

APPENDIX - SAMPLE LETTER TO PARENTS

This following letter is a sample of the type of letter given to parents of girls who are intending to participate in a fairly strenuous hiking type of independent trip. It would be given out with the health forms.

Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

(Name of Unit) Pathfinders Switzerland Trip Information

Date: *dates of trip* (e.g., month/day to month/day/year -3 weeks)

Cost: \$ *total cost of trip* (all inclusive, except spending money)

Deposit: \$*amount of deposit* (non-returnable; payable before *month/day/year*)

Financial Arrangements

The Guiders and girls undertake to fund raise as much as possible: balance to be paid by participants.

Brief Proposed Itinerary

Fly to Düsseldorf, hired bus to Cologne sightseeing, travel along Rhine visiting Bonn, Heidelberg and Koblenz. River cruise along Mosel, supper at University of Heidelberg. 10-day session at Our Chalet including mountain walking and sightseeing, meeting girls from other countries; fun and friendship. A unique experience. Fly home from Zurich.

Important Notice

Due to the nature of this trip, it is of extreme importance that each participant be in excellent health, and that they have a genuine desire to hike. The program at Our Chalet is strenuous and we will be joining in with most of their activities.

Experience has shown that sometimes medical problems are not mentioned on the health form and if this is the case, can jeopardize a girl's chance to participate in the event. If you have a concern, please do not hesitate to call me and discuss it confidentially, so that we can work out any potential problems **before** they occur.

Your daughter may be asked to have a doctor sign her personal health form to ensure that she will be able to fully participate in the activity.

Please fill out the health forms carefully and completely.

Thank you.

Insert Name
Responsible Guider