

# Spring Camporee 2018



**March 2-4, 2018**  
**Camp Mauritz, Ganado, TX**

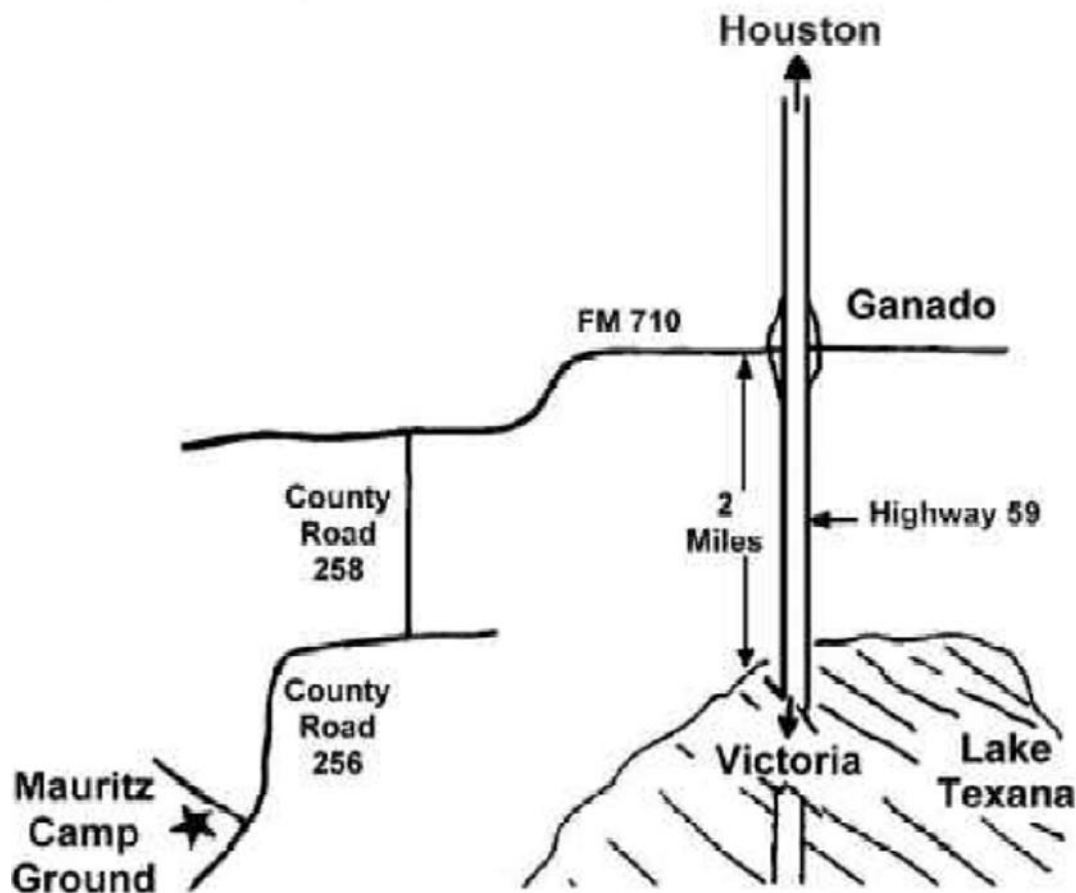
**Information Packet**

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## Scout Strong

This District camping activity is designed to give new scouts as well as seasoned scouts an opportunity to experience the traditional values of scouting as well as enjoy a challenge. This weekend we will have activities that focus on traditional scout skills taught around the world. In addition to the events during the day, we will also have the best campsite award as well as a cooking competition Saturday evening.

The camporee will be held at Camp Mauritz near Ganado, directions are shown below.



The evening program on Saturday will be an Order of the Arrow (OA) callout for those scouts elected within their troop, as well as a Brotherhood ceremony for those Ordeal members eligible.

Cost: \$10.00 for Scouts , Adults ( Regular Camporee ) , \$10.00 for Scouts for Mountain Man.

Look at our Thunderwolf Website for more information <http://thunder-wolf.shac.org/camporee>  
If you need additional information contact **Jody Court at 281-914-3785 (cell)**.

# General information

## 1. MEMBERSHIP

All participants in the Camporee must be registered members of the Boys Scouts of America.

Troop participating in this Camporee will need to have their scouts divided into patrols with a minimum of 6 scouts to a maximum of 8 Scouts per patrol.

## 2. LEADERSHIP

**The Senior Patrol Leader** is in charge of and responsible for the conduct of the troop at all times during Camporee. All units attending the Camporee must comply with the BSA policy requiring that “two registered adult leaders, one of whom must be at least 21 years of age or older, are required for all trips and outings.”

## 3. SITE LOCATION

The Spring Camporee will be held at the Camp Mauritz located near Ganado, TX. From Sugar Land, you take Hwy 59 south heading towards Victoria. Exit in Ganado on FM 710 heading west. Travel approximate a mile to County Road 258. Turn left, and proceed about a mile to County Road 256. Turn right and follow until you reach the entrance to Camp Mauritz on the right. Enter the camp and follow the dirt road to the parking lot. There will be a staff member directing you to the parking lot.

## 4. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES / TOBACCO PRODUCTS

Alcoholic beverages are **NOT** permitted at Scouting functions. The use of any tobacco product is discouraged at any time at a BSA event

## 5. WEATHER

Everyone must be fully prepared for variable weather conditions at this time of the year. Temperature ranges over the weekends could be quite cold to quite warm (this is Texas!) Scouts are encouraged to bring necessary clothing to be as comfortable as possible at both of these extremes.

## 6. FIRST AID

There will be a First Aid station staffed 24 hours per day for any Scout or Scouter needing assistance. The First Aid station will be located in the Training Center building and marked with a Red Cross sign. Please be sure to advise your patrol members of its location, which will be announce at Friday evening leader meeting.

## 7. EQUIPMENT DROP-OFF / PARKING

Each troop will be allowed to drop off troop equipment at the troop campsite. Please make every effort to unload completely prior to setting up your camp. Due to safety concerns all

vehicles must remain in the designated parking area until Sunday morning (Please **Do Not** drive to or park in your campsite). There will be no vehicles allowed on the activity areas. **Please drive slowly through the Camp.**

## **8. RESTROOMS**

Portable toilets will be available in the field adjacent to the main parking lot. Flush toilets and Showers are located on the west side of the main parking lot. No trash is to be disposed of in these facilities. It is recommended that each troop bring toilet paper, just in case. Please consider others and keep them clean, "A Scout is Clean."

## **9. HELP**

If help is needed, the Camporee Committee and Staff will help as much as possible. Ask for help at any time to solve misunderstandings. All Camporee staff will wear a distinctive shirt for easy identification.

## **10. SCHEDULE**

### **Friday , March 2**

12:00 PM – Key Staff Set up  
5.30 PM – 8 PM – Troop Arrive  
8:00 PM – 9.30 PM – Vespers Trail ( Mountain Man)  
10.30 PM – Lights Out

### **Saturday, March 3**

#### **Regular Camporee**

6:30 AM – Reveille  
7:00 AM – Breakfast  
8:15 – Opening Flag Ceremony and Announcements at the Flag Pole  
8:45 – 9:00 AM – Move to program areas  
9:00 AM – begin program activities  
2:00 – 4:00 PM – Inter-troop games at the activity field  
5:00 PM – Evening flag ceremony  
5:30 PM – Burgers at the Dining pavilion  
6:00 – 7:00 – Campfire at the Program Area  
7:00 PM – OA Call Out ceremony  
10:30 PM – Lights Out

## **Mountain Man**

- 9:00 am – 11:30 am Hawk Throwing, Knife Throwing, Black Smithing, Flint Napping, Fire Starting, Archery, Black Powder, Totem Pole and Buck Saw
- 11:30 pm – 1:00 pm Lunch period in campsite
- 1:00 pm – 3:30pm Hawk Throwing, Knife Throwing, Black Smithing, Flint Napping, Fire Starting, Archery, Black Powder, Totem Pole and Buck Saw
- 3:30 pm – 4:00 pm Turn in patrol score cards at HQ
- 4:30 pm – 7:00 pm Dinner and clean-up in campsite
- 6:00 pm – 6:30 pm Patrol Dutch Oven Cook-off
- 7:15 pm – 7:20 pm Retire Colors (flag ceremony, general assembly area)
- 7:30 pm – 7:40 pm All units gather at general assembly area
- 7:45 pm – 10:00 pm Order of the Arrow Brotherhood ceremony. Non-OA Scouts return to campsites
- 11:00 pm Lights out

## **Sunday, March 4**

- 6:30 AM – Reveille
- 8:00 AM – Closing Flag ceremony and Awards
- 9:00 – 11:00 AM – Break Camp and return home
- 11:00 – 12:00 PM – Staff Clean up and departure

# REGISTRATION

## 1. CHECK-IN

Check-In will begin at 6:30 PM Friday, March 2. Upon arrival you will be given directions to your campsite. Please provide to the Registration Staff at Friday night's leader meeting (SM's and SPL's). Also, please inform Registration of any Scout or Scouter attending requiring special needs. Please reach out to Registration Chair ( Terri Court , email – [troopsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:troopsecretary@gmail.com), Mobile : (281)-615-1160 )

## 2. CHECK-OUT

When you are ready to leave on Sunday morning, send a representative to the Camp Headquarters to have a staff member visit your campsite for inspection. If your campsite is ready for your departure, you will be given your patches and health forms.

## 3. SATURDAY NIGHT CHEK-OUT

Any unit checking out on Saturday must make prior arrangements with the Camporee Chairman. This will insure that a proper campsite inspection takes place before the unit's departure.

## 4. HEALTH FORMS

The Troop Leader must have a Class 1 Personal Health and Medical Record for each Scout and Scouter participating in this Camporee. Health forms will be turned-in to the Health and Safety Officer at check-in. All Scout forms must be completed and signed by the parent or legal guardian. Forms are available from the BSA website <http://www.scouting.org/forms>

## 5. REGISTRATION FEES

Each Scout and registered adult member will be charged a registration fee of \$10.00 to participate in the Regular Camporee and for Older Scouts above 14 who will be participating in the Mountain Man , costs will be \$10.

The fee covers the cost for event insurance, a Camporee patch, supplies for the events and administration costs.

# CAMPING

## 1. CAMPSITES

Each Troop will be assigned a campsite adequate for the number of Scouts indicated on your Troop registration form. A large number of last minute additions may result in overcrowding of campsites so please have an accurate count for Registration. Be reminded to have a First Aid Kit, trash bags, Patrol Duty Roster, Meal Planner, and Duty Roster visible in your campsite.

## 2. COOKING

Each patrol should cooking using the Patrol Method, and must furnish its own food and cooking supplies. Units should plan on preparing sack lunches for Saturday. Scouts will NOT be returning to camp during the lunch period. The district will provide a meal for all participants on Saturday evening.

## 3. GARBAGE

The Camporee will adhere to the LEAVE NO TRACE practices. All trash must leave with your Unit and unburned firewood should be carried out. Remember “Carry in – Carry Out.”

## 4. CAMPSITE INSPECTION

Each Campsite will be inspected Saturday afternoon. Units should demonstrate the Patrol Method and use BSA’s low impact camping guidelines.

## 5. FIRE SAFETY

Fires will be allowed, provided each unit abides by the following rules:

- a) Keep fires in the fire rings provided in each site.
- b) LEAVE NO TRACE of fire
- c) Bring a shovel, rake, and fire buckets
- d) **NEVER** leave your fire unattended

## 6. WATER

Potable water is available in each campsite. All troops should bring their own containers for water in their campsites as needed.

## 7. CONDUCT

No scout will enter the camping area of another troop without permission.

Defacing, destroying, or “trashing” of the property of others or the property of BSA is strictly forbidden.

Scouts are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that will bring credit to their unit and the BSA.