

“What’s New for You and Your Troop at the Ransburg Scout Reservation for the Summer Of 2010”

Welcome to Ransburg 2010. The summer of 2010 promises to be an exciting year for Ransburg. There are many new activities for you this summer. Camp continues to go through a total upgrade of facilities. Thanks to our new campaign, our Friends of Scouting campaign, and the NRA we will see more new and improved facilities this year including **lots of new program equipment, expanded water sports opportunities, new rifle range and shot gun area equipment. We are beginning to build new permanent platforms with steel frames for our tents.** The staff is excited and they are ready to help provide the best program possible for your Troop. They are committed to the Scout Oath and Law and will “do their best” to instill these values in your Scouts.

In the past few months we have reviewed the 2009 evaluations, talked to leaders, and Scouts to come up with the plan for this summer. It sounds exciting to us; we hope you like it as well. These are the highlights for this summer, and from last summer:

- Expanded COPE & equestrian programs
- Relocation of the Quartermasters area
- New shooting sports equipment thanks to the NRA
- \$50,000 of new program equipment in 2009 and 2010
- Expanded water sports merit badge classes
- Refining of the online merit badge sign-up
- Continued enhancement of the OA Program
- Continued expansion of the Venturing Program - a special Venturing program week 8 and 9
- Food service improvements including new food items
- A new power boat for water sports merit badge
- New permanent platforms & steel frames in some sites

To better plan camp operations and to spread out the cost of camp for your Scouts, we have implemented a new payment process.

- 1) Pay \$100 per site deposit (this represents \$20 non-refundable deposit for the first 5 youth who attend camp)
 - 2) By March 5th, 50% of total fees are due. (this should give Scout families the opportunity to pay part of the fee and help them more easily afford the cost of camp) (some troops ask for \$50 per month or other amount to help "Budget" the cost of camp) Any troops, who do not pay, may lose their reservation.
 - 3) By May 7th, full fees are due to qualify for the early bird discount.
- Remember, we do not charge a late fee for Webelos who cross-over and pay for camp late.
 - Please do everything you can to encourage them to pay early, but we want them to attend camp, so if they pay late, we will still allow them to pay the early bird fee.

All of this is available and will be wonderful if **you** are there! Each scout and each leader is important to us. If you have not made your camp decision yet, give us a call and make Ransburg your destination. We will be happy to answer any questions.

For campsite availability, please call 877-925-1900 or 925-1900. A \$100 deposit will secure your campsite for next season.