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A Preview Guide for the Summer of 2013

2013 Registration is OPEN!

Good news – it's not too late to reserve your unit's space for next summer. But, don't wait too long. In September, some weeks were already full at our Webelos Camps and Camp Olmsted and by now, other weeks have undoubtedly filled up at all our camps. You can get all the information you need and the forms to reserve your space by visiting www.gotogoshen.org. The fees and payment schedule, as well as weeks of camp still available, are all updated weekly.

NEW in 2013:

As always, our camps evolve from summer to summer. Here are some new things coming in 2013:

- Online Registration for Camp and Merit Badges!
- Paddle Boards for Boy Scout Camps.
- Wakeboarding
- More Adult Leader Training opportunities, including Leave No Trace Training.

Adventures at Goshen Scout Reservation!

The summer of 2012 is behind us, yet the memories of the summer for the thousands of Scouts who camped at beautiful Goshen Scout Reservation remain etched in their minds. What a great summer it was at our "home away from home"! We managed to brave the derecho storm and worked hard to provide a camping experience for the displaced Scouts and leaders from week 2. We are extremely proud that our Staff was able to act quickly and in the best interest of our Campers. Because of this, no one was hurt during the storm. Over 5,500 Scouts and 2,100 adult leaders came and enjoyed a wonderful week of fun, adventure, and learning. Over 24,000 merit badges were earned, as well as thousands of rank advancements. No doubt, hundreds of boys learned to swim, shot an arrow or rifle for the first time, learned to orient a compass, and made their first useful camp gadget from materials they found in our pristine woods.

2013 will be another remarkable year in our history, our 47th overall at Goshen Scout Reservation. Of the 500 or so units at camp this past summer, nearly 300 have signed up to return. The time is now for your unit to register and save your space for next summer. Fees, schedules, program plans, important dates and more are now available (and found here in this fall edition of The Goshen Gazette as well!).

2013 is just around the corner! Be sure to register for camp soon so that every Scout is rewarded with a great summer camp adventure at Goshen Scout Reservation.

2013 Camp Directors Announced

Goshen Scout Reservation is pleased to welcome back many of our long-time Camp Directors, and a few new faces to our leadership team for next summer:

Gary Carroll	Operations Director	13th	Summer at Goshen
Drac Peyton	Food Service Manager	39th	Summer at Goshen
Mike Jolly	Superintendent	18th	Summer at Goshen
Carl Trocki	Lenhok'sin Camp Director	12th	Summer at Goshen
Jonathan Zimmerman	Camp Olmsted Director	9th	Summer at Goshen
Will Eaton	Camp Bowman Director	10th	Summer at Goshen
Paul Flagg	Camp Marriott Director	7th	Summer at Goshen
Ben Litten	Camp PMI Director	12th	Summer at Goshen
Travis Andrus	Camp Ross Director	9th	Summer at Goshen

As you can see, our directors have an incredible amount of experience at Goshen, which will serve them well as they deliver the promise of adventure and fun to all your Scouts and adults.

What Our Campers are Saying About Goshen…

Here are some comments received from our campers this past summer that speak to the level of quality you will find in our programs and services at Goshen:

- "Great Camp. Thanks for giving us a great week".
  Troop 1023 – Camp Olmsted
- "Paul Flagg had his team ready. They were exceptionally Scout friendly".
  Troop 1103 – Camp Marriott
- "Staff were terrific. Counseling, sharing wisdom, and team building support was outstanding for inexperienced crew. Outstanding!"
  Troop 301 – Lenhok'sin

- "This is a great camp and the GREATEST STAFF! They were always polite, professional and awesome!"
  Pack 425 – Camp PMI
- "The food was so good that we were always sending our waiter up for seconds and thirds!"

  Pack 125 – Camp Ross
- "I saw many staff members handle themselves with professionalism and courtesy. Keep up the awesome work!"

  Pack 157—Camp Ross

You and your Scouts will say the same things about camp next summer – we guarantee it!

Food Service At Goshen Scout Reservation

In response to your suggestions, there will be some significant changes to our food service operations in the camps at Goshen next summer:

- ☐ We are continuing Family Style dining at Camp Olmsted.

  Also remaining is the open lunch period from 12:30-1:30 pm. Our

  Scouts found this a very good way to spend their free time, without having to be confined

  to the Dining Hall and rushed out to make room for the next shift.
- ☐ Patrol cooking will be the only food service method at Camp Bowman. This will simplify our operations at the commissary at Camp Bowman and also at Camp Olmsted's kitchen.
- ☐ Goshen Scout Reservation staff will maintain our active role in running each of our kitchens. We will build on our success with Drac Peyton

  leading our Food Service team.

Goshen Adult Leader Training Expanding

One of the benefits of coming to Goshen is the opportunity for your adult leaders to attend a variety of different training sessions during the week. The Council's Leadership Development Committee provides training "at no extra charge" and the courses offered include Youth Protection Training, New Leader Essentials, Position Specific sessions, and specialty topics such as Merit Badge Counselor Orientation, Life to Eagle Seminar, and Bullying.

In 2011, we offered our first session of IOLS (Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills) and it was a big success. Look for this and more next summer. The schedule of courses being offered each week will be available in the spring.

We will be offering limited Leave No Trace training at Goshen Scout Reservation this year. This course will be available for adult leaders and Scouts who seek to learn the Leave No Trace Principles and present them back at their units.

Webelos Camps Continue to Thrill!

Last year, we received the following letter from a parent after he attended Camp Ross, one of the Webelos Camps at Goshen:

"Our son Michael attended Camp PMI in July. He told us he had an "really fun" time and is sad he is advancing to Boy Scouts and won't be able to come back for one more summer. He enjoyed all the activities, especially BB guns, archery and hiking to Viewing Rock. We, his parents were impressed by the level of dedication Dan and the Aquatics staff had as they worked with Michael to get him to pass his swimming test so he could go out in the funoes with his buddies in our Den.

Each year, we get the same reactions and comments from our Webelos campers and parents. Camp Ross and Camp PMI can't be beat for Scouting fun and adventure! Just ask anyone who has been there!

Next summer, we're open for six weeks of more fun and adventure. Our directors are already at work putting together their staff and program features. A new theme is being developed, and our Second Year Program for returning campers is being enhanced with even more new adventures.

Some weeks of the summer are already full and are not accepting any more reservations. So don't delay! Get your Webelos den signed up today for the adventures that await!

Boy Scout Camps Feature Advancement and Leadership Development

More than ever, our primary focus at our three Boy Scout camps is on advancement and leadership development opportunities. Merit badge schedules feature all the traditional badges and some that are not available in most other Scout camps. Look for our merit badge schedules to be posted on the Council website in November. Our directors and staff are committed to offering the very best in merit badge and rank advancement instruction for all Scouts.

Your veteran Scouts will want to check out our older Scout programs available in each camp. While some activities are common to all three Boy Scout camps, each camp offers some unique opportunities as well.

Each Scout camp has its own special features. Bowman features enhanced Shooting Sports and Outdoor Skills program areas; Olmsted has a Technology Center and unique merit badge offerings in the Culture Craft area; Marriott has the best aquatics program of any camp anywhere.

In addition, each camp has a great First Year Camper program. We are focusing on creating a more seamless transition from Webelos camp to Boy Scout Camp. For 2013, we are also working to enhance the experience of our returning Scouts with special activities and events geared just towards those Scouts in their second or third years at Camp.

Food service operations are also different in each camp, with Olmsted offering a dining hall, Bowman being entirely patrol cooking, and Marriott being primarily "Heater Stack" feeding.

Don't forget our amazing COPE, Climbing and ATV programs. Info on these and all our Boy Scout camp programs is available on our council website, so check it out!

New For 2013-Venturing Leadership Camp

We are in the planning stages of offering a Venture-based advancement program at Goshen Scout Reservation in 2013. Nationally out of close to 200,000 Venture Scouts in the BSA, only 1.7% advance. The Venturing Bronze Award equates to 1st Class, the Gold Award to Life and the Silver Award to Eagle. There are 5 different Bronze

Awards but 'Outdoor Bronze' is the target of Goshen's Venturing program. Venture Scouts can earn Outdoor Bronze in 2 weeks at Camp Bowman next summer. Gold and Silver Award requirements will also be available. Crew 27 from White Oak District has been beta testing program elements at Goshen for 3 years now and, according to them, Venturers coming to Bowman are in for 2 weeks of great fun, excitement and recognition! The all time favorite is the COPE program. Venturers take it the first week and help facilitate activities the second week in fulfillment of their COPE Bronze elective requirement. Other electives available include ecology, fishing, mountaineering, lifesaving, shooting sports, plants & wildlife and watercraft. Core requirements available include first aid, communications, land navigation, wilderness survival, conservation and cooking. Venturers need 4 Core and 2 Electives complete to earn Venturing Outdoor Bronze. In 2013 - Goshen becomes the 1st and only Camp in the BSA to offer comprehensive Venture Advancement every week, all summer long!

Camp Staff Opportunities

Each summer, the camp directors at Goshen hire over 300 youth and adults to run our camps. Many of the staff that work with us are new each summer. Perhaps there is a position you might be interested in, or you know someone who might be perfect for a position at camp. We'd love to hear from you!

Camp Directors are looking for talented staffers now! Formal interviews are schedule for January 7 and 14, 2013, at the Marriott Scout Service Center in Bethesda, MD. Call us at 301–214–9195 to schedule your appointment.

2013 Camp Fees Schedule

Again this coming year, we are making every effort to keep the cost of camp down for all participants. Our fees are increasing just $10.00 on average over last summer and there is no fee increase at Lenhok'sin for 2013. Again this year, we will increase adult leader fees to be more in line with youth fees in an effort to make it fair to all attending. Here are some important deadlines to keep in mind:

Hat Incentive Deadline: $50.00 per person due by Friday, March 15 – a free hat to every camper!

Early Bird Payment Deadline: Friday, April 26. All fees paid in full by this date are at the lowest rate available.

Regular Camp Payment Deadline: Friday, May 31. After this date, all fees are to be paid at camp at the highest rate.

Camps Olmsted, PMI and Ross
Sunday to Saturday:

By 4/26 (Youth/Adult):
$290/$230

By5/31:
$330/$270

At Camp:
$370/$310

Camps Bowman and Marriott
Saturday to Saturday:

By 4/26 (Youth/Adult):
$315/$240

By 5/31:
$345/$260

At Camp:
$370/$280

Lenhok'sin High Adventure Camp

By 4/26 (Youth/Adult):
4 day trek: $200/$145
7 day trek: $315/$200

By 5/31:
4 day trek: $240/$185
7 day trek: $355/$240

At Camp:
4 day trek: $280/$225
7 day trek: $395/$280

For further information, please be sure to visit and bookmark our website, www.gotogoshen.org. Also, "Like" us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/GOSHENNCAC

Goshen Scout Reservation
Non-Discrimination Policy

The camps at Goshen Scout Reservation are open to participation by all individuals, regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, or disability.