

# Spring Camporee

## Medieval Conquest

### April 24th-25th, 2015

This year, Camporee will be held at a new location, Lake Capote. It has great facilities and will be a fun place for Camporee. As always, Webelos are welcome to join in the fun if they participate with a registered Troop. As Lake Capote will be open to the public that weekend, if Webelos families don't want to make the drive in the morning, they can family-camp in one of the sites we're not using for \$13. Lake Capote has boat rentals and fishing.

Registration will run from 5:00 to 8:00pm Friday night. The registration fee is \$8.00 per scouter. Campfire will begin at 8:30. Patrols are asked to bring a song and skit. A few extra points will be given to the patrols' final score for their first song and skit. (Doing more songs and skits are great! But they won't get more points.) Following the campfire program, the Order of the Arrow will be holding its annual call-out ceremony.

The PLC the following morning will be at 7:15am with the Flag Ceremony at 7:45 and the stations starting at 8:00.

We have a unique lineup of stations, including two stations where two patrols will compete head-to-head in friendly challenges.

#### Chariot Jousting:

Two patrols meet and lash together their Roman chariots. Patrols will then have one scout ride the chariot and joust, while the rest of the patrol carry the chariot. Shields will have balloons attached to them and each patrol will try to pop opponent's balloon with foam-covered "lance."

#### Tournament:

Two patrols will meet and play capture the flag combat with boffers. Boffers, which will be provided, are swords made out of PVC pipes covered in pool noodles and are held together by duct tape.

#### Slingshots and Throwing Spears:

Patrol members will get to test their marksmanship with slingshots and spears. All scouts will get a chance to try both. Slingshots and spears will be provided.

**Wounded Knight Rescue:**

A patrol is sent out on a search-and-rescue mission to find a "wounded" knight. After finding the victim, scouts must then diagnose and deliver first-aid treatment.

**Scouting Mission:**

A patrol is on a "scouting mission" and night is falling. Scouts need to make a shelter and a small, smokeless fire. After setting up camp, the patrol will be sent to sneak through the hills and find a camp to gather information on.

**Border Patrol:**

A patrol will be given a map and asked to navigate the area. At specified locations, scouts will find distinguishing features to note down.

**Cooking Competition:**

To stick with our Medieval theme, Saturday lunch must be cooked over a fire. Dutch ovens are allowed. Because red meat was rare in the Middle Ages among the lower classes, all meals must feature some kind of fish. That being said, food safety is to be the highest priority; expect to be asked what precautions were made at judging. Patrols will be given from 12:00 to 1:00 to make their food. The judging will be at 1:00, with the stations resuming at 1:30. Try and be original while keeping in mind what could have been made in the Middle Ages.

Besides food for the lunch competition, be sure to bring firewood and 10 essentials.

We are looking for a few volunteers to help as the "injured" person for the search-and-rescue station and to sit in the scouting mission camp to judge the stealthiness of the participants. If you are willing to do either of these, email Chris Andersen at ke5rbg@gmail.com. Adults will also be asked to supervise the jousting and "combat" stations.

For the rotations to run smoothly, we need a head count beforehand. As such, we ask that you RSVP to Chris by April 20th at ke5rbg@gmail.com.

Directions: Lake Capote is located at 398 Highway 151, Pagosa Springs. This is 1/2 mile east of the Ute Campground. Turn toward Chimney Rock on Highway 151, the campground is 1/10 mile on the left.