

# 2008 Fall Spookoree

All Cub Scouts are invited to attend the 2008 Fall Cuboree October 24th - 26th at Rhodes France Scout Reservation. This activity promises to be a fun-filled, activity packed adventure.

Registration will begin at 5:00pm on Friday, October 24th. On Saturday there will be a full slate of activities beginning at 9:00am. These activities will include BB gun shooting, archery, crafts, rocket building, and of course the annual Punkin' Chuckin' event on Sunday morning. Packs must bring their own camping equipment. The fee will be \$25 per Cub Scout and \$15 per adult. The deadline for registration is October 17th. The fee after Oct. 17th will be \$35 per Scout.

Packs are encouraged to build their own Punkin' Chuckin' contraption as this will be one of the events. Punkin' Chuckin' is the propelling of pumpkins through the air by some type of constructed device made just for that purpose. Go to the internet and search under Punkin' Chuckin' to find ideas on how to build a launcher.

Official rules are as follows:

1. Machines must be entered as a pack or as a den.
2. Pumpkins must weigh 6-8 lbs.
3. Machines will have either springs, rubber cords, counterweights, or ropes
4. **Machines must be (within reason) designed, built, loaded and fired by the Cub Scouts. Scouts should be able to set up the machine with little or no help from the adult leaders and fire them with no adult help.**
5. Machines must be able to reload and fire within 15 minutes.
6. Pumpkins must exit the machine intact.
7. No part of the machine shall cross the start line.
8. A safety restriction of 6 people per machine is suggested.
9. Absolutely no explosives allowed.
10. **You must bring your own pumpkins.**
11. You will have 3 tries for distance or 45 minutes, whichever comes first.

**AIR CANNONS WILL BE ALLOWED FOR DEMONSTRATION PURPOSES ONLY**

## 2009 Klondike Derby

The 2009 Klondike Derby will be held on January 10th at Wolf Creek State Park. Registration will begin at 8:30am with the events starting at 9:00am.

All participants must wear proper winter footwear (no tennis shoes) and winter clothing. Each Scout patrol will need a Klondike sled and other miscellaneous materials to be announced at a later date. The sled must be built to carry a passenger and the patrol's gear. All units will be responsible for their noon meals. You must haul out your garbage.

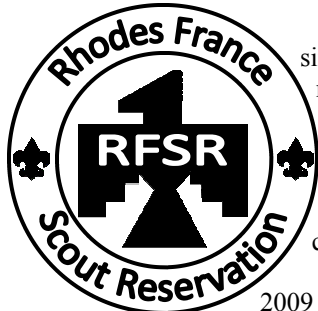
Camping is available, however, units must make their own arrangements with Wolf Creek State Park. Remember, if the temperature overnight is 32° or colder, Scouts and Scouters qualify for the Polar Bear patch.

### Registration and Boys' Life Fees for September & October (Including Insurance)

Sept. Registration - \$3.75 Boys' Life - \$4.00

Oct. Registration - \$2.80 Boys' Life - \$3.00

## Summer Camp 2009



Troops who have adopted a campsite had from August 1st to August 29th to reserve their campsite for the week of their choice. On September 2nd the campsites are open to the rest of the troops. A \$50.00 campsite fee is required to reserve your favorite week and campsite.

Applications to be on staff for the 2009 summer season are available from the Council Service Center. If you would like to be a member of the team please contact Doug Zaring, Camp Director, at 217-620-0772 or [tworiversde@consolidated.net](mailto:tworiversde@consolidated.net). Applications should be turned in by November 1st, 2008 for the best chances of being on our staff. Many applications have already been submitted so don't delay, get yours in now to be a part of the fun in 2009.

The 2008 summer season was a success. Brownsea NYLT was the first official event of the summer camping season and was attended by 26 Scouts. 36 Lincoln Trails Council Troops and 7 out of council troops attended Rhodes France Scout Reservation this summer. A total of 426 boys got their summer camp experience at Rhodes France. Lincoln Trails Council's goal is to have 500 boys in camp in 2009.

2009 is shaping up to be a great year for Lincoln Trails Council and Rhodes France Scout Reservation. Make your reservations now to be a part of the fun and adventure.

## 2008 Beaver Day

A big thank you goes out to all of the Scouts and Scouters who attended the annual Beaver Day workday at Rhodes France Scout Reservation held earlier this year. A lot of work was accomplished that helped get Rhodes France ready for the summer camp season. The Council would like to thank John Merli who serves as the chairman for the event.

## Membership Inventory

During the month of November, your unit commissioner will be asking your unit membership chairman to cross check your roster with the Service Center's roster. This is a simple process that allows you to make sure that all of your youth are currently registered. This is especially important following the fall recruitment blitz. Remember, Scouts who are not registered are not covered by the council's insurance nor can they receive advancements.

If you wish to have a current roster from the Service Center please contact Council Registrar Matt Kaufman at 217-429-2326 or 1-800-416-2328.

