# **Scouts BSA**

# **Majestic Mesas District**

2023 Spring Camporee

May 5-7 Glade Park, CO

All Scouts Welcome!

Cub Scout activities on Saturday, May 6 (only)



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# Pre-planning

\*Registration for the Camporee is required for every participant.

\*Registration will open on 4/--/23 and close on 4/30/23. A link will be sent via email for the registration site.

\*Cost is \$15 per person.

\*Med forms A & B are required for every participant and will be submitted at check-in.

\* Class A uniforms should be worn to the flag retirement ceremony.

# <u>Safety</u>

There are many safety elements to consider while participating in this event. Special consideration should be given to the desert climate and rough terrain.

1. Dress appropriately. Wear several layers of light clothing, good hiking shoes, a hat, and pants (not shorts).

2. Have ALL of your 10 essentials in your daypack, including plenty of water.

3. Watch for, and stay clear of, native animals.

4. Be aware of the plants (mainly cactus) and trees. Low lying branches can cause scrapes, cuts, and eye injuries.

5. Be mindful of problems related to the temperature – sunburn, heat exhaustion, heat stroke.

6. Keep an eye on the weather – wind and thunderstorms with lightening and rain are not uncommon. Be prepared to protect yourself and shelter in the case of adverse weather.

7. Three long blows on a whistle signals an emergency situation.

8. Report any injuries immediately to the first aid station. Safety officials will be present and available.

9. In a nut shell, be safe, be smart, stay calm, and have fun.

### **Camping**

The area is BLM land with only one camping entrance. It is trailer-friendly for *most* of the dirt road to the camping area. Loads should be tied down securely to avoid damage to any contents of the trailer. Vehicles should have at least 8" of ground clearance.

Troops will need to provide all of their own meals and snacks, with the exception of dessert Saturday night.

Camp sites will be first-come, first-served. Please be courteous and choose an area no larger than your troop will need. There will be portable toilets at the location of the activities during the day. They will be moved to a location ¼ mile from the campsite once activities conclude for the day. Troops are responsible for any additional or alternative toilet facilities they may desire.

# <u>Mission</u>

Our goal is to provide Majestic Mesas scouts with a fun and unique event to enhance their skills, raise their confidence, and bolster their self-esteem. Meeting other scouts and enjoying the event together in our beautiful outdoors is a bonus!

1. Scouts will complete 7 stations with various themes and skill reviews. These will hit the "high-points" of traditional scout training.

- a. stretcher/litter carry station
- b. complete first aid kit exercise
- c. tripod/lashing/knot skills
- d. water/fire event
- e. shelter building challenge
- f. land navigation
- g. search and rescue activity
- 2. An official flag retirement ceremony will be part of the event.

3. Each troop should have a <u>skit</u> prepared to perform at the evening campfire on Saturday while we all enjoy s'mores.

# <u>Schedule</u>

#### Saturday, May 6th

- 8:00am check-in, turn in med forms
- 8:30 am welcome and opening flag ceremony
- 9:00 to 12:00 noon 3 stations (1 hour each)
- 12:00 to 1:00 pm lunch (on unit's own)
- 1:00 to 4:00 pm 3 stations (1 hour each)
- 4:00 to 5:00 pm flag retirement ceremony
- 5:00 to 7:00 pm dinner (on unit's own)
- 7:00 pm evening campfire, skits, dessert (will be provided)

#### Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup>

- 9:00am Gather for welcome and instructions
- 9:30-11:30 am Search and Rescue activity
- 11:30 am Closing Ceremony

# <u>Closing</u>

There will an award for 1st place for a few of the time or skill dependent stations. There will also be an award for best Scout Spirit, a large portion of which will be based on the Troop skit.

Clean-up of the site will be a shared responsibility of all attending units, based on the Leave No Trace principals.

A closing prayer and retrieval of the colors will close the event.

# **Directions from Grand Junction**

Head west on Broadway/Hwy 340 (Grand Ave east of the Colorado River) to Monument Road.

Turn left at the intersection of Broadway and Monument Road (Handlebar Grill in SW corner of intersection).

Proceed up Monument Road towards the Colorado National Monument.

At the Monument guard station, just tell the attendant that you are travelling to Glade Park and you will not need to pay.

Continue on Monument Road to DS Road.

Turn left on DS Road (sign to Glade Park Store marks the turn).

#### If camping:

Travel 1.3 miles on DS Road to the campsite turn-off (just past the Grand Mesa Archery Range) on your right. Turn-off will be marked with BSA signage.

#### If not camping:

Continue ½ mile past the camping turn-off to stock staging corral (MM 24) and turn right. This entrance to the Event/Activity area will also be marked with BSA signage.