

Coosa Lodge

# SPRING POWPOW





Every spring, in the woods high atop Lookout Mountain, Order of the Arrow members gather at Comer Scout Reservation to celebrate the Order's history and honor Scouting's American Indian heritage. Newcomers join alongside seasoned experts to expand our traditions of American Indian dancing, Order of the Arrow displays, Indian regalia and crafts, and a whole lot of interesting exhibits. **This year, we're inviting all of you!**

If you're a registered Cub Scout or Boy Scout in the Greater Alabama Council or another nearby council, come join us for a weekend of fun, fellowship, demonstrations, and even Indian dance lessons! **Boy Scout troops and Cub Scout Packs are invited to camp with us on Friday and Saturday nights. We also welcome day visitors on Saturday.** They'll be opportunities to learn more about the Order of the Arrow and its rich American Indian heritage, including making a piece your own handmade Indian regalia.

There will also be presentations throughout the day, skill demonstrations, booths, exhibits and displays setup on the Parade Field. There will be information on upcoming council and national events such as the 2015 National Order of the Arrow Conference, Greater Alabama Council treks to BSA High Adventure Bases, upcoming Coosa Lodge events, and more!

- Boy Scout Indian Craft Booths
- Cub Scout Indian Craft Booths
- Dutch Oven Cooking Booth
- Indian Regalia Booth
  - Headdress Picture Booth
  - GAC Summer Camp Program Booth
  - GAC Camp Use Booth
  - High Adventure Opportunities
  - Branding Booth
  - Birds of Prey Demonstration
- Cherokee Indian History Booth
- Hide Tanning Booth
- Dance Classes
- Summit Contingent Booth
- Cub Scout Events Booth
- And much more!





Saturday's program will culminate with an exciting American Indian pow-wow. This pow-wow will celebrate and pay tribute to our American Indian heritage, featuring talented drummers, singers, and dancers from across the southeast as they wear regalia based on authentic Iroquois and Plains Indian designs and perform traditional dance styles such as grass, fancy, and traditional.

As stars fill the sky over Camp Comer, join us in the Flatt Rock Council Ring for our closing show, produced by our nationally recognized media group, Coosa Shows. Webelos will have a special opportunity to participate in unique Crossover ceremony performed by nationally recognized teams from Coosa Lodge.

After the closing show, join us for an ice cream social, patch trading, and OA Lodge display!

Did we mention there's a patch? Everyone will receive a Coosa Lodge Order of the Arrow event patch just for attending!

Once you arrive at the site, report to the Pow-Wow Headquarters. Have your Unit Registration Sheet completed with all youth and adults attending from your unit. It will be helpful if the unit leader pays for



everyone when registering. There will be designated separate camping areas for Troop and Packs. You will be expected to camp in your designated campsite. Maps, a schedule of events and patches will be available at Pow-Wow Headquarters when you check in. Just look for the Registration signs!

**DATE:** March 6th, 7th & 8th, 2015; Friday night (optional), Saturday and Sunday morning.

**LOCATION:** Comer Scout Reservation (see directions & maps at the end of this document)

**DRESS:** Official Scout Uniform should be worn when you arrive, at the closing show, and for Scout's Own services. Units should wear Activity Uniforms at other times.

**FOOD:** This year we have included more meals in the fee for attending units. The Lodge will serve Saturday Lunch, Saturday Dinner, and Sunday Breakfast. Coosa Lodge will also host an ice cream social Saturday night following the show, free of charge. Units will only need to eat on their way to camp Friday night and have breakfast in their campsite Saturday morning.

**REGISTRATION:** The Registration fee will be \$25.00 per person (Scouts and Adults) for those registering prior to March 1<sup>st</sup>, \$30 per person after that date. This fee includes: Insurance, Meals, Camping Fee, Craft Supplies, and a PowWow Patch for each participant. If you have Webelos that want to participate in the OA Crossover Ceremony at the closing show, please notify the Registrar and make sure you sign up all Webelos from your unit on the Crossover form there. **Pre-Registration will be offered at [www.coosa50.org](http://www.coosa50.org) You may also mail the attached form into the Birmingham Scout office.**

**ARRIVAL:** Units should check in on Friday between 5:00 and 8:15 at Staff Lounge (look for signs) and Saturday between 8:00am and 2:00pm.

**CAMPsites:** Camping is by Unit and campsites will be assigned upon check-in. Trash cans in each campsite should be used and trash bags should be left at the entrance of the campsite by the road when the unit departs Sunday morning. Upon breaking camp Sunday morning, your campsite needs to be cleaned up and left cleaner than you found it. All campfires must be properly extinguished and cleaned.

**FACILITIES:** Bath houses have separate restrooms for youth, adult males, and adult females. Instruct your unit to use appropriate rest room.

**PARKING:** Parking will be restricted to the parking lot areas only. Roads into camp and the area around the Parade Field must be kept clear for camp staff and emergency vehicle use. Each overnight unit will be allowed to bring in vehicles to load and unload equipment then must park those vehicles in the main or overflow parking lot. Each unit will be allowed to keep a unit trailer in their designated campsite.

**FIRST AID:** Medical staff will be in attendance to take care of any minor medical emergencies. Each unit must have BSA Health Forms on all participants. They will be retained by the unit but must be readily available and accessible to the first aid staff at all times. Unit leaders will be held responsible to ensure prescription medication for scouts is turned in to the First Aid station for dispensing. Please have a leader with a cell phone give his number as an emergency contact for scout's families. If an emergency occurs, report to the First Aid station.



# UNIT REGISTRATION FORM



# Coosa Lodge SPRING POWWOW

Please mail with payment to the Greater Alabama Council Birmingham Scout Office: 516  
Liberty parkway Birmingham, AL 35242.

You may also register online at [www.coosa50.org](http://www.coosa50.org)

March 6th - 8th, 2015

Unit # \_\_\_\_\_ Adult Leader: \_\_\_\_\_ Youth Leader \_\_\_\_\_

Troop : \_\_\_\_\_ Pack: \_\_\_\_\_ Crew: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Scouts and Adults: \_\_\_\_\_

X \$25.00 per person on or before March 1<sup>st</sup> = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

X \$30.00 per person after March 1<sup>st</sup> and at event = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

We are attending as day visitors only: Yes No

Campsite Assigned : \_\_\_\_\_ Total enclosed = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Staff will Assign)

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- Adult leaders attending:
1. \_\_\_\_\_
  2. \_\_\_\_\_
  3. \_\_\_\_\_
  4. \_\_\_\_\_

Youth Attending:

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| 1. _____  | 12. _____ | 23. _____ |
| 2. _____  | 13. _____ | 24. _____ |
| 3. _____  | 14. _____ | 25. _____ |
| 4. _____  | 15. _____ | 26. _____ |
| 5. _____  | 16. _____ | 27. _____ |
| 6. _____  | 17. _____ | 28. _____ |
| 7. _____  | 18. _____ | 29. _____ |
| 8. _____  | 19. _____ | 30. _____ |
| 9. _____  | 20. _____ |           |
| 10. _____ | 21. _____ |           |
| 11. _____ | 22. _____ |           |

List any additional youth and/or adult names on a separate form and attach and submit together.

**For questions or more info contact us at  
[powwow@coosa50.org](mailto:powwow@coosa50.org)**



## Comer Scout Reservation

March 6th - 8th, 2015

### Friday Night March 6<sup>th</sup>

5:00 PM – 8:15 PM	Registration Opens (Staff, Troops, and Packs)
8:30PM – 10:00 PM	Registration Ends (Staff meeting in SM Lounge)
8:30 PM– 10:30 PM	Movie & Popcorn at Parade Field (Everyone Welcome!)
11:00 PM	Lights Out / Quite Time Taps

### Saturday March 7<sup>th</sup>

7:00 AM– 7:45 AM	Staff Breakfast in Dining Hall
8:00 AM – 2:00 PM	Registration (for late arriving units and OA members)
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Trading Post Open (Snacks, OA and Indian items)
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM	Demonstrations, Displays, Activities (on Parade Field)
9:00 AM	Thunderbird Trail 5 Mile Hike (meet at Flagpole)
11:15 PM – 1:15 PM	Lunch (Pick up on the Parade Field)
2:30 PM – 4:00 PM	Pow-Wow (Indian Dancing in Circle on Parade Field)
4:15 PM – 6:15 PM	Supper (Pick up on the Parade Field)
6:30 PM – 7:00 PM	Pre-Show Fun and Celebration – Council Arena
7:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Coosa Show and Crossover Ceremony – Council Arena
8:00 PM – 8:30 PM	Ice Cream Social – Parade Field
8:30 PM – 10:30 PM	Movie & Popcorn at Parade Field (Everyone Welcome!)
11:30 PM	Lights Out

### Sunday March 8<sup>th</sup>

7:30 AM– 8:00AM	Breakfast In Campsites (Coosa Provides)
8:30 AM –9:00 AM	Scout's Own & Vespers (meet at Flagpole)
9:30 AM – 11:00 AM	Check Out

# Camp EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PLAN SUMMARY

This Camp Emergency Preparedness Plan has been developed for this event. All units should review to familiarize themselves with their responsibilities under the Plan.

## CAMP EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN

- **In the event of an weather emergency** is declared, the signal will be one long blast lasting 3 to 5 seconds which will be repeated after about a 30 second pause. Upon receipt of the weather emergency signal, units should proceed to the nearest shower house move to the inner most walls.
- **In the event an emergency is** declared that is not weather related, an emergency signal will be sounded. The signal will be three short (3 second) air horn or siren blasts and repeated after a 30 second pause. Upon receiving the emergency signal, all Scouts and leaders must gather on the Parade Field in front of the Dining Hall and wait for further instructions.
- Units will be briefed by the staff as to the nature of the emergency and what corresponding action is to be taken as expedient as possible.

## LOST PERSON(S)

Lost persons should be reported to the Camp Office or First Aid Station as soon as practical.

## OVERNIGHT UNITS

Units participating must camp either by units or as contingent units with appropriate two deep adult leadership. No youth will be allowed to stay overnight without appropriate adult leaders. During unit check-in (at the Staff HQ), each unit participating in the event must have a registered **adult** individual as their Unit Leader.

## DAY VISITORS

Visitors for the day must check in upon arrival. Any persons found on camp property failing to register and without appropriate wrist band will be removed from the premises.

## THE FOLLOWING IS REQUIRED FROM EACH UNIT :

- The name of the leader in charge at camp and emergency backup [including phone number(s)]. This should be someone not at the camp who can be reached in the event an emergency arises impacting the adult leadership of the unit.
- The unit is camping is their designated campsite.
- Keep up with their youth/adults that camping with or visiting their unit.
- Make First Aid Office personnel aware of any pertinent medical information concerning individuals in their unit that could affect timely and effective emergency care.
- Each unit will be responsible for ensuring that prescription medications are dispensed to members of their unit by the First Aid staff.
- Has a copy of a current BSA medical form for each of their members.
- Units leaving the camp, for any reason, should check out with Registration or at the Camp Office. Individuals leaving camp, for any reason, should check out with their unit leaders.

# Directions to Comer Scout Reservation



## FROM THE SOUTH

Exit at AL Hwy 35, go right through Ft Payne (Watch for left turn and right turn) and up the mountain. At the top, take Co Rd 89 Left 6 miles to STOP sign Go left .9 miles to STOP. Go right 1 mile to Camp Comer.

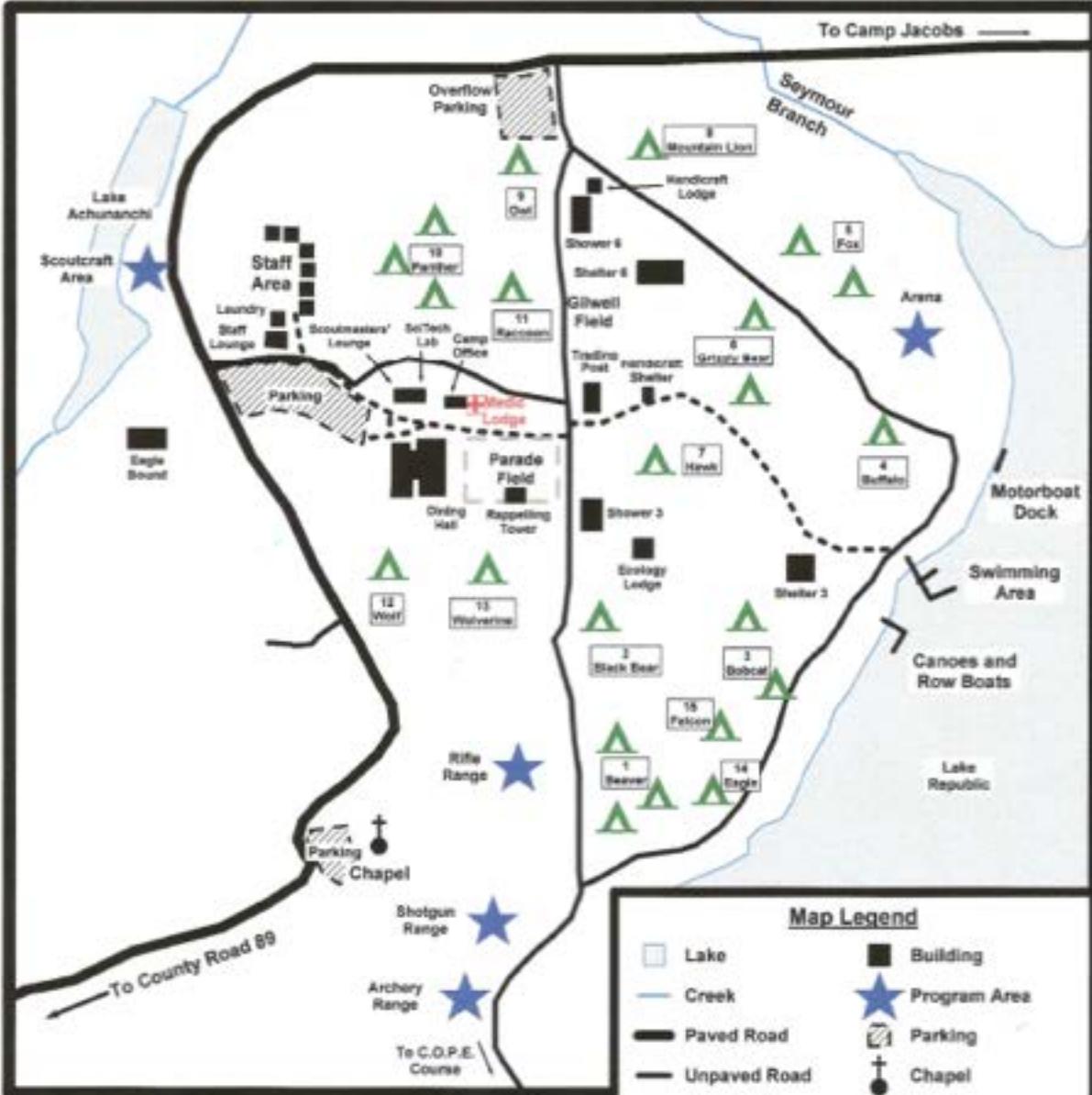
## FROM THE NORTH

Exit AL Hwy 40, go left 1 mile to US 11, go right 300 ft. to AL HWY 117, go left 2.8 miles to Tutwiler Gap Road, Go right 1 mile to County Rd 89. Go right 2.4 miles to Comer.



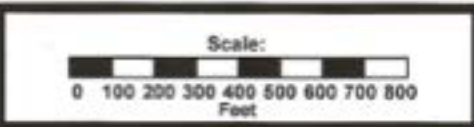
# Comer Scout Reservation

Greater Alabama Council, Boy Scouts of America



**Map Legend**

Lake	Building
Creek	Program Area
Paved Road	Parking
Unpaved Road	Chapel
Major Trail	Medic
Camp Site	



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