Dear Parents:

The Annual Klondike Winter Campout is coming up the weekend of March 4-6 in Gould. This is a great opportunity for your Scout to practice winter camping skills, and they all have a great time, PROVIDED, they are prepared for camping in extreme conditions. New Scouts without prior camping experience are encouraged to sit this one out. This is not a good choice for your first Scout campout!



We will be having a parent meeting during the Troop

Meeting on February 1<sup>st</sup> to go over equipment requirements and to answer any questions you may have about Klondike. If your scout has not been winter camping before, it is important that you attend this meeting.

Good, warm clothes are critical to staying comfortable at Klondike. Unfortunately, most of these guys grow out of clothes long before they wear out! Along with the parent meeting, we will be holding the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Troop 188 Clothing/Gear Swap! Donate any good condition outdoor clothing, boots, coats, gloves, hats, etc. that your scout has outgrown and swap them out for new larger equipment! Nothing will be for sale, just a simple Drop and Swap. Get some good quality gear and save some money!

If you have any questions, feel free to give me or any of the troop leaders a call.

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