

KS-MO Fur Company Rendezvous XXXI April 17-19, 2026

Camp Childress
5250 Jamboree Lane
Joplin, MO

Download the current version of this packet at:
https://scoutingevent.com/306-Rendezvous_26

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Welcome Scouters to Camp Childress and the 2026 Rendezvous. Thank You for coming out and helping to make this year a success. Please take this time to make this a learning and fun-filled weekend adventure. We strongly suggest that you make your rounds and see the vendors that have taken time out of their busy schedules to come out and demonstrate their skills.

Jason Osiek | 2026 Booshway
417-438-3095 *Text Message is Best*

Rendezvous XXXI is on: https://scoutingevent.com/306-Rendezvous_26

- Early Bird registration ends April 03, 2026. **REGISTER YOUR SCOUTS BY THIS DATE TO ENSURE THEY RECEIVE THEIR PATCH AT THE EVENT.**
- Late registrations will receive their patch later, not at the event.
- T-Shirts order form is through a 3rd party site: [Shirt Orders](#). Orders will be ordered separately from registration and given the option to ship to home or pickup at camp.
 - ❖ Order by April 1st to have it shipped home before camp
 - ❖ Order by April 6th to pick it up at camp
- The link above contains the most up-to-date version of this registration packet!

Send a message to the Rendezvous Committee or volunteer to help with your favorite event or activity! For information on how to get involved to help with the committee for planning or running the event, please contact: **2026 Booshway Jason Osiek | 417-438-3095 (Text Message is Best)** or **Rodney Bechdloldt | 417-456-2222 | Rodneyb@campchildress.org**

Registration Fees (For your records)			
Fees paid by 4/03		Fees paid after 4/03	
# Scouts	_____ x \$15.00 = _____	_____	x \$20.00 = _____
# AOL	_____ x \$15.00 = _____	_____	x \$20.00 = _____
# Adults	_____ x \$15.00 = _____	_____	x \$20.00 = _____
	Total : _____		Total : _____
<p><i>Bring Participant Registration and T-shirt order form with you. Scout account funds may only be used for pre-registration. No Scout account payments will be accepted at the event.</i></p>		<p>Total Fees: \$ _____</p> <p>Amount Enclosed: \$ _____</p> <p>*Charge from Account: \$ _____</p> <p>Balance Due \$</p>	

CHECK-IN & CHECK-OUT PROCEDURES

Advance Move-In and Setup Available for Pre-Registered Troops

Camp Childress is locked during the week, however Troops assume all responsibility for property or equipment left unattended.

The camp will be open April 17th by noon for clean-up or trailer drop off.

--No Entry Until Noon Opening--

Please contact caretaker:

Peter Hansen | 417-385-2288

for any necessary exceptions

Campsite Reservation and Parking

- Each campsite at Camp Childress will be used for 2-3 units depending on size of the site.
- Please be courteous of others as you set up your campsite.

*The Registration Chairman will attempt to assign campsites based on **troop size**. Campsite assignments will be made after the preregistration deadline and are subject to change.*

- Troop trailers must be parked to allow space for one (1) vehicle to park in front of campsite, completely off the road and within the limits of your campsite.
- Limit one trailer and 1 vehicle per camping troop to remain in the campsite.

Parking for all other vehicles will be available at the southwest gate & on the north side of the field. (See map).

--If you need to check-in AFTER 10 pm – Contact Jason Osiek - 417-438-3095

~Arrow of Light Scouts Camping at Rendezvous

Arrow of Light Scouts are invited to Rendezvous if they are registered with an attending Troop and have one (1) parent/adult per family. See Webelos Camping Rules for guidance. See the “Trading Blankets” section for special opportunities available for these Webelos on Saturday.

CHECK-IN: FRIDAY NIGHT (see notes about vehicles)

- **A Scout Is Courteous.** During Check-in on Friday night, traffic flow on Cubmaster Circle can become an issue. Traffic is to flow one way, clockwise around the camporee field.
- Units taking gear to their site may unload, then return the vehicle to the designated parking area. One trailer and the vehicle hauling it may remain in the campsite per unit.
- Rendezvous staff will be enforcing a strict *unload gear then park* policy. The check-in tent will be at the dining hall (see map)
- Troops should plan on arriving as a group and then load all their gear into a single vehicle, if necessary, at the parking area.
- Parking in the program areas, campsites, mess hall, cedar lodge and camporee field is restricted to Vendors, Staff, Emergency Vehicles, and special needs.

CHECK-OUT:

- Campsite Inspection Required BEFORE Checkout. Pick up your packets at checkout.
- When a troop is ready to leave, a member of the Rendezvous staff must inspect the campsite before the unit may be dismissed.
- All fires and charcoal MUST be EXTINGUISHED and COLD before check-out.
- Please do not build new fire rings with rocks or other material.
- You may use your own above ground firepit.

Directions | Location: Camp Childress

5250 Jamboree Lane | Joplin, MO 64804

Please visit campchildress.org for more information about Camp Childress.



EVENT AGENDA

FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
3 pm – 9 pm Check-In	8:30 am Color Guard (Meet at flagpole)	8 am Flag Ceremony
9:30 pm SPL Cracker Barrel	8:45 am Flag Ceremony	8:15 am Religious Service (at Nature & Chapel)
10 pm Lights Out	9 am – 12 pm Morning Session	9 am Checkout
	12 pm – 1 pm Lunch	11 am All Troop out of area.
	1 pm – 4 pm Afternoon Session	
	4 pm – 6 pm Dinner & Cleanup	
	6 pm Campfire & OA Callout	
	10 pm Lights Out	

Rendezvous XXXI - Activities

Session Times are 9:00 am – 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

1. Tomahawk Throwing

2. Camp Cookie's SPAM Cook-Off

- The great SPAM cook-off has been a regular event at Rendezvous
- Submissions are judged by a panel of hungry Rendezvous staff and the winning dish and its creator are recognized at closing campfire with the coveted "Spam Plaque"!
- Bring your entry to the staff kitchen at **BEFORE 4PM** enter the competition.

3. Trading Blankets 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM Only

4. Fire Making –

- Fire Piston Flint & Steel
- Burning Lens Bow Drill
- Fire Plow Steel Sparker
- Steel Wool Hand Drill
- Coke Can & Chocolate
- Learn how to make "char cloth" and identify many good types of tinder that you see every day.
- Never be stranded without fire again.

5. Archery

6. Branding

7. Dutch Oven Cooking

8. Closing Campfire – 6:00 p.m.

- Presentation of Awards, recognitions, announcements Memorial Campfire.

9. Order of the Arrow Callout

- Call-out follows Closing Campfire.
- The Order of the Arrow Call-out will be held as the last event of the closing campfire. Scouts who have been elected as candidates by their units will be recognized and escorted to the center of the ceremonial fire ring.
- Following call-out candidates will be lead to a private location for additional ceremony and instruction. Pick up your unit's call out tags at the OA table at Registration.
- Please encourage any OA members of your unit to bring their sash and participate as runners in the ceremony.
- Elections must be held prior to April 1, 2026.
- **To schedule an election for your unit Please contact your OA Chapter Advisor.**

Rendezvous Trading Blankets

Everything you wanted to know, and probably some you didn't...

1:00PM-4:00PM

Rules for Blanket Traders – NO EARLY SETUP BEFORE NOON!

Trading blankets have become one of the most popular events at the Rendezvous and here is what you need to know to become a Blanket Trader yourself!

- **No money can be exchanged - Barter only.**
 - If you are observed asking for money, your blanket and all goods will be confiscated, and you will be asked to leave the area. Your items will be returned to your Scoutmaster after he/she is notified.
- **No sheath knives, throwing stars, swords (wooden or metal) or other weapons not allowed by Scouting America regulations or your Scoutmaster** - make sure you read the last word in the underlined sentence.
 - Your Scoutmaster can impose other restrictions as needed.
 - If any prohibited items are observed on your blanket, you will be asked to remove them.
 - If they are seen as second time, they will be confiscated and returned to your Scoutmaster after he/she is notified.
 - Other than these two Rules you are free to trade whatever treasures you can bring with you.

Rules for Traders

Trading blankets have become one of the most popular events at the Rendezvous and here is what you need to know to make successful trades as a Trader!

- **No money can be exchanged.**
 - If anyone asks you to pay money for an item, **DON'T DO IT**. This is against the rules.
 - Go immediately to one of the traders that are dressed in Native American clothing (regalia) and point out the person who asked for money.
 - Any blanket trader or customer caught paying for a trade with money will be asked to leave the area and their Scoutmasters will be notified.
- **Barter - Deal - And Deal Some More!**
 - Bartering for something without money is an "art".
 - Trading blankets is not like a store. Someone may want something that you don't have, but since they are stuck at their blanket and can't find it, you have the ability to go to another blanket, find that item and trade for it, then come back and trade for what you originally wanted.
 - This is what makes trading blankets so much fun!
 - If someone says "No" to a trade, add items or ask: "What **would** you trade for that?"
 - If you see something that you want to trade for... keep trying and "trading up" with other traders until you can make the trade you want!

RENDEZVOUS HISTORY

What is a BOOSHWAY??

During the fur trade of the early 1800's the person leading the party of trappers was called the Booshway. They would also be in charge of the annual summer rendezvous.

The history of Booshways in the annual Rendezvous held in the Ozark Trails Council is listed below:

Number	Year	Booshway
I	1994	Jerry Pile Leonard
II	1995	John Baker
III	1996	Peacock
IV	1997	Jan Mikrut
V	1998	DJ Fry
VI	1999	Gary Smith
VII	2000	Tedd Inman
VIII	2001	Rodney Bechdoldt
IX	2002	Bill Hosp
X	2003	Richard Johnson
XI	2004	Richard Sapp
XII	2005	Alan Roberts
XIII	2006	Bill Botzow
XIV	2007	Ted Hurst
XV	2008	Jim Rupert
XVI	2009	Kevin Mitchelson
XVII	2010	Curtis Ware
XVIII	2011	Michael Compton
XIX	2012	Dan Webber Larry
XX	2013	Ent Bruce Turner
XXI	2014	Wes Shoemaker
XXII	2015	Matthew Roberts
XXIII	2016	Mark Williams
XXIV	2017	Shannon Johnson
XXV	2018	Mark Williams
XXVI	2019	Terry Blevins
XXVII	2020	Terry Blevins
	2021	COVID YEAR
	2022	COVID YEAR
XXVIII	2023	Terry Blevins
XXIX	2024	Walker Moore
XXX	2025	Walker Moore
XXXI	2026	Jason Osiek

Last Minute Updates & Additions to the Rendezvous Schedule

This is the place where you'll find changes and updates to the schedule that would otherwise be too difficult or time-consuming to update/ correct in the existing event packet or on the link:

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If your unit has lost a beloved member that you would like recognized, please inform the Booshway at Friday night's cracker barrel.

Your Help Needed : We need help. Any scouter who is free during the morning or afternoon period who would like to help at an event station is welcome. Some areas get busy and we need a few more people to help us. For your help, you will be given a staff patch.

1. A 24-hour medic/information officer will be stationed at Cedar Lodge during the event.

Rendezvous Shirt Orders

<https://wildivyshirtco.com/collections/camp-childress>



Shirts are available in T-Shirt, Long Sleeve and Sweatshirt options.

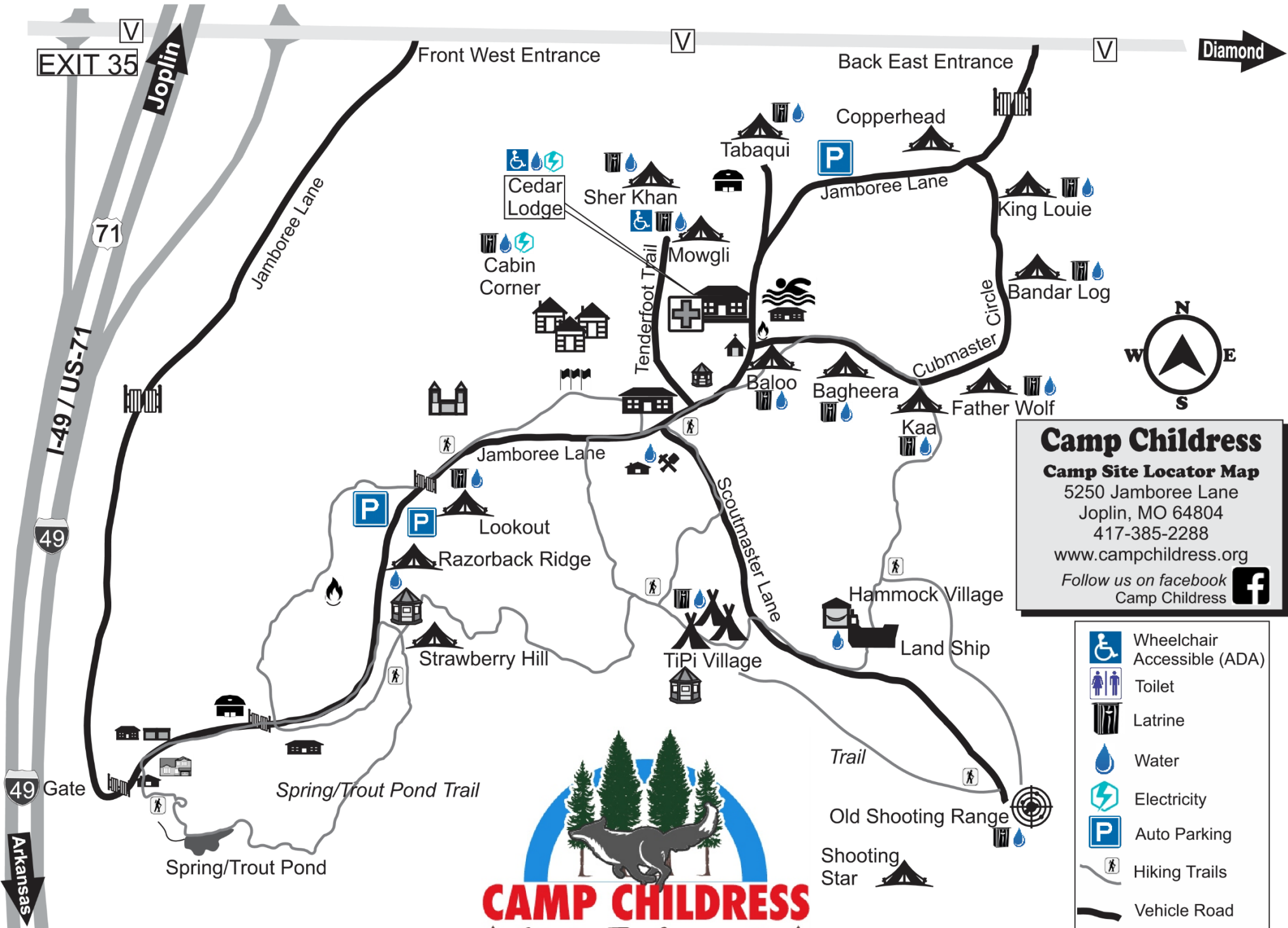
Orders are placed from 3rd Party site:

<https://wildivyshirtco.com/collections/camp-childress>

Order by April 1st to have it shipped home before camp

Order by April 6th to pick it up at camp

Price: \$18 and up



EXIT 35

Joplin

Front West Entrance

V

Back East Entrance

V

Diamond

Jamboree Lane

Jamboree Lane

Cedar Lodge

Sher Khan

Tabaqui

Copperhead

King Louie

Cabin Corner

Mowgli

Bandar Log

Tenderfoot Trail

Cubmaster Circle

Baloo

Bagheera

Father Wolf

Kaa

Jamboree Lane

Scoutmaster Lane

Lookout

Razorback Ridge

Hammock Village

Land Ship

Strawberry Hill

TiPi Village

Trail

Old Shooting Range

Shooting Star

Spring/Trout Pond Trail

Spring/Trout Pond

Gate

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Arkansas



Camp Childress
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 5250 Jamboree Lane
 Joplin, MO 64804
 417-385-2288
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- Wheelchair Accessible (ADA)
- Toilet
- Latrine
- Water
- Electricity
- Auto Parking
- Hiking Trails
- Vehicle Road

