

Tuscazoar Campout

Troop 777

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Troop 777 visited the beautiful camp of Tuscazoar this past weekend. It was our annual “All Wood Weekend”, and the boys and adults in attendance enjoyed the experience very much. Unlike most other Troop 777 campouts, the weather was beautiful. Friday evening was cold, but the stars that night were breath-taking. Saturday was chilly in the morning, but warmed up as the day progressed, and Sunday morning, the sun was shining, and all was well as Troop 777 pulled out of camp.

Saturday, in the early afternoon, younger scouts had Scoutmaster Conferences, and got certain things signed of while our newest scouts, (those that just recently “crossed over” into our troop), learned and earned their “Totin’ Chips” and “Firem’n Chits” thanks to the older scouts who were there.



After lunch, we went on a 4-5 mile hike through the woods of Tuscazoar, and up to “Buzzard’s Roost”, where the Dam can be seen below, and a wonderful view of



the countryside that stretches out over the horizon can be seen above. After many pictures were taken here, we began our descent to the Dam. Much slipping and sliding ensued, but we soon reached our destination and began our Troop 777, Tuscazoar tradition of throwing rather large branches, (or small trees), off the Dam.



Once we had our fill, we hiked back to camp and began preparing dinner.

We stayed in camp that night after dinner, and enjoyed the company of our fellow scouts around a warm campfire. We sang songs, told stories and jokes, and had good laughs while we waited for a Mr. York “Ghost Story”. After that we headed off to bed because we were all exhausted after the events of the day.

Sunday morning came around; we packed up camp, had breakfast, caught a wonderful “Reverend York” church service, and headed home, with nothing but dirty laundry, the smell of smoke clinging to the olfactory sense, and good memories of yet another successful Troop 777 Campout experience.



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View up river from the Dam



Cutting up fire wood



Meet some of our newest Scouts