



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA®  
BLACK HILLS AREA COUNCIL

May 1st - 3rd, 2020

Sheridan Lake Campground

& Keystone for Mining In Society Merit Badge

# SPRING CAMPOREE

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## Event Information

Save The Date for 2021 Spring Camporee  
April 30th - May 2nd 2021 @ Devils Tower

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This packet contains information on your unit's registration to attend the 2020 Spring Camporee. To secure your spot, each unit must complete an online registration and pay all necessary fees before registration closes.

**No registrations will be taken at the event.**

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All registrations will be accomplished using the Black Hills Area Council's Registration System through the URL:

<https://www.scoutingevent.com/695-Camporee2020>

## Key Dates:

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**March 8th, 2020**

**April 19th, 2020**

**April 26th, 2020**

**May 1st - 3rd, 2020**

Registration Opens

Late Fee in Effect/Sack Lunch add on closes

Registration Closes

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## Activities

The Mining in Society Merit Badge will be offered during the weekend. There are no pre-requisites. There will be an opportunity to do the tour at Big Thunder Gold Mine and pan for gold. This is included in all Scouts registration fees and is optional for adults.

## Camping

Units are encouraged to camp Friday – Sunday. Units can arrive as early as 5:00pm on Friday and leave Sunday morning after your campsite has passed inspection. Camping will be in the designated area only.

## Attendance

All Scouts BSA age youth and adults registered with the Boy Scouts of America are permitted to attend this event. Every unit must have two-deep adult leadership and abide by the policies established in the Guide to Safe Scouting.

## Fees

The fee for Spring Camporee is \$25.00 for youth, \$20.00 for adults who want to do the gold mine activities and \$10 for adults who do not. Late fees are as follows: youth are \$30, adults on tours are \$25 and adults not doing the tour are \$15. Each unit must have 2 deep leadership inside of the mine so at least 2 adults must participate. To secure youth and adult spots, each unit must complete an online registration. Fees can be paid by credit card or debit card online. Alternatively, fees may be paid for with check or cash at the Scout Service Center.

## Patches

This year patches will be ordered after the event.

## Transportation

Leaders are responsible for transporting their Scouts to Big Thunder in Keystone.

## Health Forms

Parts A and B of the Health forms will need to be on hand with the on site leadership. This will be asked about at check in.

## Weather

This event is a GO; rain, snow or shine. Please plan Troop and personal gear accordingly.

## Keeping Warm/Staying Cool

Research and know how to dress appropriately for this event. Be prepared! Temperatures can vary. Temperature in the mine is 55 degrees year round. Be sure to discuss the importance of having appropriate clothing and equipment BEFORE you come to the event. Any adult or Scout not dressed appropriately, as determined by our health officer, for the event may not be allowed to participate.

## Meals

All meals will be up to the Troop to supply and cook. There is an option for a sack lunch purchased available. These will be provided by Big Thunder. The cost is \$6 per lunch on top of the fee. Lunches can not be ordered after April 19th.

## Campfires

Fires will be allowed in containers if there are not any fire restrictions in effect.

## Point of Contact

Any questions should be directed to Carl Doaty [cdoaty@gmail.com](mailto:cdoaty@gmail.com).

## Event Schedule

### Friday

5pm–7:30pm Check-in

8pm–8:30pm Scoutmaster/SPL Orientation

### Saturday

7am–8am Breakfast on own

8:30am Opening Flags/Leave for Big Thunder

9am Arrive at Big Thunder

9am–12pm Tours/Booth activities

12:00pm Lunch on your own

1pm–3pm Tours/Booth activities

3:30pm Travel back to campground

4pm Service Project

5pm–7:30pm Dinner on own

8:30pm Campfire with OA callout

### Sunday

7am–8am Breakfast on own

8am Scouts own service

9am Dismissed

## Event Payment Policy

All event fees and registration costs must be paid in full prior to event. A \$2.00, per person, convenience fee will be charged to payments made at the event. Payments taken after the event are considered late and late registration pricing will apply. In addition, a 10% service fee ( or \$10, whichever is greater) will be applied to the unpaid balance for each month the registration is not paid in full.

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## Activity Refund Policy

Food and program supplies are purchased in advance based upon projected adult/youth attendance. Last minute cancellations create an overstock of supplies and food that often times cannot be returned. To ensure all requests receive uniform treatment, the following refund policy has been established.

- No-shows at activities, those sent home because of misbehavior, and Scouts leaving an activity for non-emergency reasons forfeit all fees and no refunds will be authorized. This applies to individuals and/or Units.
- All cancellations must be in writing and received by the Council office at least five (5) calendar days prior to an activity's start date. Please return request addressed to the Attention of the "Refund Committee".
- If requesting a refund for medical reasons, a doctor's note with contact information must be submitted.
- If requesting a refund for an immediate death in the family, either an obituary or funeral program must be submitted.
- The Unit leader or person in charge of the unit activity must handle all refund requests.
- No requests for refunds will be honored after the event.
- Refunds will be distributed to the unit that made payment on the registration. Refunds will be given in the form of a check.

**NOTE:** Activity personnel cannot authorize refunds. All refunds require the approval of the Refund Committee which includes the Scout Executive.