

International Camporee Gillette 2024 - Summary of October 2023 Zoom Meeting compiled by Hector Gonzalez

I am preparing the following document as a review to all who attended the Sunday meeting at Leadership regarding the Believe the Promise Camporee of August 2024 or information to all who were not present. Please review the important information that was shared so you are up to date.

- I. Greg and Kim Taylor gave a presentation of their added responsibilities of “Off-site Coordinators”.

- II. I encouraged everyone to familiarize themselves with the camporee website.
 - a. It is very easy to find
 - b. Search online for Believe the Promise Camporee”
 - c. Over 160 pages of information to prepare us for the camporee

- III. I referenced everyone to a section on additional insurance
 - a. We looked up on the website
 - i. “**Information**”
 - ii. Then “**Pre Planning**”
 - iii. Then “**Travel to Camporee**”
 - iv. Then “**View insurance and safety information**”
 - v. Click on “**U.S. Clubs – United States...**”
 1. Adventist Risk Management is offering additional insurance
 2. \$9.61 per person
 3. There is a \$20.00 application fee so they are recommending that the club register together for their attendees rather than each parent individually

- IV. I referenced travel to camporee
 - a. I shared the quote from Burke Christian tours and included a copy of the quote for all of the directors in attendance
 - b. I am attaching the quote to this email

- c. We discussed the pros and cons with chartering to Gillette
 - i. Responsible for the lodging of the driver
 - ii. Will take a minimum of 4 days to arrive and 4 days to return
 - d. Using the website we looked up:
 - i. **“See Travel Resources”**
 - ii. Then **“Pre Planning”**
 - iii. Then **“Travel to Camporee”**
 - 1. Looking up **“Planes”** it showed on the website all of the nearest airports available to fly into
 - 2. Looking up **“Buses”** it showed all the cooperating bus services. However, the Burke quote was better than these.
 - 3. Looking up **“Off site lodging options”**
 - a. List of all of the SDA Academies
 - b. It was encouraged to call those on your route that possibly could allow your group to stay overnight on their campus rather than paying more for hotels along your journey to Gillette.
 - i. Cheaper options than hotels
 - ii. Many will not be in school session yet
- V. Using the website we looked up:
- i. Looked up **“Information”**
 - ii. Then **“Pre Planning”**
 - iii. Then **“Shopping & Laundry”**
 - 1. We discussed planning ahead and ordering your food from Walmart
 - 2. Walmart encourages, through the website setting up an account with them.
 - 3. Best way to have your food ready when you arrive
- VI. I referenced using the website:
- a. Look up **“Information”**
 - b. Then **“Pre Planning”**
 - c. Then **“Tips & Checklists”**
 - i. Able to find resources such as:
 - 1. Packing lists

2. School absence letter

- VII. I referenced using the website:
- a. Look up **“Information”**
 - b. Then **“Pre Planning”**
 - c. Then **“Tips & Checklists”**
 - i. Look up #3, **“Pathfinder Club Director Checklist”**
 - ii. All the director needs to know to prepare their club for the camporee
 - iii. Printable PDF
 - iv. HIGHLY ENCOURAGE to sign up for the camporee newsletter
 1. Up to date reports
 2. Any changes or highlights
- VIII. I referenced using the website:
- a. Look up **“Experience”**
 - b. Then **“Volunteer”**
 - c. Then **“BTP TLT Volunteers”**
 - i. An opportunity for TLT volunteers to register to receive a free camporee T-shirt and / or an exclusive pin
 - ii. It was discussed that volunteering at the Pioneer Village would be acceptable for receiving the volunteer hours to get the camporee T-shirt and / or an exclusive pin
 - iii. Also discussed that Volunteering at the Pioneer Village would allow the volunteer to get an exclusive Pioneer Village pin
 - iv. The TLT volunteer could get two pins.
 1. TLT exclusive pin
 2. Pioneer Village exclusive pin
- IX. I referenced using the website:
- a. Look up **“Experience”**
 - b. Then **“Share Your Talent”**
 - i. The camporee leaders are wanting volunteers who wish to be on the main stage
 1. Actors in the drama
 2. Singers in the choir

- 3. Musicians in the orchestra
 - ii. Register information is there and required ahead of time

 - X. We discussed the up to date ticket information:
 - a. Look up **“Ticket info”**
 - b. Look up **“2024 ticket sales report”**
 - c. Look up **“North American Division”**
 - d. Look up **“Southern Union”**
 - e. Look up **“Carolina Conference”**
 - i. Gives a list of the clubs that have already purchased tickets
 - ii. I gave EMPHASIS that tickets for the Believe the Promise camporee are selling faster than the tickets for the 2019 “Chosen” camporee.
 - 1. They are predicting that the tickets for the Believe the Promise camporee are going to be sold out by FEBRUARY!!!
 - 2. PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS ASAP
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- XI. We discussed the transportation of supplies to Gillette
 - a. We have a driver, truck and 53 foot trailer confirmed to drive the belongings.
 - i. The trailer can fit 26 pallets with 1 level and 26 more on top of them for a second level.
 - ii. I presented a handout for all the directors in attendance
 - iii. I am attaching the handout to this email.
 - 1. The size of the boxes (46x38x24 1,300 lb Triple Wall Octagon Bulk Bin)
 - 2. The cost to us per box (just the box) is \$77.00
 - 3. We will be charging \$300.00 to \$350.00 per box to the
 - a. (Depending on how many boxes we get requested)
 - b. The more boxes we get requested the less it will be for everyone
 - 4. Raleigh Navigators already reserved 5 boxes
 - iv. Loading day will be Sunday, July 28, 2024
 - 1. We will stagger the drop off times so there will not be traffic in the parking lot

2. The loading will take place at the conference office parking lot

v. Truck will arrive in Gillette and will be unloaded by a team of volunteers using a forklift that we have already reserved. I presented a photo of the forklift to the directors. I am attaching a photo with this report.

XII. I reported that those who are attempting to rent rooms at local motels/hotels are finding that many of the rooms are being charged at higher rates than fair. I reported that a \$100.00 per night room is being raised for our week at Gillette to \$400 - \$600 per night.

XIII. Finally, I shared that the Southern Union has been allocated 50 RV hook up spots. They in turn have allocated 6 spots per conference. I reported that I had been receiving calls for months reserving these spots. I had started a list and only had 2 spots available. Those two spots were requested at the meeting and a second list was started as alternates in the event that someone decides not to go.

XIV. I am also sending along in this email an order form to estimate how many clubs and attendees we need to plan for. Please complete and send to us.

XV. I am also attaching a pre-order form for T-shirts and pins to order for Gillette so we can estimate how many to order. Please complete and send to us.