

Summer Camp 2017 July 23th – July 30th

Cost \$520 – Deposit of \$100 Due 4/13/17 – Balance Due 6/13/17

Dear Scouts and Parents

The time is soon at hand to sign up for Summer Camp. As we mentioned in our earlier announcements we will be heading up to Yawgoog Scout Reservation in Rhode Island for the week of July 23- July 30, 2017. Campsite Forty-Nine'r in Camp Three Point will, as usual, be our home for the week.

Who Goes:

Summer Camp is not a core event, meaning it is not mandatory for a Scout to attend. Camp is something that we would want every Scout to experience. However there may be a rare time when not every Scout will be asked to attend with the Troop. If you are behind on your fees and dues or if you don't show the proper Scouting attitude throughout the year, you may not be asked to join us at Summer Camp. We want Summer Camp to be something that all our Scouts will enjoy. We do not want someone in camp that does not want to be there for the right reason.

What's To Do:

Any of our veteran Scouts can testify to the fun that a week at Yawgoog provides. The Waterfront offers activities like *Canoeing**, *Fishing**, Kayaking, *Sailing**, Snorkeling, *Swimming**, the War Canoes and the Mile Swim. The Camp Craft center offers activities such as; *Leatherwork**, *Woodcarving**, *Basketry**, *Indian Lore**. There are many other things to do: Stargazing, Hiking Nature Trails, Plant Identification, Animal Studies, *Geology** and Rappelling at the Challenge Course. Rifle and Shotgun shooting, *Archery**, *Orienteering**, *Pioneering**, Fire building, Campfires, Firem'n Chit, Totin' Chip. There are Inter-Troop competitions: Volleyball, Basketball, Bocce, Bake-Off, Scavenger hunt plus many other opportunities for Merit Badges and rank advancement. One thing is for sure: you won't be bored! (*Merit Badge Activities**)

Getting There and Back:

We travel by boat and bus. The Troop will assemble at the Orient Point dock on Sunday July 23rd at 12:30pm for the ferry trip to New London. Drop off parking is usually available at the east side of the parking lot adjacent to the ferry terminal.

Camp buses will meet us in New London to take us into camp. Scouts' equipment will travel by truck from the ferry to camp. You'll want to make sure all your gear is securely packed in your backpack and clearly labeled with your name and our Troop number. The procedure is reversed for the trip home, and parents will pick up their sons at Orient Pt. Sunday afternoon July 30th around 5pm. As the date gets closer, we'll be providing you with details of times and places.

Costs:

- The cost is estimated to be \$520, which covers the week at camp, 3 summer camp Class ‘B’ T-shirts, round-trip transportation between Orient Point and Camp Yawgoog along with support material / troop incidentals.
- A minimum deposit of \$100 is required to sign up- sign up and deposit by April 4, 2017, with the balance due no later than the June 13, 2007. ***\$25.00 of the initial deposit is non refundable.***
- If you do not make the initial deposit by April 4, 2017, your Scout will not receive a free Camp Yawgoog Cap.
- New Scouts and those who join the Troop after April 4, 2017 will have until April 18, 2017 to make their deposit and qualify for the hat incentive. Camp funds may be used to pay all or part of the cost.

The balance of the fee is payable any time (the sooner the better), but must be paid no later than the June 13th meeting in order to avoid a \$25 late-payment charge. You may use your Camp Fund to pay for all or part of summer camp. Check with the Troop Treasurer Mr. O’Connor for the balance in your scout’s account. ***If there are any hardship issues that may impact your scout’s ability to attend camp, please speak to Mr. Tekverk, Mrs. Stein or Mr. Schlossberg. All such communication is confidential.***

The more scouts that attend camp will drive the costs down. Unless otherwise directed, excess camp fees, for those scouts who attended camp, that were paid by check or cash, will be credited to the Scout’s camp fund and will be administered in accordance with Troop 75’s Camp Fund Policy.

What makes up the cost of camp?

- ***\$435.00 Yawgoog Camp Fee (Up \$5 since last year)***
 - ***\$ 24.00 Approximate cost for 3 Class 3 T shirts***
 - ***\$ 30.00 Approximate cost for Round Trip Orient Ferry***
 - ***\$ 12.00 Round Trip Camp Bus***
 - ***\$ 19.00 Approximate cost for Troop Incidentals***
- \$520.00***

Important Additional Paperwork:

Enclosed with this letter, you’ll find some important papers:

All of these *must* be turned in before camp.

- Permission slip
- Parent Contact Form
- Medication & Allergy / Diet Form

3rd Class Medical Exam Form!!! from your scout’s doctor. (available online) Filled out forms from examination with immunization record is acceptable but the Dr’s signature must be on the initial Class 3 medical form. Please ensure that the forms are complete **3 complete copies of the forms are to be turned in to the troop medical form coordinator. Do not use multiple staples. (Keep your Original)**

The required Medical Form can be found

at: http://www.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-001_ABC.pdf

Completed forms should be turned in as soon as possible and will be accepted at Troop meetings,

Forms must be turned in NLT June 13th Troop Meeting

(Three weeks before the summer camp planning meeting tentatively scheduled for June 28th)

We will be checking all forms to make sure they are properly filled out. Do not make the mistake of waiting until the last minute to turn in your medical form or your scout may have a real problem attending camp.

If you we have not received the forms above, ***your Scout will not be getting on the ferry.*** In this day and age, you can certainly understand that Yawgoog cannot accept Scouts into camp without a medical history and authorization for emergency medical treatment. Neither can the Troop's adult leaders be expected to supervise a Scout for as much as a week without knowing how to quickly contact his parents in case of emergency.

(If you should forget your paperwork you may still attend camp, but you will have to get there on your own and bring the forms with you. Faxing the material to camp or sending it by an overnight express service will *not* be an acceptable alternative.)

Proper Conduct:

Summer camp should be a fantastic time for each and every boy who attends, and with your cooperation we can make sure that it really is. You will be expected to display Scout spirit throughout your week at camp and to conduct yourself in a way that you and the Troop can both be proud of. After all, this is ***Scout*** camp. Yawgoog is definitely not the place to go if you just want to get away from your folks and hang out and goof around for a week. Be reminded that there is no place in Boy Scouting for "initiations" or for treating another Scout in a shameful or potentially harmful way. If either of these is what you have in mind, stay home. If you are unwilling to display Scout-like behavior or to follow rules, you may be restricted from activities or sent home. In either case, you won't have any fun.

More Information:

More information on dates, times, places, things to bring, and program details will be forthcoming as the date approaches. Parents of Scouts attending Summer Camp ***must*** be at the Summer Camp meeting on **June 23rd** just in case we have a problem with your paper work. **REMEMBER ALL PAPERS MUST BE IN BY THE JUNE 7th MEETING.** In the meantime, if you have any questions regarding summer camp, contact Mr. Schlossberg at (631) 375-7119 (evenings between 8 and 10 PM are the best time) or e-mail him at bschlossberg.esq@gmail.com.

Parent Participation:

Parents who meet the training and requirements of registered leaders are allowed to attend camp with the Troop with the understanding that they are there as troop leadership responsible for oversight & guidance of ***"all"*** scouts. **Parent Participation is at the discretion of troop leadership.** The following are requirements in order for a parent or guardian to attend camp.

- **Must be a registered adult BSA member.** As a minimum a parent must be part of the Troop Committee.
- **Have completed ALL of the appropriate on-line BSA Training prior to the June 13th troop meeting (Youth Protection, Fast Start Orientation Training and This is Scouting.**
- **Have a valid Class III medical in force over the camping period.**
- **There is space availability at the campsite for additional adults.**
- The cost for a parent / guardian to attend is approximately \$230 per adult for the week.
- Parents may choose to drive to Yawgoog on their own however; Scouts are expected to travel with their fellow scouts unless there are other exigencies.

You are encouraged to visit the Camp Yawgoog website at: www.yawgoog.org

Troop 75 - 2017 Summer Camp Registration Permission & Payment Slip

Scout: _____
(Print Scouts Name)

Sign me up for a week at Yawgoog Scout Reservation from July 23 to July 30, 2017. I'll pay my fee as follows:

Paid Via (please check all that applies)

I'll pay in full with early Registration: \$ _____ Camp Fund Cash Check / Check # _____

Initial Deposit (\$100): \$ _____ Camp Fund Cash Check / Check # _____

Additional Partial Payment(s) \$ _____ Camp Fund Cash Check / Check # _____

Final Balance: \$ _____ Camp Fund Cash Check / Check # _____
(Due by **June 13th**)

Total \$ 520.00 Paid In Full

(Deduct \$8.00 for each Cass C shirt not ordered or add for quantities over 3)

Class "C" Shirt Order Qty. _____ (3 recommended) Size Adult: **S** **M** **L** **XL**
Please circle

No Shirts This Year _____ Initial: _____

I understand the importance of proper behavior during my week at camp and I agree to act in a proper Scout-like manner. I also agree to have a great time doing all the things Yawgoog makes available!

Scout's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____
(Yes You Have to Sign)

Parent's / Guardian's Part:

I give permission for my son to attend summer camp at Yawgoog Scout Reservation with Troop 75, from July 23 – July 30 2017. I will attend the parent meeting with my son and have the forms completed and turned in on time. I understand that I must be reachable during the week of camp and that I agree to come to camp within 24 hours of being notified if it should become necessary due to medical or behavioral problems. I agree that I will discuss with my son the importance of proper conduct during his week at camp.

Parent / Guardian Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Troop 75 2017 Parent Contact Form For: _____

(Print Scouts Name)

Dear Parents:

With any luck, you'll get a post card or two from your son while he's away at camp and you'll certainly hear all about his week when he gets home. However, we must be able to contact you quickly should it be necessary for you to retrieve him, give medical consent, or otherwise support him at camp.

Please fill out this form and turn it in with the other forms prior to our departure. Your son will not be allowed to board the ferry unless we have this.

If the numbers are the same for each day just fill in the top line and draw an arrow down

2017 SUMMER CAMP CONTACT SHEET

	Daytime Phone #	Nighttime Phone #	Cell Phone #	Other Contact #
Sunday				
Monday				
Tuesday				
Wednesday				
Thursday				
Friday				
Saturday				
Sunday				