

2017 SPRING RENDEZVOUS & IDNR Links to the Future

MAY 19 - 20 - 21, 2017

LEADERS GUIDE - UPDATED 2/20/17

What is Spring Rendezvous?

Spring Rendezvous is a great outdoor event co-hosted by Lincoln Trails Council Boy Scouts of America (LTC) and Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR). This event is for youth and adults to experience living history groups, such as frontiersmen and civil war groups, as well as learning about the many different things you can do outdoors. It is about getting kids hands on experience and the chance to talk to people that revive history of days gone by.

Who can participate?

The weekend is open to all registered scouts, leaders, parents and siblings. This event is also open to the public during the day on Saturday.

What can we do?

HAVE FUN!! Activities are ongoing throughout the day. There are times set for Cub and Boy Scouts for some special events (check schedule). Talk to the re-enactors, shoot bows, bb guns and rifles, go fishing, play games or cook up some food, throw a tomahawk, check out a tepee or watch a blacksmith in action. Learn how a Civil War cannon is fired. Challenges you may try: Top Shot, Seneca Run and Cub Scout Games just to mention a few! Must be a paid SR17 participant to participate in the LTC Council run events. IDNR events are open to the public.

Registration:

NEW THIS YEAR: Registration through **TENTAROO**. It is preferred that all packs, troops and crews register as a unit. Weekend pass is only \$20 per person (\$25 after 2/24/17, \$30 after 3/24/17) or a Day pass is \$10 per person.

SR2017 T-shirts are \$10 each and must be ordered by 3/24 (2XL/up \$12). Please submit t-shirt form to Council office.

May have limited amount of extra shirts at the event. No additional shirts will be ordered after the event.

Check-in:

NEW THIS YEAR: A quick check-in will be at the gate upon entry to the camping area. We understand the people in your group may be arriving at different times, this streamlines the process for each unit.

Parking:

Park rules are that all vehicles be parked in the designated parking area for the entire weekend. The unit trailer plus the pull vehicle may be kept at the site as long as it is attached and both must fit on the parking pad. If you are dropping off children or gear, please do so and then move to parking area until you are ready to leave. There will be parking assistants during heavy traffic times to ensure a more organized parking lot.

Release forms:

In order to participate in the IDNR events, scouts and all other youth must have a signed release form. Please make as many copies as needed to cover your group and bring them with you at check-in.

Medical forms:

Unit leaders should have a current BSA Medical Form Part A & B on hand for each person attending (scouts, adults, siblings, etc). These will not be collected by Spring Rendezvous staff but must be on site. A health officer will be on sight for any medical emergencies that may occur during the weekend.

Current BSA Medical Form can be located:
www.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-001_ABC.pdf

Restrooms and water sources:

There are several latrines and outhouses located throughout the area. Water spigots are located in the main program area. No shower facilities are located in the event area.

Smoking and alcohol:

It is the policy of the BSA that the use of alcoholic beverages and controlled substances is not permitted at encampments or activities involving participation of youth members. There will be NO alcohol permitted in the overflow area where this event takes place. Smoking, e-cigs and vaping should not take place in the program areas. Please remove yourself from program areas to create a smoking area away from all participants! This event is open to the public on Saturday, therefore we can't control everyone, but would ask you to set the example of stepping away.

Leaders - Stay in-the-loop this year with our TEXT system

Text **LTCSR** to **84483**

We are going to use the texting system 'RainedOut' to deliver messages about timed events, changes in the schedule, etc. Stay in-the-loop and don't miss a thing! RainedOut delivers timely alerts directly to your mobile phone as SMS text messages. We will use RainedOut to send messages that are critical to know such as day-changing news. You will not receive any spam or unsolicited content - all messages will be sent from the administrators of the LTC Spring Rendezvous.

