

# Fort Leavenworth, Camping, and Heritage Trail Information Booklet



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**RESPONSIBILITIES**

The agency that has Fort Leavenworth Garrison staff responsibilities for the Boy Scout Program, the maintaining and operating of Camp Miles, maintaining this document current, and overseeing and managing the Heritage Trail is the Director of Community Activities (DCA). The agency within DCA that is delegated these responsibilities is the Director of Child and Youth Services.

The agency that has Fort Leavenworth Garrison responsibility to coordinate for the stockage of Heritage Trail patches and this document for dissemination to interested persons is through the Fort Leavenworth Museum.

The agency that has Fort Leavenworth Garrison responsibility to collect Heritage Trail patches money, provide Heritage Trail patches to participants and provide this document to interested personnel is the Fort Leavenworth Museum. The Boy Scouts' Unit Commissioner or his designated representative will collect money from the Museum and deposit in Boy Scout account (Armed Forces National Bank). The Boy Scouts' Unit Commissioner or his designated representative will also reorder Heritage Trail Patches and provide them to the Fort Leavenworth Museum.

The Fort Leavenworth Boy Scouts' Unit Commissioner along with the Scoutmasters from Troops 66 and 366 are responsible for providing recommended changes to this document. They are also responsible for general maintenance and up-keep of Camp Miles and the Heritage Trail. For those items beyond the Boy Scouts' capabilities, assistance/work will be identified to either the Director of Child and Youth Services or directly to Director of Installation Support (DIS) where a work order will be initiated.

**IMPORTANT CHANGES**

**NEW - BEGINNING JUNE 2001-Fort Leavenworth now requires all vehicles entering the installation have a permanent or temporary Post registration. To obtain temporary Post registration, comply with the following procedures:**

- **Stop at the Front Gate, which is attended by a Military Police/Department of Defense Police/Army Security Guard.**
- **Each vehicle entering the post is subject to search. If you have a trailer, be prepared to open the trailer as well as open the truck/backend of your vehicle/car/truck.**
- **Occupants must present a photo Identification Card, either Federal or State such as a driver's license**
- **The following documentation must be available to present to the Military Police/Department of Defense Police/Army Security Guard (if requested):**
  - **Registration for each vehicle**
  - **Insurance card for each vehicle**
- **Be prepared to spend a few minutes in line getting to the Military Police check point and then spend a few minutes for the Military Police to inspect your vehicle(s) and associated documentation (driver's license, registration, and insurance card).**

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**Acronyms**

ATTN	Attention of
CAC	Combined Arms Center
CGSC	Command and General Staff College
DCA	Director of Community Activities
FDIC	Futures Development and Integration Center
FLV	Fort Leavenworth
Ft	Fort
MP	Military Police
MWR	Morale, Welfare, and Recreation
POC	Point of Contact
SDO	Staff Duty Officer
TRADOC	Training and Doctrine Command
USA	United States Army
USDB	United States Disciplinary Barracks

**Checklist for Camping at Fort Leavenworth:**

<b>Form or service</b>	<b>Reference: Page #</b>	<b>Mail to:</b>	<b>Fax number</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>POC Telephone #/email</b>
Application Form	21-22	Department of the Army; Child and Youth Services (DCA); 600 Thomas Avenue, Unit 2; Fort Leavenworth, KS 66027-1417	913-684-1657	No	Julia Dalton, 913-684-1653
Risk Assessment	27-30	Department of the Army; Child and Youth Services (DCA); 600 Thomas Avenue, Unit 2; Fort Leavenworth, KS 66027-1417	913-684-1657	No	Julia Dalton, 913-684-1653
Patch Purchase	14, 23-24	Fort Leavenworth Museum; ATTN: Gift Shop; PO Box 3356; Fort Leavenworth, Kansas 66027	913-651-7440	Cost of Patches	
Gym Request	6	DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY; Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR); Harney Gym; 185 Fourth Street, Building 664; Fort Leavenworth, KS 66027-1417		User Fee	913-684-2187
Participation in Flag Ceremony	14			No	MP Station, 913-684-3528
Camp Miles Shelter Request	15	Department of the Army; Child and Youth Services (DCA); 600 Thomas Avenue, Unit 2; Fort Leavenworth, KS 66027-1417	913-684-1657	No	Julia Dalton, 913-684-1653

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**SECTION I**  
**General information**

**1. Fort Leavenworth**

Colonel Henry Leavenworth established Fort Leavenworth in 8 May 1827. The fort is the oldest active military installation west of the Mississippi River. Originally established to protect the wagon trains proceeding to New Mexico along the Santa Fe Trail and maintain peace among the Indians, Fort Leavenworth has had many roles in its history. Today it is the home of the United States Army Combined Arms Center and the United States Disciplinary Barracks. The US Army Combined Arms Center major activities are: the US Army Command and General Staff College (CGSC); the Training and Doctrine Command's (TRADOC) Deputy Chief of Staff for Training-West; the Futures Development and Integration Center (FDIC); and the Garrison Command.

- b. The Post has many historical sites and buildings located within its boundaries. Examples are:
- The Fort Leavenworth Museum has one of the largest and finest collections of pioneer vehicles in the United States.
  - Buried at the Fort Leavenworth National Cemetery are more than 22,000 veterans including Captain Thomas W. Custer, the brother of George A. Custer and recipient of two Medals of Honor,
  - The cut where branches of the Oregon and Santa Fe trails began is located on the Post as well as many of the buildings, which were built during the early years of Fort Leavenworth.

**2. Visiting Fort Leavenworth**

a. Prior to your arrival:

(1) Camping and Heritage Trail registration: If your unit or group wishes to visit Fort Leavenworth, please complete the request form and RISK ASSESSMENT WORKSHEET in Annex A. The forms should be returned to the address shown below not later than two weeks prior to the date you wish to visit Fort Leavenworth. Reservations will not be made for any units or groups until the completed form is received at Fort Leavenworth. Mail your request to:

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
CHILD AND YOUTH SERVICES  
Directorate of Community Activities  
600 Thomas Avenue Unit 2  
Fort Leavenworth, KS 66027-1417

**NOTE: Director of Youth Service POC is Julia Dalton. You may fax your request and RISK ASSESSMENT WORKSHEET to her at 913-684-1657. You may also send by email to: [Julia.Dalton@leavenworth.army.mil](mailto:Julia.Dalton@leavenworth.army.mil) or call to verify receipt of Fax at 913-684-1653.**

(2) Upon receipt of your request, if your unit/group is staying overnight, a campsite will be reserved for your unit/group. A letter or email of confirmation with the above information and other pertinent data will be sent to you.

b. Additional information:

(1) All units or groups must be accompanied by competent adult leadership (over 21 years old) at a ration of one leader for ten youths.

(2) Adults and scouts are strongly recommended to review the historical data in this booklet prior to their arrival at Fort Leavenworth.

(3) Boy Scouts units must always maintain two deep adult leadership at all times.

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3. Non-camping overnight stay at Fort Leavenworth (enroute to another destination or while visiting Fort Leavenworth).

a. Fort Leavenworth is a garrison type installation and does not have vacant barracks space, which can be used by scouting groups desiring to stay overnight. Such groups will be billeted in the gymnasium if operational requirements allow. The gymnasium has latrines and shower facilities for both male and female personnel. There is a **USER FEE** for the use of the gymnasium. Call 913-684-2187 to coordinate for use of the gymnasium.

b. Scouting groups desiring to stay overnight (non-camping) at Fort Leavenworth will submit a letter of request. The following information will be included in the letter.

- (1) Unit designation, hometown or city, and state.
- (2) Number of individuals in the group, male and female.
- (3) Destination enroute to.
- (4) Date and time of arrival at Fort Leavenworth (time should be as accurate as possible).
- (5) Date and time of departure from Fort Leavenworth.
- (6) Group point of contact (name and address).
- (7) Name of individual who will be in charge of group during trip.

c. Requests to stay overnight (non-camping) at Fort Leavenworth will be sent to:

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR)  
Harney Gym  
185 Fourth Street, Building 664  
Fort Leavenworth, KS 66027-1417

d. On receipt of the request, availability of the gym for the date desired will be determined. If available, the gym will be scheduled for your group and a letter of confirmation will be sent to you.

e. While staying in the gymnasium, the following guidelines must be strictly adhered to.

- (1) Scout leader(s) must remain with their charges at all times.
- (2) Smoking is permitted only in designated areas.
- (3) Equipment in gym area can be used with supervision of scout leader(s).
- (4) Horseplay, which jeopardizes equipment or the physical plant, must not be permitted.
- (5) All doors and windows must be secured and lights turned off when leaving the gym.
- (6) No food or beverages allowed in the gymnasium.

(7) Before departing Fort Leavenworth the gymnasium and other areas within the building must be returned to its original order by disposing of trash in available containers and ensuring that all personal items are removed.

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4. Arrival at Fort Leavenworth

a. When you arrive at Fort Leavenworth stop at the information booth near the main gate or the security checkpoint. See inside of cover for instructions to enter Fort Leavenworth.

b. The following telephone numbers are provided in case you need assistance or additional information.

(1) Director of Youth Services: (913) 684-5121/3850

(2) Military Police: (913) 684-2111 (Military Police desk is located in MAGLIN HALL, Building 320, 420 McPherson, located at the corner of McPherson and McClellan).

(3) Staff Duty Officer: (913) 684-4154

(4) Harney Gym: (913) 684-2187

5. Safety Precautions

a. Tornado Watch or Severe Weather

(1) When a Tornado Watch is issued for Fort Leavenworth, the Military Police will dispatch a patrol to alert you of impending weather conditions. Upon notified, you should extinguish all fires and proceed immediately to your assigned shelter, the basement of the 705<sup>th</sup> Military Police Battalion, Building 429, corner of McPherson and Bluntville Roads. The 705<sup>th</sup> MP Building is located directly across the street from the former United States Disciplinary Building (USDB).

(2) The Military Police will also notify you of any impending severe weather (thunderstorms, high winds, etc.). Upon notification of such impending weather, your unit/group should extinguish all fires, secure your equipment, and proceed to your vehicles. Wait until the storm has passed or you are notified by the Military Police to do something else.

b. Off Limit Areas. Fort Leavenworth has numerous areas, which are "Off Limits" or "Restricted." These areas should not be entered for any reason. Some of these areas are:

(1) Firing Range (pistol and rifle)

(2) U.S. Disciplinary Barracks (USDB) local Police Unit and USDB Trustee Area.

(3) Missouri River (that includes no boating, swimming, or fishing in the river)

(4) Missouri Pacific Railroad tracks and right-of-way.

(5) From October through the middle of January is hunting season. The area around Camps Miles and Conestoga is designated for use by hunters. During this time period, extra caution must be exercised to stay within the confines of the Camps, or on the Heritage Trail, or in the main housing/office areas of main post.

c. Ammunition and Explosive Devices. Fort Leavenworth has numerous areas, which are, or at some time in its history were, used for combat training. These areas are located throughout the entire Post. In these locations, ammunition (i.e., mortar rounds, cannon shells, artillery simulators, trip flares) are sometimes discovered by individuals. If any members of your unit/group find anything unusual in nature, which may or may not be ammunition or an explosive device, **DO NOT TOUCH OR DISTURB IT.** Immediately contact the Military Police, Phone 684-2111, and give them the location of the object. **KEEP**

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**ALL PERSONS AWAY FROM THE OBJECT UNTIL THE MILITARY POLICE ARRIVE AT THE LOCATION.**

d. Snakes. Fort Leavenworth has an abundance of wildlife, including several varieties of poisonous snakes. The species found at Fort Leavenworth include the Timber, Prairie and Diamond-backed Rattlesnake; the cottonmouth, and the most common poisonous snake in the area, the Copperhead. The timid Copperhead can be found in a wide range of terrain, from dry timber piles in wooded areas to along riverbanks and swampy areas. The Copperhead is a good climber and very adapt at camouflaging itself in shrubs or bushes. Although no one has been bitten by a poisonous snake at Fort Leavenworth, it is strongly recommended that the following precautions be accomplished before and during your visit to Fort Leavenworth.

(1) Familiarize members of your unit/group with the various species of snakes indigenous to the area.

(2) Insure members of your unit/group know the proper procedure to treat snakebites.

(3) Wear proper clothing when camping and hiking in the woods.

(4) Stay alert for snakes and avoid stepping in places, which might be possible snake dens.

e. Campfires. All the campsites at Camp Miles have numerous trees located within them. Campfires will cause damage to the tree foliage. Use only the campfire circles already established. Do not build additional campfire sites. When campfires are not being used, make sure that they are completely out (extinguished).

f. Beginning September 2002, visiting organizations are required to conduct a RISK ASSESSMENT, review or update or complete and sign the form found in Annex A, and return to Director of Youth Services POC, Julia Dalton, fax: 913-684-1657.



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**SECTION II**  
**Post Facilities and Services**

1. Emergency Numbers

a. While at Fort Leavenworth, in case of an emergency situation only, members of your unit/group may be contacted through the:

Military Police Desk Sergeant  
Phone: (913) 684-2111

(Military Police desk is located in MAGLIN HALL, Building 320, 420 McPherson, located at the corner of McPherson and McClellan.)

or

Fort Leavenworth Staff Duty Officer (SDO)  
Phone: (913) 684-4154

An individual calling for a member of your unit/group should know and provide the member's name, troop number and city, unit/group leader's name and campsite where unit/group is staying.

b. If you have an emergency while at Fort Leavenworth, listed below are telephone numbers where you, may receive assistance.

(1) Fire Station	911
(2) Ambulance	911
(3) Staff Duty Officer	4-4154

2. Medical Care. Medical assistance/care is available at Cushing Hospital in the city of Leavenworth. Cushing is located at 711 Marshall. Directions to Cushing Hospital are: Depart Fort Leavenworth on *Grant Avenue* going south through the main gate; Turn right (west) on *Metropolitan*; Go one block and turn left (south) on *Broadway*; travel approximately 1.2 miles to the stop light at the intersection of *Broadway and Spruce*; Turn left (east) on *Spruce*; Go one block and turn right on *6<sup>th</sup> Avenue*; Go two blocks...the hospital is on your left. Cushing Hospital's non-emergency telephone number is 684-1100. Cushing Hospital's emergency services are 684-1144. **REMEMBER-FOR LIFE-THREATENING EMERGENCIES (HEALTH, FIRE, RESCUE, ETC) CALL 911**

3. Fort Leavenworth Museum. The museum has one of the largest and finest collections of pioneer vehicles in the United States. The carriage used by Abraham Lincoln to drive from Atchison to Leavenworth while campaigning for presidency in 1859 is on display in the museum. Also, there is a sleigh that once belonged to the George Armstrong Custer's family. A 1790 Conestoga wagon heads the list of many "prairie Schooners" on view. Other attraction displays portray more than a century of the history of the Army in the West. The Fort Leavenworth Museum and the Museum Gift Shop are open every day of the year except Easter, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day. The hours of operation are:

<b><u>Monday thru Friday</u></b>	9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
<b><u>Saturday</u></b>	10:00 AM to 4:00 PM
<b><u>Sunday</u></b>	12:00 PM to 4:00 PM
<b><u>Major Federal Holidays</u></b>	Closed

The Museum Gift Shop has on sale the Fort Leavenworth Heritage trail Patch and other souvenirs. Since the gift shop is small, it is requested you limit the number of scouts in the gift shop at one time.

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4. Snack Bars/Food Establishments. While at Fort Leavenworth, your unit/group may, if desired, patronize either of Fort Leavenworth's snack bars and food establishments.

a. The Bowling Center LaCANTINA (651-2195). Located behind the main shopping area (Post Exchange) and Harney Gym.

<b><u>Monday thru Friday</u></b>	1100-2200
<b><u>Saturday</u></b>	1300-2200
<b><u>Sunday</u></b>	1300-1600

b. Golf Club, Trail West Golf Course (651-7893)

<b><u>Monday</u></b>	1000-Dusk
<b><u>Tuesday thru Friday</u></b>	0900-Dusk
<b><u>Saturday thru Sunday</u></b>	0700-Dusk

c. Post Exchange Complex, Building 685, on the corner of Kansas Avenue and 3rd Street, Franks' Frank and Pretzel Mania

<b><u>Monday thru Sunday</u></b>	1030-1500
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d. Post Exchange Complex, Building 685, on the corner of Kansas Avenue and 3rd Street, Anthony's Pizza (682-3278)

<b><u>Monday thru Sunday</u></b>	1030-1900
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e. Post Exchange Complex, Building 685, on the corner of Kansas Avenue and 3rd Street, Robin Hood Deli (651-7272)

<b><u>Monday thru Sunday</u></b>	1030-1500
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f. Post Exchange Complex, Building 685, on the corner of Kansas Avenue and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Taco Bell (682-3278)

<b><u>Monday thru Saturday</u></b>	1030-1930
<b><u>Sunday</u></b>	1100-1900

g. Burger King, Kansas Avenue and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street (651-9511)

<b><u>Monday thru Friday</u></b>	0630-2000
<b><u>Saturday</u></b>	0730-2000
<b><u>Sunday</u></b>	0800-1800

5. Post Theater. The Fort Leavenworth Post Theater is located on Grant Avenue (375 Grant Avenue/Building 27). Your unit/group may attend the theater while staying on Fort Leavenworth to purchase tickets; your unit/group leader must give to the ticket seller a complete list by name of all members attending the movie performance. All members attending the movie must be accompanied by an adult (21 years or older). The theater is open:

<b><u>Friday</u></b>	7:00 PM
<b><u>Saturday</u></b>	7:00 PM
<b><u>Sunday-Thursdays</u></b>	Closed

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6. Post Chapel Services. Visiting scouting units/groups are invited to attend chapel services while at Fort Leavenworth. Services are held at the times and locations below:

Protestant	Post Chapel	8:30 AM, Sunday 11:30 AM, Sunday (Aug-May ONLY)
Catholic	Post Chapel	5:00 PM, Saturday; 9:55 AM, Sunday
	Memorial Chapel	11:45 AM, Mon-Fri
Lutheran	Memorial Chapel	8:30 AM, Sunday
Episcopal	Memorial Chapel	10:00 AM, Sunday
Jewish	Post Chapel	7:00 PM, 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Fridays

7. Post Exchange, Building 685, on the corner of Kansas Avenue and 3rd Street Patronage of the Post Exchange, Four Seasons Store, and contract specialty stores is AUTHORIZED ONLY for members of visiting units/groups who have a valid Military ID Card or Military Dependent Privilege ID Card.

8. Recreation Facilities. Although Fort Leavenworth has numerous recreation facilities, use of these facilities by visiting units/groups is LIMITED to the following:

a. Pool (outdoors only). Your unit/group may use the pool, when opened during the summer season. This open use is subject to capacity limits and closed swimming sessions. The cost is \$2.00 per person.

b. Bowling Center. Visiting units/groups may patronize the Bowling Center ONLY during open bowling and ONLY on space available basis.

c. Gymnasiums: **Harney Sports Complex** and **Gruber Fitness Center** are equipped for handball, racquetball, squash, basketball, volleyball, exercise, aerobics, free weights and Life Fitness. A co-ed sauna, along with a massage therapist and personal trainer, are available at Gruber Fitness Center. Also, all contracted classes are located in Gruber. Harney has two gyms, racquetball courts and an indoor pool. No fitness equipment is available at Harney.

GRUBER FITNESS CENTER  
200 Reynolds  
Monday-Friday, 0500-2000  
Saturday, Sunday & Holidays, 0800-1800

HARNEY SPORTS COMPLEX  
185 Fourth Street  
Monday-Friday, 0530-2100

d. Outdoor Tennis Courts and Basketball Courts: Open year round.

9. **Housing Areas. While at Fort Leavenworth, we hope you enjoy the stay and the use of our facilities that are open to you. For consideration of families and family members, we request that you do not wander through the housing areas. If you have any questions please contact the Military Police or Staff Duty Officer (both available 24 hours per day).**

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**SECTION III**  
**The Heritage Trail**

**1. The Fort Leavenworth Heritage Trail.**

a. The Fort Leavenworth Heritage Trail was established in 1973 to emphasize Americanism and the role of Fort Leavenworth and Kansas in American history. The trail is sponsored by the Fort Leavenworth Scout organization with assistance from the Fort Leavenworth Military Post and the Fort Leavenworth Historical Society. The Heritage Trail is open to the public. However, Fort Leavenworth offers camping areas only to Boy Scouts/Girl Scouts units or other approved groups of comparable age regardless of race, color, or creed.

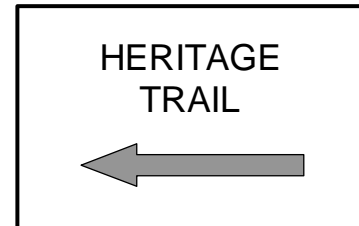
b. The Heritage Trail has two routes, which can be followed. Both routes start and end at Camp Miles. The short route is 6-miles in length and covers only the Main Post area. The long route is 13-miles in length. This route winds around the Post and covers not only the Main Post but leads to old historical sites located in the forest areas of Fort Leavenworth. The long route is marked in the wooded areas by trail markers as shown below.



Sign pointing that the trail goes to the right.



Sign pointing that the trail goes straight ahead.



Sign pointing that the trail goes to the left.

c. A map showing the two routes (Annex E) and a narrative description of each Heritage Trail route is located in the back of this booklet (Annexes C and D).

**2. Fort Leavenworth Heritage Trail Patch**

a. The Fort Leavenworth Museum Gift Shop has a Heritage Trail Patch for sale to individuals who qualify. This multi-color patch sells for \$2.50 each (prices subject to change). Museum's hours of operation are:

**Monday-Friday**  
**Saturday**  
**Sunday**

9:00AM-4:00PM  
10:00AM-4:00PM  
12:00AM-4:00PM

b. The purchase of the Heritage Trail patch is limited to those individuals who complete the following qualifications:

(1) Establish and maintain a superior campsite and abide by proper trail manners.

(a) Occupy your reserved visitor site (See Section IV for map of Camp Miles [page 17]).  
(NOTE: The main portion of Camp Miles is permanently reserved for on post Boy Scouts troops.)

(b) Use the Dumpsters (trash container) located at the Riding Stables and throughout Post for your trash.

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- (c) Leave the campsite better than you found it. The next visiting troop will appreciate it.
  - (d) NEVER LEAVE campfires unattended.
  - (e) DO NOT CUT any standing trees or saplings.
- (2) Visit points of interest listed in Annexes C and D of this booklet with particular attention to:
- (a) Post Museum
  - (b) Memorial Chapel
  - (c) Santa Fe and Oregon Trails
  - (d) National Cemetery
- (3) Witness or participate in one retreat ceremony. The ceremony is conducted 5:00 PM daily, at the main flagpole, in front of Bell Hall. Scouts should be present at the flagpole not later than 4:45 PM. Please contact the Military Police Station (684-3528) if you desire to participate in the actual lowering of the colors.
- (4) Complete the Heritage Trail, visiting all of the sites listed in 2b(2) and 2b(3) above. Scouts are expected to complete the Heritage Trail by hiking.
- c. After your unit completes all the required qualifications in 2b above, you are authorized to purchase Heritage Trail Patches for those qualified individuals within your unit. To purchase the Heritage Trail Patch, complete the QUALIFICATION CHECKLIST FOR HERITAGE TRAIL PATCH PURCHASE in Annex A, give it and the money for patches desired to the attendant at the Museum Gift Shop. If for some reason, you are unable to purchase the desired patches during your visit to Fort Leavenworth, you may purchase the patches via mail.
- d. To purchase patches via mail, send the completed the QUALIFICATION CHECKLIST FOR HERITAGE TRAIL PATCH PURCHASE found in Annex A and a check or money order to:

Fort Leavenworth Museum  
ATTN: Gift Shop  
PO Box 3356  
Fort Leavenworth, Kansas 66027

Phone: (913) 651-7440

The check or money order should be made payable to the: **Boy Scouts of America.**

**SECTION IV**  
**Boy Scouts' Camp Miles**

1. Location. Camp Miles is located in one of the wooded areas of Fort Leavenworth. Access roads within the camp are dirt. The roads pass within a short distance of each campsite. During inclement weather, the roads become extremely muddy and it is suggested that vehicles be parked in the lot at the entrance to the Girl Scout Camp Conestoga. Pack into Camp Miles on foot. **DO NOT PARK VEHICLES IN THE CAMPSITES. VEHICLES WILL REMAIN ON THE ROAD.**

2. Facilities

a. Fuel. There is a limited supply of deadfall for use in campfires. You may bring and use charcoal and firewood to supplement the available deadfall. If you desire, you may bring and use portable camp stoves for cooking. **DO NOT CUT STANDING TREES OR SAPLINGS.**

b. Water. Located at Camp Miles are water points where your unit/group can get fresh running water. These water points are shown on the Camp Miles map on page 13. Water lines and hydrants are frost-free and are usable to draw water year around. **NOTE: PLEASE DO NOT LET THE WATER CONSTANTLY RUN...PLEASE TURN THE WATER OFF WHEN YOU ARE FINISHED. ADDITIONALLY, PLEASE DO NOT WASH YOUR DISHES AROUND THE WATER POINTS.**

c. Latrines (Toilets). Latrines located at Camp Miles are portable chemical toilets. The chemical toilets are supplied with toilet paper on a fairly regular base. Recommend that troops bring extra toilet paper in case the chemical toilets do not have any. For exact locations, please see the map on page 17.

d. Trash Disposal. A Dempsey Dumpster container is located near the Riding Stables and throughout main post. Please ensure all trash is placed in these containers prior to departing from Fort Leavenworth.

3. Campsites

a. The visiting campsites at Camp Miles are considered primitive campsites. This means campsites are merely a cleared area with water located close by and no latrine facilities except those indicated on the map (page 17). The campsites are mowed periodically to keep the vegetation at an acceptable level for camping.

b. Each campsite has a fire pit located in it. Campfires should only be placed in the fire pits so as not to damage the foliage in the area. Fires should not be left unattended at any time. Ensure your fires are completely extinguished and cold out before departing your campsites.

c. Visiting units/groups are restricted to visitors' campsites. The main area around the flagpole and shelter is permanently reserved for on post Boy Scouts troops.

4. Camp Miles Shelter. Located in the central camp area of Camp Miles is a shelter building. This building has no electrical or water hookups. It does have a fireplace, which can be used. Visiting units/groups may use the building for shelter by coordinating with the local Boy Scout troops leaders through DCA Youth Service POC (Phone 913-684-1653).

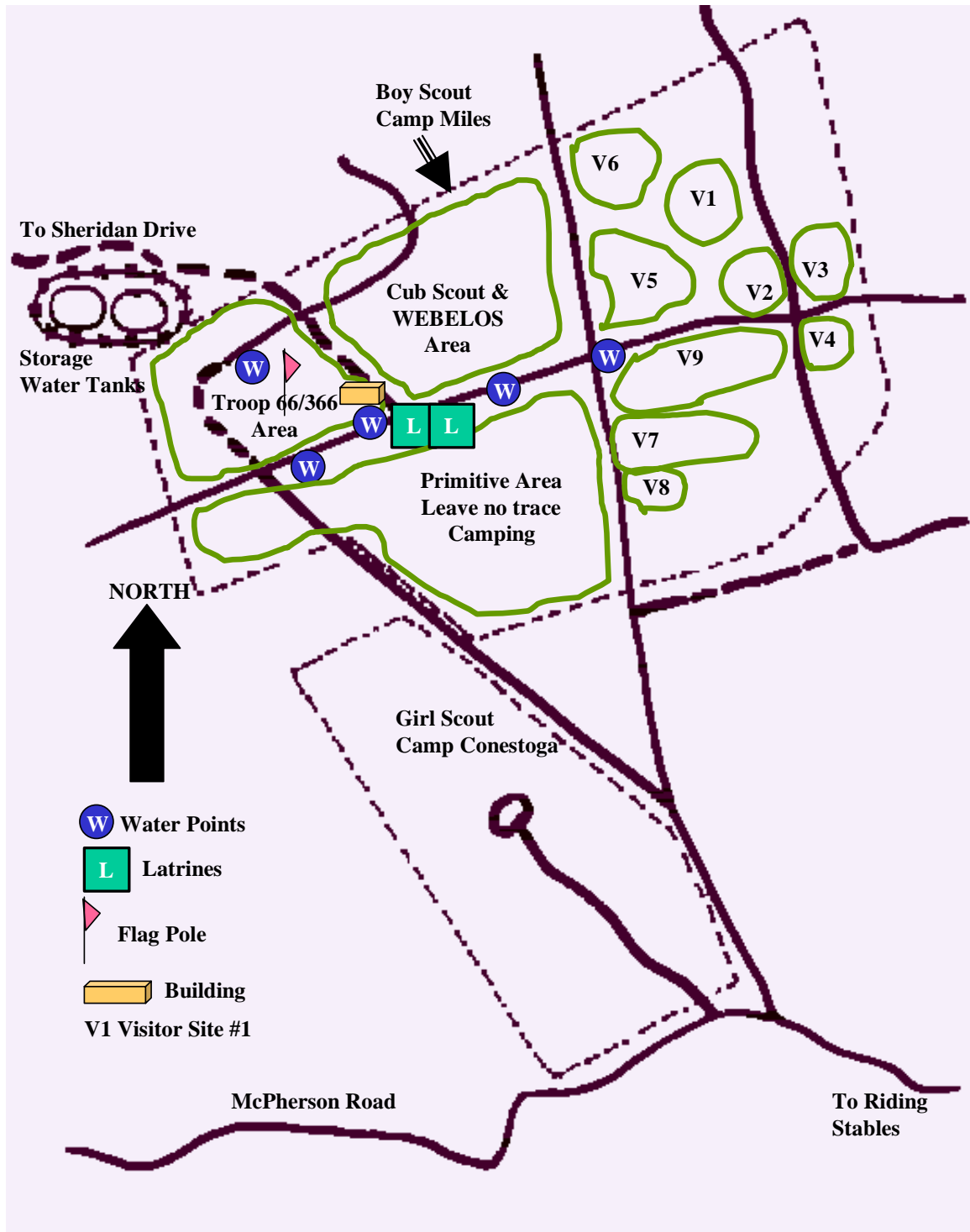
5. Parking. **At Camp Miles, vehicles may be parked along the roadsides only. Do not drive vehicles into campsite to off-load or load.** To preclude damaging campsites, **DO NOT PARK VEHICLES IN CAMPSITES.** During inclement weather, it is highly recommended vehicles be parked on the hardtop entrance to the Girl Scout Camp Conestoga. When wet, the roads of Camp Miles become extremely muddy and vehicles are easily stuck.

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6. Telephone. There is no telephone located at Camp Miles. If telephone calls must be made they can be made from a pay phones locations throughout Fort Leavenworth. If calls are to be made to on post numbers, a military phone can be used at the Military Police station. When dialing, use only the last five numbers of the 684-2111. (Military Police desk is located in MAGLIN HALL, Building 320, 420 McPherson, located at the corner of McPherson and McClellan.)



## CAMP MILES



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Matrix of campsites

Campsite	Number of two-man tents	Campfires circles	Comments
Troop 66/366 area	Check with Boy Scouts Leader	5	Area permanently reserved for on Post Boy Scouts units. Prior coordination is necessary for use.
WEBELOS/Cub Scout area		0	Area permanently reserved for on Post Boy Scouts units. Prior coordination is necessary for use.
Primitive area		0	
Visitor site 1 (V1)	5	0	
Visitor Site 2 (V2)	5	1	
Visitor Site 3 (V3)	5	0	
Visitor Site 4 (V4)	5	0	
Visitor Site 5 (V5)	10	2	
Visitor Site 6 (V6)	8	1	
Visitor Site 7 (V7)	10	1	For large groups, use combination of sites V7, V8, and V9.
Visitor Site 8 (V8)	5	1	
Visitor Site 9 (V9)	15	1	

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**ANNEX A**  
**Forms**

1. Units/groups desiring to visit Fort Leavenworth are requested to complete and return **APPLICATION TO VISIT FORT LEAVENWORTH AND RISK ASSESSMENT WORKSHEET** found in this annex to the address below not later than two weeks prior to desired visit date.

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
CHILD AND YOUTH SERVICES  
Directorate of Community Activities  
600 Thomas Avenue Unit 2  
Fort Leavenworth, KS 66027-1417

or FAX to 913-684-1657

**NOTE: IF THE RISK ASSESSMENT IS MAILED TO DCA, IT WILL NOT BE RETURNED. EACH VISITING UNIT MUST HAVE A COPY OF THEIR SIGNED RISK ASSESSMENT WITH THEM WHILE ON FORT LEAVENWORTH. PLEASE REFER TO THE RISK ASSESSMENT OFTEN DURING YOUR FORT LEAVENWORTH VISIT.**

2. **QUALIFICATION CHECKLIST FOR HERITAGE TRAIL PATCH PURCHASE** found in this annex is required to be completed and turned in to the Fort Leavenworth Museum Gift Shop when your unit/group purchases Heritage Trail Patches.

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**APPLICATION TO VISIT FORT LEAVENWORTH**

BEFORE FURNISHING PERSONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE READ AND SIGN PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT ON THE REVERSE SIDE.

VISITING TROOP NO: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY OR TOWN OF TROOP: \_\_\_\_\_

**POINT OF CONTACT FOR TROOP**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

STREET \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICE PHONE(         ) \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

**CAMPING INFORMATION**

NUMBER OF SCOUTS CAMPING \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF ADULTS CAMPING \_\_\_\_\_

DATE AND TIME OF ARRIVAL \_\_\_\_\_

DATE AND TIME OF DEPARTURE \_\_\_\_\_

ALTERNATE DATES AND TIME \_\_\_\_\_

HAVE YOU HIKEED THE HERITAGE TRAIL WITHIN THE LAST YEAR?

**YES**

**NO**

(IF YES, GIVE MONTH AND YEAR) \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU PLAN TO HIKE THE HERITAGE TRAIL THIS VISIT? **YES** **NO**

DOES YOUR TROOP DESIRE TO CAMP OVERNIGHT AT CAMP MILES?

**YES**

**NO**

DOES YOUR TROOP PLAN TO STAND RETREAT AT 5:00 PM IN FRONT OF BELL HALL?

**YES** **NO** (IF YES, INDICATE BELOW DATES AND TIME) \_\_\_\_\_. DOES YOUR TROOP PLAN TO ASSIST IN THE FLAG RETREAT? IF SO, THE TROOP NEEDS TO BE AT THE FLAG POLE BY 4:30PM TO RECEIVE INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE MPs.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR ANYTHING YOU WANT TO EXPLAIN, USE THIS SPACE.



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**Risk Assessment**  
(Matrix and completion of worksheet)

Each group camping at Camps Miles or Conestoga or hiking the Heritage Trail must complete and submit prior to the event the RISK ASSESSMENT WORKSHEET (see pages 27 through 30). In completing the RISK ASSESSMENT WORKSHEET, Scoutmasters/leaders must become familiar with the RISK ASSESSMENT MATRIX, EFFECT, and PROBABILITY matrices below. Using these matrices will allow the Scoutmasters/leaders to determine whether the event is Extremely High (E) or relatively Low (L).

<b>RISK ASSESSMENT MATRIX</b>						
		<b>PROBABILITY</b>				
Severity		Frequent A	Likely B	Occasional C	Seldom D	Unlikely E
Catastrophic	I	E	E	H	H	M
Critical	II	E	H	H	M	L
Marginal	III	H	M	M	L	L
Negligible	IV	M	L	L	L	L
E-Extremely High Risk H-High Risk			M-Moderate Risk L-Low Risk			

<b>EFFECT</b>	
Catastrophic	Death or permanent total disability and/or major property damage.
Critical	Permanent partial disability, temporary total disability in excess of 3 months, and/or significant property damage.
Marginal	Minor injury, lost workday accident, compensable injury or illness, and/or minor property damage.
Negligible	First aid or minor supportive medical treatment.
<b>PROBABILITY</b>	
Frequent	Individual scout/leader/item: Occurs often during scouting events/during the operations of scout equipment. All personnel: Continuously experienced.
Likely	Individual scout/leader/item: Occurs several times during scouting events/during the operations of scout equipment. All personnel: Occurs frequently.
Occasional	Individual scout/leader/item: Occurs sometimes during scouting events/during the operations of scout equipment. All personnel: Occurs sporadically or several times in inventory life.
Remote	Individual scout/leader/item: Possible to occur during scouting events/during the operations of scout equipment. All personnel: Remote chance of occurrence; expected to occur sometime in inventory service life.
Unlikely	Individual scout/leader/item: Can assume will not occur during scouting events/during the operations of scout equipment. All personnel: Possible but improbable; occurs only very rarely.

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<b>RISK MANAGEMENT WORKSHEET (NOTE: A copy must be sent to DCA prior to your visit, which will not be returned. The unit must have a copy of this Risk Assessment with them while visiting Fort Leavenworth. Please refer to it often during your visit.)</b>					
OPERATIONS/TRAINING EVENT: Camping at Camp Miles and Hiking the Heritage Trail			DATE OF EVENT		POINT OF CONTACT (Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmaster) (+TELEPHONE #)
TASKS	HAZARDS	INITIAL RISK	COUNTERMEASURES	RESIDUAL RISK	IMPLEMENT CONTROLS (HOW)
1. Arrival at Fort Leavenworth	Access to Fort Leavenworth through the main gate	L	Have driver's license, car registration, and car insurance available	L	Provide proper security information to Military Police at the gate/entrance
	Bicyclist, joggers and walker along side of the roadway	L	Brief drivers	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Obey speed limits (30 MPH on main road, 10-20 MPH in housing areas)</li> <li>Stop for pedestrians in designated crossings</li> <li>10 MPH around children playing</li> </ul>
	Heat or Cold Injury Prevention	L	Provide Ice Water for heat injury prevention Provide a warming tent to warm scouts	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Brief adult and youth leadership on hazards and warning signs</li> <li>Review first aid measures with scouts</li> <li>Monitor drinking of fluids and feeling in toes and fingers</li> </ul>
	Insect bite and tick control	L	Insect spray and buddy checks	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Brief Scouts and adult leaders</li> <li>Review first aid measures</li> <li>Ensure each participant has insect spray</li> <li>Enforce buddy checks for ticks</li> </ul>
2. Occupy and set up camp site	Fires	L	Brief scouts and supervise setup	L	Supervise setup and conduct camp sites

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OPERATIONS/TRAINING EVENT: Camping at Camp Miles and Hiking the Heritage Trail			DATE OF EVENT	POINT OF CONTACT (Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmaster) (+TELEPHONE #)	
TASKS	HAZARDS	INITIAL RISK	COUNTERMEASURES	RESIDUAL RISK	IMPLEMENT CONTROLS (HOW)
	Cuts and smashed hands	L	Brief scouts and supervise setup by senior scouts	L	Adult and senior scouts leaders supervising setup
	Lower back strains	L	Brief scouts and supervise setup by senior scouts	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Heavy items lifted by multiple scouts</li> <li>Lift items using legs not back</li> </ul>
3. Cook meals	Fires/Stoves hot pans	L	Brief scouts	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Makes sure propane stoves are assembled properly</li> <li>Supervise cooking by older scouts</li> <li>Fire remain within the established fire circles/pits</li> <li>Tents maintained a safe distance from fires</li> <li>No fire in tents</li> <li>Gloves/heating pads available to handle hot pans</li> <li>First aid kits readily available</li> </ul>
	Food preparation and storage (food poisoning)	M	Brief scouts and supervise by adult and senior scout leaders	M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cooler for items requiring refrigeration</li> <li>Cooking area in shade or not in direct sunlight</li> <li>Washing hands prior to food handling or eating</li> <li>Clean pans/plates/utensils after each meal</li> </ul>

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OPERATIONS/TRAINING EVENT: Camping at Camp Miles and Hiking the Heritage Trail			DATE OF EVENT	POINT OF CONTACT (Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmaster) (+TELEPHONE #)	
TASKS	HAZARDS	INITIAL RISK	COUNTERMEASURES	RESIDUAL RISK	IMPLEMENT CONTROLS (HOW)
	Sharp utensil	L	Brief scouts on proper usage of knives and other sharp instruments	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scouts must possess <b>Totin Chip</b> card prior to using a pocket knife</li> <li>Supervise activity</li> </ul>
4. Conduct Scouting activities	Weather	M	Make leaders aware of weather concerns: -Spring and Fall (Thunder storms, winds, hail, and possibly tornado) -Summer (Heat injuries) -Winter (Cold weather injuries)	M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review procedures for severe weather. Know where proper shelter is available</li> <li>Know the signs and treatment for heat exhaustion and heat stroke.</li> <li>Know the signs and treatment for Frost Bite, hypothermia, etc.</li> <li>Check participants at a regularly scheduled interval...do not forget anyone.</li> </ul>
	Ability groups	L	Brief scouts and supervise	L	Scouts are placed in ability groups (i.e., swimmers vs non-swimmers, etc.)
	Personal injuries	L	Qualified leaders Comply with Boy Scouts <b>GUIDE TO SAFE SCOUTING</b> publication.	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First aid qualified.</li> <li>CPR qualified (if necessary)</li> <li>Skill training qualified</li> <li>Boy Scout adult leader training certified</li> </ul>
5. Hike Heritage Trail	Horse riders on trails	L	Brief scouts and supervise	L	Follow Boy Scouts Handbook...step to one side and let horse rider by.

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OPERATIONS/TRAINING EVENT: Camping at Camp Miles and Hiking the Heritage Trail			DATE OF EVENT		POINT OF CONTACT (Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmaster) (+TELEPHONE #)
TASKS	HAZARDS	INITIAL RISK	COUNTERMEASURES	RESIDUAL RISK	IMPLEMENT CONTROLS (HOW)
	Vehicles along hard top/paved roads.	L	Brief scouts and supervise	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Walk on designated sidewalks and paths.</li> <li>If on the road, walk single file on the left side.</li> </ul>
6. Break camp site	Campfires	L	Brief scouts and supervise	L	Make sure campfires are completely extinguished
	Lower back strains	L	Brief scouts and supervise setup by senior scouts	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Heavy items lifted by multiple scouts</li> <li>Lift items using legs not back</li> </ul>
	Food & trash	L	Haul out all trash to include food that is found on the ground	L	Adult and scouts walk through the area and pick up all trash. Deposit trash in the nearest dumpster on Post.
7. Depart Fort Leavenworth	Bicyclist, joggers and walker along side of the roadway	L	Brief drivers	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Obey speed limits (30 MPH on main road, 10-20 MPH in housing areas)</li> <li>Stop for pedestrians in designated crossings</li> <li>10 MPH around children playing</li> </ul>
8. Additional area(s) of emphasis					
OVERALL RISK ASSESSMENT		DECISION  YES NO		RISK ACCEPTANCE:  Committee Chairman's, Scoutmaster's, or Boy Scouts Adult Leader's Signature	

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**QUALIFICATION CHECKLIST FOR HERITAGE TRAIL PATCH PURCHASE**

Item	Yes	No
Established and maintained a superior campsite and abided by the trail manners listed under Section II. paragraph 2b(I) of the Fort Leavenworth Heritage Trail Information Booklet (camping is not required for Cub Scouts)		
Spent a minimum of two consecutive days and one night along the Heritage Trail. For Boy Scouts, the night of camping must be at Camp Miles Boy Scouts Camp. (If indoor facilities were utilized for other than extreme inclement weather conditions, the Heritage Trail patch may not be purchased).		
Visited points on either 6 or 13-Miles hike.  Please circle which hike your unit took:      6-Miles      13-Miles		
Witnessed or participated in one retreat ceremony. (Ceremony is conducted at 5:00 PM daily at the main flagpole in front of Bell Hall. Scouts should be present at the flagpole not later than 4:45 PM).  Date of retreat ceremony _____  NOTE: If your unit wants to participate in the retreat ceremony, be at the flag pole at 4:30PM to receive instructions.		
Comments:          		

If any of the above statements were answered "no". Please explain in the "Comments" block.

**I hereby certify that the scouts listed on the reverse of the form have successfully completed all the requirements of the Heritage Trail as shown above and will purchase the Heritage Trail Patch as indicated.**

**Date**

**Signature of Scout Leader**

NAME OF SCOUT

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(Attach additional names to this document on separate sheet of paper.)

**ANNEX B**  
**FORT LEAVENWORTH**  
**HERITAGE HISTORICAL TRAIL**  
**BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA**

**A SHORT HISTORY OF FORT LEAVENWORTH**

Colonel Henry Leavenworth and 188 officers and men of the 3rd Infantry Regiment who had journeyed by horseback and keelboat up the Missouri River from Jefferson Barracks at St. Louis established Fort Leavenworth on May 8, 1827. Colonel Leavenworth was ordered by the War Department to establish a fort to protect the wagon trains proceeding to New Mexico along the Santa Fe Trail, and to maintain peace among the Indians.

The Fort was to be located on the left, or east, bank of the Missouri within 20 miles of the mouth of the Little Platte River. Noting that the east bank of the river was low and marshy, Colonel Leavenworth chose instead to establish the fort atop the bluffs on the west bank. The War Department later approved his decision and the post was officially named Cantonment Leavenworth. In 1830, "Cantonment" was changed to "Fort".

Fort Leavenworth became one of the principal outposts of United States authority in what was then considered to be the West. In the 1830's, the Fort was the starting point for exploration parties and annual military expeditions to the Indian tribes. By the 1840s, travel to California and Oregon was begun and thousands of wagons passed through the Post. The levee was busy with settlers and immigrants arriving for the great trek. Supplies to support the wagon trains and military expeditions came up the river in vast quantities.

During the Mexican War in 1846, Fort Leavenworth was the largest land base of operations against Mexico. Several regiments were raised here to march overland to battle in Mexico and California. During the Civil War, nearby Camp Lincoln mustered great numbers of volunteers into Union Service.

Fort Leavenworth continued to play an important role as a headquarters and supply base during the Indian Wars which, followed, and for many years Lieutenant Colonel George Armstrong Custer and the Seventh US Cavalry used Fort Leavenworth as their home station. It was at Fort Leavenworth where Lieutenant Colonel Custer was given a General Courts-Martial for, among other things, disobeying orders and leaving his troops in the field. This Courts-Martial conviction would have probably prevented him from ever being promoted again. The later history of the Fort revolves around the Command and General Staff College.

As a major historical site, Fort Leavenworth, KS has seen many firsts--it is the first continuously occupied settlement in Kansas; the first temporary capitol of Kansas Territory was located here; Major Riley, the post quartermaster, in 1829, was the first to use oxen to haul wagons over long distances and set the pattern of immigration. The oldest occupied house in Kansas, the Rookery, is on the Post. And from here have gone soldiers to fight in eight wars.

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**ANNEX C**  
**NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF THE**  
**FORT LEAVENWORTH 13-MILES HERITAGE TRAIL**

1. **BOY SCOUT CAMP MILES.** The “**Heritage Trail**” begins here. The Boy Scouts Camp is named after General Nelson A. Miles. General Miles won the Medal of Honor in the Civil war and distinguished himself in the Indian Wars. It was General Miles who ultimately defeated the Nez-Perce and captured "Chief Joseph", defeated Geronimo and the Apache, and conducted successful campaigns-against the Cheyenne, Kiowa, and Comanche. General Miles was stationed at Fort Leavenworth as Commander of the Department of the Missouri during the 1880s. It has been said that General Miles was "A Natural Soldier, suddenly transferred while yet a young man, from the hum-drum of mercantile life to the cataclysm of a great war. Without the benefit of many single advantages possessed by his military contemporaries, he attained outstanding leadership through his indefatigable industry, sound judgment, and personal bravery."

This historical campsite has also felt the tread of many an Indian moccasin. It was here that the tribes camped during the peace negotiations between the "civilized" and "uncivilized" Indians in 1833 (See Heritage Trail Point #22, MAIN PARADE FIELD).

Follow dirt road south (past Girl Scout Camp) to blacktop (McPherson Ave). **WALK FACING TRAFFIC FOR ENTIRE HIKE!** Turn left (east) and follow McPherson to Warehouse Road, turn right (south) at stables, and follow to Organ Avenue. At Organ Avenue, turn right (west) and follow to Biddle Blvd and on to the intersection at Pope Avenue.

2. **MUNSON ARMY HEALTH FACILITY.** The Munson Army Health Facility is the fourth hospital to be constructed at Fort Leavenworth. The first hospital building at the Fort, built around the 1840's, was the first hospital ever erected in the State of Kansas. It was located south of Kearny Avenue behind Otis Hall where the Staff Judge Advocate building is now located. The present 90-bed hospital can be expanded to 190 beds. The hospital is named in honor of Brigadier General Edward L. Munson, the first medical officer assigned as an instructor to what was then the General Services School. He also developed the Munson Shoelace (which the army still uses) and the Munson Hospital Tent.

The hospital offers general medical, surgical, and obstetrical care, and also takes care of prisoners from the United States Disciplinary Barracks. In addition, the hospital operates a complete dispensary within the wall of the United States Disciplinary Barracks.

Continue south on Biddle Blvd to the National Cemetery. Enter the cemetery to the right.

3. **NATIONAL CEMETERY.** There are more than 22,000 graves in this cemetery dating back to the Indian Wars. Men from every war in which the US has been involved since 1812 are buried here alongside those who died on the plains and along the Santa Fe and Oregon Trails. An Indian, Hango Shango, has also found a resting-place in this cemetery. (Section B, Grave #738)

In 1902, the remains of General Henry Leavenworth were brought to the Fort from his home of Delhi, New York. The remains were reinterred on Memorial Day and a monument, purchased by the citizens of Leavenworth, was unveiled. General Leavenworth was born in Connecticut. His family later moved to Delhi, where in later years he became a lawyer. He entered the US Army, at the age of 29 years, during the war of 1812.

Four officers of the 7th Cavalry, including Captain Tom Custer, brother of Lieutenant Colonel George Custer, who were killed in the famous battle of the Little Big Horn River ("Custer's Last Stand") are buried here. Captain Custer's grave is located in Section A, #1488. The lettering on the headstone of Tom Custer's grave is done in gold. Gold lettering is done only on headstones of deceased individuals who have received two awards of the Medal of Honor. The oldest grave (Section A, Grave #289) is that of Captain James Allen, a Dragoon Officer, buried in 1846, and brought to the present site from the old

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officers burial ground on which Wagner Hall now stands. Hiram Rich, the Post Sutler in the year 1841, and his family are buried in Section A, Grave #293. Each Memorial Day, the Fort Leavenworth's Boy and Girl Scouts organizations place an American Flag on each of the 18,000 graves.

**NOTE:** In touring the cemetery, please do not walk upon graves. (A Scout is reverent).

**HISTORICAL WAYSIDE SELF GUIDED TOUR #12**

Stop by Point #12, NATIONAL CEMETARY and play tape.

Proceed to Hancock Avenue, northeast corner of cemetery boundary. At sign, turn northwest, follow telephone line right-of-way of road at crest of hill. Follow road west to fork. Turn on right fork to sign. Turn north. Proceed to top of ridge.

4. FORT SULLY. On this hill, northwest of the cemetery, is located the remnants of a Civil War earthen fortification. This defensive position was hurriedly constructed in 1864 when it became known that Confederate General Sterling Price was sweeping back into Missouri with a force of 10,000 men. It was believed he would certainly attack and attempt to seize the arsenal at Fort Leavenworth. He was defeated by soldiers from Fort Leavenworth and Kansas Volunteers in the Battle of Westport (now Kansas City, Missouri). The Fort has not seen active combat since that time.

Proceed south to fire break road and turn west. Follow the fire break road across the paved road (Sheridan Drive) and continue to follow firebreak road to clearing at wood line.

5. OLD RIFLE AND PISTOL RANGE. The area to the south of the firebreak road was once the site of a Rifle and Pistol range. The range was first used during the Civil War and continued to be used until the end of World War II. It was also used to practice fire dud mortars during World War II. Old bullets may still be found in this area, particularly after a heavy rain.

Continue on firebreak road to trail marker. Turn slightly to the right and continue to next trail marker at the woods edge. Follow the firebreak road entering the woods. Proceed to the top of hill, curving to the right. At intersection of the hilltop, follow the firebreak road to the left (northwest), parallel to the cliff edge. Continue on firebreak road to trail marker at the bottom of hill. Turn left (south) into cut. The cut has two branches; follow the right (west) branch.

6. OLD ATCHISON, TOPEKA, AND SANTA FE RAILWAY. This cut through the hills on the northwest. The Fort's boundary was the original line from Leavenworth to Atchison. It was a narrow gauge track line and its use was discontinued when a new line parallel to the Missouri River was constructed. Jesse James, the famous outlaw, is said to have robbed trains within the cut during his outlaw career, hence, the youth of Fort Leavenworth have named the cut "Jesse James Canyon."

Follow the cut in a southwesterly direction, continuing to follow old railroad bed until the Roadbed comes to paved road (Hancock Rd). Turn left (east) on Hancock Road and follow to creek on right side across 5th Artillery Road. Turn right off paved road and follow the creek on its south bank.

7. INDIAN CAMP. The area to the north of the creek is one of many locations in the area occupied by the Kansa Indians some 200 to 250 years ago.

Continue to follow creek to paved road (Biddle Blvd). Turn right (south) and follow Biddle Blvd to the end of the pavement. Continue south on dirt road to intersection the old railroad bed. At the trail marker turn left (east) and follow railroad bed.

8. OLD UNION PACIFIC RAILWAY. This line was once used to service Fort Leavenworth. It was used until 1971 when the Fort discontinued its Quartermaster Railway Unit.

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Continue following the old railroad bed to the west side of Grant Avenue. (West entrance to the tunnel under main post entrance road).

9. TROLLEY LINE. The paved road between the tree rows on your left (north) is the route of a trolley line, which provided service between the Fort and the City of Leavenworth. Construction of the line was granted to the Leavenworth Rapid Transit Railway Company in September 1888. The original route of the line ran parallel to the Missouri River and was changed to this location in 1900. The first trolleys used on the line were steam powered. With the advent of electricity, the line was converted to use electric trolleys. The route can be traced from the main gate to the intersection of Grant and Pope Avenues by following the tree row. The line was abandoned in 1933.

Continue to Grant Avenue and cross at the intersection with stoplight, which is Kansas and Grant. Proceed back to the creek and continue traveling east long the old railroad bed.

10. CORRAL CREEK. The creek valley on your right (south) was named Corral Creek. It was the site of the corral and wagon yards of the Russell, Majors and Waddell Freight Company. This company hauled freight for the Army from 1855 to 1860. It was the company's owners, Russell, Majors and Waddell, who owned the Pony Express and mapped out the route used from St. Joseph, Missouri to Sacramento, California.

**HISTORICAL WAYSIDE SELF GUIDED TOUR #16**

Stop by Point #16 FRONTIER FREIGHT OPERATIONS and play tape.

Continue (east) across open field into woods. Follow old roadbed until you come to railroad tracks. Cross the railroad tracks and proceed to trail marker. Follow the old roadbed turning north. Continue to follow the roadbed north. DO NOT HIKE ON THE RAILROAD RIGHT OF WAY NEAREST THE RIVER; THESE TRACKS ARE OFF LIMITS.

11. FARAGUT AVENUE. The original road from the Fort to the City of Leavenworth, Farragut Avenue, followed the approximate route you are now following. Farragut Avenue started at the old river bridge and ended at what is now 6th Street and Metropolitan on the south boundary of the Fort. Until the Centennial Bridge was constructed in 1955, this was the only route at Leavenworth to cross the Missouri River by bridge. The main Fort road at the time, Wint Avenue connected with Farragut Avenue south of Bell Hall.

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Stop by #3 FRENCH CANNONS & LEWIS AND CLARK and play the tape

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The oldest French cannon on the Post, the IMPETUOUS, occupies the grass triangle in front of the tower. The four cannons across the street to the northeast, overlooking the Missouri River, are Civil War 12 pounders, usually called Napoleons.

The Victorian home at Number 1 Scott, to your northwest, was built in 1861 as the residence of Captain J. L. Reno who was the first commander of an ordnance arsenal located just to the south. The land occupied by the house was at one time a soldier's cemetery. Prior to construction of the house the remains of the buried soldiers were moved to the present National Cemetery. The Commanding General at Fort Leavenworth now occupies the house.

**HISTORICAL WAYSIDE SELF GUIDED TOUR #4**

Stop by #4 HEADQUARTERS AREA and play the tape.

Continue north on Scott to Number 611 (second house on left past Augur Avenue).

17. SUTLERS HOME. The white frame house on your left is now occupied as quarters for one of the general officers stationed at the Fort. It was built in 1841 as the residence of the Post Sutler, Hiram Rich, who supplied soldiers with such items as tobacco, writing paper, and whiskey. The original building, mostly logs, has been covered with wood siding and enlarged to its present state. Rich and his family are buried in the National Cemetery.

Continue north on Scott to Memorial Chapel.

18. MEMORIAL CHAPEL. A visit to the Chapel is required to qualify for the trail award. The Chapel was built in 1878 by prison labor from stone quarried on the Post. It is an outstanding architectural gem in this part of the country. Note the six brass six-pounder mountain cannons from early expeditions embedded in the interior walls. Plaques commemorating many officers and men who served at Fort Leavenworth are on the walls. To the right of the altar is one to Colonel Edward Hatch who fought in 54 battles with his Black Cavalry, the 9th US Cavalry Regiment. The unit was one of the two Black Cavalry Regiments known as the Buffalo Soldiers. He commanded this same regiment for 23 years. The plaques flanking the door are in memory of George Armstrong Custer and his officers of the Cavalry Regiment who were killed in the Battles of Walsuta, the Little Big Horn and Bear Paw Mountain.

**HISTORICAL WAYSIDE SELF GUIDED TOUR (MARKER ACROSS THE STREET) #5**

Stop by #5 CONTONMENT LEAVENWORHT and play the tape.

From the Chapel, move to the stonewall diagonally across Scott Avenue.

19. OLD WALL. This wall (rebuilt) stands upon the site that is thought to be the location of a "Blockhouse" constructed in the early days of the post. It symbolizes the protective role played by Fort Leavenworth in the development of the West,

Cross again Scott Avenue (heading east) and follow blacktop past the Chapel downhill (east) past Frontier Girl Scout House to Oregon Trail Marker.

20. OREGON AND SANTA FE TRAILS. At the foot of the hill where you now see a warehouse, was the original boat landing. In the 1830's the river swept along the base of this hill. Branches of the Oregon and Santa Fe trails crossed the Missouri at this point. The ox teams pulled the load wagons through the cut made by their traffic and on to the West. The "sunken road" you see was made by the wheels of countless thousands of wagons heading westward.

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Toward the river and off to the left is Sherman Army Airfield, located on what was once a racetrack. Chief Joseph and 400 of his Nez Perce Indians were held captive in the racetrack enclosure from 1877 to 1878 after their surrender to General Nelson A. Miles at Bear Paw Mountain.

**HISTORICAL WAYSIDE SELF GUIDED TOUR #6**

Stop by #6 OREGON AND SANTA FE TRAILS and play the tape.

Walk down the "sunken road" to the lower marker. Turn left (north) on Riverside Drive (uphill) past the family quarters to the United States Disciplinary Barracks.

21. Former US DISCIPLINARY BARRACKS. The complex of stone buildings behind the wall is the United States Disciplinary Barracks. Originally constructed at this site in 1834 was a Quartermaster Depot. It was from here that supplies went to the Army outpost in the West. The Depot was converted to a military prison in 1874. In September 2002, the US Disciplinary Barracks was moved to its new location on the north end of the post. (NOTE: The US Disciplinary Barracks is the only military confinement facility in the United States serving four branches of the Armed Forces, the Army, the Air Force, the Marine Corps and the Navy. It has both male and female inmates. The prison is a maximum-security institution with the main objective of rehabilitating its inmates.)

Buildings inside the wall date from 1863. The main confinement building, known as the 'Castle', was built by prisoner labor and was completed in 1921. The wall is constructed of stone and cast concrete block; the stone portion was completed in 1879.

Opposite the former Disciplinary Barracks, the foundations of Pope Hall, which burned in 1957, can be discerned at the edges of the parking lot. Prior to the construction of Pope Hall, 1892 to 1895, this site was occupied by the building in which Governor Andrew Reeder conducted the initial business of Kansas Territory in October and November, 1854.

**HISTORICAL WAYSIDE SELF GUIDED TOUR #8**

Stop by #8 FIRST KANSAS TERRITORIAL CAPITAL AND MILITARY PRISON and play the tape.

Proceed west on McPherson to McClellan, turn south (left) on McClellan to Sumner Place, and turn east (left) on Sumner Place.

22. MAIN PARADE FIELD. On your right is the Main parade, originally the center of Post activities. Post reviews and parades were held here for many years. Indian encampments were located here during negotiations with the federal authorities. It was in 1833 that one of these colorful meetings took place on this ground. Chief Sou-Wah-Nock and his Delawares; the Shawnees with their Chief wearing "an enormous pair of spectacles astride his nose," "Wild Horse" with his mass of long tangled hair and his body smeared with red ochre, leading his Pawnee Braves, Long Hair and his "Savage Horde" were among the many Indians in attendance.

Also included among the Indians present were members of the Otoes, Peorias, Piankawahawas, Pottawatomies, and Kickapoos. Possibly the most colorful tribe of that day were the Kansa Indians. An eyewitness recorded in 1833: "They (the Kansa Indians) soon made their appearance, all clothed in blankets, and each carrying a rifle. In front of them was their chief, White Plume. He wore a large drab overcoat with enormous pockets, which gaped open. This article of dress deprived him altogether of the dignified appearance, which had marked him upon our first meeting in the summer. He, however, seemed perfectly satisfied with his attire and, in truth, I believe there was scarcely a Pawnee who did not envy him the possession of an article with pockets of such size, that in case of emergency, they could hold nearly a bushel of scalps."

At one corner (northwest) of the Main Parade is the flagpole. In the early days of Fort Leavenworth the flagpole marked the zero point for measuring distances of the area. Many local place names are derived from their distance from the flagpole -- Three-Mile Creek, Five-Mile Creek, Eight-Mile House and others.

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Go east, then south on Sumner Place, around Main Parade Field.

23. NUMBERS 20 & 22, 12 & 14 SUMNER & SYRACUSE HOUSES. The house to your left at 20 & 22 Sumner was the quarters of the Post Commander from 1840 to 1890. Officers who lived here included Colonel E. V. Sumner, Colonel Philip St. George Cooke, General Sherman and General Pope. In 1872, the Inspector General of the Army noted in his reported that it was the only building on the Post with indoor toilets.

At 12 & 14 (to the left facing you), is the Rookery built in 1832. It is the oldest existing occupied house in Kansas and was the quarters of the first Post Commander. Governor Reeder resided here in 1854. General Douglas MacArthur lived here in 1909 when he was a Lieutenant and commanded an engineer company.

4 & 6 and 8 & 10 Sumner. The two frame houses to the right are known as the Syracuse houses. Designed by a Mr. Carr from Syracuse, New York, they were constructed in 1855. They remain as unique examples of this particular style of architecture. Lieutenant Colonel George A. Custer and his wife lived in one of these houses in 1867-1868.

Dragoon barracks and stables once occupied the other borders of the Main Parade.

Continue around the Main Parade Field to Kearny. Turn west (right) on Kearny and stop at the Reviewing Stand on the South-Center portion of the Main Parade Field.

**HISTORICAL WAYSIDE SELF GUIDED TOUR #9**

Stop by #9 MAIN PARADE FIELD and play the tape.

Continue west on Kearny to the intersection of McClellan Avenue. Continue approximately 100 feet past the intersection and stop.

24. ORIGINAL HOME OF COMMAND AND GENERAL STAFF COLLEGE. The brick building on the northwest corner of the intersection of Kearny and McClellan Avenues was constructed in 1881 for use as post headquarters. It was not used, as such, however, because the school of Application for Infantry and Cavalry, was established the same year and the building became the home of the original Command and General Staff College. In 1890, the school was moved to Sherman Hall, the building was used as a post headquarters for the first time. The building currently houses the Mid-America Service Club, which provides a place for service members together and relax when off-duty.

Directly west of this building on Kearny Avenue is the Beehive, so named because of the many families and their numerous children who at one time resided here during the Command and General Staff College school term (August to June).

The Beehive was constructed in 1882 and 1883 as a two-story barracks to house a small regiment of Infantry; the taller central portion was designed to house the band. Post Headquarters was located in the center portion from 1882-1890 when the barracks was occupied by Engineer troops. In 1902, the building was raised to three stories, and, in 1921 it was remodeled into apartments for married officers. At present the building is occupied by the National Simulation Center.

**HISTORICAL WAYSIDE SELF GUIDED TOUR #10**

Stop by #10 BATTLE TRAINING-YESTERDAY, TODAY, AND TOMORROW and play the tape.

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Across Kearny Avenue opposite the Beehive is Otis Hall. It was in this building General and Mrs. Dwight D. Eisenhower resided when he was a student here in 1926. A bronze plaque at the sidewalk describes General Eisenhower's tour of duty.

Proceed back to the intersection of Kearny and McClellan Avenue. Turn south (right) on McClellan and continue to intersection of McClellan and Custer.

25. DICKINSON HALL. This building was constructed in 1883 for use as the Post Hospital. This was the second hospital constructed on the Fort. The first hospital was located on the rise north of Dickinson Hall where the present day Staff Judge Advocate Office building is now located. In 1902, the construction of the third post hospital was completed and Dickinson Hall became hospital detachment barracks. In 1920, the building was remodeled into apartments for officers. Today the building is utilized as an office building.

Continue South on McClellan Avenue to end of street. (The Intersection of McClellan with Pope).

26. ST. IGNATIUS CHAPEL. In 1871, the cornerstone was laid for the first Catholic Church at Fort Leavenworth. The site chosen was just west of what is now Otis Hall on Kearny Avenue. The building, financed by private subscription, was named St. Ignatius Chapel in honor of Ignatius of Loyola, the soldier who founded the Jesuit order. In 1877, a parochial school was built just west of the church on the southeast corner of Kearny and Thomas Avenues. The school was taught by Sisters from St. Mary's Academy in Leavenworth. The school was discontinued and the building was moved away in 1904. In 1889, the land and the church were purchased by the US Government for military use. The same year, construction was started on the present day St. Ignatius Church. Until 1921, when the first military Catholic Chaplain was assigned to St. Ignatius, civilian pastors were assigned by the Catholic Church. In 1967, the Catholic Church transferred full ownership of St. Ignatius to the US Army.

Turn right (west) on Pope Avenue and follow to second street on right (Thomas Avenue). Turn right (north) on Thomas Avenue; continue to sidewalk entrance leading to building on your right (east).

27. OLD HOSPITAL BUILDING. This was the third post hospital built on the Fort. Although the main building was completed in 1902, construction on other buildings in the hospital complex continued until 1937. The complex, when completed, covered the area occupied by the present buildings plus an annex located where the present day Post Chapel is located across the street. When the present and fourth hospital was completed in 1961 portions of the building were converted to office use. Today, the building is a dental clinic.

Continue north on Thomas Avenue to the intersection with Kearney Avenue. Turn left (west) and then an immediate right (north) on to East Warehouse Road and stop.

**HISTORICAL WAYSIDE SELF GUIDED TOUR #11**

Stop by #11 WEST END PARADE and play the tape.

Continue north on East Warehouse Road to the intersection of Organ Road. Cross intersection and stop.

28. ARTILLERY GUARD HOUSE. This building was constructed in 1901 as an Artillery Guard House. In 1921, it was converted to quarters and housed three noncommissioned officer families.

Continue north on East Warehouse Road to the intersection of McPherson. Turn right (east) and proceed to 425 McPherson, Bldg 74

29. POST TRADER. The Post Trader constructed this building in 1888 or 1889. The Post Trader's establishment was succeeded here by the Post Canteen and later the Post Exchange. Afterwards it



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successively housed the Quartermaster Storehouse, the Plumbing and Machine Shop, the Post Museum, and the Army Education Center

Continue east on McPherson Road to the intersection of Bluntville Avenue. Turn north Bluntville Avenue past Horse Show Bowl to five-way intersection. Turn right (east) to Sherman Army Airfield.

30. SHERMAN ARMY AIRFIELD. This is Sherman Airfield. It once was used as a racetrack. Chief Joseph and 400 of his Nez Perce Indians were held captive in the racetrack enclosure from 1876 to 1878 after their surrender to General Nelson A. Miles.

During World War II and until 1953, it was an active Air Force base, and was named after Major William C. Sherman who was instrumental in the early development of the field. The airfield is now the center of air activities for the Fort and the City of Leavenworth.

**HISTORICAL WAYSIDE SELF GUIDED TOUR #7**

Stop by #7 NATIVE AMERICAN PRISONERS OF WAR and play the tape.

Return to intersection at Bluntville Avenue and turn right (northwest) on Sheridan Drive, (uphill...do not take the road paralleling the railroad tracks). Continue on Sheridan Drive to cemetery enclosed with chain link fence on right side of the road.

31. US DISCIPLINARY BARRACKS CEMETERY. The cemetery contains graves of personnel who have died or have been executed at the US Disciplinary Barracks. The last row at the back of the cemetery contains the graves of German prisoners of war executed at the United States Disciplinary Barracks during World War II. Please note that graves in this cemetery face west. It is an old military tradition--to be buried in honor, grave faces east; to be buried in dishonor, grave faces west.

Proceed on Sheridan Drive (uphill and to the northwest) to marker on south (left) side of road.

32. FORT de CAVAGNIAL. From this marker looking north you can see Salt Creek Valley to the west of the Missouri River. Somewhere in this valley, on what was described by Lewis and Clark as a "saddleback", Fort de Cavagnial was located. The French fort was constructed and occupied during the period 1740-1760. Although the ruins were seen and noted by Lewis and Clark in 1804, the exact location has not been determined.

Continue on Sheridan Drive to trail marker. Turn left and follow road past water storage tank (right side) to campsite.

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**ANNEX D**  
**NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF THE**  
**FORT LEAVENWORTH 6-MILES HERITAGE TRAIL**

1. **BOY SCOUT CAMP MILES.** The "**Heritage Trail**" begins here. The Boy Scout Camp is named after General Nelson A. Miles. General Miles won the Medal of Honor in the Civil War and distinguished himself in the Indian Wars. It was General Miles who ultimately defeated the Nez-Perce and captured "Chief Joseph", defeated Geronimo and the Apache, and conducted successful campaigns against the Cheyenne, Kiowa, and Comanche. General Miles was stationed at Fort Leavenworth as Commander of the Department of the Missouri during the 1880s. It has been said that General Miles was "A Natural Soldier, suddenly transferred while yet a young man, from the hum-drum of mercantile life to the cataclysm of a great war. Without the benefit of many single advantages possessed by his military contemporaries, he attained outstanding leadership through his indefatigable industry, sound judgment, and personal bravery. "

This historical campsite has also felt the tread of many an Indian moccasin. It was here that the tribes camped during the peace negotiations between the "civilized" and uncivilized" Indians in 1833 (See #15).

Follow dirt road south (past Girl Scout Camp) to blacktop (McPherson Ave). **WALK FACING TRAFFIC FOR ENTIRE HIKE!** Turn left (east) and follow McPherson to Warehouse Road, turn right (south) at stables, and follow to Organ Avenue. At Organ Avenue, turn right (west) and follow to Biddle Blvd and on to the intersection at Pope Avenue.

2. **MUNSON ARMY HEALTH FACILITY.** The Munson Army Health Facility is the fourth hospital to be constructed at Fort Leavenworth. The first hospital building at the Fort, built around the 1840's, was the first hospital ever erected in the State of Kansas. It was located south of Kearny Avenue behind Otis Hall where the Staff Judge Advocate building is now located. The present 90-bed hospital can be expanded to 190 beds. The hospital is named in honor of Brigadier General Edward L. Munson, the first medical officer assigned as an instructor to what was then the General Services School. He also developed the Munson Shoelace (which the army still uses) and the Munson Hospital Tent.

The hospital offers general medical, surgical, and obstetrical care, and also takes care of prisoners from the United States Disciplinary Barracks. In addition, the hospital operates a complete dispensary within the walls of the United States Disciplinary Barracks.

Continue south on Biddle Blvd to the National Cemetery. Enter the Cemetery.

3. **NATIONAL CEMETERY.** There are more than 22,000 graves in this cemetery, dating back to the Indian Wars. Men from every war in which the US has been involved since 1812 are buried here alongside those who died on the plains and along the Santa Fe and Oregon Trails. An Indian, Hango Shango, has also found a resting-place in this cemetery. (Section 8, Grave #738)

In 1902, the remains of General Henry Leavenworth were brought to the Fort from his home of Delhi, New York. The remains were reinterred on Memorial Day and a monument, purchased by the citizens of Leavenworth, was unveiled. General Leavenworth was born in Connecticut. His family later moved to Delhi, where in later years he became a lawyer. He entered the US Army at the age of 29 years, during the war of 1812.

Four officers of the 7th Cavalry, including Captain Tom Custer, brother of Lieutenant Colonel George Custer, who were killed in the famous battle of the Little Big Horn River ("Custer's Last Stand") are buried here. Captain Custer's grave is located in Section A, #1488. The lettering on the headstone of Tom Custer's grave is done in gold. Gold lettering is done only on headstones of deceased individuals who have received two awards of the Medal of Honor. The oldest grave (Section A, Grave #289) is that of Captain James Allen, a Dragoon Officer, buried in 1846, and brought to the present site from the old officers burial ground on which Wagner Hall now stands. Hiram Rich, the Post Sutler in the year 1841,

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and his family are buried in Section A, Grave #293. Each Memorial Day, the Fort Leavenworth Boy and Girl Scouts place an American Flag on each of the 18,000 graves.

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Stop by #13 PIONEERS, SETTLERS AND HEREOS REMEMBERED and play the tape.

NOTE: In touring the cemetery, please do not walk upon graves. (A Scout is reverent).

Return to Biddle Blvd and turn south (right). Follow Biddle Blvd to "Y". Take left fork (Cody Road). Continue on Cody Road to intersection of Cody Road and Grant Avenue.

4. TROLLEY LINE. The paved road between the tree rows on your left (north) is the route of a Trolley line, which provided service between the Fort and the City of Leavenworth. Construction of the line was granted to the Leavenworth Rapid Transit Railway Company in September 1888. The original route of the line ran parallel to the Missouri River and was changed to this location in 1900. The first trolleys used on the line were steam powered. With the advent of electricity, the line was converted to use electric trolleys. The route can be traced from the main gate to the intersection of Grant and Pope Avenues by following the tree row. The line was abandoned in 1933.

Continue across Grant Avenue on Stimson Avenue. Follow Stimson Avenue east downhill and then north up grade to the intersection. At intersection, turn left (west) and follow to Abrams Loop. Turn left (south) and follow to Bell Hall.

**HISTORICAL WAYSIDE SELF GUIDED TOUR (on the way to Bell Hall...The Buffalo Soldier Monument)**

Stop by #4 DEPLOY AS SKIRMISHERS, CHARGE and play the tape

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Stop by #17 HORSEMANSHIP TRAINING and play the tape.
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Stop by #6 HIGHWAY TOT HE WEST and play the tape.
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9. HEADQUARTERS AREA. This area is thought to be the site of the first encampment of Colonel Leavenworth and his troops. The complex of buildings to the south, named for Generals Sheridan, Grant, Sherman, and Wagner were built over a period of years from 1859 to 1904, and occupy the site of the former officer cemetery. Graves were removed to the present National Cemetery when the buildings were constructed.

The oldest French cannon on the Post, the IMPETUOUS, occupies the grass triangle in front of the tower. The four cannons across the street to the northeast, overlooking the Missouri River, are Civil War 12 pounders, usually called Napoleons.

The Victorian home at Number 1 Scott, to your northwest, was built in 1861 as the residence of Captain J. L. Reno who was the first commander of an ordnance arsenal located just to the south. The land occupied by the house was at one time a soldier's cemetery. Prior to construction of the house the remains of the buried soldiers were moved to the present National Cemetery. The Commanding General at Fort Leavenworth now occupies the house.

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Stop by #7 ARSENAL OF THE WEST and play the tape.

Continue north on Scott to Number 611 (second house on left past Augur Avenue).

10. SUTLERS HOME. The white frame house on your left is now occupied as quarters for one of the general officers stationed at the Fort. It was built in 1841 as the residence of the Post Sutler, Hiram Rich, who supplied soldiers with such items as tobacco, writing paper, and whiskey. The original building, mostly logs, has been covered with wood siding and enlarged to its present state. Rich and his family are buried in the National Cemetery.

Continue north on Scott to Memorial Chapel.

11. MEMORIAL CHAPEL. A visit to the Chapel is required to qualify for the trail award. The Chapel was built in 1878 by prison labor from stone quarried on the Post. It is an outstanding architectural gem in this part of the country. Note the six brass six-pounder mountain cannons from early expeditions embedded in the interior walls. Plaques commemorating many officers and men who served at Fort Leavenworth are on the walls. To the right of the altar is one to Colonel Edward Hatch who fought in 54 battles with his Black Cavalry, the 9th US Cavalry Regiment. The unit was one of the two Black Cavalry Regiments known as the Buffalo Soldiers. He commanded this same regiment for 23 years. The plaques flanking the door are in memory of George Armstrong Custer and his officers of the Cavalry Regiment who were killed in the Battles of Walsuta, the Little Big Horn and Bear Paw Mountain.

**HISTORICAL WAYSIDE SELF GUIDED TOUR (Across the street)**

Stop by #8 CANTONMENT LEAVENWORTH and play the tape.

From the Chapel, move to the stonewall diagonally across Scott Avenue.

12. OLD WALL. This wall (rebuilt) stands upon the site that is thought to be the location of a "Blockhouse" constructed in the early days of the post. It symbolizes the protective role played by Fort Leavenworth in the development of the West,

Cross Scott Avenue (heading east) and follow blacktop past the Chapel and downhill (east) past Frontier-Girl Scout House to Oregon Trail Marker

13. OREGON AND SANTA FE TRAILS. At the foot of the hill where you now see a warehouse, was the original boat landing. In the 1830's the river swept along the base of this hill. Branches of the Oregon and Santa Fe trails crossed the Missouri at this point. The ox teams pulled the load wagons through the cut made by their traffic and on to the West. The "sunken road" you see was made by the wheels of countless thousands of wagons heading westward.

Toward the river and off to the left is Sherman Army Airfield, located on what was once a racetrack. Chief Joseph and 400 of his Nez Perce Indians were held captive in the racetrack enclosure from 1877 to 1878 after their surrender to General Nelson A. Miles at Bear Paw Mountain.

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Stop by #16 TRAILS WEST and play the tape.

Walk down the "sunken road" to the lower marker. Turn left (north) on Riverside Drive (uphill) past the family quarters to the United States Disciplinary Barracks.

14. Former US DISCIPLINARY BARRACKS. The complex of stone buildings behind the wall is the United States Disciplinary Barracks. Originally constructed at this site in 1834 was a Quartermaster Depot. It was from here that supplies went to the Army outpost in the West. The Depot was converted to a military prison in 1874. In September 2002, the US Disciplinary Barracks was moved to its new location

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on the north end of the post. (NOTE: The US Disciplinary Barracks is the only military confinement facility in the United States serving four branches of the Armed Forces, the Army, the Air Force, the Marine Corps and the Navy. It has both male and female inmates. The prison is a maximum-security institution with the main objective of rehabilitating its inmates.)

Buildings inside the wall date from 1863. The main confinement building, known as the 'Castle", was built by prisoner labor and was completed in 1921. The wall is constructed of stone and cast concrete block; the stone portion was completed in 1879.

Opposite the former Disciplinary Barracks, the foundations of Pope Hall, which burned in 1957, can be discerned at the edges of the parking lot. Prior to the construction of Pope Hall, 1892 to 1895, this site was occupied by the building in which Governor Andrew Reeder conducted the initial business of Kansas Territory in October and November, 1854.

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Stop by #14 FIRST KANSAS TERRITORIAL CAPITAL AND MILITARY PRISON and play the tape.

Proceed west on McPherson to McClellan, turn south (left) on McClellan to Sumner Place, and turn east (left) on Sumner Place.

15. MAIN PARADE. On your right is the Main parade, originally the center of Post activities. Post reviews and parades were held here for many years. Indian encampments were located here during negotiations with the federal authorities. It was in 1833 that one of these colorful meetings took place on this ground. Chief Sou-Wah-Nock and his Delawares; the Shawnees with their Chief wearing 'An enormous pair of spectacles astride his nose. "Wild Horse" with his mass of long tangled hair and his body smeared with red ochre, leading his Pawnee Braves, Long Hair and his "Savage Horde were among the many Indians in attendance.

Also included among the Indians present were members of the Otoes, Peorias, Piankawahawas, Pottawatomies, and Kickapoos. Possibly the most colorful tribe of that day were the Kansa Indians. An eyewitness recorded in 1833: "They (the Kansa Indians) soon made their appearance, all clothed in blankets, and each carrying a rifle. In front of them was their chief, White Plume. he wore a large drab overcoat with enormous pockets, which gaped open. This article of dress deprived him altogether of the dignified appearance, which had marked him upon our first meeting in the summer. He, however, seemed perfectly satisfied with his attire and, in truth, I believe there was scarcely a Pawnee who did not envy him the possession of an article with pockets of such size, that in case of emergency, they could hold nearly a bushel of scalps.

At one corner (northwest) of the Main Parade is the flagpole. In the early days of Fort Leavenworth the flagpole marked the zero point for measuring distances of the area. Many local place names are derived from their distance from the flagpole -- Three-Mile Creek, Five-Mile Creek, Eight-Mile House and others.

Go east, then south on Sumner Place, around Main Parade.

16. Numbers 20 & 22, 12 and 14 SUMNER & SYRACUSE HOUSES. The house to your left at 20 & 22 Sumner was the quarters of the Post Commander from 1840 to 1890. Officers who lived here included Colonel E. V. Sumners, Colonel Philip St George Cook, General Sherman, and General Pope. In 1872, the Inspector General of the Army noted in his reports that it was the only building on the Post with indoor toilets.

At 12 & 14 (to the left facing you), is the Rookery built in 1832. It is the oldest existing occupied house in Kansas, and was the quarters of the first Post Commander. Governor Reeder resided here in 1854.

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General Douglas MacArthur lived here in 1909 when he was a Lieutenant and commanded an engineer company.

4 & 6 and 8 & 10 Sumner. The two frame houses to the right are known as the Syracuse houses. Designed by a Mr. Carr from Syracuse, New York, they were constructed in 1855. They remain as unique examples of this particular style of architecture. Lieutenant Colonel George A. Custer and his wife lived in one of these houses in 1867-1868.

Dragoon barracks and stables once occupied the other borders of the Main Parade.

Continue around the Main Parade Field to Kearny. Turn west (right) on Kearny and stop at the Reviewing Stand on the South-Center portion of the Main Parade Field.
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<b>HISTORICAL WAYSIDE SELF GUIDED TOUR #9</b>
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Stop by #9 MAIN PARADE FIELD and play the tape.
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Continue west on Kearny to the intersection of McClellan Avenue. Continue approximately 100 feet past the intersection and stop.
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17. ORIGINAL HOME OF COMMAND AND GENERAL STAFF COLLEGE. The brick building on the northwest corner of the intersection of Kearny and McClellan Avenues was constructed in 1881 for use as post headquarters. It was not used, as such, however, because the school of Application for Infantry and Cavalry, was established the same year and the building became the home of the original Command and General Staff College. In 1890, the school was moved to Sherman Hall, the building was used as a post headquarters for the first time. The building currently houses the Mid-America Service Club, which provides a place for service members together and relax when off-duty.

Directly west of this building on Kearny Avenue is the Beehive, so named because of the many families and their numerous children who at one time resided here during the Command and General Staff College school term (August to June).

The Beehive was constructed in 1882 and 1883 as a two-story barracks to house a small regiment of Infantry; the taller central portion was designed to house the band. Post Headquarters was located in the center portion from 1882-1890 when the barracks was occupied by Engineer troops. In 1902, the building was raised to three stories, and, in 1921 it was remodeled into apartments for married officers. At present the building is occupied by the National Simulation Center.

<b>HISTORICAL WAYSIDE SELF GUIDED TOUR #10</b>
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Stop by #10 BATTLE TRAINING-YESTERDAY, TODAY, AND TOMORROW and play the tape.
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Across Kearny Avenue opposite the Beehive is Otis Hall. It was in this building General and Mrs. Dwight D. Eisenhower resided when he was a student here in 1926. A bronze plaque at the sidewalk describes General Eisenhower's tour of duty.

Proceed back to the intersection of Kearny and McClellan Avenue. Turn south (right) on McClellan and continue to intersection of McClellan and Custer.
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18. DICKINSON HALL. This building was constructed in 1883 for use as the Post Hospital. This was the second hospital constructed on the Fort. The first hospital was located on the rise north of Dickinson Hall where the present day Staff Judge Advocate Office building is now located. In 1902, the construction of



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the third post hospital was completed and Dickinson Hall became hospital detachment barracks. In 1920, the building was remodeled into apartments for officers. Today the building is utilized as an office building.

Continue on McClellan Avenue to end of street. (Intersection of McClellan with Pope).

19. ST. IGNATIUS CHAPEL. In 1871, the cornerstone was laid for the first Catholic Church at Fort Leavenworth. The site chosen was just west of what is now Otis Hall on Kearny Avenue. The building, financed by private subscription, was named St. Ignatius Chapel in honor of Ignatius of Loyola, the soldier who founded the Jesuit order. In 1877, a parochial school was built just west of the church on the southeast corner of Kearny and Thomas Avenues. Sisters taught the school from St. Mary's Academy in Leavenworth. The school was discontinued and the building was moved away in 1904. In 1889, the US Government for military use purchased the land and the church. The same year, construction was started on the present day St. Ignatius Church. Until 1921, when the first military Catholic Chaplain was assigned to St. Ignatius, civilian pastors were assigned by the Catholic Church. In 1967, the Catholic Church transferred full ownership of St. Ignatius to the US Army.

Turn right (west) on Pope Avenue and follow to second street on right (Thomas Avenue). Turn right (north) on Thomas Avenue, continue to sidewalk entrance leading to building on your right (east).

20. OLD HOSPITAL BUILDING. This was the third post hospital built on the Fort. Although the main building was completed in 1902, construction on other buildings in the hospital complex continued until 1937. The complex, when completed, covered the area occupied by the present buildings plus an annex located where the present day Post Chapel is located across the street. When the present and fourth hospital was completed in 1961 portions of the building were converted to office use. Today, the building is a dental clinic.

Continue north on Thomas Avenue to intersection with Kearney Avenue. Turn right and follow to intersection. (Kearney & McClellan)

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Stop by #12 WEST END PARADE and play the tape.

Turn left on Kearney. Quick right on E. Warehouse Road. Go down the hill till the road intersects with McPherson. Turn Left. Head west past the Riding Stables. Head towards the barking dogs, which are across from Camp Conestoga and Camp Miles. At the Camp Miles sign head up the dirt road to the Camp.

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**ANNEX E  
Map of Fort Leavenworth  
Heritage Trail: 6- and 13-Mile Trails**

**(Note: A complete map may be checked out at the Post Museum. Please return the map when you depart Fort Leavenworth.)**

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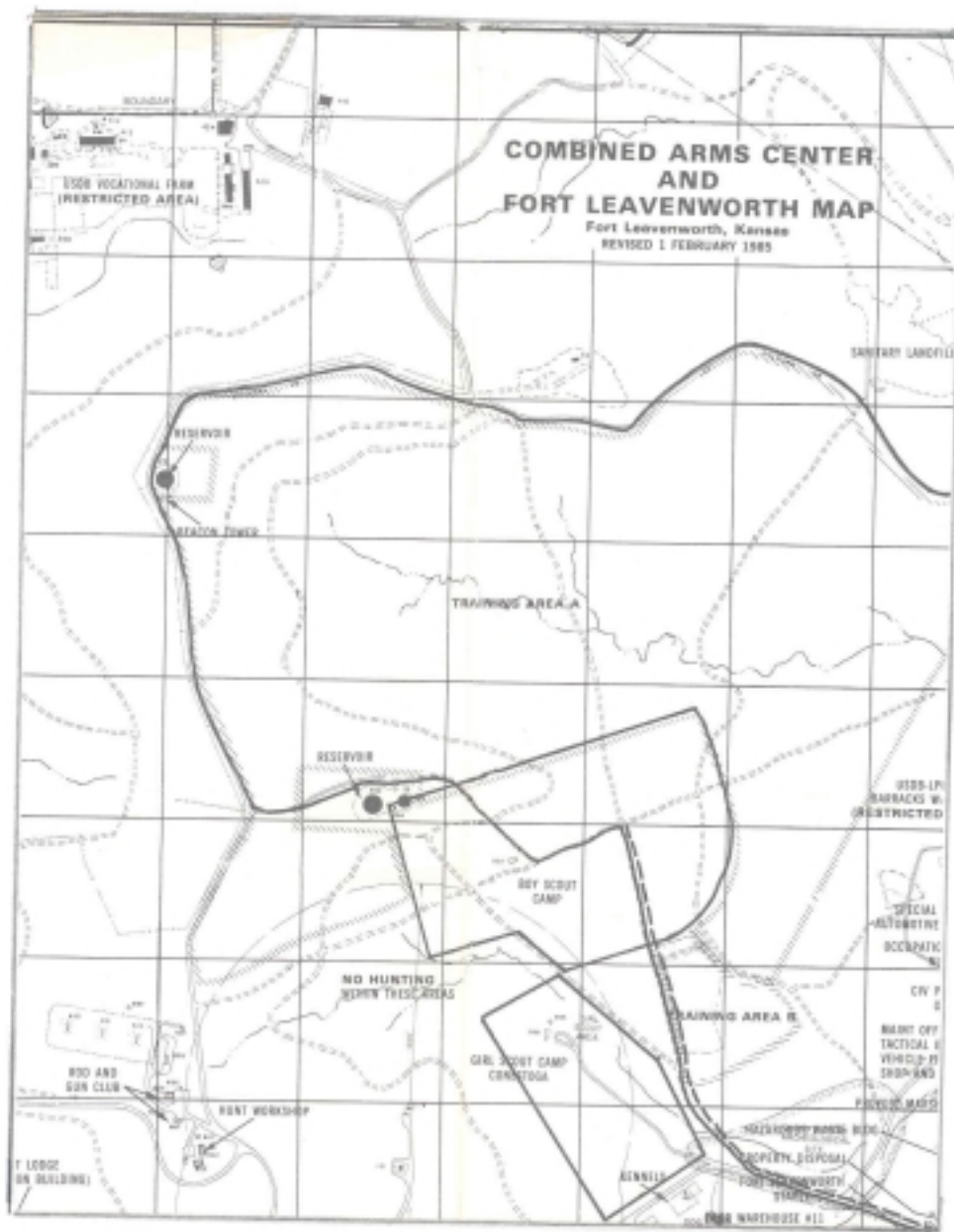
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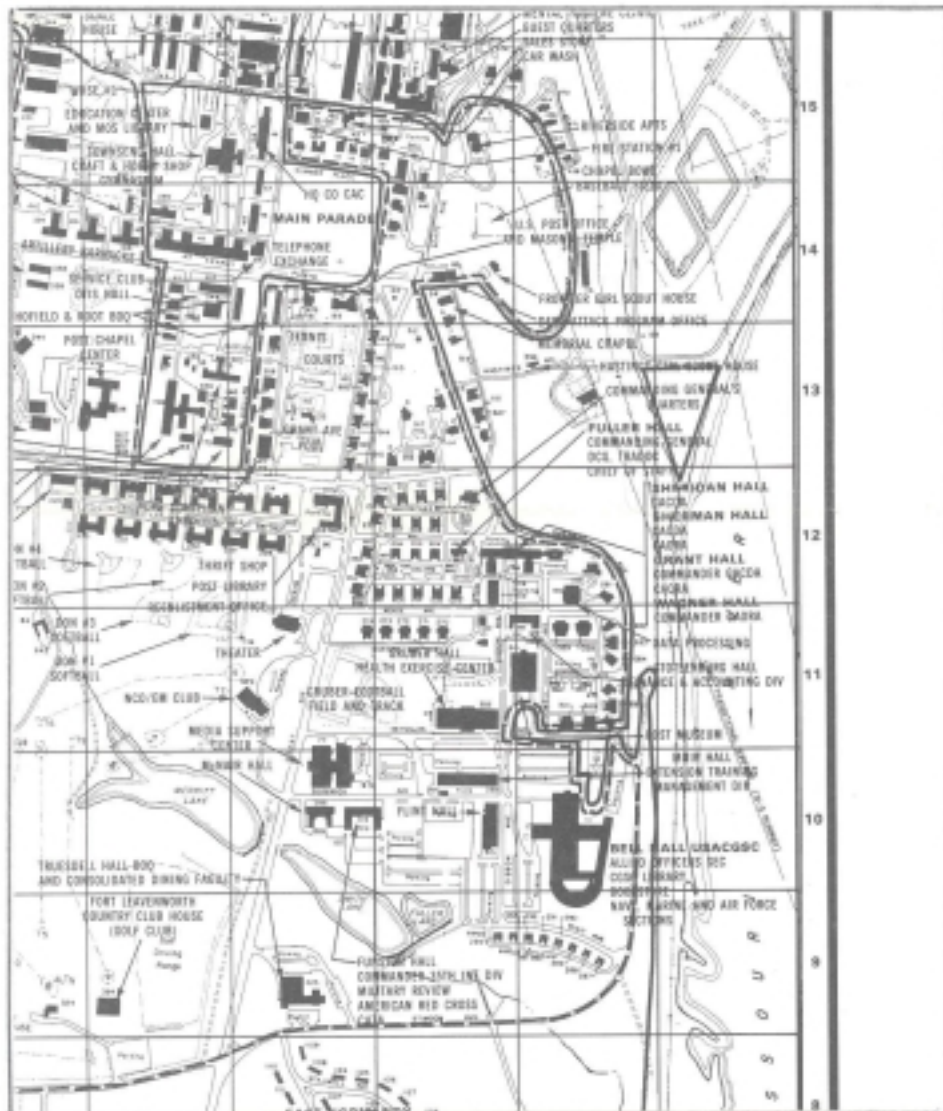


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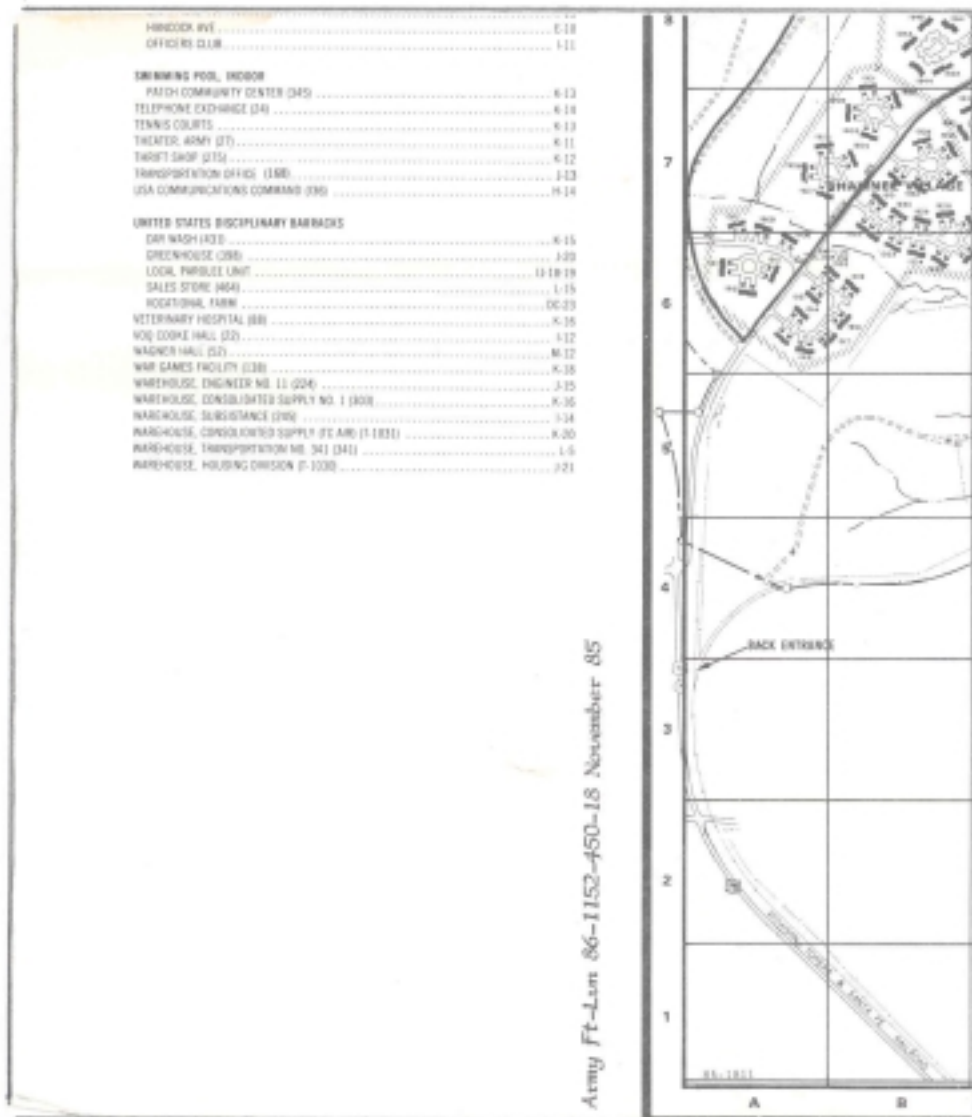
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