences outside normal everyday Scouting
- ❖ High Adventure provides experiences that are useful in normal everyday life
- ❖ High Adventure requires planning and preparation
- ❖ High Adventure provides the incentive to learn new skills and refine old ones
- ❖ The High Adventure trip is the the payoff for the preparation, planning and skill development

## 4 WHY MAUI?

- ❖ Because:
  - ❖ It is a long way from home
  - ❖ The culture is different
  - ❖ The climate is different
  - ❖ The stuff available to do is different
  - ❖ It is a relatively safe place
  - ❖ There is nowhere else within the USA that has these things
  - ❖ There are few unknown risks

## 5 RISKS?? THERE ARE RISKS???

- ❖ Distance from home
- ❖ Travel
- ❖ Tropical environment
- ❖ Different culture
- ❖ The OCEAN
  - ❖ Critters
  - ❖ Surf

## 6 WHO GOES?

- ❖ Registered, Active Scouts
  - ❖ Currently Registered
  - ❖ Active
    - ❖ Advancing in Rank
    - ❖ Attends most, if not all, Troop functions
    - ❖ Trustworthy
  - ❖ In at least 8<sup>th</sup> Grade at time of trip (7<sup>th</sup> grade now)
  - ❖ Swimming Merit Badge is Required
  - ❖ Lifesaving Merit Badge very highly desired
  - ❖ BSA Lifeguard also highly desired

7  LEADERS?

- ❖ Registered, Active, Trained Leaders (RAT)
  - ❖ Registered - very soon (like how about NOW??)
  - ❖ Active; has a firm track record of –
    - ❖ Active participation in campouts, meetings and fund-raisers
    - ❖ Knowledge and demonstrated acceptance of the Program
    - ❖ Being a team player
    - ❖ Putting the interests of the group ahead of their personal interests
    - ❖ Demonstrated ability to deal with the stress of a long trip away from home
    - ❖ Not some one that is active solely to go on this trip
  - ❖ Colorado Veteran

8  LEADERS (cont.)?

- ❖ Trained
  - ❖ Youth Protection (online)
  - ❖ Fast Start
  - ❖ Leader-Specific
  - ❖ Outdoor Leader Skills (Scheduled for March 28-30, 2008)
- ❖ **BSA Lifeguards – as many as possible (2 right now)**
- ❖ Must meet swimming requirements to enter the ocean
- ❖ Being a swimmer is not required to be on the trip as a Leader
- ❖ The selection of Leaders for the trip will be based upon their ability to enhance the trip for the youth.
- ❖ There is no guarantee that every leader that signs up will be selected for the trip.

9  ANYBODY ELSE? - NO

- ❖ This is an Official BSA Outing
- ❖ This is **NOT** a family vacation
- ❖ Aren't parents **ALWAYS** welcome on trips?
  - ❖ Yes, with some exceptions
  - ❖ The exception here is that they must be RAT
  - ❖ We are going so far from home that this constitutes a High Adventure Trip
  - ❖ The Scouts and Leaders must know each other well, know what to expect from each other, and be able to unconditionally, unhesitatingly, depend on each other.
  - ❖ Knowledge and demonstrated acceptance of the Scouting Program is required

10  WHAT? I need to know how to Swim?

- ❖ Roger that. ....
- ❖ BSA Swimmer test for ALL Scouts going on the Trip
- ❖ BSA Swimmer test for all Leaders going into the ocean
- ❖ Is the BSA Swimmer Test all I need to know about swimming?

11  NO – That's not all folks!

- ❖ All Scouts (and leaders that plan to snorkel) will need to qualify for the BSA Snorkeling badge
- ❖ **ADDITIONALLY** - *"The surf swimming environment of wave action, currents, tides, undertow, runouts, and sea pests like stinging jellyfish requires precautions for safe swimming that aren't necessary in other environments. A swimmer's physical condition is very important and should enable a swimmer to recover footing in waves, **swim vigorously for at least five minutes without becoming exhausted** and remain calm when faced with unexpected conditions"* The Guide to Safe Scouting, 1999.

12  WHEN and HOW LONG?

- ❖ Friday, March 6, 2009 to Saturday March 14
- ❖ 9 calendar days
  - ❖ 7 days and nights on Maui
  - ❖ 1 night in transit home
  - ❖ Possibly one night (Thursday, March 5) in Omaha

13  WHAT IS IT GONNA COST?

- ❖ Preliminary Cost Detail
  - ❖ Airfare - \$900 (dependent on world oil prices and departure city)
  - ❖ Lodging - \$140 - \$183 (7 nights – depends on the number of persons)
  - ❖ Food - \$75 (this might change based on the number on the trip)
  - ❖ Snorkel Cruise - \$106 (kids under 16 half price)
  - ❖ Van Rental - \$100 (based on 6 persons per van plus gas & parking)
  - ❖ Luau - \$93
  - ❖ America II Cruise - \$42
  - ❖ Boogie Board Rental (shared among 3) \$9
  - ❖ Snorkel Gear Rental (\$23 optional – recommend you bring your own)

14  WHAT IS IT GONNA COST?

- ❖ For those under 16
  - ❖ \$1,412 to \$1,477
- ❖ For those 16 and over
  - ❖ \$1,465 to \$1,530

15  How does that compare with 2006?

- ❖ Comparison Cost Detail
  - ❖ Airfare - \$900 (746.75) – UP \$153.25
  - ❖ Lodging - \$140 - \$183 (\$110.00) – UP \$30 to \$73
  - ❖ Food - \$75 (\$57.58) – UP \$17.42
  - ❖ Snorkel Cruise - \$106 - NO CHANGE
  - ❖ Van Rental - \$100 (\$66.35) - UP \$33.65
  - ❖ Luau - \$93 (\$88.44) – UP \$4.56
  - ❖ America II Cruise - \$42 (\$29.29 rented entire vessel) – UP 12.71
  - ❖ Boogie Board Rental (shared among 3) \$9 (12) - UP \$3
  - ❖ Snorkel Gear Rental (\$23 optional) NO CHANGE
- ❖ For those under 16
  - ❖ \$1,412 to \$1,477 (\$1,153.51) UP \$258 to \$323
- ❖ For those 16 and over
  - ❖ \$1,465 to \$1,530 (\$1,206.55) UP \$258 to \$323

16  HOW FIRM IS THAT COST ESTIMATE?

- ❖ Factors Affecting Cost
  - ❖ World Oil Prices (\$ unknown)
    - ❖ Potential large impact on airline costs
    - ❖ Airline tickets are the first thing we have to pay for
    - ❖ Airline reservations 350 days in advance
  - ❖ Number of persons on the trip
    - ❖ Lodging
    - ❖ Vehicle rental
    - ❖ Food cost

17  WHEN DO I NEED TO PAY?

- ❖ First Payment – Early April 2008
  - ❖ ~\$990
    - ❖ Covers camp deposit and airline ticket
- ❖ Second Payment - September 2008
  - ❖ Up to \$250
    - ❖ Old Lahaina Luau
    - ❖ Trilogy Tours - Discover Molokini Snorkel Cruise
    - ❖ Snorkel gear (reservation only)
    - ❖ America II Trade Winds Cruise
- ❖ February 2009
  - ❖ Up to \$300
    - ❖ Food, van, camp fee, gear

18  SHOULD I BRING SOME CASH?

- ❖ Yes – how much depends on what you want to buy
- ❖ You will be responsible for 5-6 meals out-of pocket; plan for \$6-\$8 per meal (airlines and airports)
- ❖ \$50 is a reasonable amount for other snacks and souvenirs
- ❖ \$100 total is a reasonable amount of cash to take

## 19 Pre-Trip Timeline

- ❖ Summer 2007 - Swimming Merit Badge
- ❖ October 2007 – Wreath Sales “Fire Up” presentation
- ❖ December 2007 – Maui Presentation and “Interest Only” signup
- ❖ January 2008 – Further define costs based on initial signup
- ❖ March 2008 - Confirm Camp reservations
- ❖ April 2008
  - ❖ Final Signup and Initial Payment (~\$990 to cover airline cost and camp deposit)
  - ❖ Purchase Airline Tickets
  - ❖ Van rental reservations
- ❖ Summer 2008
  - ❖ Lifesaving Merit Badge
  - ❖ BSA Lifeguard

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- ❖ September 2008
  - ❖ Reservations and interim payment (up to \$250)
    - ❖ Old Lahaina Luau
    - ❖ Trilogy Tours - Discover Molokini Snorkel Cruise
    - ❖ Snorkel gear (reservation only)
    - ❖ America II Trade Winds Cruise
- ❖ January 2009
  - ❖ BSA Snorkeling & Swim Check - Community Center
- ❖ February 2009
  - ❖ Final Payment (up to \$300)
    - ❖ Food, van, camp fee, gear
  - ❖ Class III Physical forms due

## 21 The Trip

- ❖ Friday, March 6, 2009
  - ❖ Depart Madison at 6:30 am
  - ❖ Leave from Sioux Falls Airport at 9:00 am
  - ❖ Change planes in Minneapolis
  - ❖ Change planes in Seattle
  - ❖ Arrive in Kahului Maui at 5:00 pm (10:00pm at home)
- ❖ Saturday, March 7, 2007
  - ❖ Trip to the top of Mt. Haleakala – 10,216 ft
  - ❖ Snorkel at Kapalua Bay

## 22 The Trip

- ❖ Sunday, March 8, 2009
  - ❖ Snorkeling at Black Rock
  - ❖ Boogie Boarding at DT Fleming State Beach
- ❖ Monday, March 9, 2009
  - ❖ Snorkel cruise on Trilogy VI
  - ❖ Shopping in Lahaina (1800’s Whaling Center)
- ❖ Tuesday, March 10, 2009
  - ❖ Beach Time - More Fun!
- ❖ Wednesday, March 11, 2009
  - ❖ Beach Time - More Fun!

## 23 The Trip

- ❖ Thursday, Sunday, March 12, 2009

- ❖ Beach Time - More Fun!
- ❖ Old Lahaina Luau in evening
- ❖ Friday, March 13, 2009
  - ❖ Morning Beach Time - More Fun!
  - ❖ Pack and clean
  - ❖ Arrive at airport at about 7 PM
  - ❖ Overnight flight – change planes in Seattle at about 6 AM
- ❖ Saturday, March 14, 2009
  - ❖ Arrive in Sioux Falls at about 10 AM
- ❖ The rest of your life
  - ❖ Remember the fun times and fellowship on Maui
  - ❖ Plan to return

## 24 Equipment

- ❖ Fleece sleeping bag or equivalent, pillow, teddy bear
- ❖ Flashlight or headlamp
- ❖ Snorkel, mask & fins (best to own)
- ❖ Wetsuit (not required, but very desirable)
- ❖ Sunglasses (absolutely, positively, mandatory)
- ❖ Sunscreen (SPF 1,000,000)

## 25 Other Stuff

- ❖ Shorts (2 pair)
- ❖ Long pants/socks (for flight out an back)
- ❖ Underwear (enough to have one clean pair for the trip home!)
- ❖ Class B uniforms (2-3)
- ❖ Class A uniform (for the flight out and back)
- ❖ Sandals/Crocs
- ❖ Water shoes (not required but a good idea)
- ❖ 2 swimsuits (will want one that will fit under a wetsuit)
- ❖ Hat
- ❖ Beach towel and shower towel (not the same one)
- ❖ Toiletries
- ❖ Light jacket
- ❖ CAMERA!!!!

## 26 Packing

- ❖ Pack all your stuff in two bags:
  - ❖ 1 Carry-on
    - ❖ Fits under the seat in front of you or in the overhead bin
    - ❖ Electronics, books, games, etc.
    - ❖ 1 Class B shirt & 1 pair of shorts
  - ❖ 1 large duffel – max weight 50 lbs.
    - ❖ Everything else
    - ❖ A “wheelie bag” is real nice

## 27 Airport Security

- ❖ Have photo ID available
  - ❖ (if you do not have one, get one)
- ❖ NO JOKING AROUND
- ❖ Follow ALL instructions promptly, fully and cheerfully
  - ❖ From the Leaders
  - ❖ From the TSA Agents
  - ❖ From Airline personnel
- ❖ Keep your baggage with you at all times.

❖ IF YOU GET DETAINED BECAUSE OF SOMETHING YOU HAVE, SAID OR DID, YOU ARE ON YOUR OWN – GOOD LUCK!

28  **In Flight**

- ❖ Follow all instructions immediately – pay attention
- ❖ Long Pants (it may be snowing when we leave)
- ❖ Class A Uniform
- ❖ Shoes/Crocs & socks
- ❖ Electronics (especially a headset for the movie...)
- ❖ Carry-on bag
  - ❖ Class B, shorts (hot when we get there/lost luggage)

29  **THE END**

- ❖ An “Interest Only” Sign-up Sheet is available on the table.
- ❖ QUESTIONS??