

FRIDAY IN THE PARK

An Evening of SWAPS and Songs and Skits Around the Fire



We invite all Girls Scouts and their families to join us at Blackhawk Park on Friday, October 9 for friendship and fun.

- ❖ **The park will be available at 5:15 pm for those who want to spread a blanket or two and have a picnic.**
- ❖ **SWAPping will begin at 6:15 pm and will go until about 7:00 for those who want to participate in this fun activity. Girls should bring SWAPS they've made ahead of time (bring about 30-40 per girl, encourage each girl to create a unique and different SWAP so there's lots of variety).**
- ❖ **Singing around a roaring fire will start at 7:00 pm and go until the last ember fades. Come ready to share your favorite camp songs or a skit.**
- ❖ **Bring a snack to share. The Eagan Service Unit will provide hot chocolate and apple cider.**

So you may be asking... What are SWAPS? SWAPS stands for “Special Whatchamacallits Affectionately Pinned Somewhere” or “Shared With A Pal” and come from the tradition of Girl Scouts exchanging keepsakes when they gather together at campouts or other events. They're small, handmade, crafty tokens that are swapped with the intent of meeting new friends. Visit the sites listed below for some ideas for SWAPS you can make at home with items you probably have laying around.

www.gsswaps.net

www.makingfriends.com/swaps.htm

<http://pinterest.com/search/pins/?q=SWAPS>

www.scoutingweb.com/scoutingweb/craftsswaps.aspx

www.scoutswaps.com

www.parentingteens.about.com/od/girlscoutsandgirlguides/a/swaps_girlscout.htm

Search the Internet with keywords Girl Scout SWAPS and you'll be amazed at the sites

MAKE NEW FRIENDS BUT KEEP THE OLD ONE IS SILVER AND THE OTHER IS GOLD