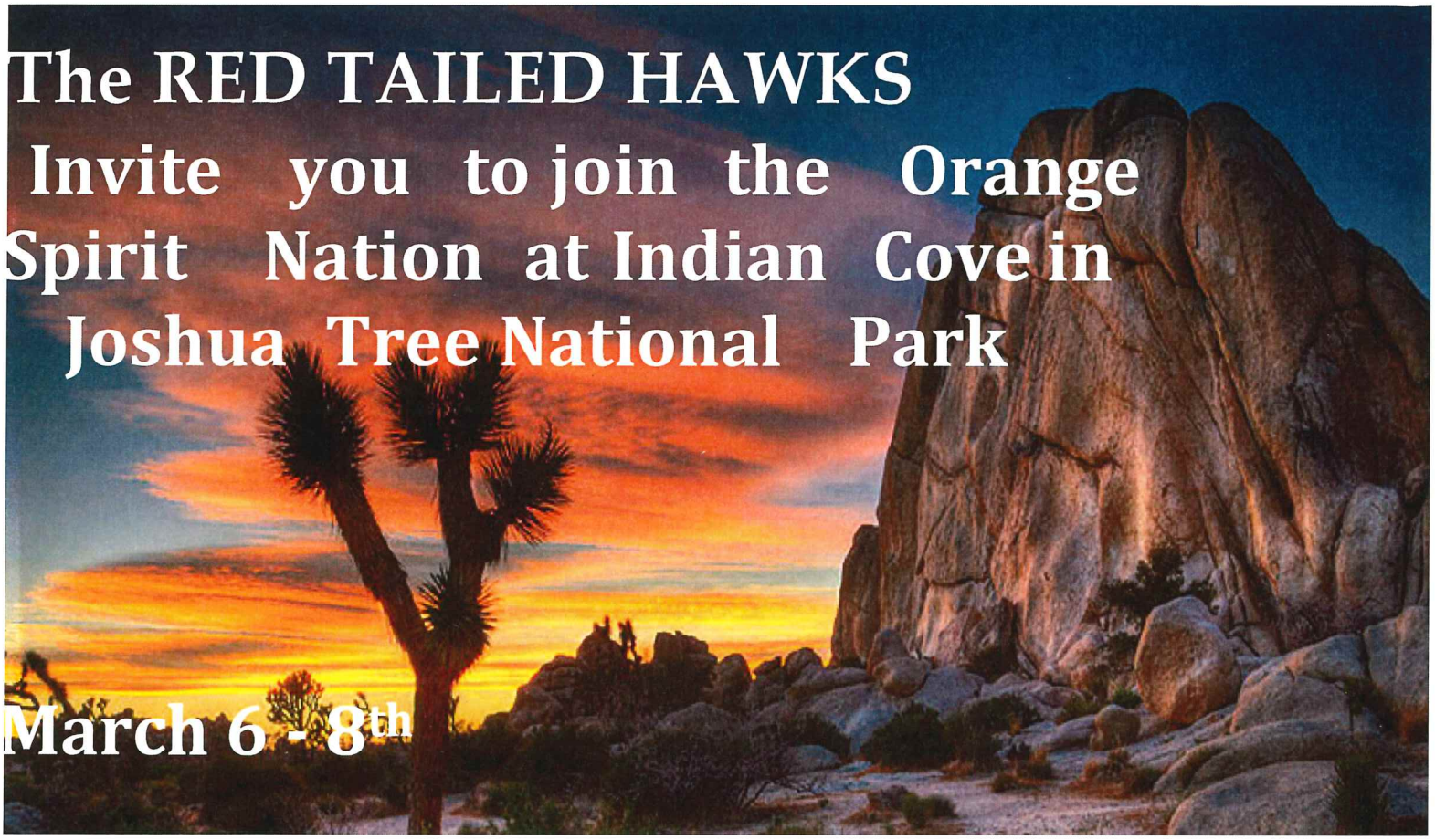

Camp Overview:

And to the desert we must go! Dads and Princesses, the Great Orange Spirit Nation will gather our tepees among the great Rocks of Indian Cove and we will shoot our great arrows into the sky!

Carpooling is absolutely necessary. OSN will likely only have 99 parking passes within Joshua Tree Indian Cove. The **Rangers will issue parking tickets**

What to Bring:

Bring your tepee (tent) with strong stakes (ground is hard and the winds can be mighty!), sleeping bags, pillows, and air mattresses. It's warm during the day, but can get cold at night, so bring layers! Bring a jacket, sturdy shoes for climbing, a hat, and jeans (rocks are rough and rocks may rip through bottoms if the girls slide on them), Flashlight, Camera, Toiletries, Camp Chairs, Tables, EZups & Sunscreen. MUST BRING A HELMET TO CLIMB ON THE ROCKS!!!!

Tribes are responsible for ALL their own meals, snacks & **WATER (there is no running water, so you will want to bring a lot!).** Grocery stores are close by, so you can always restock if needed. BRING LOTS OF WATER

BIKE HELMET (See the 3 Rules below!)

Arrows to shoot into the sky (also called ROCKETS) and 2 or more launch pads & controllers per tribe.

Each tribe needs to provide their own firewood

Camp Rules:

The three rules of Joshua Tree for our princesses:
Rule #1- You MUST wear a Helmet at ALL TIMES while climbing on the rocks (a bike or skateboard helmet will do).
Rule #2- If you want to climb the rocks at Joshua Tree, you MUST wear a helmet!
Rule #3- See rules 1 & 2!! (No helmet, no climb! You MUST wear a helmet!)

Additionally, you should follow the buddy system and always stay in groups of 3 and stay where a dad can see you.

Campsites:

We are in group campsites 1-13 in Indian Cove. We are limited to 325 people and 99 vehicles. Tribe camps will be assigned & sent prior to event. Based on a maximum number of people allowed per site, please expect some cross tribe sharing with sites.

Schedule:

Friday afternoon: Check-in time is after 12 noon on Friday. Girls help Dads setup camp. Then Hike and Explore! Dinner is up to the tribe (or eat before you get to the park).

Saturday Morning: Have breakfast with your tribe because you'll need energy to climb and explore everything Joshua Tree has to offer in the morning hours. In the late morning get ready to shoot your arrows skyward! We'll be launching ROCKETS!! We'll meet up at Coyote Lake at a time to be determined on Saturday.

Saturday Afternoon: Have lunch with your tribe, continue to explore Joshua Tree and climb rocks.

Saturday Evening: Have dinner with your tribe, and then the Nation will gather at a time to be determined in the evening for a Nation campfire and presentation.

Sunday Morning:
Have Breakfast with our tribe and then hike around the cove. Please clean up your tribe's campsite. Checkout is at 12 noon. There will also be a roundup Sunday morning.

Glow Stick Theme for Campsites:

Let's make it a Glow Stick Theme in the sands of Joshua Tree. We'll see which tribe can decorate their campsite the best.

How to Get to Joshua Tree:

Parking is limited, and tribes will be assigned spaces prior to the campout. There will be a tribe limit. ALL tribes are encouraged to carpool, since we are limited to a specific number of vehicles per campsite based on the National Park regulations.

Follow the smoke signals to Indian Cove Campground in Joshua Tree National Park (about 125 miles from Irvine - 7295 Indian Cove Road, Twenty nine Palms, CA).
Take CA-91 east for 25 Miles.
Merge onto I-215 south for about 5 miles.
Continue on CA-60 east toward Indio for 18 miles.
Merge onto I-10 east and go 22 miles.
Take the CA-62 exit to Twenty Nine Palms/Yucca Valley and go about 43 Miles. Pass through the towns of Yucca Valley and Joshua Tree and continue to Twenty Nine Plans.
Turn Right on **Indian Cove Road**, Pass the visitor center & continue about 2.5 miles to Indian Cove Campground. Take the first right to get to the group sites.

POWWOW at Coyote Lake Saturday Late Morning to shoot arrows (rocket launching!)

Getting Rockets:

You can buy rockets at your local hobby shop or on-line. Additionally, OSN members can receive a 20% discount on rocket gear at Ultimate Hobbies in Orange. Just mention "Orange Spirit Nation" at the time of checkout. Make sure you don't wait until the last minute as some items may be out of stock and would need about a week to get in.

Ultimate Hobbies
950 N Tustin St
Orange, CA 92867
714.538.3111

Build your rocket EARLY with your daughter. Do NOT wait to build them at camp.

Bring as many engines and igniters as you want for multiple launches. Each tribe will also need to bring at least 2+ launch pads and controllers (depending on tribe size), which you will need to launch the rockets. The more, the better.

Getting There to Coyote Lake:

We will launch rockets from Coyote Lake which is a dry lake bed about 15 min from Indian Cove.
We will all caravan there together to make finding it easier.
We will meet at Coyote Lake at some point to be determined likely in the late morning. The route out is a dirt road so an SUV or Truck would be preferred.
To get to the lake, go back out to CA-62 and turn left. Take CA-62 west for 5 miles.
Turn right at Cascade Rd and go 2 miles.
The lakebed will be on the right past Broadway St.
We will want to park a safe distance upwind from the launch area. (Look for the bright Orange Spirit Nation easy-up canopy.
Bring water and snacks and be ready for some FUN!

For emergencies, call the Joshua Tree Ranger Station at 760-367-5554.