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2011 Winter Sleepover

19th March, 22 of our Beavers joined 57 Beavers from different Colonies in a sleepover at the <u>Shadow Lake Centre</u>. For some of them, this was their first sleepover. To ensure our Beavers are with a leader they know, we put one of our Colony leaders in each of the eight lodges.



They enjoyed two fun filled days of outdoor activities, crafts, campfire, and making their own snack called bannock (The adjacent photo shows a bannock made on open fire. Older Scouts will learn how it is done). When they arrived they were so excited and started mixing with other Beavers right away.



Even some of our shy and timid Beavers participated enthusiastically in the activities



with no encouragement needed.

Despite couple of minor homesick and over excited episodes, our Beavers behaved very well. They made their own bed and packed their belongings. Some even went to help other Beavers. Some helped comforting Beavers who felt homesick. They all went to bed and slept through without any incident. They washed up and got dressed by themselves with little supervision.

To educate Beavers to appreciate, we asked Beavers to take all they can eat and finish all they have taken. The purpose is to minimise wastage. Most of our Beavers were able to do that.

At the end of each meal, Beavers had to place their used utensils in designated containers for washing, and take turn to wipe the table. They did that willingly. Some even returned the utensils that others left.

Great job Beavers. We are proud of you. Keep it up!

In closing, we would like to thank Lucia (Loretta's mom) and. Mark (Chris' dad) for helping out at this camp; the many of you who had offered to help us; and for your great cooperation at the registration desk. By departing quickly after checking in you showed that you had confidence in your child (children) and our Team. This helps them develop confidence. Thank you!

We will start planning our camp in the 2011-12 Scouting Year soon; look forward to having other wonderful events with you & your beavers again.

