



WHITE PLAINS TROOP 73
BOY SCOUT SUMMER CAMP 2009

Camp Meade
Hawk Mountain
Scout Reservation, BSA



Schuylkill Haven, PA
June 27 - July 3, 2010

One of the biggest highlights of our Scouting program is always our annual trip to Boy Scout summer camp. In past years, **Troop 73** has attended camps in Massachusetts, Maryland, Vermont, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, and right here in New York. This year, we'll venture to a camp located near Reading, PA – **Camp Meade** at the **Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation** – more than 700 acres of fun in central Pennsylvania.

Hawk Mountain has a great lake AND a swimming pool to satisfy every Scout's aquatic interests, featuring sailing, canoeing, rowing, and of course swimming. There's a C.O.P.E. / High Ropes course, miles of hiking trails, and program areas for Scoutcraft, Handicraft, shooting sports, and nature/ecology. And of course there's a Trading Post stocked with important items you may need, as well as to satisfy your snack/beverage requirements. **Hawk Mountain** offers most of the typical Merit Badges and some others, including: *Archeology, Archery, Art, Astronomy, Basketry, Camping, Canoeing, Citizenship in the Community, Communications, Computers, Cooking, Emergency Preparedness, Electricity, Electronics, Energy, Environmental Science, First Aid, Fire Safety, Fish and Wildlife Management, Fishing, Forestry, Geology, Indian Lore, Leatherwork, Lifesaving, Mammal Study, Nature, Oceanography, Orienteering, Pioneering, Reptile & Amphibian Study, Rifle Shooting, Rowing, Shotgun Shooting, Small Boat Sailing, Soil and Water Conservation, Space Exploration, Swimming, Weather, Wilderness Survival, Wood Carving* and more. There's also the opportunity to work on requirements for *Tenderfoot* through *First Class* ranks. If one is so inclined, there is the chance to earn the *Mile Swim Award, Snorkeling, BSA, Lifeguard, BSA*, and the *Paul Bunyan Woodsman* patch. For older Scouts, the *Extreme Sports* program offers mountain boarding, mountain biking, pellet-gun target shooting, backpacking, kayaking, hiking and Wilderness Survival. In addition to these scheduled programs, there is still plenty of free time for Scouts to visit the different areas of camp on their own - with buddies of course - and see what is going on. And just when hunger starts to overcome us, we'll head to the Camp Meade dining hall for great meals. As usual, our Troop will camp together, under our own fine adult leadership, in a large campsite featuring two-man platform tents with bunks.

The cost for the week at Camp is **\$280** per Scout. This fee includes *almost* all activities, food, and program features! In order to qualify for this discounted early-bird fee, please submit a \$50 deposit, with the balance before February 9, 2010. After that date, the price increases. More information will be discussed at future Troop Meetings. Join us!

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