

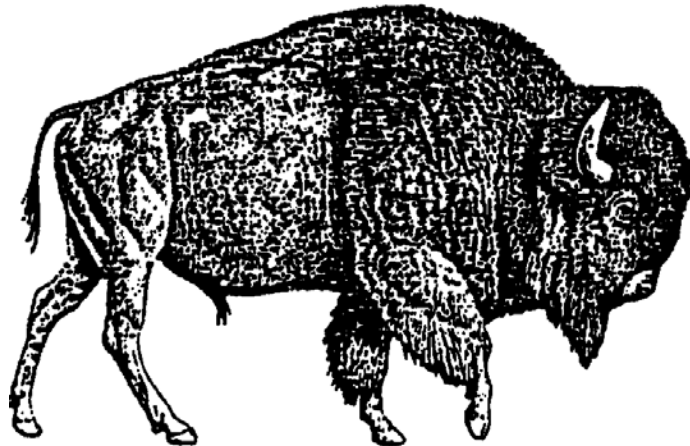
Ta Tanka Lodge & Teton Dakota Chapter
Presents

76th Desert Caravan

November 27-- 29, 2009

Lake Cahuilla Park

The low Desert of Southern California
La Quinta, California



Order of the Arrow
Ta Tanka Lodge 488

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CARAVAN SCHEDULE

Friday, November 27, 2009

- 0900-1400 Check-in set up camp, lunch
- 1300-1600 Free Time- Unit Activities (Advancement)
- 1700-1900 Dinner and Cleanup
- 1930-2030 Council Cracker Barrel (at Headquarters)
- 2200 LIGHTS OUT

Saturday, November 28, 2009

- 0700-0830 Breakfast and Cleanup
- 0830-1200 Troop Fun Events & Scavenger Hunt
- 1200-1300 Lunch and Cleanup
- 1300-1600 Wide Games and Fun Events
- 1700-1830 Dinner and Cleanup
- 1800 SHARP! Chili & Cobbler Cook off
- 1930 Council Campfire -----**PLEASE BRING WOOD**
- 2130-2145 Order of the Arrow Rededication
- 2200 LIGHTS OUT

Sunday, November 29, 2009

- 0730-0900 Breakfast and cleanup; break camp, police areas
- 0830-0930 Scouts' Own Service by Each Unit

SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS

As those who have attended earlier caravans know, during November in the high desert we often run into high winds and cold weather, so make sure your unit is prepared for adverse weather. Stake down your tents, dining flies, and E-Z ups even if the wind is not blowing. Bring and wear warm clothing and rain gear. Desert Caravan attendees have enjoyed wind, cold weather and rain in the past. Also please be careful with your cooking and warming fires to avoid sparks igniting a nearby unit's gear namely ours.

CUB SCOUT UNITS/FAMILY CAMPING

Cub Scouts may attend Desert Caravan only if the following conditions are met. The camping experience is a council wide activity at a location with flush toilets and all Cub Scout leaders must have B.A.L.O.O. training.

CAMP INFO

Lake Cahuilla is located 4 mi. SE of La Quinta. Take Interstate 10 to Monroe St., Monroe S to Ave. 58, Ave. 58 W two miles to park. 56 sites available, 46 with water & electric, 10 with water only. 710 acre developed park has individual campsites, with electricity and water. Individual camping is available on a first come, first serve basis or by reservation. A primitive group camping area is also available by reservation. Other amenities include shore fishing in the 135-acre stocked lake, centrally located showers, a dump station, equestrian and hiking trails and picnicking.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Weather permitting; the following competitive events and fun activities will be available. Awards will be presented as suitable. The directions to all events can be found at the Caravan headquarters (Check-in).

Chili / Cobbler Cook Off

See attached rules

Entries in this event will be judged at the check-in area. The Judging will start at 1800 sharp on Saturday. Your unit's participation in this event could make a portion of your Troop or Patrol dinner for Saturday night or Sunday's breakfast for that matter.

Scavenger Hunt

A scavenger hunt will be held between 0930 and 1500, Saturday. The items on the list should be able to be found at the Caravan site or out on the desert. Awards will be awarded to the cubs and scouts that turn in the most items at

the earliest time. Units that arrive early will have the advantage here. You may pick up your list at the Caravan Trading Post.

There will be competitive events throughout Saturday along with the few listed here, for participation and extra fun. Activity Supplement page will be passed out at Check in.

Patch Trading

There will be a patch trading area set up next to the Trading Post. All traders are welcome all day.

Branding Irons

Caravan Staff, Saturday from 1300-1630

We will have branding irons for this year's Caravan, as well as various brands from the past. There are a limited number of these so please do not crowd in at once as the brands take a while to reheat after each use.

PARK OPPORTUNITIES

Paddle boats and Bicycles may be available for rent from the park concessionaire at a discounted rate. Additionally, fishing is available in Lake Cahuilla with the appropriate park permit and a California State Fishing License. Bait is available for purchase at the park office. The Park has electrical hookups for \$22 per day. Campers will need to make separate arrangements with the park.

WATER AND SANITATION

There will be limited restroom facilities provided at Lake Cahuilla Park. Even though there are restroom facilities, each unit is still required to supply their own water for drinking and cooking.

You will take all trash with you when you depart! **Do not bury any trash or place any trash in the trash receptacles!** Remember that you packed it in, so you can pack it out. Each unit's campsite will be checked for cleanliness before the unit departs.

Let's remember that scouts are good campers, and keep in mind the good camper's motto: "Take nothing but pictures, leave nothing but footprints."

PATCHES

Caravan patches will be provided for each registrant. Extra patches may be purchased at the Caravan Trading Post. There will be a special edition Caravan Council Shoulder Patch for sale, also at the Trading Post.

TRADING POST

The Trading Post will be located at Caravan Headquarters. At this wonderful locale one may find all information concerning Caravan, scouting, patches, and every thing else that you don't really want to know.

CAMPFIRES

Open campfires are permitted as long as they are with in B.S.A. regulations and Park Regulations (**off the ground in a tub or BBQ**). ***PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN WOOD AND also WOOD FOR THE SATURDAY NIGHT COUNCIL FIRE.***

SAFETY AND SECURITY

There will be no special security force provided for Caravan. It is strongly recommended that each unit make sure that one adult is present in the campsite at all times. This is for safety purposes also.

No firearms, including air guns, Fireworks will be permitted at the Caravan site as per B.S.A. regulations. Any individual possessing such items will be asked to leave Desert Caravan immediately and will forfeit all Caravan fees.

PETS

Pets **MUST** be kept on controlled leashes. Maximum leash length is 6-feet. No pets permitted outdoors over night. Clean up after your pet. These are park regulations.

QUIET HOURS

Quiet Hours are enforced from 10:00 PM to 6:00 AM. All generators and sound equipment must be turned off. These are park regulations.

FIRST AID AND EMERGENCIES

We will have a first aid station near the Headquarters, but each unit should bring its own first aid kit anyway Please bring properly-executed consent to treat slips with you for all those scouts under 18yrs.

HOSPITALS

JKF Hospital 47111 Monroe St, Quinta Indio, Ca 92253	Good Samaritan St. Mary's Medical Center 78692 Hwy 111, La Quinta 561-650-6010	La Quinta Surgery Center 78441 Hwy 111, La Quinta 760-564-7874	D-Kin Medical Inc 80784 Belleriv, La 760-771-3445
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HEADQUARTERS

Information, Lost and Found, Check-in, and the Trading Post will be located at Headquarters (HQ).

CHECKOUT

There will be Arrowmen checking units out. Unit's wishing to leave on Saturday night must see OA members. Be sure your area is clean and restored to the natural surface conditions before you ask to be checked out. There will be no refunds of Caravan fees.

Also as you know, the highways back to the SGV become heavily congested on Sunday afternoon. Due to the heavy traffic it is suggested that your unit break camp early as to avoid such hassles attributed to heavy traffic. The Headquarters will close at 1000, so any unit who departs after 1000 is on their own.

SCOUTS' OWN SERVICES

Scouts' Own services will be held from 0830 to 0930 on Sunday on a per Unit basis. All attending the Caravan are encouraged to participate. Remember that a scout is reverent.

CHILI / COBBLER COOKOFF RULES

Remember that the most important thing about this competition is that your chili or cobbler should reflect the creative nature of the troop that you represent. Representatives from your troop may participate in the chili cook-off, the cobbler cook-off, or both.

Protocol;

Presentation is every thing in this competition, spare no expense as the judges may easily be bought off by a flashy presentation.

A copy of the recipe must accompany every entry, as the judges may want to recreate their favorite chili /cobbler.

Your chili / cobbler must be ready to eat prior to the judging start time, remember that a burnt judge is not a happy judge.

A late chili or cobbler will be eaten but not included in the judging of the cobblers.

It is not just the taste or the presentation that makes a winner. It is the ability to write the rules yourself that gets you the first place ribbon.

Rules

Judging criteria is as follows:

Be prepared to bring and cook your chili / cobbler within a marked off area that, after the cook starts cooking, may not be crossed by the cook, any person aiding, assisting, or helping the cook, or any item, food, or spice. The rule here is what you bring is what you use to cook.

Be prepared to pick up more rules at the check-in area. In the meantime, the following rules will be observed.

Did the Unit present a recipe for its cobbler?

Is the cobbler cooked properly?

Is the cobbler burned?

Does the cobbler smell good?

Does the cobbler look good?

Does the cobbler taste good?

THE JUDGES DECISION IS FINAL!

DIRECTIONS / MAP TO CARAVAN

Lake Cahuiilla Park—58-075 Jefferson Street, La Quinta Ca 92253 Phone: 760 564-4712

4 miles South East of La Quinta.

TAKE INTERSTATE 10 to Monroe St., Monroe South to Avenue 58, West two miles to the Park

DO NOT PULL INTO ANY CAMP SITE UNTIL YOU HAVE CHECKED IN AT HEADQUARTERS AND HAVE RECEIVED YOUR CAMP ASSIGNMENT.

Map of La Quinta, CA 92253



76th CARAVAN COMMITTEE

	Youth	Adult
Chief and Advisors	Start Goss,	John Nelson
Competitive Events	Open	, John Nelson
Signs		
Registration	Open	
Trading Post	Open	, Ken Hirscht
First Aid	Bob Hanson	
Sanitation Engineering	Open	
Branding Irons	Open	Bob Bower, Paul Litwin
Council Campfire	Open	
Scouts Own	By Unit	
Patch Design	Open	
Publications	Phillip Uebele	
Check Out	Caravan Staff	
Park Representative	Lake Cahuilla--	Park Office

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The Ta Tanka Lodge & Teton Dakota would like to express its special thanks to all those who have made this Caravan a reality.

CARAVAN HISTORY

	1933	Calico-Slope S. of Calico	Skipper Robinson
1st	1934	Pipes Canyon	
2nd	1935		
3rd	1936		
4th	1937		
5th	1938		
6th	1939		
7th	1940		
8th	1941		
9th	1942	Camp Huntington	
10th	1943	No Caravan-WWII	
11th	1944	No Caravan-WWII	
12th	1945		
13th	1946		
14th	1947		
15th	1948	Last Christmas Caravan	
16th	1949	First Thanksgiving Caravan	
17th	1950		
18th	1951		
19th	1952		
20th	1953		
21st	1954	Dead Mans Point-Apple Valley	
22nd	1955		
23rd	1956		
24th	1957	Sunrise Valley	Olie Pricket
25th	1958	Deadman Point	Irv Thompson
26th	1959	Lead Mountain	O.J. Cressweell
27th	1960	Edwards Air Force Base	Bob Cornet
28th	1961	Stoddard Wells	Ray Galceran
29th	1962	Yucca Valley	Byron Thompson
30th	1963	Sunrise Canyon	Marcus Woodward
31st	1964	Hesperia-Fish Farm	Dwight Bekins
32nd	1965	Black Mountain	Norm Shanks
33rd	1966	Black Mountain	Norm Shanks
34th	1967	Goldstone Fort Irwin	Paul Malling
35th	1968	Los Flores Ranch Hesperia	Chuck Williams
36th	1969	Rosmano Dry Gulch	Ted Knutso
37th	1970	China Lake Randsburg Wash	Vic Harris
38th	1971	29 Palms Marine Base	
39th	1972	29 Palms Marine Base	George Swabson

40th	1973	Boron		
41st	1974	Edwards Air Force Base		LeRoy Spiers
42nd	1975	Boron-Golf Course		Bill Rice
43rd	1976	Prado Dam		Jake Jacobs
44th	1977	Corvina Beach Salton Sea		Al Rosen
45th	1978	North Shore Salton Sea		Ed Kolberg
46th	1979	Prado Basin Park		Herb Naus
47th	1980	Edwards Air Force Base		
48th	1981	Camp Will Ward-Near Salton Sea		
49th	1982	Tin Can Alley		George Way
50th	1983	Lake Perris		Ken Lang
51st	1984	Lake Perris		Bob McMurtrey
52nd	1985	Firestone-canceled-rain		Woody Simpson
53rd	1986	Fort Irwin		Bob McMurtrey
54th	1987	Sun Rise Valley		Dick Harris
55th	1988	Stoddard Wells		Mark Bower
56th	1989	Bell Mountain		Bob Lang
57th	1990	Edwards Air Force Base		John Nelson
58th	1991	Fort Erwin-Goldstone		Dick Harris
59th	1992	Sun Rise Valley		Phillip Uebele
60th	1993	Boron-Golf Course	Jeremy Mo	Phillip Uebele
61st	1994	Mojave Regional Park		Ken Hirscht
62nd	1995	Johnson Flats		John Nelson
63rd	1996	Last Chance Canyon		Allen Kambara
64th	1997	Tin Can Alley-Calico		Peter Wellington
65th	1998	Upper Johnson Valley		P. Wellington & J. Nelson
66th	1999	Tin Can Alley	Jonathan Mo	Phillip Uebele
67 th	2000	Mojave River Fork		Mark Brewster
68 th	2001	Mojave River Fork		John Nelson
69 th	2002	Mojave River Fork		Dennis Dayne
70 th	2003	Mojave River Fork		John Nelson
71 st	2004	Tin Can Alley		Bob Bower
72 nd	2005	Lake Cahulia Park		Ann Wellington
73 rd	2006	Lake Cahulia Park		Ken Hirscht
74 th	2007	Rainbow Basin	Eric Weiland	Rick Wellington
75 th	2008	Mojave River Fork	Jon Haskett	Phillip Uebele & J. Nelson
76 th	2009	Lake Cahulia Park	Stuart Goss	John Nelson

* If anyone can fill any of the missing information please see Phillip Uebele so this list can be updated.

PERMISSION SLIP

MEDICAL INFORMATION For ALL Adult and Youth members (Youth are under 18 years of age on the date that this form is submitted). During the year, if the medical provider / insurance information may change, it is important that you contact the Lodge with the current information.

CONTINUING CONSENT TO TREAT MINOR CHILD

We, the undersigned, parents or guardians of _____, a minor, do hereby consent to any X-ray examination, anesthetic, medical or surgical diagnosis or treatment and hospital service that may be rendered to said minor under the general or specific instructions of a physician licensed to practice in the United States, whether such diagnosis or treatment is rendered at the office of said physician or at a hospital licensed by the medical authority of any State of the United States.

It is understood that consent is given in advance of any specific diagnosis, treatment or hospital care being required, but is given in order that said physician may have the opportunity to exercise best judgment as to the action which may be necessary or required to protect the life and health of said minor child.

This consent shall remain effective until revoked in writing by the parents or guardian of said minor.

Date

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Day Time Phone: (____) ____-_____

Night Time Phone: (____) ____-_____

MEDICAL INSURANCE INFORMATION

Health Insurance Provider: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: (____) ____-_____ Ext. (if necessary)_____

Health Insurance Policy Identification or other Identification Information that will provide immediate treatment

MINOR'S PHYSICIAN

Name: _____ Telephone Number: (____) ____-_____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ - _____

MEDICATION AND ALLERGIES

Prescription Medicine:

Allergies:

DESERT CARAVAN REGISTRATION FORM

\$12.00 per Person

Date: _____, 2009

Name of person registering: _____

Day time telephone number: (_____) _____ Nite time tel. # (_____) _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP _____ -

Names of persons registering for participation at Desert Caravan.

ADULTS	YOUTH
1.	1.
2.	2.
3.	3.
4.	4.
5.	5.
6.	6.
7.	7.
8.	8.
9.	9.
10.	10.

Number of Adults: _____ Number of Youth: _____ Total Number: _____
\$ _____ x \$12.00