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## SUMMER CAMP 2011



Edward N. Cole Canoe Base  
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## Memories of Cole Canoe Base

### Edward N. Cole Canoe Base

Located approximately three hours north of the City of Detroit, near Alger, Michigan, Edward N. Cole Canoe Base has a history dating back to the mid 1960's. First started out as a rack of canoes sending people out to canoe on the Rifle River and grew to become a full-featured BSA camping facility. In its over 45 year history of offering a summer camp program, it has developed into an outstanding camp thanks to the Boy Scout troops and Venturing crews that come here from across the region and the outstanding staff that work at Cole Canoe Base all summer and year round.

Cole Canoe Base can be for the experienced troop, as well as, the inexperienced troop. Our staff will assist you in all the training necessary to ensure your troop has a safe and outstanding camping experience. The new Scout troop will really have an awesome learning experience and get their program on track for fun and adventure in a true Scouting adventure. The camp also provides experienced Scouts with several canoeing options, including a 50 mile, a 75 mile, and a 100 mile trip. The newest Boy Scout will have an exciting experience at Cole Canoe Base.

#### 2011 Summer Camp Dates

Week 1	June 19 - 25
Week 2	June 26 - July 2
Week 3	July 3 - 9
Week 4	July 10 - 16
Week 5	July 17 - 23
Week 6	July 24 - 30
Week 7	July 31 - Aug 6
Week 8	Aug 7 - 13



*"For the time of his life"*

## PROGRAM FEATURES

### River Rat Rodeo

Our Friday afternoon water carnival on Bosco Lake. The most exciting event of the week; canoe events, rowboat events, war canoe races and rump bumping and so much more!. Most events make use of our special canoes. Your week at Cole Canoe Base prepares your unit for the rodeo.

### "THE CAMPFIRE"

At Cole Canoe Base, there will be absolutely the best closing campfire program you have ever seen - guaranteed. Bring the whole family and your camera and enjoy! Be part of the fun. Please bring a skit or song to share. Don't forget to be at the Cosgro Campfire Arena on Friday evening at 9:00 p.m.!

### Beast Feast

The Beast Feast is a super sized cooking demonstration and camp-wide meal held in the Outdoor Skills Area on Monday evening. Included is the camp-wide cooking contest, one of the best you'll ever see! Just imagine turkey, onion rings, battered mushrooms, cobblers, cakes, Dutch oven stew, hot rock chicken, buffalo stew, roast venison, bread on a stick and much more. Don't forget the pie-eating contest! It's keeps getting better every year! The Beast Feast is HUGE! Don't miss out on any mouthfuls of fun food and just plain good eating.

### Paul Bunyan Lumberjack Festival

Participate in the camp-wide Paul Bunyan Lumberjack Festival featuring lumber camp events. Fun and challenging and everyone wins! This event is held on Thursday evening and is unique, fun, and something you'll talk about all year.

### Fun Food Event

Rootbeer guzzling for the big kids! Pie eating contest, WOW what a mess! Flapjack contest at the Paul Bunyan. Ice Cream Social is still the best!

## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

The Great Lakes Council's 2011 summer program at Cole Canoe Base is sure to have something for your youth! Whether you're looking for a traditional Boy Scout week at camp, a week of rugged river life, or a provisional camp, Cole Canoe Base has it all. Cole is your destination for your total Scout Experience!

- 77+ Merit Badges
- Eco/Con Live!
- Open Swimming, Boating, Shooting Sports
- Broken Paddle Trail
- 1<sup>st</sup> Year Camper Program
- Eagle's Nest
- Hunter's Safety, DNR Certification
- Boater's Safety, DNR Certification
- The Fabulous Beast Feast
- Nature Scavenger Contest
- River Program
- Ice Cream Social
- The Dance Party
- Low Impact Camping Training
- L.O.S.T. (Legendary Outdoor Skills Tournament)
- Canoe Slalom Course
- Crafts on Fire
- Premier Fishing
- Rump Bumping
- BSA Lifeguard
- Snorkeling BSA
- Scuba BSA
- Kayaking BSA
- Climbing & Bouldering
- Mile Swim & Two Mile Swim
- Paintball Course
- UP High Adventure Extreme Trips
- 50, 75, & 100 Mile Canoe Trips
- THE FRIDAY NIGHT CAMPFIRE



*Merit Badges Offered at Cole Canoe Base  
(current as of May 1st, 2010)*

- Archery
- Art
- Archeology
- Astronomy
- Athletics
- Backpacking
- Basketry
- Bird Study
- Bugling
- Camping
- Canoeing
- Cinematography
- Citizenship in the Community
- Citizenship in the Nation
- Citizenship in the World
- Climbing
- Communications
- Composite Materials
- Cooking
- Crime Prevention
- Cycling
- Emergency Preparedness
- Energy
- Entrepreneurship
- Environmental Science
- Fingerprinting
- Fire Safety
- First Aid
- Fish and Wildlife Management
- Fishing
- Fly Fishing
- Forestry
- Geology
- Graphic Arts
- Hiking
- Indian Lore



- Insect Study
- Journalism
- Law
- Leatherwork
- Lifesaving
- Mammal Study
- Medicine
- Model Design
- Motorboating
- Music
- Nature
- Oceanography
- Orienteering
- Personal Fitness
- Personal Management
- Photography
- Pioneering
- Plant Science
- Public Speaking
- Pulp and Paper
- Reptile and Amphibian Study
- Rifle Shooting
- Rowing
- Safety
- Salesmanship
- Sculptures
- Shotgun Shooting
- Small Boat Sailing
- Space Exploration
- Soil and Water Conservation
- Sports
- Swimming
- Theater
- Watersports
- Weather
- Whitewater
- Wilderness Survival
- Woodcarving

