

# Toqua District 2007 Fall Camporee October 5-7, 2007

Dear Scouts and Scouters,

The Toqua District Activities and Civic Service Committee invites all Troops, Crews, and Webelos Dens to take part in the 2007 Fall Camporee in Townsend, TN.

This Camporee is a service camporee to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park and Tremont. The district will camp beside the Great Smoky Mountain Heritage Center in Townsend and do service work in the surrounding area,

The cost of the Camporee is 10.00 per participant. This will cover the cost of the Camporee, a patch, camping, and site usage fees. A spaghetti dinner Saturday evening will be provided for an additional \$1 per participant or \$3 per guest. Pre-registration is required and a form is included in this package.

The Camporee is for all Boy Scout Troops, Venture Crews, and Webelos Dens.

The Saturday night campfire is still being planned but will have some new twists. Don't forget to bring blankets to sit on and flashlights. Parents and siblings are invited to attend dinner and the campfire.

The Scout Oath and Law will guide all activities and individual behavior.

We look forward to a great weekend of camping.

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Camporee Chairman  
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thomastr911@yahoo.com

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Service Chairman  
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## **Introduction**

The camporee committee and numerous volunteers have spent many hours putting together your Camporee. We appreciate your comments, suggestions, and participation. Your feedback is vital in our continuous effort to give scouts a quality program each spring and fall.

The Scout Oath and Law will guide all activities and individual behavior. We are the guests being allowed use of the Museum property. Unit Leaders are urged to maintain discipline at the Unit level. The Outdoor Code and the rules of Low Impact Camping shall be observed at all times.

## **General Information**

Class A (Dress) uniform will be required for Campfire and Worship service. Class B (T-shirts) should be worn on Saturday for service work.

The Camporee will be held rain or shine. In case of inclement weather, the Unit Leader is responsible for the welfare of the Scouts in his/her charge.

Campsite Inspections will occur on Saturday and ribbons will be awarded. Please note that each Patrol must have a posted Menu and Duty Roster to get full points.

Scoutmasters and Senior Patrol Leaders should plan to attend the Friday Evening SM/SPL Meeting at Headquarters. At this meeting leaders will receive final details and any last minute changes. A Crackerbarrel will immediately follow.

Water is available through one hose from the Museum. However, each unit should bring all the water they will need.

Each Unit is responsible for removal of all trash from their campsite.

First Aid services will be provided at the camporee site but not necessarily at the service sites.

## **Rules and Regulations**

Two deep leadership is required at all times and One adult leader is required for each 10 camping scouts.

Campfires are permitted unless fire restrictions are in effect. The camping field is comparable to a mowed lawn. The Leave No Trace principles are in effect, sod is to be removed and replaced at the close of the Camporee. We must leave the field as we found it!

**\*\*There will be a Leave No Trace demonstration concerning fires from 6 – 8 on Friday Night.**

Firewood is not available and must be brought by the units.

Scouts and Scouters are to be in and remain in the museum area and camping fields except for service work. The camporee site is next to a hotel and an RV park and these areas are strictly off limits.

Use only obvious, designated walking areas. Do not cut through another campsite without permission. Anyone responsible for the destruction of property will be subject to immediate dismissal, and the Unit will be held financially responsible.

No stakes are to be left in the ground.

No riding in trailers or pickup truck beds is permitted.

Disorderly conduct, the use of controlled substances, and/or weapons-fireworks is prohibited and is grounds for immediate dismissal.

Vehicles should remain parked throughout the Camporee except for service work. Park in the designated areas.

Chemical fuels and propane must be used and properly stored in accordance with BSA policies.

Any accidents, security problems, etc., must be reported to Headquarters as soon as possible.

Units are to practice "Low Impact" camping while at the Camporee.

Each unit will be allowed to bring their trailers into the camping field but not any other vehicles.

The parking field is right beside the camping field and it is a very short walk to the camping area.

## **Registration**

To help with the planning of the Camporee, preregistration is required. A \$5.00 pre-registration deposit (which will be applied to the final total cost for your Unit) is requested for each Scout and Adult planning to attend. While the preregistration is only an estimate, please be as accurate as possible. Deadline for the preregistration is the September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2007 Roundtable meeting.

Final on-site registration will be accomplished as the Units arrive. Please have your paperwork and money in order before arrival to expedite registration as smoothly and quickly as possible. Registration will begin at 5 PM Friday.

## **Leave No Trace Presentation (From Spring Camporee)**

There are seven principles of Leave No Trace. When scouts go on an outing they should take nothing but pictures and leave nothing but footprints. As a scout; practicing the principles of Leave No Trace are an important aspect of appreciating nature. For this event; the troop should assign each patrol a segment or segments of the Leave No Trace principles. The segment/s should develop a presentation with a free standing display to be turned in at headquarters that represents the seven principles of Leave No Trace. Each patrol should identify which area (areas) they presented. Reference materials: Scout Handbook, Fieldbook, and LeaveNoTrace.org. Ribbons will be awarded.

## **Dinner Saturday Night**

A spaghetti dinner will be provided Saturday night for the participants for \$1 charge. This is so that units do not have to spend all day doing service work and then rush back to cook dinner. The dinner will be a spaghetti dinner that will include spaghetti (plain Prego plus meat), pasta, bread, bug juice, and a salad (Thousand Island and Ranch dressing will be provided). We are asking each unit to bring a desert plus their own plates, cups, and utensils. Cost for visitors will be \$3. Please indicate on your pre-registration form if your unit is not going to take advantage of this meal.

## **Camping & Parking**

We are camping in the field behind the Tally Ho Motel in Townsend TN. The field is comparable to a mowed lawn and the low impact camping rules will apply. We must leave the field in as good a shape as we found it. Fires will be permitted but cannot scar the ground. There will be a Leave No Trace presentation on Friday night. Firewood is not available on site; you must bring your own. One trailer per unit will be allowed on the camping field. No other vehicles will be allowed. The parking field is right beside the camping field and is a very short walk.

## **Headquarters**

Headquarters will be set up in the field in front of the museum. It will be open and manned throughout the weekend for registration, information, and checkout.

Headquarters will have information on:

- Where to go for first aid
- How to handle trash
- Lost and found
- Schedule of events
- Event locations

## **Campfire**

The campfire on Saturday night will be in the Museum amphitheater. The campfire chairman, Mike DeBrule, is new to our area but is an experienced Scouter and will bring some new twists to the campfire program. We are looking for some good songs and skits. Mike is asking any unit interested in doing a song or a skit to contact him with the song or skit by September 29<sup>th</sup>. Contact Mike at <tstmz@hotmail.com>

## **Religious Service**

A Scout is Reverent. Chapel Service has been scheduled for Sunday morning at 9:00 am. The Camporee committee feels that participation at a religious service on a Scout outing is an important part of the BSA program. All participants are encouraged to attend the service.

## **CAMPOREE SERVICE PROJECTS**

We will be performing a variety of service projects throughout the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Most of these projects will involve teams of 8-16 Scouts and leaders, who will disperse to various locations throughout the Park on Saturday morning. Everyone will return to the Camporee site by Saturday evening to report on their activities and enjoy the group programs. Project locations will include the Great Smoky Mountain Institute at Tremont, the Cades Cove loop road, and numerous trails and backcountry campsites throughout the Park. These projects will be conducted in support of the Park's VIP (Volunteers in Parks) Adopt-a-Trail and Adopt-a-Campsite programs, as well as the Appalachian Trail Maintainers Committee of the Smoky Mountain Hiking Club, and the Great Smoky Mountains Institute at Tremont. Scouts may perform Eagle Projects; these projects must be approved through normal channels before the camporee. The camporee is only a source of manpower and the project does not necessarily have to be completed during the camporee. The Scout will be responsible for planning and implementing the project. Please inform Don Dunning if an Eagle Project is going to be performed as soon as possible.

General types of projects will include the following:

Backcountry Campsite Maintenance: Teams of Scouts and Leaders will hike to various backcountry campsites throughout the Park to perform campsite maintenance activities, such as cleaning out fire rings, picking up any litter, and inspecting the campsite for any unsafe conditions, such as dangerous leaning or fallen trees, etc. Each group will file a report on the results of their inspections, so that Park personnel can take any needed actions to correct any problems noted. Each group may need a small shovel for cleaning fire-rings, trash bags for litter, as well as your normal day-hike supplies.

Trail Maintenance: Teams of Scouts and Leaders will hike various designated trails throughout the Park to perform trail maintenance activities, such as cleaning waterbars, trimming vegetation encroaching on the trail, and reporting any problems such as trees that may have fallen across the trail etc. Each group will file a report on the results of their inspection, so that the Park personnel can take any needed actions to clear fallen trees, or correct other problems that may be noted. Each group may need a few basic tools, such as a shovel and bow saw, as well as your normal day-hike supplies.

Appalachian Trail Shelter Privy Maintenance: Teams of Scouts and Leaders will backpack to several shelters along the Appalachian Trail to restock the privy (bolo) at each site with fresh mulch. This will involve backpacking bagged mulch to each shelter location, so backpacks (and strong backs) will be required. The AT shelters have converted from pit privies (similar to the bolos you are more familiar with) to a relatively new privy design, called "moldering privies", which is a low-maintenance, inexpensive, no-pit aerobic composting system that is likely to revolutionize waste management in the backcountry. This design requires fresh organic mulch (such as ground up tree matter etc). Most of the AT shelters are accessible by horse trails, and mulch is carried to these sites by horseback. However, we will be helping the Smoky Mountains Hiking Club Appalachian Trail Maintainers to pack mulch to those shelter locations that are not accessible by horseback. (Note: We may ask 1 or 2 teams to camp Friday night separately from the main Camporee site, to reduce travel time on Saturday morning to designated trails in the Cosby area of the Park; if you have a team of older Scouts with good backpacking experience, please let the Camporee staff if you might be interested in this option.) The general plan is for groups of 16 persons to carry 8 (approx 25-pound) bags of mulch to each shelter - that way, half the group will be carrying mulch while the other half carries normal day-hike supplies, such as water and lunch, and these can switch off periodically. The groups will also inspect the shelter for any problems or maintenance issues. Each group will file a report on their work and any issues they noted, for the Park personnel. Please bring any backpacks or pack-boards suitable for carrying the bagged mulch, as well as your supplies for a long day-hike (water, lunches, raingear, etc).

Appalachian Trail Shelter Inspections: Several other AT shelters that do not have privies also will be visited by teams of Scouts and Leaders. Activities will be similar to those described for the Backcountry Campsite Maintenance above, including cleaning fire-rings, cleaning up any litter in and around the shelter, and inspecting the site for any unsafe conditions or other problems. Each team will file a report on the results of their work and inspections, so that the Park personnel can take any needed actions.

Other Projects TBD: We are still working to identify additional project opportunities, and additional information these will be provide as they develop. If you have ideas or suggestions, please contact the Camporee staff.

Additional details regarding the specific tasks as well as general instructions on trail and campsite maintenance techniques etc. will be provided for all workers.

### **General Project Information**

Most projects are designed for a patrol of 8 Scouts/Scouters but can be completed with a few more or a few less people.

Larger units will need to split into several crews according to ability level.

Most projects will require hiking to one degree or another in mountainous terrain.

Units will need to provide two-deep leadership for each separate group.

Units will have to provide their own transportation to and from the service sites.

First Aid kits and Emergency Medical Permission Slips will be required for all participants, these must accompany each crew.

Some units can be combined with other units in order to help with the two-deep rule and transportation.

The Saturday morning flag ceremony is not required. Each unit is free to leave as early as they want to.

*It is understood that some units may have problems with transportation and providing leadership for all of their crews. The camporee staff will work with those units to help provide either transportation and/or additional leadership. Please let either Thomas Pendleton or Don Dunning know as soon as possible if you are going to need some help. Any unit that can provide extra transportation or leadership, please let us know also.*

## Toqua District 2007 Fall Camporee

### Schedule

Friday, October 5, 2007

5:00 PM	Check In and Registration opens
6:00 – 8:00 PM	Leave No Trace fire demonstration
7:00 – 9:00 PM	Turn in Leave No Trace presentations
9:00 PM	Scoutmaster / Senior Patrol Leaders Meeting (at HQ) followed by the Crackerbarrel
10:00 PM	Troop Meetings in Campsites
11:00 PM	Taps, Lights Out, QUIET

Saturday, May 5, 2007

7:00 AM	Reveille, Breakfast, Clean-Up
8:45 AM	Flag Ceremony, Announcements (not mandatory)
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Service work
4:00 PM -- 6:00 PM	Program – Games ??
6:00 PM	Dinner, Clean-Up
8:00 PM	Campfire
11:00 PM	Taps, Lights Out, QUIET

Sunday, May 6, 2007

7:00 AM	Reveille, Breakfast, Clean-Up
9:00 AM	Religious Service Awards, Announcements Break Camp, Clean-Up, Check-Out

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## Campsite Inspection

Troop/Crew \_\_\_\_\_

Each Troop/Crew will start with 100 points. Deductions will come from the categories listed below. The maximum point's deduction per category is shown.

\* Each patrol with maximum of 15 points deducted.

	Points	Score
Troop Identified	5 PTS.	_____
Patrol Duty Roster Posted	5 PTS. *	_____
Patrol Menu Posted	5 PTS. *	_____
Food Properly Stored	5 PTS. *	_____
Dishes/Utensils Clean & Stored	5 PTS. *	_____
Chemical Fuels Stored Properly	5 PTS.	_____
When Wood Tools Present There Is An Axe Yard	10 PTS.	_____
First Aid Kit (One Per Troop Minimum) Out & In Sight	10 PTS.	_____
Waste Management	10 PTS.	_____
Campsite Placement	10 PTS.	_____
Campsite Neat & Orderly	10 PTS.	_____
Fire Control (ABC Fire Extinguisher) Out & In Sight	10 PTS.	_____
U.S. Flag (Displayed Properly)	5 PTS.	_____
Tennessee Flag (Displayed Properly)	5 PTS.	_____
TOTAL POINTS POSSIBLE	100 PTS.	<b>Total Score</b> _____

# Toqua District – 2007 Fall Camporee Registration

Type of Unit: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

SPL: \_\_\_\_\_ JASM: \_\_\_\_\_  
 APL: \_\_\_\_\_ JASM: \_\_\_\_\_  
 APL: \_\_\_\_\_ JASM: \_\_\_\_\_

Patrol Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Patrol Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 1. PL: \_\_\_\_\_ 1. PL: \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. APL: \_\_\_\_\_ 2. APL: \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_  
 4. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_  
 5. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_  
 6. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. \_\_\_\_\_  
 7. \_\_\_\_\_ 7. \_\_\_\_\_  
 8. \_\_\_\_\_ 8. \_\_\_\_\_

Patrol Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Patrol Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 1. PL: \_\_\_\_\_ 1. PL: \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. APL: \_\_\_\_\_ 2. APL: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 8. \_\_\_\_\_ 8. \_\_\_\_\_

Patrol Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Patrol Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 1. PL: \_\_\_\_\_ 1. PL: \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. APL: \_\_\_\_\_ 2. APL: \_\_\_\_\_  
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SM: \_\_\_\_\_ COR: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ASM: \_\_\_\_\_ CC: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ASM: \_\_\_\_\_ CM: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ASM: \_\_\_\_\_ CM: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ASM: \_\_\_\_\_ CM: \_\_\_\_\_

Total # of Scouts: \_\_\_\_\_ Total # of Scouters \_\_\_\_\_ Total # \_\_\_\_\_ Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

SM Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Pre-registration \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dinner \$1/person | \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total \$: \_\_\_\_\_

## 2007 Fall Camporee Pre-registration Form

Troop/Crew Name	_____
Number of Patrols	_____
Number of Scouts	_____
Number of Adult Leaders	_____
Total Participants	_____
Pre-registration Deposit (\$5.00 per Scout and Adult)	\$_____
Total Deposit	\$_____
<b><u>Number for dinner Saturday night</u></b>	_____
Number of Trailers staying at Camporee	_____
Number of Vehicles staying at Camporee	_____

**Pre-registration DEADLINE: September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2007  
ROUNDTABLE**

Return this completed form along with the Pre-registration Deposit to:

Great Smoky Mountain Council  
Toqua 2007 Fall Camporee  
P.O. Box 51885  
Knoxville, TN 37950-1885  
Attn: Tom Newman



# Portable Toilet Reservation Form

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Four portable toilets will be provided in the activity areas. If your troop wishes to rent your own, **please return this form and money by the September 20<sup>th</sup> Roundtable** and we will have them delivered on Friday Oct 5<sup>th</sup> with the four already ordered. **The cost is \$55 per toilet.** Some troops may want to share a toilet. If this is the case, please submit only one form with the troop Unit numbers and we will make sure those Units have adjoining campsites.

Payment must be made when this form is turned in because we will pay cash when they are delivered to the site.

**PLEASE TURN IN THIS FORM AND ANY MONIES FOR THE PORTABLE TOILETS TO THOMAS PENDLETON AT THE INFORMATION BELOW NO LATER THAN THE SEPTEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup> ROUNDTABLE. THIS WILL NOT BE A PART OF THE REGULAR CAMPOREE REGISTRATION. WE ARE HANDLING THIS SEPARATELY FROM REGISTRATION.**

TROOP/Crew \_\_\_\_\_ would like to order a portable toilet.

TROOP/Crew \_\_\_\_\_ will share with TROOP/Crew \_\_\_\_\_ and requests to camp beside them.

**Make checks payable to: BSA**

**Mail to: Thomas Pendleton  
303 Talon St.  
Seymour, TN 37865  
865-789-4997  
Thomastr911@yahoo.com**

## **Directions to Toqua Fall 2007 Camporee**

**Please use Google/MapQuest/etc. directions to:  
Talley Ho Inn, 8314 State Highway 73, Townsend, TN**