

January 3, 2007

To: Scout Leaders

From: Brian Patterson, Director of Support Services

Re: No Camping at Olustee Event

After some consideration and discussion with agencies related to the Olustee Battle Festival, **2008 will be a no camping event for Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts and Venturers.** Local volunteers agreed that there was not time to adequately organize camping for this activity and meet the standards of safety and sanitation necessary for a BSA event. The North Florida Council will not apply for a permit for camping for 2008 nor will we have staff in attendance. Camping will not be allowed in the area that has traditionally been set aside for Scout camping.

Units are welcome to attend this event during the day. More information is available at www.olusteefestival.com . We will revisit our participation in this event for 2009. We apologize for any inconvenience this has caused in your units planning.