



Camp Freedom & Camp Liberty

2011 Parent's Guide

Camp Freedom and Camp Liberty are the two Boy Scout camps at Heritage Reservation.

2011 Camping:

Camp Freedom is our Boy Scout resident camp with a 400+ seat dining hall serving family style meals. Scouts stay a period of six days and have opportunity to participate in a plethora of activities and advancements in our eight program areas.

Camp Liberty is our Boy Scout resident camp that focuses on the patrol method. Scouts prepare their own meals as patrols in the campsite. The ingredients are provided by camp and picked up from the commissary. Scouts stay a period of six days and have opportunity to participate in a plethora of activities and advancements in our eight program areas.

Can't join your unit but still want to go?

If you are not able to attend with your Troop, camp welcomes you to attend on your own. Register online at www.heritagereservation.org or call the Camping Department on (412) 325-7921.

Dietary Needs

Please notify us of any special dietary needs or restrictions two weeks before your arrival using the form available online.

Medical Forms

Every participant must provide a copy of their annual health and medial form and a Heritage Supplemental Medical Form.

What's Unique About Camp...

- Camp Freedom utilizes a dining hall
- Camp Liberty provides patrol cooking.
- For your swimming experience we have beautiful Lake Courage (no pool).
- Units are expected to be involved in activities throughout their stay, so please plan on assisting with campwide duties such as flag ceremonies, manning swim towers on the Waterfront, cleaning the shower building and maintaining a respectable campsite.
- First year Scouts should attend Braddock's Brigade classes to work on skills for rank advancements.
- Scouts who aren't First Class should sign up for Braddock's Brigade and merit badges.
- All Scouts should be given their own copy of their advancement schedules.
- Leaders should make sure that each Scout has chosen programs according to their interests and ability.
- All Scouts taking merit badges should have their blue cards filled out and signed by an adult leader before arriving at camp.
- All Scouts should be made aware of their prerequisites
- All Scouts should read the merit badge pamphlet(s) before coming to camp.

Aquatics

Lake Courage provides the facilities necessary for swimming and boating. The Mile Swim class meets all week.

Braddock's Brigade

Our first year camper program, Braddock's Brigade offers opportunities to help young Scouts complete their Tenderfoot, Second Class and First Class Ranks through classes focusing on Outdoor, First Aid, Ecology Conservation, Swimming and Hiking Skills. Scouts may also come to the area during open program to work on individual requirements.

Eagle Base Programs

Eagle Base offers merit badges for older Scouts looking for more of a challenge, including Electricity, new to Heritage in 2011.

Ecology-Conservation

Newly built nature centers serve as the center of the Eco-Con areas in each camp, offering a wide range of badges to the Scouts of Camp Freedom and Camp Liberty. Scouts are welcomed to come down and check out the research libraries as well as the zoos and aquariums kept each summer.

Field Sports

Archery and Rifle Shooting merit badges are offered at Field Sports, as well as the chance to participate in open shoots each afternoon.



Handicraft

Handicraft welcomes Scouts to their pavillions to work on crafts and other projects, as well as being a workshop for adults and Scouts of all ages throughout the week.

Scoutcraft

Scoutcraft showcases the best of Scouting skills: camping, cooking, orienteering, pioneering and wilderness survival. Stop by for skill demonstrations and activities throughout the week.



Special Programs

Heritage offers a wide variety of special programs for all ages of Scouts:

- Outpost - Available for troops or patrols to camp on the far side of the lake
- Outstanding Acorn Award - New for 2011
- Polar Bear Swim - Join us for an early morning swim
- Iron Man - Test your courage in this grueling challenge
- Orienteering - Find the points set up by "Green Bar" Bill himself.
- Honor Camper, Patrol, Troop - Set goals and work to accomplish them as an individual and group

Open Program

Open program now runs from 3:30-5 each day, allowing more time for personalised instruction, extra help with projects and badges and more time to enjoy what each program area has to offer.

What Campers Should Bring

- Sneakers/Hiking Shoes
- T-Shirts
- Underwear & Socks
- Jeans
- Long-Sleeve Shirts
- Pajamas
- Shorts
- Sweatshirt or Jacket
- Official Scout Uniform
- Swimsuit
- Towel
- Personal Hygiene items
- Sleeping Bag
- Pillow
- Hat
- Watch
- First Aid Kit
- Pocket Knife
- Sunglasses
- Sunscreen
- Rain Gear
- Insect Repellent (non aerosol)
- Flashlight
- Spending Money
- Fishing Gear
- Camera/Film (optional)

More Camping Opportunities

Visit www.heritagereservation.org to learn more about these exciting opportunities:

- Council Wide Camporee
- Winter Weekends
- Beaver Weekend
- Conference Center rentals

Troop Specific Information

DEPARTURE: 8 am Sunday June 19
at Chevy Chase Elementary School (CCES)
4015 Rosemary Street, Chevy Chase, MD 20815

RETURN: 2 pm Saturday June 25 at CCES

Wear Uniform for trip to camp.

No electronics (cell phones, game, ...) at camp.
Bring zip-lock bag with name and give to adult on arrival at camp.

Bring your own tent if you like (optional).

Bring
Sleep pad
Long sleeve shirt and pants for swimming merit badge
Money for fast food on trip to camp

Directions to Heritage: (mileage is cumulative)
Connecticut Ave N to I-495 (1.7 mi)
I-495 to Exit 35 I-270 N (3.8 mi)
I-270 to Exit 32 I-70 W (35.6 mi)
I-70 W to Exit 1A I-68 W (88.3 mi)
I-68 to Exit 14B US 40, Uniontown, PA (154.6 mi)
In 0.8 mi Take left onto US 40 W (155.4 mi)
Enter Pennsylvania (158.8 mi)
Cross bridge over Youghiogheny
Pass Jockey Hollow Visitor Center
Pass large school on right
Enter Wharton Township
Take left onto Dinner Bell Road (172.7 mi)
(just after sign "Heritage Reservation")
Take right into Heritage Reservation (175.4)
Enter circle and take 1st right (175.5 mi).
Follow signs for Liberty.

Throughout our history, we have been providing the best quality programs, and have become a home for many units, Scouters, Scouts and staff. This year, we will maintain the commitment to excellence that Heritage is known for, while going above and beyond with several new programs and services.

Delighted that your unit has chosen to take part in this experience, the directors and key leaders are busy planning an incredible program. We have an exceptional group of staff and directors returning, along with some new faces, to ensure we exceed your unit's expectations.