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DECEMBER 2002**

**2003 WINTER
CAMPOREE**

Scouting Sims Strategy Camporee

Lake Minnetonka District

January 24-26, 2003

Rum River Scout Reservation

Anoka, Minnesota

strat-e-gy (străt'ə-jē) *n., pl. strat-e-gies.* **1.a.** The science and art of using all the forces of a group to execute approved plans as effectively as possible. **b.** The science and art of command as applied to the overall planning and conduct of large-scale operations. **2.** A plan of action resulting from strategy or intended to accomplish a specific goal.

Location

The 2003 Winter Camporee will be held at Rum River Scout Reservation near Anoka, MN. Go north on 10/47 or 169 through Anoka. Take 47 north. Rum River Camp is roughly 6 miles north. Watch for signs on the east side



General Information

Event Rules	Scout Oath and Scout Laws
Scoring	Troops, patrols and scouts will be judged on their patrol method, scout spirit and participation. Scout Spirit will be evaluated for tie breakers on skill events.
Check-in	Friday evening, or Saturday morning. See schedule. PLEASE have your campout roster ready at check-in. On site registrations will be handled at check-in or at the Friday night crackerbarrel.
Maps	A map including details and event locations will be distributed at check-in.
Fires	<u>NO GROUND FIRES!</u> Use fire rings or approved above ground units. Troops must provide their own wood.
Garbage	Pack it in, pack it out. No littering will be tolerated!
Latrines	Permanent latrines and portable toilets on site.
Water	Water is available in limited supply. Troops are encouraged to bring their own water.
Parking	Depending on snow cover, troops may be able to access some sites by vehicle for loading and unloading purposes. Vehicles and trailers <u>MUST</u> be parked in the parking lot. <i>All troops should plan on moving gear to campsites by sled.</i>
Clothing	All campers should dress accordingly for the weather and be prepared for changes in the weather.
Klondike Sleds	Units are encouraged to bring a Klondike style sled for Saturday's events.
Downhill Sledding	There is a sledding hill available at the camp. Scouts may bring toboggans or plastic sleds for this hill (Klondike sleds are not allowed on sledding hill areas). This area will <u>not</u> be supervised by camporee staff.
Snow Shelters	If there is sufficient snow at the time of this event, units may build snow shelters in the designated camping areas. If you go out prior to the camporee to prepare your site or shelter, please contact Bob Litke, at Rum River, at 763-427-8340 to let him know you are coming. Snow shelters must be destroyed before checkout on Sunday.
Headquarters	Headquarters will be available as an Emergency Warming Shelter . Units should make attempts to warm their members before coming to the warming shelter. Scouts must be accompanied by a unit adult in the warming shelter and are limited to ½ hour intervals.
1st Aid	Each troop should be able to care for minor injuries. Major injuries will be attended to by staff. Please have the proper medical paperwork handy for every boy.
Fees	See pre-registration section. Webelos and Cub Leaders are invited at no charge. They should coordinate with and be guests of a troop.

Uniforms Scout uniforms ONLY. No camouflage or military uniforms. Scouts and leaders are expected to be in **full uniform** for the evening programs as well as the flag-raising ceremonies.

Order of the Arrow The Lake Minnetonka Chapter Order of the Arrow has volunteered to provide service by helping staff the morning activities. If you are an Arrowman or a leader, please think about helping out or encouraging anyone interested to help out.

Scout behavior Scouts will be expected to follow the rules and regulations, and listen to leaders and staff. Anyone not heeding these instructions will be asked to leave the camporee. Remember, Scouting is a safe haven for boys!

Scoutmasters and SPL's: Please go over this packet with your troop before the Winter Camporee. A copy of the map and event rules may benefit each patrol during the events. Detailed maps and schedules will be distributed at camporee check-in.

Schedule of events

Friday

5:00-8:00 Check in and setup camp
9:00 Crackerbarrel for Staff, SPL's and SM's at HQ
10:00 Taps

Saturday

7:00 Reveille
7:00-8:30 Breakfast
8:45 Flagraising at HQ
9:00-9:15 Staff Briefing and Event Setup
9:15-11:30 Competitions
11:30-1:00 Lunch and Free Time
11:30-2:00 Prep Time for Inter-Troop Afternoon Game
2:15-4:15 Inter-Troop Afternoon Game
4:15-7:00 Supper and Free Time

Colors retired at dusk

5:15-6:45 Cookoff Competition Judging at HQ
7:30 Vespers/Campfire
9:30 Staff Crackerbarrel at HQ
10:00 Taps

Sunday

7:00 Reveille
7:00-8:30 Breakfast
8:45 Closing Formation and Awards at HQ
9:15 Break camp and checkout with staff

Evening Programs

Friday Night Crackerbarrel

Friday evening at 9:00pm, a crackerbarrel will be held for all **Scoutmasters, Senior Patrol Leaders, and event staff**. We will go over any last minute changes to the schedule and events, and will be giving out important information for the rest of the weekend. The crackerbarrel will be at headquarters (see map).

Vespers Services

A Scout Is Reverent! Vespers service is an opportunity for Scouts to reflect on the weekend and for what they are thankful and reverent. Units are encouraged to take some time Saturday evening and perform their own Vesper Service as they see fit.

Campfire

The 2003 Winter Camporee Campfire will be a departure from the norm. The Camporee staff will not be hosting a single campfire for all to attend. Rather, units will be encouraged to get together with one or two of the troops in neighboring campsites and hold their own fellowship campfires. Skits, songs, stories and snacks are encouraged but mostly, use this opportunity to get to know some of your fellow Scouts and Scouters in the Lake Minnetonka District.

Saturday Night Crackerbarrel

At 9:30pm on Saturday, there will be a crackerbarrel for the camporee staff at HQ.

References

- * This packet is available online at www.vikingbsa.org/districts/lakeminnetonka/
- * **Klondike Sled Plans** Available at www.users.fast.net. Plans are also available in the 2001 Winter Camporee Information packet, posted at the Lake Minnetonka site listed above.
- * OKPIK manual, No. 34040
- * BSA Field manual
- * BSA Snow Camping Venture manual

Competition Events

Strategy: The Name of the Game! (Sat. a.m. activities)

Description: The morning will be spent in activities designed to help Scouts understand the benefits to working as a team, planning ahead, and being prepared. Scouts will rotate through a series of games and activities, as a troop, that will test their thinking and planning skills against themselves and other troops. Each troop will be given a list of supplies for their Klondike Sleds that may give them the edge in successfully completing these events. These events will be designed so that your ability to think clearly, decisively, and as a group will be more of a benefit than the size of your Troop or your Scouts. Your Troop's performance in the morning activities will carry through to a bonus in the afternoon's strategic mission.

Plan Your Work: Work Your Plan (Sat. p.m. activity)

Description: Following the morning strategy/team building activities, Troops will be given their **orders and mission parameters** for the afternoon activity. At this point, this mission is still top secret and the details must remain undisclosed. However, it will require all of your troop's planning resources and both offensive and defensive cunning and prowess to successfully complete. It will also be a ton more fun than any old sled race!!!

Minnesota Hotdish Cookoff

Description: One of the things that makes a Minnesota winter bearable is the vast variety of hearty hotdishes that we eat. Present your best classic casserole to the judges and prove just how tasty these staples of the Great White North cuisine can be.

Purpose: Use your outdoor cooking skills to make a hot, tasty, nourishing meal.

Objective: The meal will be judged on the following criteria:

Overall

Original name of entry
Scouting and adornments
Professional appearance of meal
Unusual shape

Quality

Taste
Ingredients
Texture/ Temperature
Special garnishments

Presentation of entry

Story; What is the history of your meal? Be imaginative
Fanfare; How professional is your presentation?
Aroma
Written recipe
Clean Hands
Uniform

Judging will take place at headquarters between 5:00 and 6:30 Saturday evening.



Campsite Inspection

Part of scout camping is maintaining a safe and organized campsite. All areas inspected are covered in the Boy Scout Handbook or the BSA Field Manual. Troop campsites will be judged on the following criteria:

I. Campsite Identification

- A. American Flag
- B. Troop Flag
- C. Entryway with troop sign

II. Campsite and sleeping arrangements

- A. Tents pitched by patrol
- B. Campsite neat and orderly

III. Health, safety and sanitation

- A. Wood tools properly stored
- B. Garbage picked up
- C. Dishes washed and put away
- D. Cooking area clean
- E. First aid kit easily seen
- F. Fire attended or out, cold to touch
- G. Fire plan posted
- H. Fire located in proper area
- I. Fuels properly stored (including liquid fuels)
- J. Food properly stored

IV. Menu planning, Duty roster

- A. Menu for all meals
- B. Duty roster posted

V. Scout Spirit project

Units may gain extra points for useful **pioneering projects** campsite.

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Webelos Den Registration Form

Pack & Den Number _____
Den Leader (At event) _____
Number Boys _____
Number of Adults _____
Staying overnight? Yes _____ No _____
If so, with which Troop? _____

Please remember to have a complete roster of people in attendance ready when you check in at the Camporee. Please make sure you have permission slips and medical forms available for each person in attendance.

Send registration to: **Lake Minnetonka District Winter Camporee**
Viking Council BSA
5300 Glenwood Avenue
Minneapolis, MN 55422

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Registration Form

Troop _____
Scoutmaster (At event) _____
SPL (At event) _____
No. of Patrols _____

Early registration fee (before January 17, 2003) is \$10.00 per person

Registration fee (After January 17, 2003) is \$13.00 per person

Note: Due to Viking Council regulations, we will no longer be able to refund units for scouts that preregister but do not attend.

Date: _____

Number of Youth: _____ X \$10.00 = \$ _____

Number of Adults: _____ X \$10.00 = \$ _____

After 1/17/03: Total in attendance _____ X \$3.00 = \$ _____

Total: \$ _____

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