

MISSION DISTRICT CAMPOREE



Participant Guidebook



ON A MISSION: Seige of Mafeking

March 19-21, 2010

Scouts and Scouters -

It has been another outstanding year of Scouting in our Mission District! Our Quality program shines more than ever as we continue to grow and provide outstanding outdoor experiences and program for the young men of our Boy Scout Troops.

This year's Camporee reminds us that a good knot and Scout skills are just as important as conservation and responsible outdoor ethics. The weekend of March 19-21, 2010 Camp Balboa will be transformed into a Wilderness Adventure where only those Scouts and Patrols who prove to be strong, worthy and wise will be triumphant. We invite you to "Celebrate the Adventure" and prepare for a wondrous challenge ahead!

If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact the following people:

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PLEASE READ THIS ENTIRE HANDBOOK.

**It will explain the rules and logistics for this year's Camporee.
Please note: Tour Permits WILL BE REQUIRED at check-in.**



CAMPOREE SCHEDULE

Friday

5:00 to 8:00 pm	Check in/Camp site set-up
8:00 pm	Movie Night in the campfire bowl
9:00 pm	Briefing for Leaders, SPL's, and Staff at Atherton Hall
10:00 pm	TAPS

Saturday

6:00 am	Reveille, breakfast and clean-up
7:45 am	Assembly for Flags and opening ceremony in campfire bowl
8:30 to 11:30am	Commence Patrol Challenges
11:30 am	Lunch and clean-up
12:30 to 3:30pm	Commence Patrol Challenges
TBA	Senior Patrol Leader's Challenge
TBA	Campsite Inspections
4:00 pm	Submit scorecards
4:00 to 6:30 pm	Evening meal and clean-up Cooking Contest Preps in Troop Campsites
5:30 to 6:00pm	Cooking Contest Judging
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7:00 pm	Awards Campfire at Ampitheatre
8:00 pm	Order of the Arrow Call Out
9:30 pm	Cracker Barrel for Unit Leaders
10:00 pm	TAPS

Sunday

6:30 to 7:30 am	Reveille, breakfast and clean-up
7:30 am	Morning Colors
8:00 am	Scouts Own Service
8:30 to 10:30 am	Check-out of campsites
12:00 pm	Camp secured

EVENT INFORMATION

Parking: CAR POOLING is required. Due to the limited parking at Camp Balboa every Unit must car pool. There will be a limited amount of additional parking spaces at the Girl Scout Camp. **Unit leaders are encouraged to advise the Camporee Staff if they are planning to bring a trailer.** Parking is only allowed in designated areas. There will be a designated off-loading area for all Unit gear. Please limit your gear to what you can carry. There are carts available for transporting gear to campsites, however, they are limited. *This year there may not be room for parking in the back of the camp in the dirt lot.*

Check-in Procedure: Plan to arrive together. Once the Unit's gear is off loaded and the vehicles are parked, the Senior Patrol Leaders and Adult Leader will check in and register the unit (**even if the unit is preregistered, you must check in**).

It is understood that some Troop members may have to arrive later; this is okay as long as they are registered when the Troop registers. Troop leaders please be prepared to provide an exact count of Scouts, adults, and number of Patrols. Campsites will be assigned prior to the event based on the amount of participants registered from the Unit.

Because of the expected large number of Patrols entering the Challenges, adults who are not the primary Troop leader may be asked to assist the Camporee Staff. Troop leaders will also be given a Camporee critique sheet and a Troop roster sheet which are to be filled out and returned to Registration when checking out.

Upon checking in, the Troop will be escorted to their assigned campsite by a Camporee Staff member. **If a Troop desires to check-in prior to the scheduled time, they must coordinate with Camporee Administration prior to the event.**

Registration and Fees:

Registration will be accepted until **March 6th** and will be first-come-first-serve for the first 350.

To keep the cost down, again this year there the Camporee t-shirt is an optional fee.

The cost of registration is \$10.00 per youth without shirt, \$7 per adult without shirt; Additional \$6 per Shirt (registration must be paid by March 6th to receive shirt).

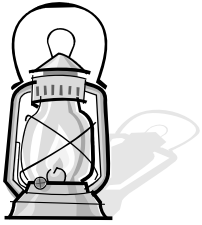
At least two adult leaders must be in attendance with each Unit. All Scouts and Scouters in attendance are required to pay the registration fees.



Camping: Every Troop is responsible for their own gear, tents, food, equipment, safety, hygiene and discipline. Troops will be assigned a space to accommodate the number of campers paid and signed up on the roster. **To fit all the Troops in the Camp, we ask that you design a compact campsite.** Please be sure to bring your own tables and chairs for your Troop campsites as we will not be allowed to move them from established camp areas.

Webelos: Webelos Dens will ONLY be allowed to visit on Saturday! This will give them an excellent opportunity to visit with various Troops and prepare for crossing over.

Uniforms: The uniform for the Camporee is Field Uniform (Class A). This will be worn at arrival, Opening Ceremony/Flags and Campfire. Scouts are allowed to change into Unit T-shirts/Activity Uniform for the Patrol Challenges. All OA members should wear OA sashes for the Campfire Call out.



Friday Night Briefing: This is a must for all Staff Members, Unit Leaders, and Senior Patrol Leaders. It will take place in Atherton Hall. Units will be given their Camporee Schedule at the meeting. This is **MANDATORY** for all Unit SPLs and Unit Leaders! Order of the Arrow call-out/Ordeal information will be verified at this time.

Opening Ceremony: All Units are required to attend the Camporee Opening Ceremony and Morning Colors on Saturday Morning.

Camporee T-Shirts: Camporee T-shirts are an option this year (see above fees). Units should request sizes needed on the registration forms. It is important that the number of Scouts and Scouters registered is accurate and registration turned in by Saturday, March 6th 2010 if participants would like the shirt option.

Event Judges: Each judge will be identified by a colored baseball cap and t-shirt with the Camporee insignia. The Scout staff member in charge of an challenge is the judge for that event.

THE JUDGE'S DECISION IS FINAL!

Campfire: Everyone is expected to attend the Saturday night campfire. Anyone who cannot attend will remain in his campsite with two Adults. No wandering around camp will be allowed. Awards from all of the Camporee Challenges will be given to the participants. The Order of the Arrow will conduct a "Call Out" at the campfire, and all participants and visitors are invited. Silence will be maintained, as this is a solemn occasion for Scouts. No flashlights will be allowed except for adult leaders. **Each Unit with Scouts recently elected to the OA, should ensure new members attendance for "Call Out" ceremony at Saturday night's campfire.**



Cracker Barrel: To be held Saturday night at 9:30pm in Atherton Hall for all Troop Leaders.

Church Services: Scouts Own Services are planned for Sunday morning. All Scouts and leaders are encouraged to attend.

Check-out Procedure: Units may check out Sunday morning after Scouts Own Services. The campsite must be inspected before you are cleared to check-out. Come to the Registration area and contact the Registration Advisor for campsite inspection. If you plan to check-out after the campfire, be sure to make arrangements for campsite inspection before the campfire with the Registration Adviser. Units WILL NOT be checked-out prior to the campfire on Saturday night or before the end of religious services on Sunday morning. Awards and Patches will be given to the SPL after the campsite has been inspected and the check-out procedure has been completed.

Post-Event Critique Sheet: To be issued to unit Leaders and SPL. Please fill-in and return so that next years event will be even better.



FACILITY POLICIES & MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

Dishwashing: All dishwashing is to be done at the campsite, not at the faucets. Please do not leave water running at the faucet; it will quickly turn the area into a mudhole! Disposal of trash, left over food and gray water will be disposed in filtering buckets placed throughout the camp.

Fires: Fire pits are available in Camp Sites 2 and 3 only. Fires should not be more than 18 inches above the fire pit. No other ground fires are allowed. All cooking must be done on stoves, off ground fire pit, or on barbeque grills. All ashes must be disposed of properly in an existing fire pit

First Aid Station: All injuries are to be reported immediately to the First Aid station located in Baden-Powell Lodge.

Headquarters: The Camporee Office is located at Baden-Powell Lodge in the side office. It is off limits to all Youth Camporee Participants.

Camporee Staff: Volunteer Staff will be identified by a colored baseball cap and t-shirt with the Camporee insignia.

ADDITIONAL EVENTS

Campsite Inspection: Inspections will be conducted on Saturday afternoon by the Camporee Staff. The Unit campsite area is to be clearly marked. Basis for inspection: Cleanliness, Scoutcraft items, fire safety, site arrangement, and effort involved. Look in the Scout Handbook to see how campsites should be set up. Each Campsite will be required to construct at least one Camp Gadget (see p.137 of The Boy Scout Handbook for more information) to be used in their camp. Also, Troop Camp Gateways are strongly encouraged.

An optional judging category will be for those units wishing to participate in a "Themed Campsite" These points will go towards a separate Spirit award.

Troop Cooking Challenge: Feed the Troops, Keep up the Morale!

Each troop may prepare a Main Dish or Dessert to enter into the Challenge. Troops must do all the preparing and cooking by themselves, with very little or no adult help.

- All food must be prepared at your campsite or campsite 2&3 if you need a fire pit.
- The Troop will be judged as follows:
20% presentation, 20% originality, 60% taste

Troops must present **two (2) servings** of their dish to the **judging area between 5:30–6:00pm**.

(NOTE: 6:00pm is the cut-off) Each dish should be identified with Troop number, a description of dish and any other pertinent information you wish to include about the dish. Awards will be given for First, Second, and Third place in each of the categories.

Each Troop will be given 20 extra Spirit points for entering a valid dish in the contest. If Troops choose to enter more than dish, no additional points will be given.

So put prepare a dish that will keep up the troop's stamina and morale!



SPL Challenge: Again this year we will be holding a Senior Patrol Leader Challenge during the day's events. All SPLs, or acting SPL, are required to participate. The winner of the SPL Challenge will receive a very special award.

This year there will be optional activities during the day when your patrol is not competing. And back by popular demand: The youth v. adult Tug-o-War at Lunch!



Scoutmasters/Troop Leaders - Please share the following information with your Troop's Youth Leadership for Camporee Competition Preparation

Each Patrol must have:

- SCOUT SPIRIT
- A Patrol name
- A Patrol flag on a staff or stave
- A pencil or pen
- Fire Starter (no matches or lighters)

Each Patrol Must:

- Stay together with Patrol during events
- Follow all instructions & rules and be respectful of event judges and other Scouts
- Complete each Challenge within 20 minutes

Patrols should study their general Scout skills including:

- Scout Oath, Law, Motto, Slogan, and Outdoor Code
- Knots & Lashings
- First Aid
- Ten Essentials
- Fire Starting
- Leadership Skills & Leave No Trace Principles (***important for SPL challenge**)



Patrol Flag: Each Patrol should have a Patrol flag at time of check-in and with them at all events. This is the Patrol's standard and points will be awarded for the Patrol flag at each event.

Patrol Spirit: Defined as: The demonstrated teamwork and enthusiasm of all Patrol members, also their Scout like appearance and appropriate Scout behavior; furthermore, the attitude and leadership of each Patrol Leader throughout the Camporee.

Patrol Method: All challenges are to be performed by Patrols with approximately 6-8 Scouts. At the Opening Flag Ceremony, the SPL for each Troop will receive scorecards for distribution to Patrol Leaders. The Patrol Leader must list the members of his Patrol on the scorecard, and no changes will allowed afterwards.

This Camporee is primarily an activity to enhance the Patrol Method within your Troop. It is also a chance for Scouts to show off their skills at camp making, cooking, teamwork, and cooperative methods of taking on tasks. All activities are run with the Patrol Method in mind and each Patrol will be judged in their ability to camp, complete scout skills, and compete as a Patrol (team). If possible each Patrol should maintain an individual campsite within the larger Troop area.

PATROL CHALLENGE EVENTS

Each Patrol should compete in all events. Here are some of the challenges that you will face:

1 'Spark' or Dark

"It gets awful dark and cold quick in the wilderness- how fast can you get the fire going?"

Patrols have the option of using their own fire starter (no matches or lighters) or the provided flint and steel. Patrols will be judged on time to get their fire started (flames- not just smoke) and teamwork.

2 Target Practice

"What do you want for dinner?"

Sling Shot course. Points will be assigned based on accuracy. An average of each patrol member's score will determine the overall patrol score.

3 Save the Campsite

"Water is a precious resource-don't waste it."

Patrol members will form a bucket brigade, passing buckets of water from a water source to a fire. The buckets haven't been tended to in a while, so they may have leaks. Patrol members will be given a set amount of time to try and transport as much water from the source to the 'fire' as possible. Patrols will be scored on patrol teamwork and the amount of water transported.

4 Break the enemy Code

"Discover info on the Enemy and the battle can be won "

Patrol members will use teamwork and mental skills to interpret the clues and gain information on the enemy. Patrols will be judged on their patrol teamwork, and time taken to complete the course.

5 'Knot' Exactly

"How well do you know your knots?"

Patrol members will be given a task to complete using rope and their knowledge of knots. Patrols will be scored on their knot knowledge, patrol teamwork and the time taken to complete the task. Knots used are from the Scout Handbook Trail to First Class requirements.

6 Scout vs. Wild

"Will you survive?"

Complete the obstacle course to reach the reward. This event will not be scored for time- Points will be awarded for Spirit and sportsmanship.

7 Lash or Crash

"Leave no Trace means just that, get your patrol to the other side without leaving your mark "

Patrol members will construct a ladder using the lashing poles and rope provided to "get to the other side of the ravine." Watch out for the wildlife you may encounter! Patrols will be scored on time and teamwork.

8 Recon Challenge

"How 'observant' are you?"

Giant Kim's game- Patrols will be scored on accuracy and teamwork while testing their memory and teamwork.

9 Defend the Campsite

"Keep away the critters."

BB gun shooting Points will be assigned based on accuracy. An average of each patrol member's score will determine the overall patrol score.

10 Frontline Casualty

"You need to be handy with bandages, or you could lose your buddy."

Provide first aid to fellow hurt Scouts. Patrols will be scored on their knowledge of first aid and teamwork

11 Show Your Colors

Patrols will stop by this station and demonstrate their patrol yell, flag and uniformity of dress. Points will be awarded for enthusiasm, creativity and scout appropriate themes. Extra points will be awarded to those patrols in either, patrol Class B BSA uniform or camporee-themed dress.

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“Celebrate the Adventure”

When: March 19-21, 2010

Who: All Council Troops

Where: Camp Balboa

Cost: \$10 per youth w/o Shirt
\$7 per adult w/o Shirt
\$6 for Shirt

For more information contact: Melissa Lardie lardiescouts@cox.net



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Total # of youth participants ____ @ \$10 = \$_____ NO SHIRT option

Total # of adult participants ____ @ \$7 = \$_____ NO SHIRT option

Total # of T-shirts ____ @ \$6 = \$_____

T-shirt sizes (Adult sizes only): SM: ____ MED: ____ LG: ____ XL: ____ XXL: ____

Must be received at the Council Service Center *no later than March 6, 2010* to guarantee shirts!!!

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Leader Name _____ Position _____
(Leader at the event)

Phone # H (_____) _____ Phone # M (_____) _____

Troop # _____ District _____

Email _____ @ _____

The most successful Troops at this year's Camporee will have thoroughly read and attained a complete understanding of all the information covered in this handbook.