

## **Girl Scouting Through the Years Girl Scouts of Central Maryland 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Encampment**

### **A brief description of the Girl Scouting Through the Years Encampment:**

Girl Scouting Through the Years is sponsored by the Girl Scouts of Central Maryland. The encampment is open to all Bridging Brownies-Ambassadors. The event is being held at Camp Conowingo in Cecil County, one of GSCM's outdoor properties from 7:00pm April 27<sup>th</sup> -11am April 29<sup>th</sup> 2012. The encampment will be a fun-filled weekend of activities complete with teambuilding, campfires, crafts, a movie, a dance party and of course new friends. Different program tracks will be offered for Bridging Brownies-Juniors and then Cadettes-Ambassadors. Instructions are in confirmation information.

### **Frequently Asked Questions:**

#### **▪ What are the accommodations? Where will we be sleeping? Are there Units available?**

Each troop will be assigned a plot for tent camping depending on the size of their troop. Troops need to bring their own tents to stay in during the encampment. Early Bird option: Register by February 1<sup>st</sup> and you will be upgraded to one of Camp Conowingo's unit sites based on a first come first serve basis; tent camping is still an option if you prefer. If choose tent camping and register by February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012 then you will receive a special edition encampment patch. If you register after February 1<sup>st</sup> 2012 and would like to stay in a unit there will be an extra charge of \$10.00 per person. *Please note that if your troop does not meet the maximum capacity for the unit, you will be sharing with another troop.*

#### **▪ Do we need to bring our own food? Will we have to prepare food while we are there?**

All food will be prepared for the encampment and will be served to the participants. The meals that will be provided include breakfast, lunch and dinner on Saturday as well as breakfast on Sunday. Snacks will also be provided during designated breaks. Troops should eat dinner on Friday prior to arrival.

#### **▪ What does the Girl's \$45.00 registration fee cover?**

The registration fee covers the cost of the tent site, 4 meals and snacks, a bandana, supplies for activities and crafts, and a water bottle.

#### **▪ How many adult participants can come? Do we need a Camp Certified person or first aid person?**

Every troop is required to come with the appropriate *Volunteer Essentials* (2:12 Brownies, 2:20 Juniors, 2:25 Cadettes, 2:30 Seniors, 2:30 Ambassadors). It is strongly encouraged that each troop also comes with a Camp Certified person and their own First Aid certified person. However, there will be many adults at the encampment, as well as a specific certified health professional located in Friendship Circle, so if you do not have these people available, please plan on attending anyway. There is no maximum number of adults per troop that can attend but every adult is expected to volunteer for at least one shift during the weekend. The cost per adult is \$20.00, which does not include a patch or bandana/t-shirt. Adults must follow *Volunteer Essentials* regarding smoking and at alcohol. **Absolutely no alcohol is allowed on camp property. Alcohol consumption will result in removal from the Encampment.**

#### **▪ When does registration open and close? How do we register?**

Registration for the encampment is officially open. You can register by going online to <https://gsusa.ebiz.uapps.net/VP/Default.aspx?pid=15>. Questions call Connie Adams, Program Registrar, at 410-358-9711 ext. 238.

#### **▪ Can girls share tents with adults? Can men attend this event? What about tagalongs?**

Girls can share a tent with female adults as long as there are at least two female adults in the tent with the girls. Males are allowed to attend the encampment and there will be a separate male unit with a designated toilet facility that is located in a different area than the girls. Sorry, no tagalongs can attend this event.

#### **▪ What bathroom facilities are available? Will there be showers?**

There are permanent latrines located near the tent camping area. In addition, port-a-potties will be brought in for the encampment weekend along with hand washing stations. There will not be access to shower facilities or flushing toilets.

#### **▪ What time is Check-in on Friday? What time does everything end on Sunday?**

The gates to Conowingo will open at 7:00p.m. for arrival, check-in will be from 7:00pm-8:00p.m. On Sunday, check-out will be until 11:30a.m.