

# SUMMER PRECAMP

## June 22-23, 2007

The Troop is expected to check in at Mountaineer near Morgantown, WV., on Sunday, June 24. Instead of driving down (about a five-hour drive) on Sunday, a group of interested Scouts could drive down early and spend time in Moundsville, WV, meeting the rest of the Troop at Mountaineer Sunday afternoon. There is plenty to see in Moundsville:

### Grave Creek Mound Archaeology Complex

Moundsville is named after the Grave Creek Mound, a large burial mound built over 2000 years ago by the Adena Indians. A museum was built near the mound in 1978 to house and display artifacts discovered in the mound.

### West Virginia Penitentiary

Opened in 1876 and decommissioned in 1995, this Gothic-styled prison housed some of the most violent criminals in U.S. history. Ninety minute tours include visits to the 5.7 cells, the museum, a gallery of inmate art, and “Old Sparky”, the electric chair last used in 1949.

### Palace of Gold

Balance the dark vibes from the Penitentiary with a dose of tranquility and wonder at the Hindu Palace of Gold. Set on a hilltop in gardens of exotic flowers and over 100 waterfalls, the Palace of Gold was called by Time magazine “America’s Taj Mahal”. The palace itself has 31 stained glass windows, murals, and crystal chandeliers, including one with over 4200 pieces.

### Marx Toy Museum

Louis Marx started his toy company in 1919. In the 1950’s, the Marx toy company became the biggest toy manufacturer in the world, making over one-third of all the toys sold in the U.S. The Marx Toy Museum displays toys from six decades of production.

### Fostoria Glass Museum

From 1887 to 1986 the Fostoria Glass Company made glassware and crystal dinnerware. Every president from Eisenhower through Reagan ordered glassware from Fostoria. See a 26-minute video on glassmaking.



If you are interested in leaving for Summer Camp early to go sightseeing in Moundsville, return this slip to Mr. Nash **by June 11, 2007.**

Food and Camping Fee:	.....	\$10
I am more interested in (pick three):	..... + _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Grave Creek Mound & Museum	.....	\$3
<input type="checkbox"/> Penitentiary	.....	\$5
<input type="checkbox"/> Palace of Gold	.....	\$5
<input type="checkbox"/> Marx Toy Museum	.....	\$5
<input type="checkbox"/> Fostoria Glass Museum	.....	\$4
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