Stay for the night at *Camp Roland*, Niantic CT

Wednesday, April 24th

Morning: The ***Nautilus* museum** in Groton Connecticut. The *Nautilus*, the world's first nuclear submarine, was built in Groton by the Electric Boat Company. It is berthed here permanently, as the focal point of the Navy's submarine museum. The sub base here is the largest in the world, outside Russia.

Afternoon: **New England Air Museum,** Windsor Locks, CT. This is one of the best air museums in the East. Although much of the collection was destroyed by a tornado in 1979, the museum has been rebuilt better than ever. It was doubled in size a few years ago. Airplanes include: the immortal DC-3; attack planes A-26C (Invader), A-4A (Skyhawk) and the A-10A "Warthog"; bombers - B-29 (Superfortress), B-47 (Stratojet), and a B-25H (Mitchell); fighters - F4D-1 (Skyray), Fokker DR.1, Grumman Wildcat and Hellcat, F-94C (Starfire), F-4D (Phantom II), MiG-15, F-100A (Super Sabre), P-47D (Thunderbolt); helicopters - Sikorsky LH-34D (Seabat) and CH-54B (Skycrane), Hiller OH-23G (Raven), Bell UH-1B (Huey); general aviation - Aeronca Chief, Gee Bee, Piper Cub; and many more, with special exhibits on many topics.

Return home to Cortland *around 9:30 PM*

SEE YOU IN NEW ENGLAND!

TROOP 80, BSA 1996 SPRING TRIP to New England

When: *April 19th to 24th, 1996*

How Much: *$75.00 - covers all transportation, housing, food, admissions - everything but snacks and souvenirs.*

All Scouts are invited to come along on troop 80 s thirteenth annual Spring trip. This year we'll be going to New England for five days, and it should prove to be an interesting and exciting time.

A $25 deposit is due by the March 18th meeting, with the balance due by the meeting before the trip (April 15th).

Itinerary

Friday, April 19th - leave Grace Episcopal Church at 6:00 PM. Stay overnight in the Albany area.

Saturday, April 20th •

***Morning:* New York State Museum** at Albany: One of Albany's most popular attractions, the museum features realistic environmental settings that explore the natural and cultural evolution of New York State.- everything from a subway car to a part of the lower East Side, complete with people, Adirondack forests, you name it.

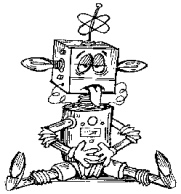
***Afternoon:* Springfield Armory** National Historic Site: See one of the largest collections of firearms in the country. Gen. George Washington chose Springfield as the site of the first United States arsenal in 1777 to safely store weapons and ammunition away from the British. Exhibits of antique and modern machinery and firearms. Special exhibits include "*Handmade to Assembly Line*", "*Muskets to Machine Guns*", *Life-saving Guns,* and a top 10 of the world's greatest inventions.

Stay at *Hanscom Air Force Base*, Bedford, Mass.

Sunday, April 21st

Morning: Hike the **Freedom Trail** - where the American Revolution started. See *Paul Revere s house,* the *Old State House,* the site of the *Boston Massacre*, the *Old North Church* ("one if by land, two if by sea"), "*Old Ironsides*".

Afternoon: The **Computer Museum.** The only museum in the world devoted entirely to computers. More than 100 interactive exhibits chronicle computers and their role in society. Enter the 50-times larger than life, two-story "*Walk Through PC*" and click the car-sized mouse. Write a message onto coaster-sized pits on the six-foot CD-ROM, and extract them with a laser. Take part in the $2 Million exhibit "*the Networked Planet*" - a ride on the Information Highway (note: there are no rest stops). Meet the "*Robots and other Smart Machines*"



Monday, April 22nd

Morning: The **New England Aquarium**: More than 2,000 fishes are on display from the most exotic species to common food fishes. "*The Northern Waters of the World*" contains cold marine fish, native to New England and the Pacific Northwest. The most spectacular exhibit, the 187,000 gallon *Giant Ocean Tank* rises four stories - one of the world's largest cylindrical saltwater tanks, it offers a view of the sea turtles, moray eels, sharks and other tropical fishes that live inside. The tank's center structure represents a Caribbean coral reef. At the "*Edge of the Sea,*" watch the tides ebb and flow and actually touch some of New England's favorite tide pool dwellers such as starfish, horseshoe crabs, sea urchins and periwinkles. *Sea lion* presentations are offered daily aboard *Discovery*, a unique floating marine mammal pavilion adjacent to the Aquarium.

Afternoon: the **Boston Museum of Science**: one of the best hands-on museums in the country. Newest exhibit: "The Big Dig" - the Boston's third harbor tunnel, which opened this winter. Other things to see: The *Theater of Electricity* with its giant lightning machine; *T-Rex* - the full size (if anatomically obsolete) Tyrannosaurus Rex; *Remote Sensing* - An exhibit about satellite imaging of the Earth; *Mathematica* - A mathematics exhibit; *The Observatory* A space in which to explore how we can see the unseen; *The Rainforest Gallery; The Apollo space capsule.*

4:00 PM - **OMNIMAX theater** - the largest movie screen in Boston (a five story, 60' x 76' hemispherical screen.) - images wrap in front, behind, and on all sides of the viewer, with a 27,000 watt stereo system with 84 loudspeakers.

Stay for the evening at *Child Scout Reservation,* Plymouth MA

Tuesday, April 23rd

Morning: Spend a day in 1627 at **Plimouth Plantation**, where history repeats itself. First, we visit *Mayflower II,* a replica of the ship that carried Pilgrims to the New World, then to 17th century New England in the *Pilgrim Village*. You will be transported in time by Pilgrims and the ship's crew who are portrayed in amazingly accurate detail, even speaking in period dialects as they perform the tasks of daily life. Wander through the houses and gardens of the pilgrim village and chat with pilgrims as they go about their daily chores.

Afternoon: **Battleship Cove**, Fall River, MA, home of the mighty Battleship *Massachusetts* - longer than two football fields, as tall as a nine story building and weighs over 46,000 tons. It fought in 35 battles, logged 225,000 miles and was the first and last battleship to fire her big 16" guns in World War II. During our visit to Battleship Cove, we will explore the world's most complete collection of historic fighting ships. You'll see firsthand how brave men lived and fought on the sea and under it during World War II and the Korean and Vietnam Conflicts.