TRAIL LIFE USA™

Yearly Focus Woodlands Trail

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Trailmen earn leaves in seven program areas (branches) at each level in the Woodlands Trail program. The number of leaves and branch are highlighted below each meeting. You can learn more about leaves and branches by watching the program overview video on the website.

January

	Meeting Theme	***Service Project***	*Meeting Emphasis*	***Character***
Fox	*Meeting 1* Character - inside vs outside traits M&M Game **2 Values**	*Meeting 2* Integrity Lesson Fish Fun **2 Values**	*Meeting 3* Hobbies Share their Hobby/collection **2 Hobbies**	*Hit the Trail!* Plan an Activity Completion of Activity **3 Life Skills**
Hawk	*Meeting 1* Abraham Lincoln Character Lesson Fun with Flashlight **2 Life Skills**	*Meeting 2* Character Fruit of the Spirit Human Heart Heart Fun Game **2 Life Skills**	*Meeting 3* Good vs. Bad Character Craft Lesson **2 Life Skills**	*Hit the Trail!* Suggested Service Project **3 Outdoor Activity**
Mt Lion	*Meeting 1* Good Friend Bullying **2 Values**	*Meeting 2* Forgiveness Forgiveness Game Bring a collection **2 Values**	*Meeting 3* Walk Worthy Character Collections **2 Hobbies**	*Hit the Trail!* Positive Use of Free Time Games at Nursing Home, etc. **3 Hobbies**

February

	Meeting Theme	***Men Of Honor***	*Meeting Emphasis*	***Wisdom and Faith***
Fox	*Meeting 1* Honorable Man Character Traits **1 Heritage/1 Values**	*Meeting 2* Community Men of Honor Bake Cookies **2 Values**	*Meeting 3* Biblical Men of Honor Trailguide May I **1 Heritage/1 Values**	*Hit the Trail!* Visit People of Honor Pastor, Chaplain Armed Service Persons **3 Life Skills**
Hawk	*Meeting 1* Honor Your Parents Valentine's Project **1 Values/1 Hobbies**	*Meeting 2* Stay Healthy Menu Planning - Health **1 Values/1 Life Skills**	*Meeting 3* Men of Honor Knot Tying **1 Pioneering Skills** **1 Life Skills**	*Hit the Trail!* Historical Site **3 Heritage**
Mt Lion	*Meeting 1* Cooperation Jigsaw Puzzle **2 Heritage**	*Meeting 2* Family Generations Family Tree **1 Heritage/1 Hobbies**	*Meeting 3* Government/Citizenship Bill becomes a law **2 Heritage**	*Hit the Trail!* Visit a Govt. Bldg **3 Heritage**

March

	Meeting Emphasis ***Wisdom***		*Meeting Theme* ***Pioneering Skills***	
Fox	*Meeting 1*	*Meeting 2*	*Meeting 3*	*Hit the Trail!*
	Outdoor Safety	Outdoor Skills	Outdoor Fun	Hike or Outdoor Cooking
	Buddy System	Knot Tying	Making Trail Mix	Tread Lightly
	Fire Safety			
	2 Pioneering	**2 Pioneering**	**2 Pioneering**	**2 Outdoor Act./1Pioneering**
Hawk	*Meeting 1*	*Meeting 2*	*Meeting 3*	*Hit the Trail!*
	Pioneer Tools	Gardening	Fishing Basics	Fishing
	Build a birdhouse	Plant a Seed	Fisherman's Knot	
	2 Pioneering Skills	**2 Sci & Tech**	**2 Pioneering Skills**	**3 Pioneering Skills**
Mt Lion	*Meeting 1*	*Meeting 2*	*Meeting 3*	*Hit the Trail!*
	Knot Tying	Poisonous Plant	Tread LigHit the Trail!ly	Conservation Project
	Marshmellow Fling	First Aid	Make a Poster	
	2 Pioneering Skills	**2 Pioneering Skills**	**2 Pioneering Skills**	**3 Pioneering Skills**

April

	Meeting Theme ***Camping***		*Meeting Emphasis* ***Teamwork***	
Fox	*Meeting 1*	*Meeting 2*	*Meeting 3*	*Hit the Trail!*
	Campsite Inspection	Go on a Hike	Weather Prediction	Outdoor Cookout
	Layout of Camp	Trail Mix	Make Weather Posters	or Camping
	2 Outdoor Activities	**2 Outdoor Activities**	**2 Science & Tech**	**3 or 5 Outdoor Activities**
Hawk	*Meeting 1*	*Meeting 2*	*Meeting 3*	*Hit the Trail!*
	Knots	Creepy Crawly Critters	Tent Pitching Practice	Camping Trip
	Knot Relay	Drawing Bugs	Campsite Layout	
	2 Pioneering Skills	**2 Sci & Tech**	**2 Pioneering Skills**	**3 or 5 Outdoor Act. Or**
				2 Pioneering/3 Outdoor
Mt Lion	*Meeting 1*	*Meeting 2*	*Meeting 3*	*Hit the Trail!*
	Communication Skills	Problem Solving	Camping Ettiquite	Plan and go on a campout
	Listening	Conflict Resolution	Camping Relay	or outing
	2 Life Skills	**2 Life Skills**	**2 Outdoor Activites**	**3 or 5 Outdoor Act.**

May

	Meeting Theme ***Citizenship/Patriotism***		*Meeting Emphasis* ***Wisdom, Character, Leadership***	
Fox	*Meeting 1*	*Meeting 2*	*Meeting 3*	*Hit the Trail!*
	The Mayflower	Historical Documents	Voting	Visit 9-11 Office
	Make a boat	Make a Parchment Paper	Mock Vote	Police or County Sheriff
	2 Heritage	**2 Heritage**	**2 Heritage**	**3 Life Skills**
Hawk	*Meeting 1*	*Meeting 2*	*Meeting 3*	*Hit the Trail!*
	Why do I wear a uniform?	What is a good citizen?	Lead like Jesus	Police, Fire Station
	Draw a picture	Good Citizen/Bad Citizen	Leading a Meeting	or Military Base Visit
				Wear Uniforms
	2 Heritage	**2 Heritage**	**2 Values**	**3 Values**
Mt Lion	*Meeting 1*	*Meeting 2*	*Meeting 3*	*Hit the Trail!*
	Stewardship	Leadership Skills	Developing a	Outing involving leadership
	Marble Mayhem	Scavenger Hunt	Good Character	Stewardship
	2 Values	**2 Values**	**2 Values**	**3 or 5 Life Skills**

June

Meeting Theme	***Advancement & Day Camp***	*Meeting Emphasis*	***Science and Technology***
Fox	*Meeting 1* Visual Arts **2 Hobbies**	**June and July are summer meetings and contain only one meeting and one Hit the Trail!**	*Hit the Trail!* Science and Technology Science lab or company College science lab **3 Science & Technology**
Hawk	*Meeting 1* Science of Air Balloon Races and Paper Airplanes **3 Science and Technology**		*Hit the Trail!* Suggested Activity **3 Science and Technology**
Mt Lion	*Meeting 1* Physics – Water Rockets or Egg Drop **3 Science and Technology**		*Hit the Trail!* Science or Tech Museum **3 Science and Technology**

July

Meeting Theme	***Summer Activities***	*Meeting Emphasis*	***Outdoor Activities***
Fox	*Meeting 1* Types of Hobbies Decorating Cookies **3 Hobbies**	**June and July are summer meetings and contain only one meeting and one Hit the Trail!**	*Hit the Trail!* Outdoor Hobbies Field Games, Fishing **3 Hobbies**
Hawk	*Meeting 1* Collections Memory Game **3 Hobbies**		*Hit the Trail!* Suggested Activities **3 Outdoor Activities**
Mt Lion	*Meeting 1* Boating Safety **2 Outdoor Activities**		*Hit the Trail!* Swimming/Water or Boating Activity **3 Outdoor Activities**

August

Meeting Theme	***Recruitment, Team Building***		*Meeting Emphasis*	***Teamwork***
Fox	*Meeting 1* Sharing Over and Under Game **2 Life Skills**	*Meeting 2* Families and Cooperation Family Tree **1 Values/1 Life Skills**	*Meeting 3* Respect Blindman Kickball **1 Values/1 Life Skills**	*Hit the Trail!* Service Project Field Game **3 Outdoor Activities**
Hawk	*Meeting 1* Welcome Party Getting to know you Game **2 Life Skills**	*Meeting 2* Learn about Trail Life USA Oath Cup Stack **2 Values**	*Meeting 3* Musical Instruments Musical Chairs **2 Hobbies**	*Hit the Trail!* Troop Swim Party or Family Picnic **3 Outdoor Activities**
Mt Lion	*Meeting 1* Team Building Activities **2 Life Skills**	*Meeting 2* Sports Activity **2 Outdoor Activities**	*Meeting 3* Family Life Skills **2 Life Skills**	*Hit the Trail!* Family Fun Sporting NigHit the Trail! **3 Outdoor Activities**

September

	Meeting Theme	***Safety***	Meeting Emphasis	***Wisdom***
Fox	*Meeting 1*	*Meeting 2*	*Meeting 3*	*Hit the Trail!*
	Get Acquainted	Car Safety	Bike Driver's Ed	Municipal Bldg
	Small party	Seat belts/Songs	Bike Memory Game	
	2 Life Skills	**2 Life Skills**	**2 Outdoor Activities**	**3 Life Skills**
Hawk	*Meeting 1*	*Meeting 2*	*Meeting 3*	*Hit the Trail!*
	Get to Know You	Car Safety	Bicycle Safety	Bicycle Rodeo
	Trail Life - Structure	Rules	Bike Memory Game	
	2 Life Skills	**2 Life Skills**	**2 Outdoor Activities**	**3 Outdoor Activities**
Mt Lion	*Meeting 1*	*Meeting 2*	*Meeting 3*	*Hit the Trail!*
	Observing Hobbies	Visual Arts	Music and Drama	Public Performance
	Exploring Hobbies	Art Project	Performing Arts	Any
	2 Hobbies	**2 Hobbies**	**2 Hobbies**	**3 Hobbies**

October

	Meeting Theme	***Camping***	Meeting Emphasis	***Teamwork***
Fox	*Meeting 1*	*Meeting 2*	*Meeting 3*	*Hit the Trail!*
	Trees are more than Trees	Campsite	Mind your outdoor manners	Hike or Campout
	Outdoor Scav. Hunt	What makes a campsite	Game	
	2 Pioneering	**2 Pioneering**	**2 Pioneering**	**3 or 5 Pioneering**
Hawk	*Meeting 1*	*Meeting 2*	*Meeting 3*	*Hit the Trail!*
	Outdoor Safety!	Hiking Safety	Let's talk Trees	Campout
	Things in nature	Essential gear needed	Picture of ecosystem	
	2 Pioneering	**2 Pioneering**	**2 Science and Technology**	**3 or 5 Pioneeing**
Mt Lion	*Meeting 1*	*Meeting 2*	*Meeting 3*	*Hit the Trail!*
	Astronomy	Weather	Geology	Camping
	Stars/Telescopes	Weather Station	Different types of rocks	Astronomy, Weather and Geology
	2 Science and Technology	**2 Science and Technology**	**2 Science and Technology**	**3 or 5 Sci &Technology**

November

	Meeting Theme	***Giving Thanks***	Meeting Emphasis	***Heritage, Faith***
Fox	*Meeting 1*	*Meeting 2*	*Meeting 3*	*Hit the Trail!*
	America's Heroes	Branches of Military	Mayflower	Veteran's Day Event
	Odsticle Course		Turkey Hunt Shoot	
	2 Heritage	**1 Heritage/1 Values**	**2 Heritage Branch**	**3 Heritage Branch**
Hawk	*Meeting 1*	*Meeting 2*	*Meeting 3*	*Hit the Trail!*
	America's Heroes	America's Heroes	First Thanksgiving	Heritage, Faith
	Military History	Thank you cards for Veterans		Veteran's Day Event
	2 Heritage Branch	**1 Heritage/1 Values**	**2 Values**	**3 Heritage**
Mt Lion	*Meeting 1*	*Meeting 2*	*Meeting 3*	*Hit the Trail!*
	Honoring our Flag	Honoring Armed Forces	The First Thanksgiving	Heritage, Faith
	History of the Flag	Cards for Veterans	Mayflower Journey	Misc. Activity
	1 Values/1 Heritage	**2 Heritage**	**2 Heritage**	**3 Heritage**

December				
	Meeting Theme	***Christmas***	*Meeting Emphasis*	***Faith***
	Fox	*Meeting 1* Christmas Story Christmas Party **2 Values**	**December only contains one meeting and one Hit the Trail!.**	*Hit the Trail!* Various Christmas Events **3 Values**
	Hawk	*Meeting 1* Christmas Story Christmas Party **2 Values**		*Hit the Trail!* Various Christmas Events **3 Values**
	Mt Lion	*Meeting 1* Christmas Story Christmas Party **1 Heritage/ 1 Values**		*Hit the Trail!* Faith Community Service **3 Values**