

**The latest news from
www.tuscazoar.org**

Visitors to the Camp Tuscazoar website at www.tuscazoar.org will encounter a new **web site poll**. Feel free to answer the poll and also view the current poll results. And, be sure to visit the site periodically and check for new questions and answers as we try to collect your input on the web site and the camp. With your answers we can make changes which will benefit everyone.

Several **maps** have been added to the site to assist visitors in traveling to the camp. Thanks to MapQuest for aiding this project.

Visit <http://www.tuscazoar.org/gr2k.htm> for photos from the Gold Rush competition.

As always, you can send me email if you have more to say. TuscaBC@aol.com is the general email address for Camp Tuscazoar. I hope to hear from you.

--- Brian Criswell, CTF Webmaster

**Dover Dam Weekend will offer
"out of this world" fun May 5-7**

What do you get when you combine a mystery, tours of Dover Dam, hikes, games, an entertaining campfire program and a delicious meal? You get one of the most popular weekends of the year at Camp Tuscazoar!

Bring your group down for the fun May 5-7. Chairman Bob Spencer isn't giving out many clues, but he has promised an "out of this world" mystery and a good time for all. He also mentioned that the campfire program will be like none you've ever experienced at Tuscazoar. No special equipment will be needed this year. But you certainly don't want to miss a plate piled high with Bob's spaghetti after the day's events.

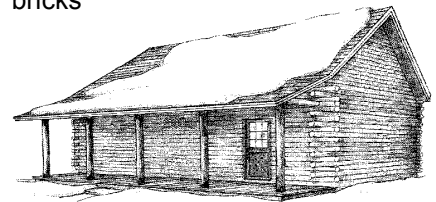
The cost is \$6 per person which includes lunch and dinner on Saturday and an event patch. Camping fees are additional.

Check-in for campers will begin on Friday evening. Day-only attendees can register Saturday morning at Duryee Lodge. The events begin Saturday morning after an opening flag-raising.



**Museum "Eagle walk" to expand;
camp entrance sign now on display**

Ongoing demand for "Eagle" bricks will mean an expansion of the Eagle walk at the W.C. Moorhead Museum. In the coming weeks, the walk will double in size to accommodate the many bricks that have been ordered since the walk was established in 1996.



W. C. Moorhead Museum

For a contribution of \$25, you can still purchase one or more bricks to honor a friend, relative or departed loved-one that achieved the rank of Eagle scout. Simply complete the form on Page 3 and send it to the camp, along with your check.

Also, the large wooden sign that hung outside the camp entrance for decades has been returned to the camp and is now on display in the museum. Scouts who attended Tuscazoar in the 1960's, 70's and 80's will no doubt remember this sign that greeted new arrivals at the top of the hill.

A personal computer has been added to the museum with a copy of the Camp Tuscazoar Foundation website. Through this PC, visitors that do not have access to a computer or the internet can browse through the camp website.

Stop by the museum during your next trip to camp. The displays are always changing. Who knows what will appear next week?

"From ...the Ranger's Stump"

by Rangers Dana and Paula Powers

SALUTATIONS. Our esteemed Breeze editor asked me to write an article from our viewpoint as Rangers - Paula (my lov'n wife of 21 years) and myself (a scouter since '68). I liked the idea, but what do I say? I asked a few people and most said, "What questions do you get asked? Use those to start." So we'll build *From... the Rangers Stump* on my life: my concerns, comments, questions about the camp and news from the woods here.

Spring has just come to Camp Tuscazoar. We are leaving one beautiful season and entering another. The plant life and some of the animal life have been asleep under a veneer of discarded leaves. Tuscazoar shows its vertically enhanced topography unencumbered by the green canopy of leaves, millions of mosquitoes, or the colors of the other plant life seen in different seasons. One thing we see right away in this season is the footsteps of man (men, women, boys and girls). See the pop bottle behind the tree? Or that candy wrapper protruding from under the leaves? If you see items like these, please take them with you. Our raccoon maintenance crew has enough to deal with.

"I need a good turn project, a service project, an Eagle project, etc." Camp Tuscazoar has 16 trustees and a small group of volunteers working to keep the camp functioning. YOUR PROJECTS are important! We are not supported by the Boy Scouts of America, the United Way, the YMCA or any religious institution. Your projects are our sponsors, just as much as the campers are. We have received grants and gifts for projects, which are Greatly appreciated. Projects? ...Yes! We have projects that could last from ½ hour to all weekend, for participants ages from 7 to 77... and older? We have projects that are simple or complex in nature. A project is here for you whether you're disabled, an athlete, or in the middle like me. Contact me, Paula or officer of the foundation and we'll all work together to "Keep the Spirit Burning".

Well, thanks for reading and please give me some ideas for future columns. Ask questions, make comments and voice your concerns either in person, via the mail to the camp address, via our website or the telephone. In the words of Red Skelton "May God Bless".

On the trail. Dana

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Dover Dam

Constructed in 1936, Dover Dam was one of a series of dams built by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District. The dam protects thousands of acres of crop land from flooding. Dover Dam's construction forced the relocation of many of Camp Tuscazoar's original buildings because they were in the dam's flood plain or in the path of the relocated railroad. Please use caution near the dam.

Help support "Comp" Tuscazoar

Camp Tuscazoar needs computer related items to bring camp operations up-to-date. Our goal is to outfit our museum with a decent computer terminal for use by visitors and to provide modern computing ability for general CTF operations. Donation of the items below is really needed! If you've got a box of old boards and drives, we can probably use some of it. We're not picky and can assemble the parts if we get them.

- Windows 95 Operating System Software - full version we can register or transfer
- Computer motherboard and/or processor of at least classic Pentium build, w/ or w/o case
- IDE hard disk drive(s) of near 1 GB capacity or more
- CD-ROM drive (even slow ones)
- RAM memory of any type
- SVGA monitor w/ or w/o a good video card, ISA or PCI
- Computer desk or cubicle workstation furniture
- Decent workstation chair
- Computer paper (tractor feed), media, software, power strips, etc.

Donated items remain CTF property unless we can trade up. Pick up of donations can be arranged. Please call 330-859-2288 and leave a message or email CTF Webmaster Brian Criswell at TuscaBC@aol.com.



A firebuilding test usually helps keep participants warm on the Gold Rush trail. Most groups passed the test. A couple had roaring fires in five minutes. And a few groups learned they're not quite ready for a trip to the arctic. We'll see what they learned next year.

Coming Events:

April 29	Camp Workday
May 5-7	Dover Dam Weekend
June 4	CTF Board Meeting
June 10	Camp Workday
July 9	CTF Board Meeting
July 15	Camp Workday
Aug. 6	CTF Board Meeting
Aug. 12	Camp Workday
Aug. 27	Reunion/Open House

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The challenge and the chili: Y2K Gold Rush a big success

Was it the weather? Cabin fever? Bob Spencer's chili? Whatever the reason, one of the largest groups of participants in the history of the Gold Rush turned out for this year's competition in February. So many came, we used up all the patches!

The competitors were challenged at every city. Firebuilding, lassoing, orienteering, snowshoes, and even a logic problem were encountered along the trail. At each city, clues were dispensed for the lost city. Most were clever enough to figure out that the scripture verse clues pinpointed the city's location at Tom's Chapel.

The weather couldn't have been better. The ground was snow-covered, which proved ideal for pushing sleds from site to site. But the sun shone most of the day, helping to keep frostbite away from fingers and toes. And, a salute to our competitors for dressing properly for the snow and cold. Heavy coats, hats, gloves, boots and the occasional Carhart were the order of the day.

This year, a hot meal for both lunch and dinner helped keep bodies warm and energy levels high. Bob's gang of volunteers worked throughout the day to make sure everyone got fed at mealtime. The chili was fantastic, as always.

Thanks to all the volunteers and the participants for another successful Tuscazoar Gold Rush. Let's do it again next year!



After Saturday's competition has concluded, sledriding is always a popular way for Gold Rush campers to unwind.