

Oconee District Spring Camporee

12-14 March 2010

Piedmont Forestry Center
130 Piedmont Nursery Road
Tamassee, SC 29686



**OCONEE DISTRICT PRESENTS
THE 2010 SPRING CAMPOREE**

“BACK TO THE FUTURE”

On March 12th through 14th the Oconee District will conduct its Spring Camporee at the Piedmont Forestry Center off Highway 11 in Tamassee, SC. In past camporees we have focused on Merit Badge requirements, the purpose of this camporee is to provide Scouts with a history of the upstate of SC and to honor the 100th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America.

The individuals partnering with the Oconee District will instruct in the areas of Native American life, pioneer life as lived by the early settlers of this area, and reenactors demonstrating camp skills of the early settlers and those during the Civil War era. These subjects will be taught during the morning of Saturday, March 13. After a brief lunch break and free time period Scouts will get their chance to perform some of the skills taught earlier in the morning.

Those giving of their time for this camporee are: Nancy Basket, a Native American who will teach Native American history, life and skills; Leigh Culver will teach wilderness survival and tracking; Tom Ray reenacts Horace Kephart, a 1920s outdoorsman, and will teach primitive survival skills; Central Civil War reenactors will demonstrate the living conditions in the field in the 1860s; and Russell Smart, Blue Ridge Council President, will be impersonating Lord Baden-Powell, founder of the Scouting movement, at the Saturday night campfire.

The cost of the camporee is \$7.00 per person. Directions to the Piedmont Forestry Center are attached. Campfires in unit sites must be in aboveground containers or for ground fires sod must be removed and then replaced on Sunday morning. A Unit Fireguard Chart and Instructions are attached. Each Scout is asked to bring a bundle of 10-foot long kudzu vines for making rope.

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CAMPOREE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, 12 March 2010

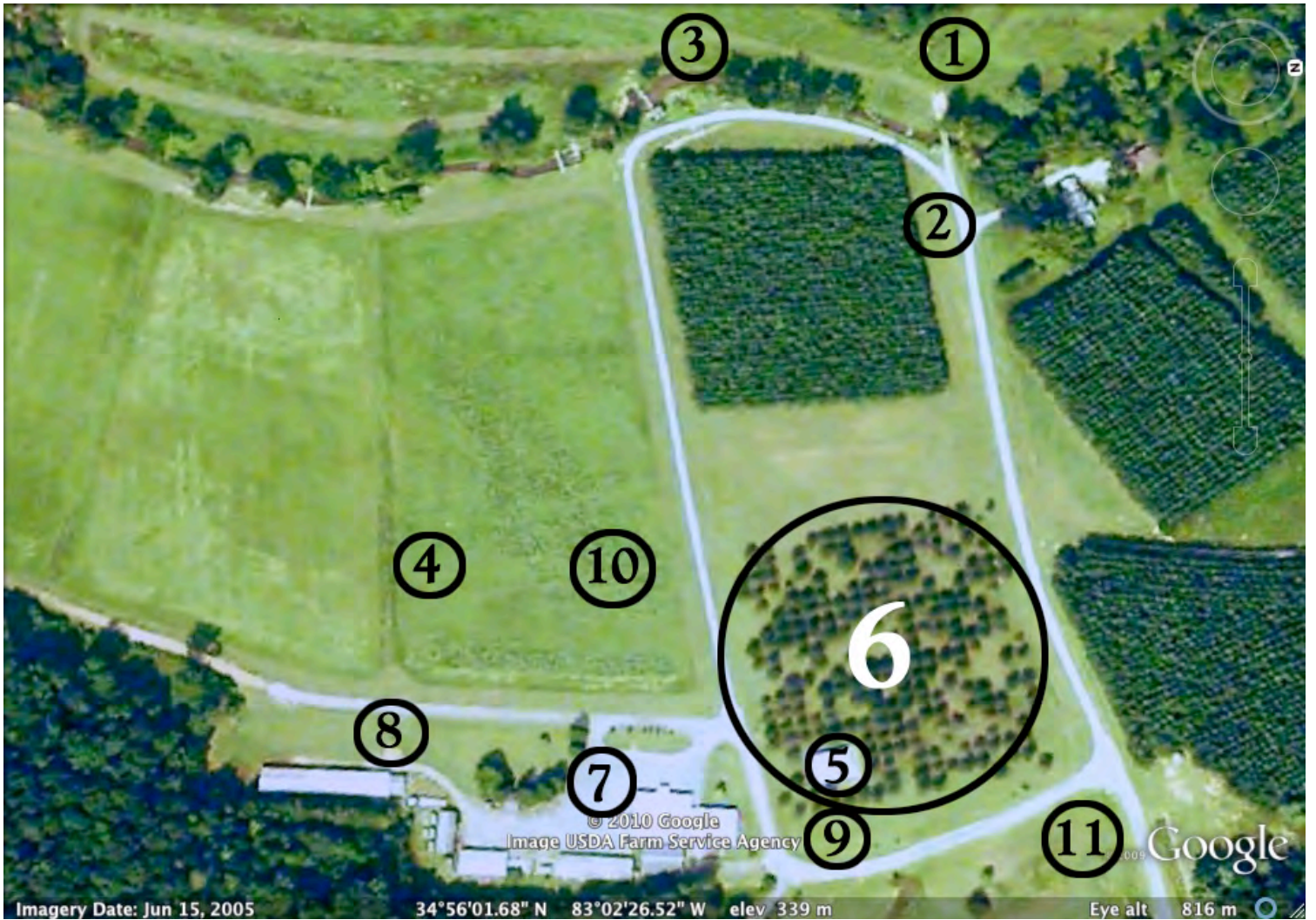
1400 Check-in and registration begins
2100 Cracker barrel for SPLs and adult leaders
2200 Taps

Saturday, 13 March 2010

0700 Reveille and commence breakfast (we suggest a quick breakfast this day)
0815 Event staff meeting
0830 Flag Ceremony, Announcements (wear work clothes)
0900 Begin Training Event Phase 1
1000 Begin Training Event Phase 2
1100 Begin Training Event Phase 3
1145 Assembly
1200 Dismiss assembly to lunch (a simple lunch is suggested due to time restrictions)
1345 Free time ends – Commence practical exercise
1645 Practical exercise ends, return to camp
1730 Commence evening meal preparation
1900 Complete evening meal and cleanup
1930 Assemble for campfire (skits, songs cheers, announcements, Scouter's message)
2100 Campfire complete, return to campsites
2115 Cracker barrel for SPLS and adult leaders
2200 Taps

Sunday, 14 March 2010

0700 Reveille and commence breakfast
0830 Break camp and cleanup
1015 Devotion Service – Mr. Billy Boggs
1045 Announcements
1100 Assembly dismissed – break camp and cleanup
1200 Camporee ends – **ALL TROOPS/PACKS MUST HAVE DEPARTED BY THIS TIME**



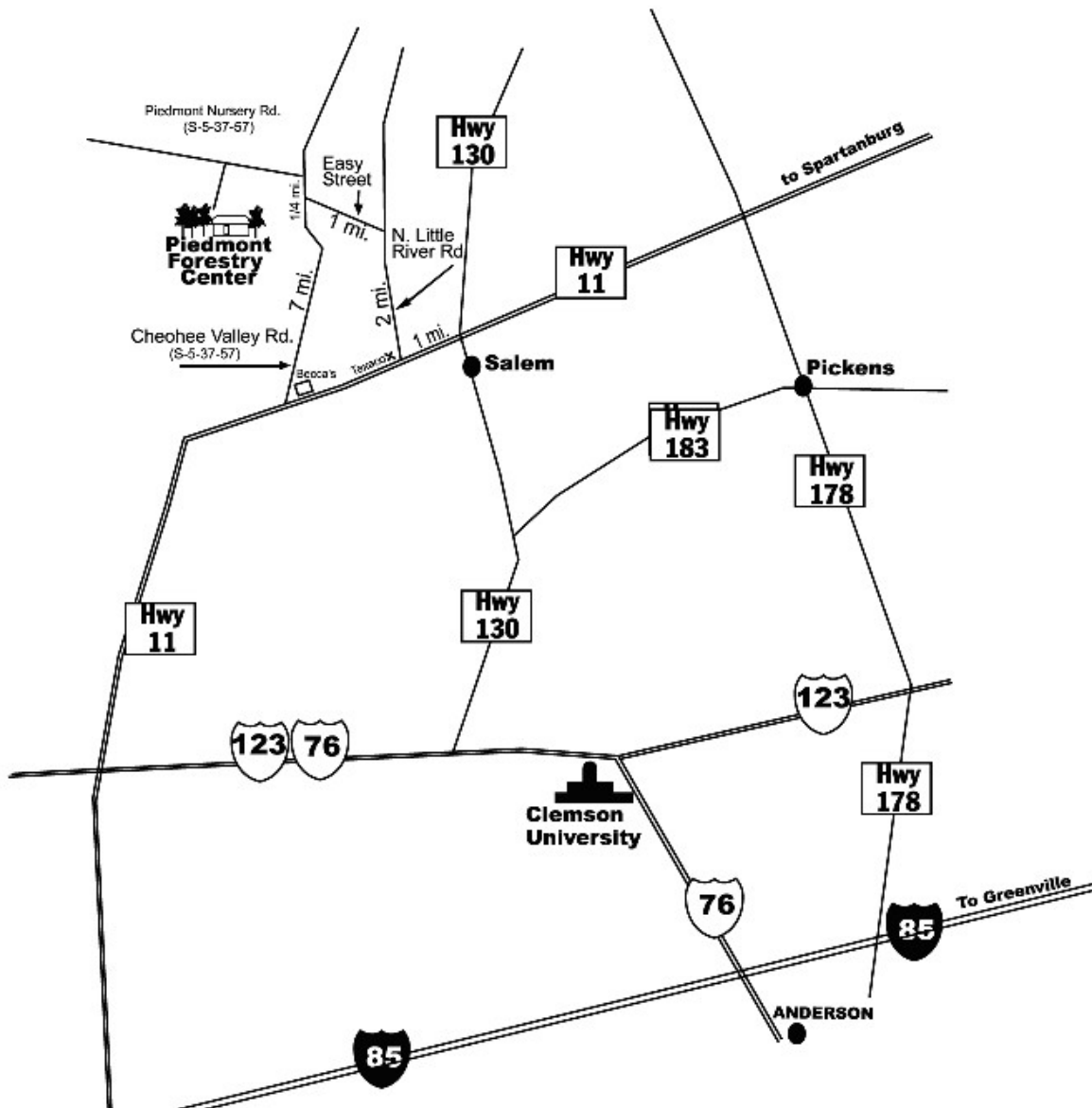
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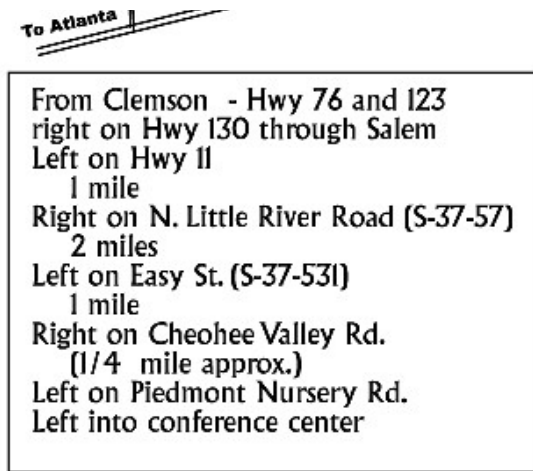
- 1 - Wilderness Survival/Tracking**
- 2 - Native American Skills**
- 3 - Primitive Skills/Horace Kephart reenactor**
- 4 - Civil War Encampment**
- 5 - Staff Area**
- 6 - Bounds of Scout Camping Area**
- 7 - Parking**
- 8 - Additional Parking**
- 9 - Staff Camping Area**
- 10 - Portable Toilets**
- 11 - Assembly and Campfire Area**



DIRECTIONS TO Piedmont Forestry Center

Directions to the Piedmont Conference Center





PIEDMONT FORESTRY CENTER signs posted -
at Hwy 11 & Easy Street -
N. Little River Rd. & Easy Street -
Cheohee Valley Rd.

From Walhalla: Approximately 14 miles

1. From the intersection of Hwy. 28 and Hwy. 11 in Walhalla - take Hwy 11 North
2. Go about 8-9 miles until you see Becca's Kitchen (used to be Sandy's Kitchen).
3. Just before the restaurant you will bear left onto Cheohee Valley Road.
4. Follow this road for about 6 miles until you see the sign at the entrance of the Piedmont Forestry Center on your left.
5. Turn left into the driveway and go through the gate.
6. Follow the road down the hill then turn left towards the large building just below the pond.

From Pickens: Approximately 28 miles

1. In Pickens, go North on Hwy. 178 to Hwy. 11 (approximately 8.6 miles)
2. Turn LEFT onto Hwy. 11/ Cherokee Foothills Scenic Hwy and follow Hwy 11 for approximately 15.5 miles
3. Turn RIGHT at the gas station onto N. Little River Road (SC S 37 57) at the Piedmont Forestry Center Sign.
4. About 2 miles up N. Little River Road turn slightly Left onto Easy Street (SC S 37 534)
5. About 1.5 miles turn RIGHT onto Cheohee Valley Road.
6. The entrance to the Piedmont Forestry Center will be on your LEFT a short distance ahead.
7. Follow the road down the hill then turn left towards the large building just below the pond.

From Columbia: Approximately 165 miles

(this route is the easiest to follow – you can use Mapquest to find a more direct route if desired)

1. Take I-26 West past Spartanburg to Exit 5 (Hwy 11) (approx. 100 miles)
2. Turn left on Hwy. 11 and go approx. 65 miles to N. Little River Road. You will cross Highways 176, 14, 25, and 178 – stay on Hwy. 11.
3. Turn RIGHT at the gas station onto N. Little River Road (SC S 37 57) at the Piedmont Forestry Center Sign.
4. About 2 miles up N. Little River Road turn slightly Left onto Easy Street (SC S 37 534)
5. About 1.5 miles turn RIGHT onto Cheohee Valley Road.
6. The entrance to the Piedmont Forestry Center will be on your LEFT a short distance ahead.

From Clemson: Approximately 27 miles

1. Highway 76 and 123 towards Seneca
2. Turn RIGHT onto Highway 130 and follow 130 through Salem until you reach Highway 11.
3. Turn LEFT on Highway 11 – travel 1 mile to gas station on the right (look for Piedmont Forestry Center sign)
4. Turn RIGHT at gas station N. Little River Road – travel 2 miles
5. Turn LEFT on Easy Street (following the Piedmont Forestry Center signs) – travel 1.5 mile
6. Turn RIGHT on Cheohee Valley Road – travel approximately ¼ mile
7. Turn LEFT onto Piedmont Nursery Road.

From Spartanburg:

1. Take Interstate I-26 toward Asheville. Take Exit 5 (Hwy. 11) and turn LEFT towards Campobello.
2. Travel on Hwy. 11 for approximately 65 miles. Look for Hwy. 130 as a landmark that you are close.(1 mile till the gas station)
3. Turn RIGHT at the gas station onto N. Little River Road (SC S 37 57) at the Piedmont Forestry Center Sign.
4. About 2 miles up N. Little River Road turn slightly Left onto Easy Street (SC S 37 534)
5. About 1.5 miles turn RIGHT onto Cheohee Valley Road.
6. The entrance to the Piedmont Forestry Center will be on your LEFT ¼ mile ahead.

Piedmont Forestry Center, 130 Piedmont Nursery Road, Tamassee, SC 29686

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SCFC Home Page/ WOOD MAGIC / Environmental Education / Environmental Workshops

HOW YOUR UNIT FIREGUARD PLAN WORKS

DUTIES

When you arrived at camp, you were oriented and trained in the use of the unit fireguard plan. It is your responsibility as a unit leader to train your Scouts in fire prevention, fire detection, reporting, and fire control. Only implement fire control techniques that can be done quickly and easily.

Study the procedures outlined on this chart and then train your staff and youth members. Post the chart for all to see and follow. At some camps local changes are made in these suggested procedures. All exceptions, however, should be made on the written recommendation and with the approval of local fire authorities.

Organize to make the fireguard plan work by appointing capable fire wardens and deputies.

FIRE WARDENS AND DEPUTIES

As responsible Scouts appointed by their adult leader, the unit fire warden and his deputy are in charge of training, know where fire equipment is located, and are familiar with the unit fireguard chart. They instruct all unit fire wardens and Scouts in the operation of the camp fireguard plan. They conduct annual inspections of fire extinguishers and check to be sure all cooking fires, heating fires, and campfires are out at night or when no one is attending or monitoring the fire during the day. Unit fire wardens and deputies conduct fire drills at least once a week and follow the direction of the camp fire warden. They receive reports related to fire hazards daily from the duty fire warden.

Every boy in the unit should feel responsible for fire prevention, but the unit fire patrol for each day must be alert and ready to evacuate and account for everyone in case of fire emergency or drill.

If a small fire breaks out, the person discovering it should take immediate action, whether or not he is on the fire patrol for the day. Time is the most important element in the suppression of a fire. Some examples of fire control techniques are:

- **Immediately send someone to seek assistance, send a runner for help, and/or dial the camp office or 911.**
- **Douse fire with water or sand.**
- **Smother fire with a lid.**
- **In the event of a tent fire (canvas only), simply kick out the end tent poles if it can be done safely.**

Remember: Campers should not be involved in the fire fighting process except for fires that can be quickly and easily extinguished.

In making daily inspections of the unit campsite, the unit fire warden should follow the fire-prevention suggestions and use the fire-fighting equipment illustrations found throughout this chart as a guide. Campsite equipment will vary according to your camp. Results of the daily inspection should be posted on the chart in the space provided.

PATROL FIRE WARDEN

The patrol leader is responsible for training his patrol in the unit fireguard plan and leading the unit in practice evacuation and fire prevention.

He checks daily to be sure all members are preventing fires and are prepared in case a fire breaks out. He makes sure and double-checks that fires are built only on nonburnable soil in areas where they will not spread. He verifies to see that all fires are put COLD OUT and that open flames are not permitted in or near tents. He shows patrol members how to drop tents (canvas only) in case of fire. **In the event of a tent fire (canvas only), you can simply kick out the end tent poles if it can be done safely and let professionals fight the fire.**

UNIT FIREGUARD CHART

Fill out and post this chart on your campsite bulletin board.

Unit Campsite Fire Prevention Assignments		Equipment Checked
First Day	Date _____ Patrol _____ Fire Warden _____	Equipment Checked
Second Day	Date _____ Patrol _____ Fire Warden _____	Equipment Checked
Third Day	Date _____ Patrol _____ Fire Warden _____	Equipment Checked
Fourth Day	Date _____ Patrol _____ Fire Warden _____	Equipment Checked
Fifth Day	Date _____ Patrol _____ Fire Warden _____	Equipment Checked
Sixth Day	Date _____ Patrol _____ Fire Warden _____	Equipment Checked
Seventh Day	Date _____ Patrol _____ Fire Warden _____	Equipment Checked



SOUND ALARM



DROP TENTS (CANVAS ONLY) IF NECESSARY AND SAFE TO DO SO

IN CASE OF FIRE

REPORTING AND ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

At some camps local changes are made in these suggested procedures. All exceptions, however, should be made on the recommendation and with the approval of local fire authorities.

IN A UNIT CAMPSITE

1. Sound the alarm by yelling "Fire!" and then notify the first adult you see, then report to a camp officer or the camp fire warden.
2. Extinguish a fire only if it can be done quickly and easily.
3. When the central alarm is sounded to warn the camp, quickly mobilize in your unit. Move to your preassigned point immediately and await directions.
4. A runner reports to the camp office for instructions from the camp fire warden.
5. In the event of a tent fire, you can douse it with water or sand, or simply stand back and let professionals fight the fire.

OUTSIDE UNIT CAMPSITE

1. If you discover a fire anywhere in camp, report immediately to the camp office so the alarm may be sounded and fire authorities notified.
2. Camp fire warden sounds the central alarm, and your unit follows steps 3 and 4 above.
3. Remember: Campers should not be directly involved in the fire fighting process except for fires that can be quickly and easily extinguished.

In case of a fire in our campsite, we will notify _____ Camp fire warden and follow the instructions of our unit fire warden.

Troop _____ Troop fire warden _____
 Camp _____ Troop campsite _____
 Dates _____



We will prevent fires by breaking matches in two after using.



Putting fires COLD OUT with water.



Feeling with fingers to test heat.



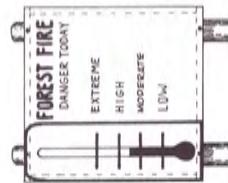
Clearing all burnable material 4 to 6 feet away from the fires or as required by local law.

FLAMMABILITY WARNING CAMPING SAFETY RULES

NO TENT MATERIAL IS FIREPROOF AND IT CAN BURN WHEN EXPOSED TO HEAT OR FIRE. FOLLOW THESE RULES:

- Only flashlights and battery-powered lanterns are permitted in tents. **NO FLAMES IN TENTS** is a rule which must be enforced.
- Chemical-fueled stoves, heaters, lanterns, lighted candles, matches, or other flame sources should never be used in or near tents.
- Do not pitch tents near open fire.
- Do not use flammable chemicals near tents: charcoal lighter, spray cans of paint, or bug killer and repellent.
- Be careful when using electricity and lighting in tents.
- Always extinguish cooking and campfires properly.
- Obey all fire laws, ordinances, and regulations.
- Keep campers informed on a daily basis of your camp's fire danger.

VARIOUS TYPES OF FIRE DANGER SIGNS IN CAMP



Troop Attendance Form Oconee District Camporee

Troop # _____ Scoutmaster _____

Please list all Scouts and Scouters who have paid the registration fee.

Adult Leaders

Patrol Name _____

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Total Attending _____ X \$7.00 = \$ _____ Received

Webelos Den Attendance Form Oconee District Camporee

Pack # _____ Webelos Den Leader _____

Please list all Scouts and Scouters who have paid the registration fee.

Adults	Patrol Name/Den # _____
1. _____	1. _____
2. _____	2. _____
3. _____	3. _____
4. _____	4. _____
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Camping:

Total Attending _____ X \$7.00 = \$ _____ Received

Saturday Visit Only:

Total Attending _____ X \$5.00 = \$ _____ Received

Oconee District Camporee Evaluation

(please rate each category and write in any comments at the bottom)

1=Poor; 2=Fair; 3=Good; 4=Very Good; 5=Excellent

Site	1	2	3	4	5
Cost	1	2	3	4	5
Check in/out	1	2	3	4	5
Camporee Guide	1	2	3	4	5
“Native American Skills”	1	2	3	4	5
“Civil War Encampment”	1	2	3	4	5
1920’s Encampment/ Primitive Technology	1	2	3	4	5
“Local History”	1	2	3	4	5
“Tracking and Pathfinding”	1	2	3	4	5
Free time	1	2	3	4	5
Campfire	1	2	3	4	5
Chapel	1	2	3	4	5
Restrooms/Port-A-Johns	1	2	3	4	5
Patch	1	2	3	4	5
OVERALL EXPERIENCE	1	2	3	4	5

Comments (use back if needed):
