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AT CAMP THUNDER**

Date: Fri, 17 May 1996 15:30:14 -0400
To: mfbowman@capaccess.org
Subject: Re: The Camp Thunder Virtual Country Store - Online E-Mail Catalog

Dear Michael,

Thanks for your letter & here is your Catalog

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Helloi, I am Ed Henderson, General Manager of the Camp Thunder Virtual Country Store - Online at Thunder Scout Reservation in the Flint River Council. Our virtual store here on the Internet is just one of the ways our summer camp Trading Post operation is different, just like our approach to summer camping is.

We not only strive to meet the needs of our more than 7,000 campers, Cub Scouts, OA Brothers, Scoutleaders, Soccer Players, Mountain Bike Racers, National Camp School Participants, and other visitors who will visit our two Trading Posts of the Thunder Scout Reservation of Central Georgia during the summer of 1996, but we have adopted a mission statement that compels us to seek out the best prices, sources, and values for the Scouting Community we serve. Our efforts have lead us to canvas the country, searching through hundreds of sources to find the very best products, services, and supplies for our camp. Among our finds are dozens of wonderful books, games, and other scouting items which you won't find in the BSA Supply Division Catalog. We also are publishing and producing many other fine scouting products you won't find anywhere else through our own Dripping Rock Publishing Company.

As an outgrowth of this effort, we have established the Virtual Country Store

- On Line to better meet the needs of scout leaders from around the country

who have written our camp in search of various products. Right now we have

this E-Mail Catalog, but soon you will see us inaugurate our own WWW Homepage which will join Camp Thunder's Homepage which is at <http://members.aol.com/Thunderroom/index.html>

This is an initial message to you. If you do not wish to receive further E-Mail from us, just drop us a line, otherwise about four times a year we will be sending you an E-Mail of some of our best selections.

Here are some below:

***** Creative Court of Honor *****

By Glen C. Parker

\$ 6.00 + \$.75 P&H

A 47 page paperback guide with excellent settings, suggestions, and sample

Court of Honor plans. The book is quite readable and is organized into sections including PLANNING (Keys to a successful COH, Things to Avoid, Scheduling & Planning), CHECKLIST, PROGRAMS, PHYSICAL ARRANGEMENTS

& PROPS, SCRIPTS (including Campfire and indoor settings as well as several excellent Eagle COH scripts).

***** Canyon Trails Campfire Companion (2 Book Set)*****

By William J. Kline

\$ 7.75 + \$1.00 P&H EACH or save & get the set for \$15 + \$ 1.50 P & H

This two book set comes from the Blackhawk Council and is one of the best all

round Scouting Campfire Guides we have ever seen. Both books not only contain great tips for the planning, and leading of a campfire but chapters on Openings, Cheers & Yells, Run Ons, Skits, Games & Stunts, Stories, and of course Songs. Many of these are scouting specific and contain excellent materials for both cub & Boy Scouting.

***** The C.P.R. Rap Cassette Tape *****

By Dr. William G. Cutts, Jr.

\$ 8.00 + \$.75 P&H

Featured in the April 1993 issue of Scouting Magazine, this wonderful cassette tape, produced by a Scoutmaster - Physician, is a must for any long

trip. Every time my scouts pile in the vans, CPR RAP is at the top of their requests. As a Red Cross CPR Instructor myself I can tell you that it fully covers each step of the process in a fun, enjoyable way that the Scouts are sure to listen to again and again.

***** The Ultimate Scout Trivia Game *****

By Gene Claypool

\$25.00 + \$43.00 P&H

Do you like playing Trivial Pursuit? Here is the Scouting Version of this fun board game with more than 2,000 Scouting related questions. Created in

1987 this fun game features a camp with "Program Areas" that each player must visit, answering questions along the way and earning beads to place on his Flag Pole. The stops include such places as "Up the Ladder" (Questions on Advancement, "Take the Lead" (Questions on Leadership), "In

Trouble Again" (Questions on First Aid & Aquatics), etc. When finished the scout must travel to the Board of Review. I have used this game as a part of

our summer camp program at three Georgia summer camps with great results.

***** Scouting World Crest Flag *****

\$17.00 + \$2.50 P&H

This is a stunning 3 x 5 foot flag of our World Scouting Crest. With a Blue field background and the same World Crest symbol that scouters all over the

world wear on their uniform this will be one flag that will put your troop or

camp out in front! In all we carry more than 300 flags including all 50 states, more than 170 nations, Canadian Provinces, and around 50 historical

and special interest flags, all of them at the same low cost.

***** Go For the Eagle *****

By Nancy & Dean Hoch

\$ 9.00 + \$1.75 P&H

Announcing a new book for Achieving Scouting's Highest Rank! The paperback,

GO FOR THE EAGLE, is a 146 page guide to Scouting's highest honor. Great for the scout, his leader, & parents the guide has sections which discuss Eagle Project planning & execution, Court of Honors, How to get a scout motivated to complete those last few requirements which many lifers seem to procrastinate on, and how to prepare for the Board of Review & it even discusses the advantages of NESAs. The guide is well illustrated with drawings & pictures.

***** Creative Campfires *****

By Douglas Bowen

\$ 8.00 + \$1.25 P&H

Did you see the letters to the editor section in the May 1996 issue of Scouting Magazine?

Someone had written to complain about why Supply Division had

dropped this title. The response was they replaced it with Ray Harriott's Stories Around the Campfire (another excellent book we keep a lot of).

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CANT THEY CARRY BOTH? This is an excellent 135 page book covering all parts of a campfire. Developed by scouters in the Ore-Ida Council, it has quite a few skits, songs, cheers, etc. that are Scouting specific.

***** Need a Cheer? FIND IT HERE! : A Collection of 501 BSA Cheers *****

By Thorne Publishing

\$ 7.00 + \$.75 P&H

The title says it all. A huge collection of 501 cheers for any campfire it is the companion book to the one I listed below:

***** All the Applause we could Find *****

By Thorne Publishing

\$ 7.50 + \$1.00 P&H

Hundreds of cheers, run ons, and other lines sure to get a reaction out of any scout campfire council ring. These are good for both Cub & Boy Scouts.

***** Original Scouting Stationary *****

\$ 5.00 + \$1.00 P&H

Use some of the same scouting stationary that the founders of scouting used.

This 25% rag watermarked paper features the finest paper available for these wonderful and rich scouting letterheads which feature the 12 points of the scout law. The package comes with 50 sheets.

***** Unique Scouting SPOOF Patches *****

\$ 1.50 + \$.40 P&H each

\$ 1.00 each + \$3.00 for P&H for orders of 11 to 99

\$.80 each & free postage for orders over 100 patches!

The "Southern Drawl" Interpreter Strip!

The "Klingon" Interpreter Strip!

The "Potty Trained" Scout Leader Training Strip!

The "Untrainable" Scout Leader Training Strip!

The "Overtrained" Scout Leader Training Strip!

We don't know how "official" these patches are but they were among the most

popular items at our recent conclave! Come and get some for your camp! You

never know when a Klingon might materialize

***** Scouting Philately (Stamp Collecting) Buttons *****

\$ 1.50 + \$.40 P&H each

\$ 1.00 each + \$3.00 for P&H for orders of 11 to 99

\$.80 each & free postage for orders over 100 buttons!

We will custom design for your Camp or Troop a 2 1/4 inch diameter button

featuring one of three real United States Postage Stamps that have featured

Scouting themes over the years. Just give us your Camp name, troop number,

or other two line message and we will produce the buttons for you. E-Mail us

for other Philately button creations.

The Camp Thunder Country Store can also mass produce buttons for your Day

Camp which are instantly wearable, cost less than patches and we can code them with different background colors so you can instantly divide groups up.

lease E-Mail us for a special quote on your specific need.

Interested in Camp Thunder for your troop? Our main summer camp was totally booked for 1996 as of November 7th but we still have room at the Gerald I. Lawhorn Canoe Base, Training & Conference Center which includes such exciting programs as Mountain Man, Our Custom Designed Outback Adventures, our Co-ed High Adventure Camp we offer with the Girl Scouts, and even Soccer Camp! We are in the Pine Mountains of Central Georgia and, even though we are 55 years old, we have a modern, climate controlled dining facility, hot water campsites, and facilities that troops come to from 11 states. Perhaps you have even seen our camp each week on TV with the wildly popular Radical Outdoor Challenge Game Show on ESPN.

Our Canoe Base has 70 ABS River Canoes, a Fleet of Shuttle Buses, an awesome COPE course, a natural rockface cliff called Dripping Rock, Mt. Osrose, our 65" rappell tower, and enough Mountain Bikes for a large sized troop.

Back over at our main camp, we have over 40 Merit Badge offerings, a great staff that comes to our camp from several states, and unique programs like our acclaimed Fine Arts & Technology Center that totally redefines the traditional backwater of Camp Handicrafts and includes such exciting badges as Astronomy & Space Exploration. Listen to our Camp Radio WBSA or participate in some of the more than 30 special programs including USCF rated Chess tournaments, Hunter's Safety Classes, Red Cross CPR, Project Wild,

You have seen our ads in SCOUTING Magazine. E-Mail me for a free Camp Video, a color brochure, and more information about our great camp. Of course we are always seeking STAFF applications nationwide.

Date: Mon, 17 Mar 1997 19:30:56 -0800
From: Berk Moss <mossfam@TELEPORT.COM>
Subject: piper

Ronald W. Fox wrote about a piper at his Woodbadge final flag retreat.

May I tell a story?

Our summer camp is large and although we did a flag ceremony after breakfast and at dusk in our Troop campsite, we did not hike the mile to the main camp flagpole to participate in the camp ceremony every day. Troops camped closer did, but we didn't. This was not unusual at that camp for a troop to do this. We cultivated the staff with cobbler etc. each night. One staffer said they'd missed us at flag. Being a large troop we'd taken some pretty good ribbing from the staff and other troops. All in good nature, but we decided to show them what we had. We are an outdoor troop, we pride ourselves on nights camping and miles hiked, but we can carry off a ceremony when we need to. Our depth is our people, our boy leadership, and our dedication to eachother.

We sent one ASM 15 miles into town to make some calls home and have some resources and people brought up camp on Friday night. Our SPL volunteered to conduct the end of camp flag ceremony on Friday Night when many parents would arrive for the all camp barbeque.

Our procession started at our Troop campsite, passed through the log entrance for our site we'd lashed and carved. We wound down the trail past the lake and back up to the camp parade ground. All 60 of our scouts were buffed up as best they could after a week of camp. They were followed by about 18 of our 24 ASM's in unifrom most with Smokey Bear hats. To lead the whole Troop, we'd brought out the 1924 Troop flag with all its award ribbons and at the very head was our piper. He's 23 years old 6 foot 6 inches and 240+ pounds and an Eagle from our troop. He was in full uniform

for an ASM with the modification of a kilt and on his official BSA socks he had Scottish Boy Scout garters and his dagger. When the Troop turned into the flag area we got applause from the whole camp. "Scotland the Brave" never moved me more. Two of our Troop members were serving on staff and I could see them whispering to other staffer "That's my Troop!"

At the appropriate time, our SPL called out our color guard which with a series a gate turns moved to the flags. At his command, the flag was lowered, our bugelers sounded off and our black powder rifles fired. Yep, we could do a ceremony with class!

For members of our troop from age 10 to 55+, this was a time to be proud of allthe things we could do when we worked together. Every boy deserves memories of group accomplishments.

Thanks for allowing me to tell my story.

YiS

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