

“Leap to the Future”



TIMBERLINE DISTRICT

Klondike 2020

February 28 to March 1

**Reverends Ridge Campground
Golden Gate Canyon**

Planning Guide

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Navigation note : Timberline Camporees and Klondike frequently feature GPS navigation and orienteering, please bring at least one GPS for each of your youth patrols. If presented with coordinates those will be in the standard World Geodetic System (WGS) 1984 mapping projection.

The Timberline District Activities Committee invites you to take part in the Timberline District Klondike Derby to be held in February. The Klondike Derby will take place at Reverend's Ridge campground in Golden Gate Canyon.

The theme for this year's Klondike is "Leap into the Future". Scouts will participate in a series of fun events to test their survival skills and display their patrol spirit.

On Saturday, patrols will travel the Klondike Trail and encounter interesting and fun events requiring Scout skills, creativity and Scouts working together as a patrol. Place ribbons will be awarded based on patrol performance and total points earned at the various towns/events along the Trail.

Units registering online before February 4th will be able to select their campsite. Selection will take place at the February roundtable on a first come - first served basis, starting at 6:30. Troops not preselecting their campsite will be assigned one prior to their arrival.

Winter camping is one of the most challenging of the outdoor adventures. The Klondike campout will provide opportunities for Scouts to test their preparation and skills, and build confidence in their ability to be prepared for successful camping in cold weather. Scouts unable to camp overnight are encouraged to attend for the day on Saturday to experience the Klondike program.

Troops are encouraged to invite first and second year Webelos to join them for the day on Saturday to experience a Boy Scout activity. District policy does not allow Webelos to camp overnight at Klondike.

It is our intention to offer a quality Scouting program for all Scouts taking advantage of this opportunity. Come enjoy a visit to the Klondike and be prepared to test yourselves in a challenging environment. A special patch and lapel pin will be presented to every participant.

Troops are invited to organize the Saturday morning flag ceremony, the Saturday afternoon campfire and the Sunday church service. Again, first come, first served, so be the first to contact Larry Svoboda (lsvobod@gmail.com). Show the other troops (and the Klondike staff) how to do these programs right.

Periodic updated information will be posted to the Timberline District website at www.timberlinedistrict.com.

We look forward to seeing you at the 2020 Timberline Klondike Derby!

Larry Svoboda, Timberline Klondike Chair 720-620-3506/ lsvobod@gmail.com.

Guidelines and Important Information

A. Guidelines: The rules and guiding principles for the Klondike Derby shall be the Scout Oath and Scout Law. Safety guidelines shall meet or exceed those outlined in the BSA Guide to Safe Scouting.

B. Registration: Troops must register online at www.timberlinedistrict.com.

CAMPING PARTICIPATION:

Early discount registration runs **through February 10, 2020**. The early discount registration fee for all Scouts and Adults camping overnight is **\$24.00**. Participants registering between **February 11 to February 20**, or arriving for the weekend on Friday night without pre-registration, the registration fee will be **\$27.00** per Scout or Adult.

ONE DAY PARTICIPATION:

The registration fee for Scouts and Adults attending Saturday only is **\$13.00**.

Early discount registration is recommended so that a quality program can be planned. Troops that do not plan to register before the event are asked to e-mail Larry Svoboda (lsvobod@gmail.com) with the approximate number of participants so proper arrangements can be made.

C. Driving directions: To access Camp from Denver. Winter travel preferred directions are to follow highway 6 west to highway 119. Go north on 119 through Blackhawk to Gap Road (approximately 11 miles). Turn right on Gap Road to access Reverend's Ridge Campground. Follow the Timberline signs to the parking area near the Park camp ground office to check-in at the yurt. Drive time about 1 ½ hrs.

Attendees opting to take Golden Gate Canyon Road (North of Golden) for the drive should be aware that mountain base road is closed in the winter. To get to the campground from Golden Gate Canyon road you must continue to highway 119, turn right, and then turn right onto gap road per the above instructions

D. Rules for Klondike: Please follow these rules to keep the Ranger happy. Your cooperation is appreciated and will keep you from being ticketed.

1. No RV's or campers are permitted in Camping area for this event. Park in the designated parking lots. Troop Trailers with towing vehicle will be allowed at the troop site.
2. Mechanized snow removal equipment, included snow plows and snow blowers, are not permitted.
3. Driving onto unplowed areas, including unplowed site pullouts, is not permitted.

4. Vehicles not able to park in campsite slots should only park on the right side of the roads.

5. **Do not tie or attach any tents or shelters to trees in the campground**

E. Check-in Procedures: Check-in on Friday will be from 3:00 PM to 9:00 PM, and on Saturday from 7:30 AM to 9:00 AM (for day visitors). Check-in will be in yurt 1 near the campground office parking lot. For Saturday arrivals, please check the Klondike Program Schedule and, if possible, arrive before the program day starts. Units expecting to arrive before 3:00 p.m. on Friday should communicate with Larry Svoboda.

At check-in, each unit should be prepared to present the following:

1. A Final Unit Roster: This roster will be used to assign Patrols to their starting event. Everyone listed on the roster will receive an event patch. Volunteers (adult or older youth) that will be helping on Saturday need to be circled (one per Patrol).

2. BSA Health and Medical Form, Parts A and B: for each person listed on the roster. Every participant (youth or adult) must have a medical form on file in order to participate in the event. Please turn in a copy (instead of the original) of the medical form as these forms will not be returned.

This form is available at http://www.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-001_AB.pdf.

3. Registration Information. The registrar will have information on registrations and fees paid online, but please bring a copy of your registration receipt in case there are any questions. All fees must be paid in advance to receive the early discount benefit. If you do not register online, please bring a copy of your receipt with you. Onsite payments may be made by check or exact cash.

F. Check-Out Procedures: Each unit must have its campsite inspected prior to departure. Please look for a Running Antelope Staff member in your loop to request your inspection. Please bring your Check Out Inspection slip to Headquarters and pick up your program souvenir envelope containing ribbons, patches, etc. Follow the Outdoor Code in preparing your site for check-out. All units need to be checked out by noon on Sunday.

Saturday Check-Out: Troops needing to check out Saturday should specify their check-out time on the Unit Roster. When ready to check-out, request a staff member at HQ to inspect your campsite. Please have campsites inspected before it gets dark. Upon satisfactory inspection, the unit leader should go to HQ to pick up their program souvenir envelope

G. Parking Vehicles and Unloading Equipment: Please be courteous and don't impede other vehicles. No driving or parking is allowed on unplowed roads (including unplowed site pull outs).

H. First Aid: Emergency medical services will be provided by Venture Crew 911 during the Klondike. They are available for all first aid needs, including exposure, hypothermia, dehydration and asthma. Warming area is available to Crew 911 medical staff for emergencies. Each Unit should also have a good first aid kit in their campsite to handle all minor first aid occurrences.

I. Campsites: Units registering online before February 4th will be able to select their campsite. Selection will take place at the February roundtable on a first come - first served basis. Other Troops will be assigned a campsite upon their arrival.

J. Cooking & Fires: Any changes to the Fire Restrictions will be announced when checking in. Wood and/or charcoal fires are allowed, as long as they are in existing fire rings or off the ground and in a container. No unattended fires will be allowed. There must be no visible evidence of fire when you leave (all ashes must be removed). Units need to provide their own supply of wood for campfires. No wood may be removed from the ground or trees in the park. Units are encouraged to use propane for cooking.

K. Water: Each unit is responsible for bringing their own water. For emergency water only, check at HQ.

L. Trash: This is a low impact event. Everything brought in must be packed out, including trash, garbage, ashes, etc. Do not put any of these into the campground's trash/garbage containers or leave trash at the site.

M. Portable Toilets: Portable toilets will be located near campsites. Please remind your scouts to be courteous, keep the toilets clean, and observe posted restrictions for "Women Only and "Staff only." Troops are responsible for providing hand washing facilities at their site. Please advise staff when additional toilet paper or other service is required. Information on facilities for persons with special needs is available at HQ.

N. Warm Drink Stations: Warm drink stations will be available during Saturday's program. Each participant should add a cup to their 10+ essentials that they will carry on the Klondike Trail.

O. Quiet Time: All lights and fires are to be extinguished by 10:30 PM. As a courtesy to others, please do not disturb other people's peace and quiet at any time and observe QUIET TIME from 10:30 PM to 6 AM. In order to enhance everyone's experience, generators are not permitted at any time.

P. Special requests: If there are participants in your Unit that require special accommodations, please inform Larry Svoboda - lsvobod@gmail.com - so the necessary arrangements can be made.

Q. Miscellaneous:

No pets are allowed during this event.

No weapons, ammunition, or fireworks of any sort are allowed.

No alcoholic beverages, marijuana or illegal drugs are permitted.

No smoking in event or campsite areas. Adults are asked not to smoke in the presence of Scouts.

Tentative Klondike Schedule

Final Schedule will be distributed at Klondike

FRIDAY (Sunset 5:49 PM)

- 3:00 - 9:00 PM CHECK-IN - Parking permits and campsite assignments will be distributed. Please follow directions for unloading gear and parking. Unit Leader must register Troop at Yurt 1.
- 8:30 - 9:00 PM SPL and SCOUTMASTER MEETING & CRACKER BARREL - at HQ
- 9:00 - 9:30 PM EVENT LEADERS MEETING - at HQ. For Troops sponsoring an event, a representative needs to attend. For all other Troops, one adult volunteer per patrol needs to attend.
- 9:30 - 10:00 PM KLONDIKE STAFF MEETING - at HQ
- 10:30 PM TAPS - Fires and lights out. QUIET TIME until 6 AM

SATURDAY (Sunrise 6:41 AM) (Sunset 5:50 PM)

- 6:00 AM REVEILLE -Prepare breakfast and cleanup
- 8:00 AM VOLUNTEERS - Report to HQ, pick up nuggets & prepare for events
- 8:10 AM FLAGS & OPENING CEREMONIES
- 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM KLONDIKE TRAIL - Patrols will start the Trail at the GPS coordinate on their scorecard and travel to the other towns as provided.
- 12:30 PM TURN IN - Patrol Passport at HQ
- 12:30 - 1:30 PM LUNCH - Troop campsite.
- 1:45 - 3:30PM CONTINUE KLONDIKE TRAIL
- 2:45 - 4:15 PM KLONDIKE DERBY SLED RACE - Start location is TBD
- 4:45 PM DISTRICT CAMPFIRE - awards and closing ceremony
- 5:30 PM DINNER - Troop site.
- COOKING CONTEST - Bring your delicacy to HQ for judging
- 7:00 PM CHAPLAIN AIDE MEETING - at HQ
- 7:00 - 10:30 PM TROOP TIME - intra-troop cracker barrel
- 10:30 PM TAPS - Fires and lights out . QUIET TIME until 6 AM

SUNDAY (Sunrise 6:39 AM)

- 7:00 AM REVEILLE - prepare breakfast and cleanup
- 8:30 - 9:00 AM UNIVERSAL CHURCH SERVICE
- 10:00 AM - NOON CHECK-OUT - Senior Patrol Leaders report to HQ after campsite inspection to pick up patches, etc.

Suggested Equipment

Check with your Scoutmaster and Boy Scout Handbook for additional information.

Personal Equipment

- Sleeping Bag (0 rated or 2 bags)
- Sleeping Bag Liner (fleece)
- Ground Cloth
- Sleeping Pad (insulated)
- Cup, Bowl & Utensils
- Sunscreen & Lip Balm
- Sunglasses
- Toilet Paper (in zip-lock bag)
- Sitting Pad - Foam

Clothing

- Clean underwear
- Long Underwear (no cotton)
- Inner Socks (no cotton)
- Wool Socks
- Ski Pants, Wool Pants, Bibs, etc.
- Wool Shirt or Turtleneck (no cotton)
- Winter Parka (preferably w/ hood)
- Wool Sweater or Fleece Jacket
- Wool Hat & Scarf
- Wool Gloves or Mittens (several pair)
- Gaiters
- Waterproof Boots (no sneakers)

Equipment to carry on the Trail

- Klondike Sled
- Ten Plus Essentials for each Scout
- Patrol Flag
- Small first aid kit
- Tarp to lay gear on at each town

Ten Plus Essentials

- Pocket Knife
- First Aid Kit
- Extra Clothing
- Water Bottle (with water)
- Flashlight w/ Extra Batteries
- Trail Food
- Sunscreen & Lip Balm
- Cup (for hot drinks)
- Small Day Pack
- Rain Gear
- Notebook & Pencil
- Matches & Fire Starters
- Scout Handbook
- Compass

Group Equipment

- Flags (American, Troop, Patrol)
- Tents, Poles, Stakes
- Cooking Gear
- Stove & Fuel
- Food
- Water (LOTS)
- Dishpans & Soap
- Trash Bags
- Toilet Paper
- First Aid Kit
- Snow Shovel
- Klondike Sled

BE PREPARED

Winter weather is very unpredictable! Temperatures can range from +40° to -15° (or below). It can be sunny and calm, or snowy and windy. And it can be all of these during the same weekend. Being prepared for any of these conditions will make the Klondike a positive experience for you.

Hints for Winter Camping

PROPER PREPARATION PREVENTS PROBLEMS

Troops should spend time before the Klondike preparing their Scouts for the rigors of winter camping. The Boy Scout Handbook, Boy Scout Fieldbook and the internet (Google "winter camping") provide a wealth of information about winter camping. Below is some great information adapted from the article "Winter Camping" by Brian J. Murrey found at macscouter.com.

MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT WINTER CAMPING

Myth : Leather hiking boots will keep your feet warm. -- FALSE

The snug fit of most leather hiking boots can limit the circulation of blood in the foot. Especially with thick socks on. Overboots cut generously enough to hold your foot and shoe are much more effective. The cloth stitching in leather boots can also wick moisture into the shoe. Nothing is worse than wet feet in cold winter.

Myth : Waterproof clothing is ideal for cold weather camping. -- FALSE

To keep warm, in the cold, your clothing must allow body moisture to escape. Moisture that is trapped too close to the body can wick heat away through evaporation. It is better to layer your clothing on in cold weather. Wool, Gor-Tex, and polypropylene garments work nice in the cold. Always wear insulated underwear.

Myth : Winter camping does not require much preparation. -- FALSE

Arctic conditions exist when the wind is blowing and the temperature drops below 20 degrees F. There are only seven states in the U.S. that do not experience arctic weather. Colorado is not one of them. It is very important to prepare and even over prepare. No one has ever complained about being too warm or having too many dry clothes on a winter campout.

Myth : Mental attitude has little to do with winter camping. -- FALSE

A positive mental attitude is the most important ingredient in the success of cold weather camping trips. The demands of winter will drain your energy and you'll have to rely on yourself to keep your spirits high.

Myth : In cold weather, tasks can be done just as quickly as in warm weather. -- FALSE

Every effort in cold weather takes longer to complete. Be sure to bring some winter patience with you when you camp in the cold.

Myth : Shivering Is The First Sign Of Hypothermia. -- FALSE

The first warning sign of hypothermia is slowed muscles not quick shivers, so watch for sluggish limbs. A quick test is to touch your thumb to each fingertip on the same hand to check for normal dexterity; if your thumb can't touch your ring and pinky fingers, seek help and warmer conditions immediately.

The biggest cold-weather camping myth?

That enjoying the outdoors during low temperatures is easy. Be sure to pack quality gear, have multiple means of getting warm quickly and keep communication with others clear and open. But most of all, [plan](#) for an amazing trip in the crisp air and under those gorgeous nighttime skies.

CONSERVING BODY HEAT - THE PRIME OBJECTIVE

There are three ways to lose body heat. Keeping them in mind will help you be much more aware of what you are, or could be doing to keep your body warm.

RADIATION - The emission of body heat, especially from the skin areas exposed to the elements. A good set of gloves, hat, and scarf can help best in keeping bare skin to a minimum.

CONDUCTION - The absorption of cold by the body when sitting or laying on cold ground, or handling cold objects such as metal cooking utensils and metal canteens. This is why a decent sleeping pad is required for cold weather camping. The same goes for wearing gloves. A camp stool is a must on a winter camping trip. Try not to sit on the ground.

CONVECTION - The loss of body heat due to wind blowing across unprotected body parts. This situation can also be reduced by keeping bare skin covered with hats, scarves, and gloves. It is important to keep exposure to a minimum, ESPECIALLY in a windy situation. Convection heat loss can reduce body heat the fastest. Wet clothing will accelerate this process, making staying dry even more important.

OTHER CONCERNS

Tent Placement - Whenever possible, place your tent in a location that will catch the sunrise in the morning. This will aid in melting off any ice and evaporating any frost or dew that may have formed during the night. This will also warm your tent as you awaken in the morning. Cold air sinks. Try to place your campsite on slightly higher ground than the rest of your surroundings. Try to choose a protected site if it is snowing or the wind is blowing.

Water Consumption In Cold Weather - Dehydration can seriously impair the body's ability to produce heat. Drink fluids as often as possible during the day and keep a water bottle or canteen with you at night.

Cooking In Cold Weather - Cooking in cold weather will take about twice as long as normal. Always use a lid on any pots that you are cooking in. This will help to hold in the heat and decrease the overall heating time. Make sure you start hot cleaning water before you start cooking. The pots and utensils must still be cleaned. Try to keep your menu to good one-pot meals. Things like stews, chili, and hot beans stick to your ribs, lessen the cleaning time, and provide good sources of energy and fuel for your internal furnace. A good high-calorie snack before bedtime will also keep you warm all night. Stay away from an overabundance of sugar, cheese is a good high-calorie bedtime snack.

Sleeping Tip #1 - *Do not* sleep with your mouth and nose in your sleeping bag. The moisture of your breath will condense in the bag, and cause it to become wet and ineffective as an insulator.

Buddy System - Buddies can help each other pack for an outing, look after one another in the woods, and watch for symptoms of frostbite, hypothermia, and exhaustion.

Checklist - Make a checklist of everything you need before you start to pack. Then check each item off as you pack it. This way you will not forget anything.

KEEPING WARM

Keeping warm is the most important part of cold weather camping. Use the C-O-L-D method to assure staying warm.

C = Clean - Since insulation is only effective when heat is trapped by dead air spaces, keep your insulating layers clean and fluffy. Dirt, grime, and perspiration can mat down those air spaces and reduce the warmth of a garment.

O = Overheating - Avoid overheating by adjusting the layers of your clothing to meet the outside temperature and the exertions of your activities. Excessive sweating can dampen your garments and cause chilling later on.

L = Loose Layers - A steady flow of warm blood is essential to keep all parts of your body heated. Wear several loosely fitting layers of clothing and footgear that will allow maximum insulation without impeding your circulation.

D = Dry - Damp clothing and skin can cause your body to cool quickly, possibly leading to frostbite and hypothermia. Keep dry by avoiding cotton clothes that absorb moisture. Always brush away snow that is on your clothes before you enter a heated area. Keep the clothing around your neck loosened so that body heat and moisture can escape instead of soaking several layers of clothing.

CLOTHING

Footwear - As with other clothing, the layer system is also the answer for foot wear. Start with a pair of thin synthetic or wool socks next to your skin. Then layer on a pair of heavier synthetic or wool socks. When and if your feet become damp, change into another pair of dry socks at the first opportunity. Boots with liners (Sorels, etc.) offer the best cold and weather protection. No tennis shoes

Mittens and Gloves - Mittens allow your fingers to be in direct contact with each other. They will keep your hands warmer than regular gloves that cover each finger. There are many good choices these days for mittens and gloves. Since it can be guaranteed that your mittens or gloves will get wet, bring several extra pairs.

Headgear - The stocking hat is the warmest thing you can cover your head with in cold weather. Get one that is large enough to pull down over your ears. Also ski masks are great in the winter and can help in keeping your neck and face warm as well. Noses and ears can be very easily frostbitten, so make sure your headgear covers these sensitive areas. Remember, a significant amount of body heat can be lost through an uncovered head.

Parka and/or Overcoat - Your coat or parka is the most important piece of your winter clothing. It needs to be large enough to fit over extra clothing without cutting off blood flow, and allowing ventilation to keep moisture away from your body. A large permanently attached hood will prevent heat loss around your head and neck, and prevent snow from falling down your back.

Sleepwear - Never should you sleep in the same clothes that you have worn all day. They are damp and will cause you to chill. This could cause frostbite and hypothermia. It is advised that you bring an extra pair of thermal underwear to sleep in. Do not wear them during the day, this will keep them the driest. You can also wear a pair of synthetic or wool socks. Always sleep with a stocking hat on your head. Your sleeping bag needs to be winter rated. You can also use two sleeping bags together (as long as they aren't too tight around your body) or use a fleece liner. A sleeping pad is also required to insulate you from the cold ground. A layer or two of high density foam works well. In cold weather camping you never want to sleep on an air mattress or off the ground in a cot. The air under you will cool you off in no time and this would create a threatening situation.

HAVE FUN!

This article presents some ideas for preparing for Klondike weather. As stated earlier, there are many resources available with information on winter camping. Make use of them and come prepared.

Every year, tens of thousands of Scouts go winter camping. Although the threat of danger is always present in a winter camp, planning and knowledge can overcome this. It is very important that the Scouts come prepared. Adult leaders should make sure Scouts are prepared with appropriate clothing and equipment. Make sure you are ready, and most of all, SAFE.



Cooking Contest Information

COOKOUT CONTEST

THE CHALLENGE – Deserts so good they make you Leap with joy

(food suggested)

Ingredients list;

Any ingredients, surprise the judges.	

spices:



!! PRIZE AND BRAGGING RIGHTS TO THE WINNER !!

THE RULES:

- The entry must be prepared by Scouts at their campsite and can't be made before the Klondike.
- If an ingredient list is stated you **MUST** use those ingredients, which is sometimes noted as only those listed ingredients.
- A serving or two needs to be brought to headquarters between 7:00 and 7:30 PM for judging.
- The winner will receive a prize worth \$70.

THE JUDGING CRITERIA: Entries will be judged on the following criteria:

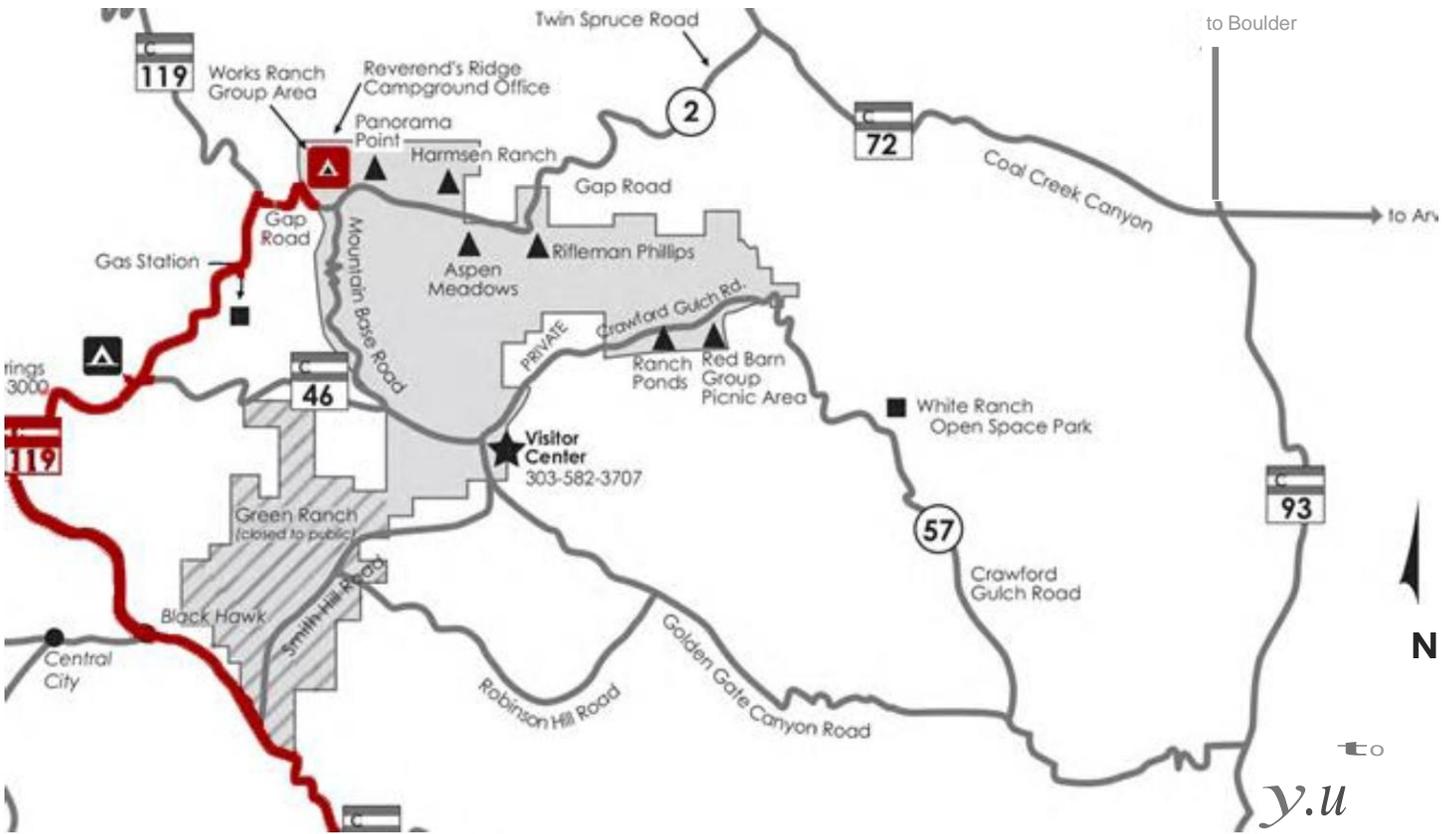
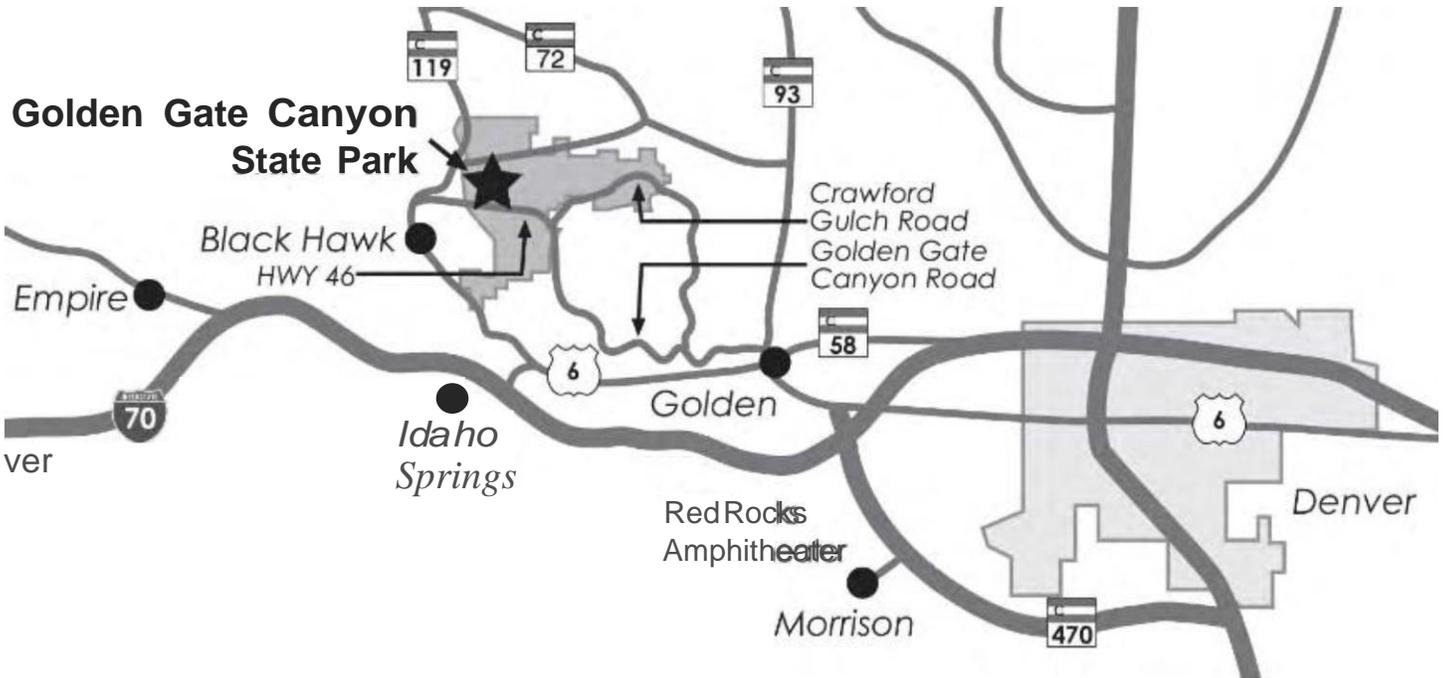
- **Presentation:** Does it have eye appeal? Does it look like it would be good to eat? Does it relate to the Klondike theme?
- **Aroma:** Does it smell good?
- **Taste:** Is it pleasing to the palette?
- **Recipe:** Are the ingredients and directions clearly stated? Could the entry be duplicated using the instructions?
- **Overall:** Is it something different? What is your overall impression?

Judging will be performed by a panel of independent scouts or scouters with experience in eating.

DECISION OF THE JUDGES IS FINAL! Results will be announced at the Sunday morning Universal Church Service.

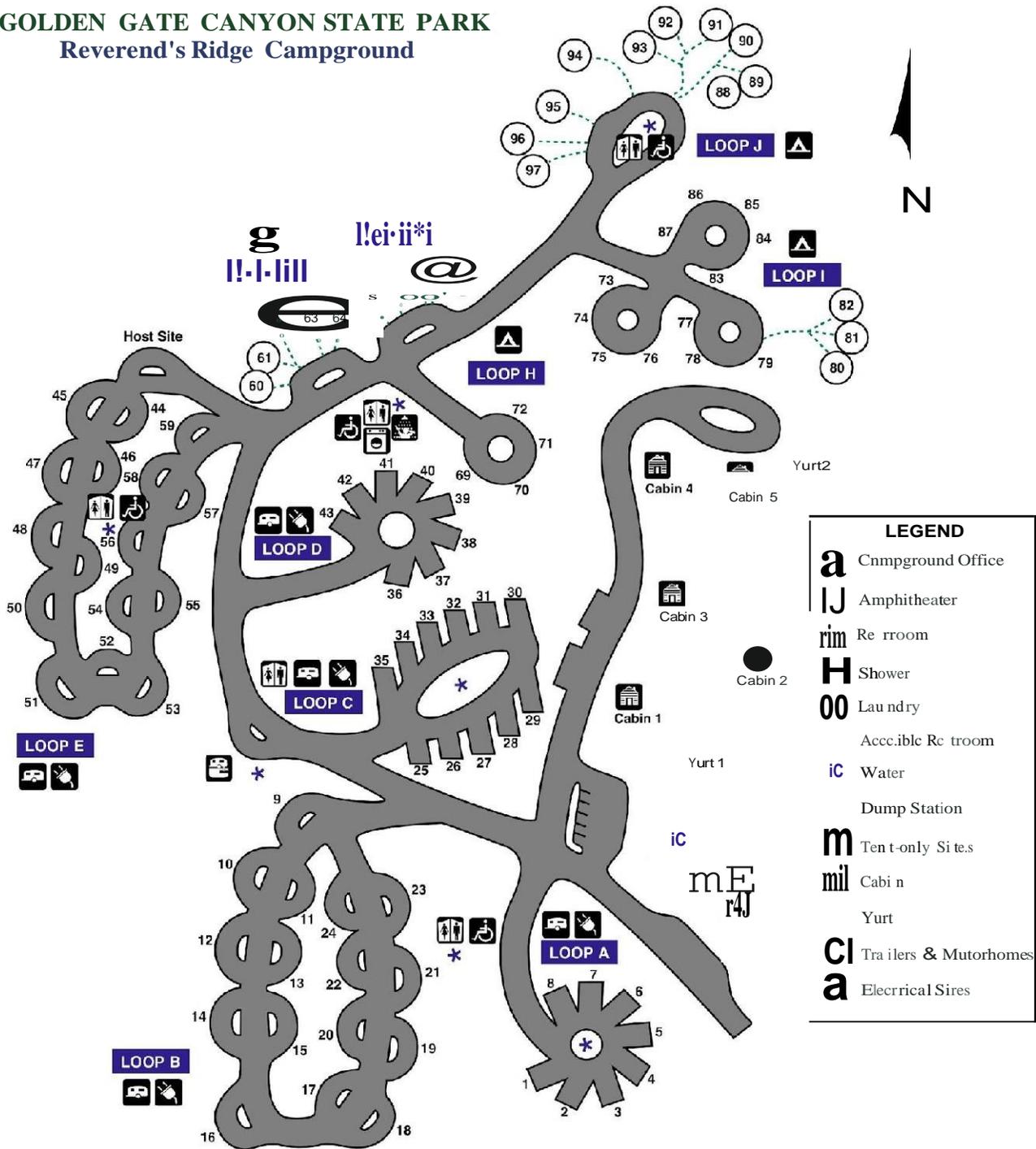
Directions and Map to Campground

Local Directions: Winter travel preferred directions are to follow highway 6 west to highway 119. Go north on 119 through Blackhawk to Gap Road (approximately 11 miles). Turn right on Gap Road to access Reverend's Ridge Campground.



Campground Map

GOLDEN GATE CANYON STATE PARK
Reverend's Ridge Campground



Unit Roster

(To be turned in when arriving at Klondike Check-In)

TROOP / CREW / TEAM # (Circle one) _____

DEPARTURE DAY: SATURDAY _____ SUNDAY _____

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS:

Scouts Camping _____

Adults Camping _____

Adults Day only _____

Webelos Day only _____

TOTAL PARTICIPANTS _____

NOTE:

1) Please circle the names of one adult per patrol who will serve as volunteers to help run events (if your unit is not sponsoring an event).

2) List Webelos and Parents on other side.

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KLONDIKE—UNIT ROSTER (Page 1)

PLEASE LIST THE NAMES OF ALL PARTICIPATING YOUTH AND ADULTS:

TROOP / CREW / TEAM (Circle one) # _____

SCOUTS	POSITION	ADULTS	POSITION
1	Senior Patrol Leader	1	Scoutmaster
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TROOP / CREW / TEAM (Circle one) # _____

SCOUTS	POSITION	ADULTS	POSITION
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WEBELOS		PARENTS	
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