



Sugar Creek District “Creekside” April 2017



Crossroads of America Council

Spring Camporee April 28th – 30th

By: Chuck Smith

Are you ready to ESCAPE? Please see the last page of the newsletter for all the **NEW** details, times and stations for the camporee.



New Round Table Location

By: William Turner

Our new roundtable location worked very well, so we will continue to meet at the Lebanon LDS church at 2291 Witt Road. This month the council program staff is coming to conduct an Ideal Year of Scouting. It is important for all units to attend to learn more about what is coming next year!

Breakouts Topics:

- Cub Scouts – Webelos crossover ceremonies and ideas for Pack-Troop liaison relations to ease transitions of cubs into
- Boy Scouts -

Scouting for Food

By: Mike Thompson

Scouting for Food numbers are needed. Please see Bob

Vernon



Units with unsold cards and money need to be turned in between April 15th – 20th. Deadline is May 1st, 2017! Any questions see Sugar Creeks Camp Card Chairman, John Fitzpatrick.

Commissioner's Minute

By: William Turner

Thank you to everyone who came to the district Pinewood Derby! Congratulations to all the award recipients! Thank you also to Jeff Osborne and Troop 359 for organizing and running the derby!

Thank you also to Andy Fulks and Elizabeth Allen for the district dinner! The scout band is becoming a tradition; will they be back next year?

April brings the Ideal Year of Scouting to our roundtable, and our spring camporee is coming soon on the weekend of 28-30 Apr. Summer will soon be upon us!

Remember, the commissioner corps is here to help the units serve the scouts. If you need our help with something, or have any ideas on what we can do to improve roundtables and our service to individual units, please let me or one of my commissioners know. We are here to serve you!

We are also always looking for new commissioners. If you are interested in talking about it, or if you have someone else you would like to recommend, please let me know.

Yours in Unit Service,
William Turner
District Commissioner, Sugar Creek District



Challenge from Troop 753

By: Chuck Smith

Thorntown Troop 753 would like to challenge other District Troops to the "James Bomb" adventure at "Escape-Indy". The Troop successfully "deactivated the bomb" and escaped the room in 56 minutes with just 4 clues, accumulating 1,386 points in the process. This particular game might not be for the squeamish since players are handcuffed before the adventure begins, adding to the intense experience.



Baloo, OWLS & OLS TRAINING

By: Jessie Cline

Mark your calendars. On November 4-5 Crossroads of America Council and Sugar Creek District will offer Baloo, OWLS and OLS training open to all districts in the CAC and Sagamore Council. Details will be coming soon.

2017 Spring Camporee, Cary Camp, April 28-30

The great ESCAPE is coming together, and things are looking pretty exciting. The ESCAPE, of course, is this year's Spring Camporee at Cary Camp, April 28-30. It will be a unique opportunity for each troop to show their stuff, both in running an event station and in competing at other troop's stations, as well as "on-stage" at the evening campfire program. The troop with the highest total score for the three forms of competition will take home the coveted bean pot.

So what type of things might you need to ESCAPE from? The challenges include the KGB, a blind spider, an ancient temple, a deserted island, and mutant psycho killer clowns, to name just a few.

Remember, this is YOUR Camporee. How good it is depends entirely on how well troops plan, prepare, and execute. It's your opportunity to put those scout and leadership skills to good use. Own it!

Just a few tips, reminders, and pointers:

Troops need to submit a scorecard for their station ASAP if they have not already done so. Scorecards must total 40 points (use a multiplier/divider if necessary). They should also include the sponsoring troop's number, the competing troop's/pack's number and patrol name, and a clearly-labeled final score for each patrol. (Submit scorecards to crsmith@cabinsandcandlelight.com.)

Be sure to set up and practice leading your station prior to the Camporee. Competing troops should be able to complete it in about 20 minutes or less.

Don't forget your campfire contribution. It can be a skit, song, or anything else scout-appropriate. Troops/packs will be rated on how ready they are when called upon, how well they can be heard or understood, if the performance displays enthusiasm/scout spirit, how much of the troop/pack the performance involves, and how entertaining the performance is.

Following is a tentative schedule for the Camporee:

2017 Spring Camporee, "Escape", Tentative Schedule (4/10/17 Revision)**Friday, April 28, 2017:**

5:00 - 8:30	Registration
8:45	SPL and Scoutmaster meeting, followed by an SPL Cracker Barrel
9:45	Arrow Men meeting, youth and adult members
11:00	Quiet time, lights out or dimmed (should be enforced by SPLs)

Saturday, April 29, 2017:

6:45	Camp reveille, breakfast on-your-own
7:30 - 8:00	Late registration
8:15	Make-up SPL and Scoutmaster meeting for any late-arriving troops
9:00	Flags, briefing (wear class A's, bring troop flag)
10:00 - 12:30	Stations run
12:30 - 1:30	Lunch on--your-own
1:30 - 5:00	Stations run
5:00 - 7:30	Dinner on-your-own or OA stew dinner (cost not yet determined)
5:30	Tallied score sheets due at operations center
7:30	Flags (wear class A's)
7:45	Campfire & awards (wear class A's)
	OA call-out immediately following campfire
11:00	Quiet time, lights out or dimmed (should be enforced by SPLs)

Sunday, April 30, 2017:

7:00	Camp reveille, breakfast on-your-own, break camp
10:00	Scout's Own Service (wear class A's)
	Leave camp and Leave No Trace

Please do not set up any tent sites until after registering and checking with operations.

*Friday night registration will be at the end of the main entry drive into camp, or in the "teepee" in inclement weather.

**Saturday morning registration will be in the "teepee" in the center of camp.

The operations center will be in the "teepee" in the center of camp, and will be staffed 5:00 to 10:00 Friday, and 7:30 to 7:30 Saturday.

Your hosts, Thorntown Troop 753.