

100th Anniversary Encampment Black Warrior Council, B.S.A.

Leader's Guide



Moundville Archaeological Park
October 28-30, 2022



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Dear Scouters:

The Moundville Archaeological Park is home to one of the most endeared historical sites in Alabama. Our proud heritage created by the native Americans who once inhabited this area is still celebrated and visited by thousands each year. It is fitting that the Black Warrior Council recognize and celebrate its 100 year anniversary in this historic location.

We are pleased to extend to you this invitation to participate in this celebration of Scouting in the West Alabama area by attending the "100th Anniversary Encampment". This event is for all who are currently registered in Scouting as well as for all who were once a Scout or Scouter and helped establish the great legacy we now enjoy. This weekend will be jam-packed with activities for Cubs, Scouts, Scouters and alumni. We hope that each Scouting unit will not only fully participate but encourage their alumni to come out on Saturday afternoon to visit and stay for our evening arena show.

This will be a very special weekend and there will be something for everyone! As you explore this Leaders' Guide, you will find information related to registration, camping guidelines, visitation procedures, options for food service, Cub activities, Scout activities, live music, Trade-O-Ree, Order of the Arrow rededication, recognition of alumni, a Saturday evening arena show, and much more. Make plans to attend and join this great celebration of Scouting in the Black Warrior Council!

An event such as this takes the work and support of many. We owe a special thanks of appreciation to the **Troop 26 Alumni** (of Moundville) and **Mr. Robert Lake**, for sponsorship of this event. Through their generosity, we have been able to keep costs as low as possible and provide what we believe will be a wonderful weekend of Scouting.

Thanks for all that each of you do as a leader in Scouting. We look forward to seeing you, your Scouts, and alumni at the Moundville Archaeological Park October 28-30, 2022!

Yours in Scouting,

Walter Davie & Chris Holloway
2022 Encampment Co-Chairs

A Brief Archaeological Sketch of the Moundville Archaeological Park

By Dr. Vernon James Knight, Associate Professor of Anthropology at the University of Alabama

The Moundville site, occupied from around A.D. 1000 until A.D. 1450, is a large settlement of Mississippian culture on the Black Warrior River in central Alabama. At the time of Moundville's heaviest residential population, the community took the form of a three-hundred-acre village built on a bluff overlooking the river.

The plan of the town was roughly square and protected on three sides by a bastioned wooden palisade. Moundville, in size and complexity second only to the Cahokia site in Illinois, was at once a populous town, as well as a political center and a religious center.

Within the enclosure, surrounding a central plaza, were twenty-six earthen mounds, the larger ones apparently supporting noble's residences alternating with small ones that supported buildings used for mortuary and other purposes.

Of the two largest mounds in the group, Mound A occupies the center of the great plaza, and Mound B lies just to the north on the site's central axis. The latter is a steep pyramid with two ramps, rising to a height of fifty-eight feet. The arrangement of the mounds and plaza gives the impression of symmetry and planning. In addition, archaeologists have found evidence of borrow pits, other public buildings, and dozens of small houses constructed of pole and thatch, many of which have yielded burials beneath the floors.

Striking differences between the nobles and commoners showing a highly stratified society can be seen among the excavated burials with their grave goods. Some include rare artifacts that may be associated with particular political or religious offices. Evidence shows that Moundville was sustained by tribute of food and labor provided by the people who lived in the nearby Black Warrior Valley floodplain farmsteads as well as other smaller mound centers. At its height the Moundville community contained a population of about one thousand with around ten thousand in the entire valley. Like other Mississippian societies, Moundville's growth and prosperity were made possible by intensive cultivation of maize, or Indian corn. The nobility dominated the traffic in such imported luxury goods as copper, mica, galena, and marine shell. Renowned particularly for their artistic excellence in pottery, stonework, and embossed copper, the inhabitants of Moundville produced artifacts bearing a high degree of skilled workmanship, making the site a benchmark in the study of Mississippian imagery.

Neither the rise of Moundville nor its eventual decline is well understood by scholars. The immediate area appears to have been thickly populated, containing a few very small single-mound centers just before the creation of the public architecture of the great plaza and erection of the palisade about A.D. 1200. However, by about A.D. 1350, Moundville seems to have undergone a change in use. The site lost the appearance of a town but retained its ceremonial and political functions. A decline ensued, marked by abandonment of some mounds and the loss of religious importance in others. There was also a decrease in the importation of goods which had given prestige to the nobility. By the 1500s, most of the area was abandoned with only a few portions of the site still occupied. Although the first Europeans reached the Southeast in the 1540s, the precise ethnic and linguistic links between Moundville's inhabitants and what became the historic Native American tribes are still not well understood.



Schedule of Events

100th Anniversary Encampment
Moundville Archaeological Park

Friday, October 28, 2022

- 4:30 Check-in Begins for Units that are Camping
7:45 Youth Social
9:30 Cracker Barrel: SPL & Unit Leaders

Saturday, October 29, 2022

- 6:30 Reveille
7:15 Breakfast
7:45 Check-In for Day Units Begins
9:00 **OPENING CEREMONY**
9:30 Leader Meeting for Units Just Arriving
9:45 **Morning Program Begins**
Scout Area Activities – Cub Area Activities
Museum Open – Trade-O-Ree Open
Trading Post Open – Scouting/Historical Contests
- 12 Noon Lunch for Staff, Units Prepare Their Own or Utilize Food Trucks
- 1:30 **Afternoon Programming**
Scout Area Activities – Cub Area Activities
Museum Open – Trade-O-Ree Open
Trading Post Open – Scouting/Historical Contests
Alumni Gatherings
- 4:30 Afternoon Programming Concludes
Dinner Preparation for Units Camping
- 6:00 Dinner
- 8:00 Arena Show!
(30 minutes after Arena Show ends, Leaders' Meeting & Cracker Barrel)
* All day participants must depart immediately after arena show ends.
- 10:00 OA Rededication Ceremony
11:00 Taps – Quiet Time – All in Assigned Campsites

Sunday, October 30, 2022

- 6:30 Reveille
7:30 Breakfast
9:00 Chapel & Closing Ceremony
10:00 Clean Up & Check-Out

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL

ENCAMPMENT FEE:

Participation fees will be \$15.00 per person (youth and adult). The fee includes park admission, insurance, program supplies, awards, and each participant will receive a 100TH Anniversary Encampment patch. Only properly registered Cubs, Scouts, and Explorers may attend. Youth Protection guidelines must be followed by all units!

REGISTRATION

1. Every Unit (Packs, Troops, Crews, Posts) should complete the enclosed "Participation Form" and submit it to the McAbee Scout Service Center **no later than October 19th, 2022**. An online registration form will be available on the Black Warrior Council website (<http://www.bwc-bsa.org>).
2. Registration does not cover food costs for your unit. Each unit may bring their own supplies and food for the weekend or later in this Guide you will find an option to participate in a meal plan at an additional cost. To participate in the full meal plan for the weekend (Saturday breakfast through Sunday breakfast), units must complete that information and payment **no later than October 7th**. We will be unable to accommodate request for the full meal plan after October 7th.
3. Upon arrival at the Encampment, unit leaders should have an updated and final "Unit Roster" completed with actual participant names (youth and adult). Any final payments for participants will be collected at that time.

VISITORS & ALUMNI

Parents, and guests from your unit are encouraged to visit. Each unit is encouraged to reach out and make every effort to have your unit alumni to attend as well. We would love to see as many alumni as possible to attend during the day on Saturday and remain for the Arena Show that evening. Visitors and alumni must enter through the main gate and there will be a \$6.00 charge (reduced rate from normal park fees).

UNIFORMS

The full official Scout uniform will be the dress of the day for Saturday, October 29th. It is understood that some Scouts who have just joined Scouting may not have a full uniform, however, all others (youth and adults) should be in full uniform all day on Saturday. Order of the Arrow members are encouraged to have their OÅ Sash for wear during the Aracoma Lodge rededication ceremony Saturday evening to occur after the Arena Show.

DIRECTIONS TO THE MOUNDVILLE ARCHAEOLOGICAL PARK

From Tuscaloosa, travel South on Highway 69 to the city of Moundville. This is about a 20-minute drive. Once you enter the Moundville city limits, you will see signs directing you to the main gate for the park. Once you enter the park, you will be met at the main gate with parking directions, a map & schedule of all activities, and other information you may need.

PARK RULES

It is critically important that all Cubs, Scouts, and guests are mindful that we are in a historic location and our actions need to honor and respect the significance of the Moundville Archaeological Park. Rules that need to be followed by all are listed below.

1. DO NOT DIG OR COLLECT ARTIFACTS.
2. Moundville is an active archaeological site protected by state and federal laws. Looters will be prosecuted.
3. Climb only Mounds with steps.
4. Keep vehicles on paved roadways at all times. Four wheelers, dirt bikes, and other unregistered vehicles are prohibited in the Park. **The 100th Anniversary Encampment is a walking event!** All vehicles must be parked in a designated parking area. Units that are camping will be allowed vehicle access to the camping area only to unload equipment (once unloaded, the vehicle will have to be parked in the parking lot. Units arriving for just for the day on Saturday will be directed to the parking area and walk to the program areas.
5. Visitors must stay on marked trails or open areas.
6. Obey posted speed limits and traffic signs.
7. Alcoholic beverages, Firearms, or Smoking is not allowed on Park property.
8. No swimming or River Access is allowed from Park property.
9. Dogs must be leashed at all times, except in the pet play area near the Park Campground
10. The Park's official and permanent campground and bath house are only for registered campers to the Park (not for Scouting units).
11. NO OPEN FIRES OR FLAMES. We ask that each unit provide stoves and needed equipment for cooking.

CAMPING FOR THE WEEKEND

Scout units are encouraged to camp for the entire weekend and Cub Packs are welcome to do so as well. There will be special camping areas for units that are camping. Please be aware of the following as you plan for the weekend.

- Units will be assigned a campsite on a first-come, first-served basis. Sites will allow for plenty of room for tents and equipment. Troop gateways are not part of this year's Encampment; however, units should make some sign/display so visitors will know your unit's number and hometown.
- There will be water access locations close to each camping area, but units are encouraged to arrive with full water storage containers.
- Fires are not permitted in the camping area so please plan to bring stoves and needed equipment for cooking in the campsite.
- Porta-potties will be located close to the camping areas and throughout the park activity areas.
- As this is a historic location with significant archaeological attributes, holes may not be dug anywhere in the park. Normal size tent stakes will be fine.
- Units must be familiar with and follow the *Youth Protection* policies of the B.S.A.

COMING FOR THE DAY?

1. Please review the Encampment Schedule of Events and plan your arrival so that you will have plenty of time to check-in, park, and walk to the Opening Ceremony that begins at 9:00.
2. We encourage every effort to be made to carpool and for units to arrive as one group. Traveling in caravans is not the safest method. It is recommended that units make travel plans so that they can arrive in plenty of time, stage at a close location before entering the park, and once all are assembled, proceed into the park as one group. This will greatly facilitate our ability to process day participants in an efficient and timely manner for all. The main unit leader with a final roster should be in the lead vehicle.
3. Food for the day may be brought and units will be provided locations to eat. Please bring garbage bags so that all trash can be collected and left in trash locations in the Park for appropriate disposal. Day units may wish to take advantage of the food trailer and concessions, however, be advised that there may be limitations on the amount of food and type available.

FOOD MEAL PLAN OPTIONS FOR UNITS

As discussed above, Units may choose to bring their own food and equipment to prepare food in their campsite, or they may choose to purchase a meal plan for the weekend. Please use the “Food Meal Plan Order Form”, or online link from the Black Warrior Council’s website to participate in the meal plan. Units participating in the meal plan **must submit this order form, along with payment in full no later than Friday, October 7th!**

- The meal plan for the weekend is \$25 per person.
- The meal plan includes the following meals: Saturday breakfast (traditional type breakfast), Saturday lunch (hot box lunch), Saturday supper (BBQ dinner), and Sunday breakfast (grab and go hot breakfast).
- Special dietary needs may be included on the order form.
- Saturday breakfast, supper, and Sunday breakfast will be picked up in a bulk pack for return to the campsite for consumption.
- Saturday lunch will be picked up on an individual basis with participants identified by a color-coded arm band. Times for pick-up will be distributed upon arrival at the Encampment.
- Units will need to bring Igloo water coolers to mix and distribute the drink for meals.

There will be a concession stand operating throughout the Encampment. Since there will be no pre-orders for this option, availability of food and options will be based upon demand and availability.



Program Information for Cub Scouts

Lions, Tigers, Cubs, and Webelos will have a great day with plenty to see and do at the *2022 Black Warrior Council 100th Celebration Encampment*. A typical day for your Pack will include:

- Opening Ceremony at 9:00 A.M.
- Visiting and participating in the *Cub Activities* during the morning and afternoon program times.
- Stay for the evening Arena Show at 8:00 P.M.

Cub Scouts will celebrate 100 years of Scouting in the Black Warrior Council and wonder what Cub Scouts will look like in another 100 years, possibly even on the Moon!

There will be a Round Robin event for Cubs with a shot gun start. Activities will include:

- The Moon Walk to the All-Aboard
- Space Arrows
- Moon Crystal Catch
- Robots
- Sling Shots
- Leave No Trace on the Moon
- Rockets Demo

Each Den is encouraged to create from cardboard boxes/tape a unique spaceship or Moon lander. Cubs decorate each as they want but must include their Pack, Den Number, and have a nickname. Cub crewed ships must transport all the Cubs in the Den (large Dens can build more than one) from station to station, survive the day and arrive at Moon Base safely. A panel will judge the best in class for awards in Design, Decoration and Nickname.

Take off is optional but fun is mandatory!

Additional Program Options for Cubs

- Visit the Black Warrior Council mobile museum
- Visit the Trade-O-Ree (patches and special memorabilia)
 - Live music
- Scouting on the Air (Amateur Radio Exhibit)
 - Hot Air Balloon (weather permitting)
 - Fireworks Show as part of Arena Show
 - Special, surprise exhibits



Program Information for Scouts & Venturers

Scouts, Venturers, and all older Scouts will have a great day with plenty to see and do at the *2022 Black Warrior Council 100th Celebration Encampment*. A typical day for your Scouts will include:

- Opening Ceremony at 9:00 A.M.
- Visiting and participating in the *special Scout Activity & Exhibits area* during the morning and afternoon program times.
- Stay for the evening Arena Show at 8:00 P.M.
- For those in the Order of the Arrow, participate in the Aracoma Lodge Rededication Ceremony to follow the Arena Show.

Scouts will have the opportunity to participate in various events and visit exhibit areas. The Scouting area of programming will include such activities/exhibits as listed below.

- Rope challenges & games
- Water balloon games
- Boulderling wall
- Tomahawk throwing
- Body bumper inflatable games
- Cornhole
- Giant pong game
- Whip cracking
- Parachute game

Special exhibits will be on hand from various community groups. Among these exhibits will be:

- Scouting on the Air (Amateur Radio center)
- Law enforcement vehicle exhibits
- Hot Air Balloon (weather permitting)

Scouting Creates Memories...

Mobile Black Warrior Council Museum

Scouts need to be sure and visit the Black Warrior Council Mobile Museum during the Encampment to gain a better sense and appreciation of our 100-year history!

100th Anniversary Trade-O-Ree

Memories are created through Scouting and memorabilia is a wonderful way to enhance those memories for years to come. A special **TRADE-O-REE** will be set up during the Encampment with vendors participating from across the Southern states. Be sure to possibly bring some patches to trade but by all means, plan to visit the **TRADE-O-REE** to enjoy and learn about this special art of collecting Scouting memories!

Complete and Submit This Form No Later than October 7, 2022!
We will NOT be able to accommodate late submissions for meal plans.

Meal Plan Order Form

Pack # _____ Troop # _____ Crew # _____

Unit Leader: _____

BEST phone number to call: _____

Meal Plan Guidelines

- The meal plan for the weekend is \$25 per person.
- The meal plan includes the following meals: Saturday breakfast (traditional type breakfast), Saturday lunch (hot box lunch), Saturday supper (BBQ dinner), and Sunday breakfast (grab and go hot breakfast).
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Meal Plan Orders DUE October 7, 2022

Number of meal plans ordering: _____ X \$25.00 = \$ _____

*** We understand the \$25 per person meal plan
is in ADDITION to the Encampment registration fee. ***

Black Warrior Council
PO Drawer 3088
Tuscaloosa, AL 35403
205-554-1680

-OR-

Register Using the Online
Form on Council Website:
<http://www.bwc-bsa.org>

Complete and Submit This Form No Later than October 19, 2022!

Unit Registration

Pack # _____ Troop # _____ Crew # _____

Unit Leader: _____

BEST phone number to call: _____

___ Our unit will be camping the entire weekend.
Our anticipated arrival time is Friday at _____.

___ Our unit will be attending for the day on Saturday.
Our anticipated arrival time is Saturday at _____.

Registration DUE October 20, 2022

Number of youth attending	_____	X	\$15.00 =	_____
Number of adults attending	_____	X	\$15.00 =	_____
Total	_____	X	\$15.00 =	\$_____

Participants will be issued a wrist band to wear throughout the Encampment weekend. These bands will be issued to units at registration. Fees are non-refundable but transferrable.

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Bring this completed form with you to the Encampment!

UNIT ROSTER
2022 Black Warrior Council Encampment
Moundville Archaeological Park

Please print all information legibly!

Type of Unit: _____ Nbr: _____ District: _____

Youth Roster

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Adult Roster

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5.	6.
7.	8.

_____ Youth + _____ Adults = Total: _____ participating X \$15.00 = \$_____ Fees Due

All youth members participating with our Unit are properly registered with the
Boy Scouts of America.

Signed: _____, Unit Leader

For a quicker check-in, have this form completed before arrival. Turn in this form and any final fees at check-in.