

**SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE
PATHFINDER CAMPOREE
Camp Kulaqua, High Springs, Florida
September 26-30, 2007**

THEME: *PATHFINDERS “CALLED TO SERVE”*

CAMPOREE BULLETIN

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

**Wednesday Evening
September 26**

José Rojas, Director, Adventist Volunteer Ministries
North American Division

**Thursday Evening
September 27**

Gordon Retzer, President
Southern Union Conference

**Friday Evening
September 28**

Tony Anobile, former Youth Ministries Director of the Arizona
Conference
Presently serving as Executive Secretary

**Sabbath
September 29**

James Black, Pathfinder and Youth Ministries Director
North American Division

Manny Cruz, Associate Youth Ministries Director
North American Division

SPECIAL GUESTS

Dixie & Arnold Plata, directors of the Pathfinder Museum
They will bring the Pathfinder memorabilia exhibit to our Southern
Union Pathfinder Camporee. They will tell you all about the history of
Pathfinders for over 50 years and show you uniforms, pins, sashes,
banners, hats, honors and camporee collections from the past.

Ron Whitehead, Director of the Center for Youth Evangelism and
Vice-President for Spiritual Life at Andrews University
Pathfinders know him well as the camporee director for “Faith on Fire”.
He will be directing the 2009 Pathfinder Camporee in Oshkosh,
Wisconsin. The theme for this camporee is “Courage to Stand”.

Ben Roy, Owner and director of “Ben Roy’s Science Zone”
Ben is the former director of News Channel 9 Science Theatre. He was
teacher of the year for Gordon County School System in 1997. He will
present fascinating science demonstrations. You can visit his website
www.gosciencezone.com.

Steve Varro
Illustrations of God’s Love

Rus & Don Aldridge

Affectionately known as the “Snake Boys.” They will be teaching a class in reptiles in the Nature Center.

Bill Young

He is writing a song to go along with our theme for the camporee.

Bill Wood, Youth Ministries Director, Atlantic Union Conference
Former youth director of the Gulf States Conference

Ken Rogers, Vice-President for Student Services, Walla Walla College
Formerly chaplain at Southern Adventist University. He has faithfully attended our last four Southern Union Pathfinder Camporees to lead the song services along with the Pathfinders.

Sharon Andreassen & Sherrie Williams

“Candid Camera” will capture surprise pictures of campers and staff having a great time at the camporee. So be prepared to say hi and smile for you may be on “Candid Camera”. This will be presented each evening.

SOUTHERN UNION CAMPOREE WEBSITE

www.southernunioncamporee2007.info is the official Southern Union Camporee Website. Everything pertaining to the camporee will be posted on this website. Each conference has been requested to place a link on their website to the Union website.

ARRIVAL / REGISTRATION PROCEDURE

As you travel down the sandy road leading into Camp Kulaqua, you will be able to listen to registration information on our Camp Kulaqua/Southern Union Pathfinder Camporee FM low frequency transmitter station.

Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. Wednesday morning, September 26, 2007. As you approach the gate to Camp Kulaqua, you will be welcomed by our friendly security staff.

A count will be made of the number of Pathfinders and staff members with your club. Your club director and club director ***only*** should then go to the camporee registration headquarters in the A-Frame building to check in their club. The director will receive a packet which will include a colored wristband that every person will wear throughout the camporee. This is their proof of registration. Anyone not wearing a wristband by Wednesday night will be escorted back to the A-Frame while the matter is researched and resolved.

Each paid participant will also receive a camporee patch, pin, and daily schedule. The club director should be prepared to pay for any others at this time if they haven't previously paid by mail or if they are bringing additional Pathfinders and staff that were not pre-registered.

EARLY ARRIVALS

Clubs should not plan to arrive at Camp Kulaqua before Wednesday morning at 8:00 a.m. September 26, 2007. We will not be able to accommodate any early club arrivals due to the fact that we are setting up for the camporee program and laying out the camp sites for each conference.

CAMP KULAQUA CONCIERGE SERVICE

If you want to come early and visit Disney World, Epcot Center or canoe the Santa Fe River, please call Camp Kulaqua for this special service. There will be a person provided by the camp that will give directions, maps, and other information about off-camp trips before and during the camporee.

CAMPOREE SITES

All conferences will be arranged in the campground according to needs of space for numbers. Camp sites will be enlarged or decreased according to the numbers of Pathfinders registered for the camporee. We are allowing 125 square feet per person in each camping area. The general area for conferences will be laid out based on numbers reported for registration. The conference will be responsible to lay out their area for individual clubs. There will be camporee roads that will be designated for foot traffic and utilities services.

PARKING

There will be two places for vehicles to park.

1. Camp sites: This is for vehicles that are necessary to camping such as chuck wagons and RV's. They must remain in the camp site at all times.
2. Outside of camp gate: This will be in the hay field right outside of the front gate for vehicles not necessary in the camp area. These vehicles will be allowed to come and go from the parking lot to anywhere outside of camp at their discretion. They will not be allowed inside of camp until camporee take-down.

Only official vehicles will be allowed to go to and from the camporee area. This is for the safety of everyone and we need your support of these parking guidelines.

UTILITIES

There will be port-o-lets spread throughout the camporee sites and by the assembly area for campers use. These port-o-lets will be cleaned daily. There will be individual hot showers in both the north and south pastures that will be open 24 hours/day. Showers and bathrooms will also be open in the River Ranch Water Park for those conferences camping in that area. There will be potable water stations located throughout the camping areas.

There will be a "staff only" shower located at the RV Bath House by the first aid station. This is only for Pathfinder ADULTS who need a moment to escape for a hot shower.

The camp will provide dumpsters that will be set throughout the camping area. Each club will be expected to place their trash in bags and put the bags in the dumpsters.

CAMPFIRES / SAFETY

Campfires will be allowed only in restricted bases which means they must be in a container up off the ground by at least 4 inches. Usually, this can be accomplished with one-half of a barrel up on bricks. Another suggestion would be a patio fire pit. There is a limited supply of firewood available at Camp

Kulaqua. Please plan on bringing your own firewood. There should be no cutting down of trees. A sandy pit will be available to dump ashes. Phil Younts will make a sign to designate this area. We have great concerns for fire spreading throughout the camping area. All fires must be attended at all times. Any fires left unattended will be put out. Each Pathfinder club is expected to have fire extinguishers and/or buckets of water in case of fire.

It was suggested that each club bring fire ant spray. Camp Kulaqua will do a general spray before the camporee starts.

COMMUNICATIONS

We plan to have an FM frequency transmitter station that will be giving information to everyone at the camporee. We do not want Pathfinders to bring radios, but we will encourage each club to have an official one. This will allow us to give updates on schedule changes, emergency instructions and other information.

Two-way Radio Communication: Each conference will be loaned a 10-channel two-way radio which the conference director or his designated person, will be the official contact. Each conference will be given a frequency that they must monitor for calls between the camporee, union or other conferences and themselves. Each conference is still permitted to bring their own radio system that would function within their own conference.

INFORMATION AND EMERGENCIES

Camp Kulaqua will take emergency calls and pass on this information immediately. The emergency phone number for Camp Kulaqua 386-454-1351. The fax number is 386-454-4748.

NO PETS ALLOWED

With thousands of Pathfinders camping closely together, it would be best to leave our pets at home.

SECURITY

Law enforcement, fire safety and traffic control will be covered 24 hours a day. Security will wear special hats and shirts and will be available to help us have a safe and happy camporee.

CAMPOREE IS FOR PATHFINDER CLUBS – PATHFINDERS AND STAFF MEMBERS

Everyone that registers for the Southern Union Pathfinder Camporee must be part of a Pathfinder club or serve as an area coordinator for the conference office. Parents who come must be staff members of a Pathfinder club.

GOLF CARTS

There will be official camporee golf carts utilized by conference and Southern Union officials. The Southern Union will provide a golf cart for the transportation of disabled persons. Anyone driving a golf cart or 4-wheeler MUST have a valid drivers license. The ratio of passengers to seats in the cart MUST BE 1:1. According to factory specifications all golf carts and 4-wheelers must follow speed limit signs. Speed limits on paved roads will be 10 MPH maximum and 5 MPH in the camping areas. No scooters or mopeds are allowed. No two wheel motorcycles, 3-wheelers, bicycles, or tricycles are allowed.

MEDICAL/FIRST AID

Osceola Cabin will be the medical/first aid headquarters and will be manned 24 hours/day.

Ambulance, fire and police support are only minutes away. The Florida Conference Pathfinder office is working on staffing the medical headquarters with physicians and nurses.

TEEN TENT

At designated times throughout the camporee, there will be special programs just for teens. This is a time of unique fellowship where they can visit with one another and experience special programming just for them.

HONOR MIDWAY

Jeanne Sudduth, Gulf States Conference, will be coordinating the Honor Midway which will be located in the Camp Kulaqua gymnasium. Pathfinders will receive a certificate indicating completion of the honor. Pathfinder patches can then be ordered through their club. The camporee will be providing one 8-foot table and 15-20 chairs for each honor. Any other needs will be supplied by the conference teaching the honor. Limit: 20 per class.

ACTIVITIES

Activities will be operated all over the camp by each conference. A map for locations of planned activities will be provided at arrival time. Joe White and Lyle Petry, Georgia-Cumberland Conference, will be coordinating the camporee activities.

CAMP KULAQUA ACTIVITIES

Camp Kulaqua will provide the following activities operated by the camp: Horseback Riding, Go-Carts Camp Kulaqua Zoo, River Ranch Water Park, Miniature Golf, Blob (Thursday at 4:00 p.m. at Kulaqua Spring), Rodeo (Thursday at 4:00 p.m. at Hope Arena)

BICYCLES /ROLLER BLADES

These are not allowed at the camporee.

SKATEBOARDS

Camp Kulaqua has a fenced in area for skateboarding. **Skateboards will be allowed only in this area.** Pathfinders MUST wear a helmet, knee and elbow pads. NO EXCEPTIONS. This activity will be supervised by an adult sponsor.

GRAND PARADE ON SABBATH

Charles Cason, Southeastern Conference, and Rachael Figueroa, Florida Conference will be in charge of this exciting march which will begin on the former airfield and end at the assembly area where the church service will be held. Please bring your flags, guideons and banners.

VENDORS AND VENDORS FEE

Any vendor wishing to sell souvenirs, food or any other items at the camporee must fill out an application form and be approved by the camporee sub-committee. Only Seventh-day Adventist owned and operated businesses will be allowed at the camporee and their products must be approved by the sub-committee. These commercial vendors will be located in a specific area and will be responsible for their own set up and cover. Limited number of electrical hookups will be available. All registration fees for vendors will go to the camporee. There will be a \$10 registration fee for any Pathfinder club who wants to sell and receive a vendor's permit. There is a \$250 registration fee for any commercial vendor that wishes to receive a permit to sell. Please see form in this packet for vendor registration. There should be no selling on Sabbath and all vendors items should be covered

during the Sabbath hours. Wimberly Wolfe is the only vendor of the official logo of CAMPOREE 2007.

DRILL TEAMS / DRUM CORP

There will be special drill team and drum corp. demonstrations and competition held each afternoon. There will be specific times for practice for the drum corp. It was decided that there would be no playing of drums before 9:00 a.m. and after 9:00 p.m. If your club is interested in participating in either or both events, please contact your conference Pathfinder director. The rules and regulations are being updated at the time of the printing of this bulletin. They will be posted on the website.

FIREWORKS

Fireworks this year will be on Saturday night. Phil Younts will place an ad in the High Springs newspaper inviting the community to watch. They will not be permitted in the camp site but would be allowed to watch from the field where extended parking will be. They can also watch from the Winn Dixie parking lot.

MASTER GUIDE INVESTITURE

This special service will take place during church service on Sabbath morning. Conferences are responsible for supplying the slide, pin, and scarf. Each candidate is to have a sponsor. Please check with your conference Pathfinder director if you are ready to be invested as a Master Guide. Those receiving the Pathfinder Leadership Award and the Pathfinder Instructors Award will also be invested at this same time. Your local conference is responsible for supplying the award. You should let your conference youth director know of your plans to be invested by August 1, 2007.

PATHFINDER BAPTISM

The baptism will be held at 2:15 at the River Ranch Water Park so that more people can witness this spiritual commitment by our Pathfinders. The special baptism form is available on the Southern Union camporee website www.southernunioncamporee2007.info.

PATHFINDER COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

We are working on finding community service projects in the High Springs area. Pathfinder clubs will need to provide their own transportation to the project sites.

LETTER FOR PRINCIPAL / SUPERINTENDENTS OF EDUCATION

If your Pathfinder is having a difficult time being excused from public school for the camporee, please feel free to send this information letter to your Principal/Superintendent of Education. The letter is self-explanatory and has been placed on the website at www.southernunioncamporee2007.info

CAMP KULAQUA GENERAL STORE / ADVENTIST BOOK CENTER

Lighten your load as you travel to camporee by pre-ordering your food and picking it up upon arrival at Camp Kulaqua. The Camp Kulaqua General Store/ABC has placed a food order form on the website. One is also included in this packet.

CAMPOREE PATCH, PIN, T-SHIRTS

Wimberly Wolfe is the official Southern Union Pathfinder Camporee logo designer. The order form for T-shirts has been placed on the website. One is also included in this packet.

TRADE PINS, BADGES, PATCHES

Remember to bring your pins, badges, and patches for trading. This is a great way to fellowship and meet new friends.

CAMP KULAQUA ZOO

The Camp Kulaqua Zoo will be open from 1:00 - 4:00 Sabbath afternoon. You will really enjoy visiting the zoo.

ADVENT SOURCE

Brad Forbes, Director of Advent Source in Lincoln, Nebraska, will be with us to help with the Pathfinder/Youth resource center. He will be bringing plenty of resource material to help you in your Pathfinder ministry.

DANGERS

Please be aware that there are sink holes that have water that is very deep and also may contain alligators and poisonous snakes. These are off-limits. They are not in the camping area.