

New Scouts Are Highly Encouraged to Come!

**Troop 57 Outing
Mountain Man Rendezvous
“Find Your Inner Mountain Man!”
October 14-16, 2011**

Troop 57 will be attending the Mountain Man Rendezvous held each year at Boulder Creek Scout Reservation in the nearby Santa Cruz Mountains. Cost per person will be \$50 and includes camp fee, meals, & car pools. As this event usually sells out, sign up and send your check in right away!

What is Mountain Man Rendezvous? Mountain Man Rendezvous is a chance for Scouts to step back in time to see what it was like when pioneers roamed the frontier, trapping animals and trading with Native Americans. This event has been hosted by the Stanford District for around 20 years, and attracts over 400 Scouts from all over Northern California for a weekend of non-stop fun!

Who attends? Mountain Man Rendezvous is for Boy Scouts who want a chance to learn and have fun doing the things that were typically done by mountain men. Fun for new and experienced Scouts alike. ASMs and “future/maybe” ASMs are highly encouraged to attend. This outing is open to Scouts’ parents, too.

What happens at the Rendezvous? Scouts learn how to do many of the things a frontier mountain man did including: Archery, Gold Panning, Black Powder Rifle Shooting, Knife and Tomahawk Throwing, Rope Making, Candle Making, Flint and Steel, Dutch Oven Cooking, Display Rifles, Make Bullets, Silkscreen (bring a blank already washed, T-shirt), and other events yet to be determined. (Ed: OK so maybe mountain men didn’t silkscreen T-shirts, but it is fun!) Scouts get to see how early pioneers lived by seeing an authentic reproduction of a mountain man encampment. The encampment has period-correct tents, cooking gear, regalia and an authentic rendezvous trader. New Scouts will get opportunities to work on their Tenderfoot and 2nd class requirements, too!

Logistics: We will leave the Palo Alto Scout House in car pools on Friday 10/14 starting around 4 pm. Please bring a sack meal for dinner on Friday evening. We will be staying in tents during this “car camping” outing. We will prepare all of our own meals. Cooking patrols will prepare breakfast on Saturday and Sunday mornings plus lunch and dinner on Saturday. We will return by car pool to the Palo Alto Scout House by noon on Sunday.

Sign up? To secure your spot, send a check for \$50 to Listia Sugiri (trip coordinator) at 1990 Channing Avenue, Palo Alto 94303. If you have questions, contact Listia at listias@yahoo.com, or Phil Mast (trip leader) at phil@mastfamily.com.



“Don’t Miss Your Chance to Be A Mountain Man!”