

RESICA FALLS SCOUT RESERVATION • CRADLE OF LIBERTY COUNCIL, BSA

# Program Guide

SUMMER 2021



For General Information About Your Stay in Camp  
Refer to the Resica Leaders' Guide

# Welcome

March 2021

*Come one Come all!*

*Lords and Ladies – welcome to the realm of Resica, where the Knights of the Bushkill await in an adventure like no other!*

*This 2021 Program Guide will help you on your quest to find adventure this summer. Scouts, adult leaders, and parents alike will find within these pages information related to merit badges and advancement, as well as schedules and overall program details. Much of our program is centered around our summer theme of Knights of the Bushkill.*

*As is to be expected with our ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, many aspects of our program have been tweaked and altered to ensure the safety of all Scouts, leaders, and campers. Read each page carefully to fully understand what changes are in store for our summer program, but a few highlights include:*

- *Smaller merit badge classes to ensure the needs of all campers can be met each week.*
- *Multiple Opening and Closing campfires to accommodate social distancing.*
- *TWO evenings of campwide games to test your skills on both land and sea.*
- *Units will be divided into two groups – Oakenfield Swords and Riverbend Shields – to participate in a variety of program activities. These two groups will make social distancing easier for all participants, while adding a fun themed element to the week. The times for each group will be posted at the program activities that are separated by group, and will also be listed in the daily newsletters.*

*Make sure you also review the 2021 Leaders' Guide for important dates, health & safety information, and key details about the operation of camp. This includes revised check-in and check-out procedures, along with our general COVID-19 protocols. Together, these two documents will make your stay at Resica Falls – and the planning leading up to it – a rewarding experience.*

*If you have any questions concerning the program at Resica Falls, do not hesitate to contact us via email. You may also contact the Cradle of Liberty Council Camping Office at (610) 688-6900 or [camping@colbsa.org](mailto:camping@colbsa.org). We are here to serve you. Thanks for your timeless dedication to Scouting, and we look forward to seeing you in camp.*

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# Program Overview



## 2021 THEME – Knights of the Bushkill

**S**ummer Camp is an epic adventure, full of scouting skills and incredible fun, and we are excited you'll be joining the action at Big Springs Camp. Resica Falls has been in operation since 1957, continuing to offer a highly qualified program in a fun atmosphere for all of its participants. We plan on continuing this tradition while instilling Scouting's values in our youth campers.

Whether your Scouts are first year campers participating in our Resica Rangers program, or are experienced Scouts participating in High 5 Adventure Club, we are here to assist your Troop in offering a quality experience to complement your year-round program. We offer many activities to keep your Scouts busy during their stay at camp. They may choose to work on Merit Badges taught by our trained staff in one of our many program areas, or they may want to participate in a patrol activity such as riding mountain bikes on our back woods paths, or just hike on the trails of our 4000+ acre property. They may want to take a cool dip in any one of our vast array of swimming holes on the Bushkill Creek. Whatever you choose - Enjoy!

**There are a variety of ways the campers can participate in the program:**

**FOR THE SCOUT:** Merit Badge programs and advancement opportunities are designed to help the Scout meet their own personal advancement goals. In addition, awards are made during the week to individuals who demonstrate particular skills.

**FOR THE PATROL:** Baden-Powell once said that the patrol was the secret of the success of Scouting. One job of summer camp is to strengthen patrols. There are a variety of events throughout the week are planned to do just that.

**FOR THE TROOP:** Troops will also have the opportunity to compete and work with each other, in demonstrating their unit pride and Troop skills. Campsite inspections will be on a Troop basis. These inspections, along with unit projects, can lead to unit awards.

Attending Scout camp is the greatest experience that any Troop will have during the year. Each SCOUT has fun in the great outdoors. Each TROOP LEADER becomes more responsible. Each PATROL functions as a team. Your Troop will be a better Troop as a result of your Scout Camp experience. The opportunity to get to know and understand your Scouts will never be better.

# Program Overview (Continued)

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## HERE ARE SOME DO'S AND DONT'S ON UNIT PROGRAMMING

### *DO:*

1. Allow patrols to plan and carry out some of the things they thought of and want to do.
2. Allow for and suggest some time a Scout can “go and do with a pal or two.”
3. Be sure there is personal achievement and fun in the program.
4. Set a tone that will give your Troop site real class. Insist on manners, good fellowship, sportsmanship, clean fun, and a clean camp.
5. Keep in touch with what’s happening in the Camp-visit program areas where your Scouts are involved. Get verbal reports everyday from your junior leaders.
6. Allow your program commissioner to help you ensure the success of your week in camp.

### *DON'T:*

1. Allow too many activities to be scheduled. Camping should be recreational and not stressful.
2. Be alarmed if things happen that are not in the schedule. Some circumstances warrant changes in plans.
3. Emphasize activities and advancement that can be better done at home. Indoor games and “city” badges detract from the purpose of coming to camp.
4. Give Scouts a title and a leadership job and then do the leading yourself.
5. Allow a programming problem to put a damper on your week in camp. Bring it to the attention of your program commissioner as soon as you are aware of it for quick resolution.



# Advancement at Camp

1. Summer camp is an ideal place for Scouts to earn many of the outdoor Merit Badges. Our Camp Staff is ready and willing to support your unit's advancement needs.
2. Each unit leader should prepare a detailed advancement plan before leaving for camp, to include:
  - a. Setting realistic goals for each Scout to discourage making the number of merit badges earned a primary summer camp objective. (We suggest three to four badges.)
  - b. Review with each Scout the merit badges they plan to earn. Scouts should be familiar with the requirements in advance. We recommend that they have the merit badge pamphlet for each badge. (The Merit Badge Opportunity pages detail which merit badges are offered and which requirements need to be completed prior to camp.)
  - c. Evidence of partials from the Scout's local "home" counselor must be presented to the camp counselor. The "Application for Merit Badge" card has a section to record partials. Acceptance of partials is at the discretion of the merit badge counselor.
  - d. Filled-out merit badge blue cards for every badge the Scouts plan to work on.
3. A merit badge is an individual project for each Scout and should follow the same procedure as those at home. The camp staff will function as both instructors and counselors. Unit leaders should monitor the advancement progress of their Scouts throughout the week and help them work out difficulties that may develop. The camp staff will be trained in merit badge procedures and empathetic to the needs of individual Scouts. You will also find the staff responsive to solutions to advancement problems.

## ADVANCEMENT AND YOUR PROGRAM

Program is the total experience of living in camp. Advancement is not an end in itself, but rather the result of a good program. It should be achieved through a natural experience. A Scout advances by doing things with their patrol, Troop, Leaders, and on their own. As an example, fires are built for cooking, but also fellowship - not just to pass a test. Consequently, in the act of building a fire, the skill of handling an ax or saw is put into play. Thus, two

skills are applied. We should therefore, plan activities that will give a Scout opportunities to use their skills for a functional purpose and to demonstrate their proficiency naturally. A natural experience should have the following four elements: The Scout Prepares; The Scout Qualifies; The Scout is Reviewed; The Scout Receives Recognition.

## KEEPING TRACK OF SCOUT ADVANCEMENT

There are three individuals that have the direct responsibility to keep track of each merit badge a Scout is working on in camp.

- The merit badge counselor will keep the official record of each Scout taking merit badges. The counselor's records will reflect an up to the minute review of where each Scout stands in completing a badge.
- Each individual Scout should be aware of their own progress of completing each of the merit badges they are attempting.
- Camp leaders should communicate with the Scouts on their progress on merit badges and with the individual merit badge counselors. Counselor records may be reviewed at anytime a counselor is available.

## PROGRAM PROGRESSION

### FIRST YEAR CAMPERS

- Resica Ranger Program
- Limited Merit Badge Program
- Troop Trips
- Campwide Games

### SECOND YEAR CAMPERS

- Full Merit Badge Program
- Patrol Award
- Troop Trips
- Campwide Games
- Mile Swim

### THIRD YEAR CAMPERS

- Full Merit Badge Program
- High 5 Adventure Club
- Troop Trips
- Campwide Games

### FOURTH YEAR CAMPERS

- Full Merit Badge Program
- High 5 Adventure Club
- Campwide Games
- Red Cross Lifeguard
- Troop Trips
- ATV Program

# About Merit Badges

To have a successful experience in the merit badge program, your Scouts must begin to prepare at home, continue at camp, and stick with it. Some merit badges can be completed during the camp period. Others, however, have requirements for observations, tests or record keeping over a prolonged period. Make sure each Scout has not only thoroughly reviewed the requirements of their sought after badge, but has prepared before leaving for camp. Whenever possible, have the Scout complete time-requiring portions of the requirements in advance of camp. Make sure that they have all certificates of completion with them.

To help your Scouts in earning merit badges, we offer the following suggestions that you may wish to include in your camp planning - don't allow over scheduling. We set no limit on the number of badges a Scout can attempt, but sometimes their desires are bigger than their time or abilities allow.

Experience tells us for the first year camper, no more than three merit badges; for the older, experienced camper, a normal maximum of four merit badges per week is suggested. Scouts are in camp for many things other than merit badges, and they should not miss out on other opportunities. You know their capabilities, so guide them in being realistic.

Provide merit badge blue cards to your Scouts and see they complete all the required information. Make sure that you sign it, so that they will be ready to give it to their counselor at the first session. Scouts unable to complete all badge requirements in camp will receive a partial.

**Requirements-** Merit Badge requirements are as stated in the current edition of the Scouts BSA Requirements Book. It is important that the troop set out an individual plan for each Scout well before camp, taking into account advanced preparation and the appropriate abilities of each Scout.

**Advanced Preparation-** The staff at Resica Falls takes great pride in the skill instruction at camp. Therefore we feel that there is no reason any requirement can be waived simply because it can not be completed at camp. Under these conditions, some badges will require work to be completed prior to your week at camp. Please see the Merit Badge Opportunities pages for specific information on any advance work required for each merit badge.

**Sign ups- Merit Badge sign ups will be required this year through Doubleknot and will begin on April 1st.**

A unit leader should log each Scout's merit badge choices into our online system at least a week prior to the unit's arrival to camp. The earlier you are the better, all badges have a maximum capacity.

**Registration is available once Scouts have been registered and named in Doubleknot.**

**Records-** Records will be available in each program area during the day. Leaders are encouraged to check these records as necessary. Merit badge cards will be placed in the Troop's mail box at the camp office as badges are completed.

**Partials-** Scouts that will need to miss merit badge class time due to a troop trip, their involvement in the Order of the Arrow, or for any circumstance should schedule a makeup session with their counselor as soon as possible. It is imperative that Scouts make arrangements with their Scoutmaster and merit badge counselor in order to complete the merit badge.

**Reconciliation-** Beginning at 2:30 on Friday afternoon, area directors will be in the **STEM Center** to help handle any problems.

**Lost/Missing Blue Cards-** Requests for lost/missing blue cards can be sent to [programdirector@resicafalls.org](mailto:programdirector@resicafalls.org) Requests should include Name, Year, Week in Camp, Troop #, Merit Badge, and a mailing address to send the new blue card to.



# Merit Badge Opportunities



Listed in alphabetical order below are the merit badges that will be offered at camp. Next to each badge are the requirements that must be completed or started BEFORE the Scout arrives in camp. If they are completed to the satisfaction of the counselor, the badge may be earned at camp, otherwise the Scout may receive a partial. With all merit badges, Scouts should become familiar with the requirements before coming to camp. Merit Badge Pamphlets should be obtained and studied prior to the Scout's arrival to insure familiarity with the merit badges they choose to work towards. Some merit badge requirements require "advanced preparation" by the scouts. The specifics of this depend on the requirement, but generally Scouts should be familiar with the information that the requirement covers.



**Automotive Maintenance Merit Badge has been added for the 2021 Camping Season. (See Details Below)**

Merit Badge	Prerequisites	Cost	Level (year)	Max. Class Capacity	Location
American Heritage	3C and 4 must be completed before camp		2	10	Civics
Animal Science	6 must be completed before camp		2	10	Ecology
Archeology	11 must be completed before camp. Advanced preparation for 4 and 5 is necessary		2	10	NAV
Archery	Advanced preparation for 1C is necessary	\$10.00	3	16	Archery
Art	6 must be completed before camp		1	10	Handicraft
Astronomy	5B must be completed before camp. Weather might affect completion of this badge. Night meetings required.		2	10	Ecology
Athletics	3 and 5 must be completed before camp		2	10	Sports
Automotive Maintenance	11 and 12 must be completed before camp		3	10	Shop
Basketry	No advanced preparation is necessary	\$15.00	1	10	Handicraft

# Merit Badge Opportunities (Continued)

Merit Badge	Prerequisites	Cost	Level (year)	Max. Class Capacity	Location
Bird Study	8 must be completed before camp. advanced preparation for 5 is necessary. Early morning meetings are required		2	10	Ecology
Camping	2, 4B, 5E, 7B, 8D and 9 must be completed before camp.		2	15	Scoutcraft
Canoeing	Must pass swim test. Experience with canoe is necessary		2	10	Lake
Chemistry	Advanced preparation for 3 and 7 is necessary		2	15	STEM
Citizenship in the Nation	2, 3, and 8 must be completed before camp. Advanced preparation for 6 is necessary		3	15	Civics
Citizenship in the World	7 must be completed before camp. Advanced preparation for 3 is necessary		3	15	Civics
Climbing	Advanced preparation for 1 and 7 is necessary		4	12	COPE
Cooking	Only some parts of 5 and 6 will be completed at camp. Additional requirements (4,5 and 6) must be completed after camp		3	10	Scoutcraft
Electricity	2 and 9 must be completed before camp		3	10	STEM
Electronics	No advanced preparation is necessary	\$10.00	3	15	STEM
Emergency Preparedness	Must have First Aid Merit Badge. 7 must be completed before camp. Advanced preparation for 6, 8 and 9 is necessary		3	10	Health Lodge
Engineering	4 must be completed before camp. Advanced preparation for 1 and 6 is necessary		4	10	STEM
Environmental Science	3E and 4 must be completed before camp. Advanced preparation for 6 is necessary		3	15	Ecology
Exploration	No Advanced preparation is necessary		3	10	Scoutcraft
Fingerprinting	No Advanced preparation is necessary		1	10	Handicraft
Fire Safety	6A, 11 and 12 must be completed before camp		1	10	Scoutcraft
First Aid	5A must be completed before camp		1	15	Health Lodge
Fish and Wildlife Management	Advanced preparation for 7 is necessary		2	10	Ecology
Fishing	No advanced preparation is necessary		3	10	Lake
Fly Fishing	No advanced preparation is necessary		3	10	NAV
Forestry	5 and 8 must be completed before camp		1	15	Ecology
Game Design	No advanced preparation is necessary		2	15	Sports
Geocaching	7 must be completed before camp		2	10	Scoutcraft
Geology	4B must be completed before camp		1	10	Ecology
Indian Lore	No advanced preparation is necessary		1	10	NAV
Insect Study	9, 10 and 13 must be completed before camp		2	10	Ecology
Kayaking	Must pass swim test. Experience with kayaks is necessary		2	10	Lake
Law	4 and 7 must be completed before camp		1	10	Civics

# Merit Badge Opportunities (Continued)

Merit Badge	Pre Requisites	Cost	Level (year)	Max. Class Capacity	Location
Leatherwork	No advanced preparation is necessary	\$10.00	1	10	Handicraft
Lifesaving	Must pass swim test. 1A must be completed before camp. Bring long pants and a long sleeved button down shirt for requirement 9		3	10	Pool
Mammel Study	No advanced preparation is necessary		1	15	Ecology
Moviemaking	No advanced preparation is necessary		3	10	STEM
Nature	No advanced preparation is necessary		1	10	Ecology
Oceanography	Advanced preparation for 7 is necessary		2	10	Ecology
Orienteering	Requirement 8 is a major undertaking and scouts should be prepared to devote significant time to complete the requirement		2	10	Scoutcraft
Personal Fitness	1B must be completed before camp. Advanced preparation for 7 and 8 is necessary. Bring Physical and dental examination forms.		3	15	Sports
Photography	1B must be completed before camp. Scouts must bring digital camera		2	10	STEM
Pioneering	Recommended that scouts taking the badge are at least First Class rank. Experience with basic knots, lashings and splicing is necessary		3	10	Scoutcraft
Plumbing	No advanced preparation is necessary	\$5.00	3	10	Shop
Pottery	No advanced preparation is necessary		3	10	Handicraft
Public Speaking	No advanced preparation is necessary		2	10	Civics
Pulp and Paper	No advanced preparation is necessary		1	10	Handicraft
Radio	No advanced preparation is necessary		3	10	STEM
Reptile and Amphibian Study	8 must be completed before camp. General knowledge of reptiles and amphibians is necessary		2	10	Ecology
Rifle Shooting	1F needs to be completed before camp. Only option A is available at camp.		3	10	Shooting Sports
Robotics	Advanced preparation for 7 is necessary		4	10	STEM
Rowing	Must pass swim test. Certain alternatives in requirement 4 must be completed before camp. Experience with rowboats is necessary		3	10	Lake
Sculpture	2C must be completed before camp		2	10	Handicraft
Search and Rescue	Advanced preparation for 4 is necessary		2	10	Health Lodge
Shotgun Shooting	1F must be completed before camp. Only Option A is available at camp	\$30.00	3	6	Shooting Sports
Small-boat Sailing	Must pass swim test. Experience with sailboats and sailing is necessary. Weather conditions can effect the completion of badge. Some requirements will be unable to be completed in camp.		3	10	Lake
Soil and Water Conservation	No advanced preparation is necessary		2	10	Ecology
Space Exploration	No advanced preparation is necessary	\$15.00	2	10	STEM
Sports	4 and 5A must be completed before camp		2	10	Sports

# Merit Badge Opportunities (Continued)

Merit Badge	Pre Requisites	Cost	Level (year)	Max. Class Capacity	Location
Swimming	Must pass swim test		1	20	Pool
Weather	9 Must be completed before camp		2	10	Ecology
Welding	Scouts must wear jeans for all class sessions	\$10.00	4	10	Shop
Wilderness Survival	Advanced preparation for 2 and 5 is necessary. General knowledge of edible plants is necessary.		2	10	Scoutcraft
Wood Carving	Scouts must have Totin' Chip. Experience in carving is necessary.	\$10.00	1	10	Handicraft

**For the Summer of 2021 we will be using the most up to date requirements for each Merit Badge**





# 2021 Resica Falls Merit Badge Schedule

## SINGLE SESSION MERIT BADGE CLASSES

9:15 – 10:00	10:15 – 11:00	11:15 – 12:00	2:15 – 3:10	3:25 – 4:20
American Heritage (CIV)	Art (H)	Animal Science (ECO)	Archaeology (NAV)	Art (H)
Archaeology (NAV)	Athletics (S)	Citizenship in the World (CIV)	Athletics (S)	Chemistry (STEM)
Astronomy (ECO)	Auto Maintenance (SHOP)	Electronics (STEM)	Auto Maintenance (SHOP)	Citizenship in the World (CIV)
Chemistry (STEM)	Basketry (H)	Fingerprinting (H)	Basketry (H)	Emergency Prep (HL)
Citizenship in the World (CIV)	Bird Study (ECO)	First Aid (HL)	Camping (SC)	Engineering (STEM)
Fingerprinting (H)	Camping (SC)	Fish & Wildlife Mgt. (ECO)	Citizenship in the Nation (CIV/CS)	Exploration (SC)
Fire Safety (SC)	Citizenship in the Nation (CIV)	Fly Fishing (NAV)	Electricity (STEM)	First Aid (HL)
First Aid (HL)	Electronics (STEM)	Leatherwork (H)	Emergency Prep (HL)	Fly Fishing (NAV)
Forestry (ECO)	Emergency Prep. (HL)	Moviemaking (STEM)	Environmental Science (ECO)	Geochaching (SC)
Leatherwork (H)	Environmental Science (ECO)	Oceanography (ECO)	Fire Safety (SC)	Geology (ECO)
Mammal Study (ECO)	Exploration (SC)	Orienteering (SC)	Forestry (ECO)	Insect Study (ECO)
Personal Fitness (S)	Game Design (S)	Personal Fitness (S)	Game Design (S)	Mammal Study (ECO)
Pioneering (SC)	Geochaching (SC)	Plumbing (SHOP)	Nature (ECO)	Personal Fitness (S)
Plumbing (SHOP)	Indian Lore (NAV)	Public Speaking (CIV)	Photography (STEM)	Pioneering (SC)
Sculpture (H)	Law (CIV)	Radio (STEM)	Pulp & Paper (H)	Plumbing (SHOP)
Search & Rescue (HL)	Photography (STEM)	Sculpture (H)	Space Exploration (STEM)	Sports (S)
Soil & Water Cons. (ECO)	Rep. & Amph. Study (ECO)	Search & Rescue (HL)	Wilderness Survival (SC)	Weather (ECO)
Space Exploration (STEM)	Swimming (POOL)	Sports (S)		Wood Carving (H)
Sports (S)	Wood Carving (H)	Swimming (POOL)		
Swimming (POOL)		Wilderness Survival (SC)		

## DOUBLE SESSION MERIT BADGE CLASSES

9:15 - 10:40	10:45 - 12:00	2:15 - 3:45
Archery (A)	Archery (A)	Canoeing (LAKE)
Canoeing (LAKE)	Canoeing (LAKE)	Climbing (COPE)
Cooking (SC)	Cooking (SC)	Cooking (SC)
Fishing (LAKE)	Kayaking (LAKE)	Fishing (LAKE)
Kayaking (LAKE)	Lifesaving (POOL)	Kayaking (LAKE)
Lifesaving (POOL)	Rifle Shooting (SS)	Pioneering (SC)
Rifle Shooting (SS)	Rowing (LAKE)	Pottery (H)
Robotics (STEM)	Shotgun Shooting (SS)	Robotics (STEM)
Rowing (LAKE)	Small Boat Sailing (LAKE)	Small Boat Sailing (LAKE)
Shotgun Shooting (SS)	Welding (SHOP)	Welding (SHOP)
Welding (SHOP)		



# Program Highlights

## Daily Instruction

(Monday - Thursday 9:15 am to 4:20 pm)

See merit badge schedule on page 10 for specific times that merit badges are offered. Please note that some merit badge require 75 minute periods. These can also be found on page 10.

## Shop

In 2021, Big Springs Camp has expanded its Shop to include Automotive Maintenance Merit Badge! The Shop is located past our Native American Village, on your way toward the camp entrance. Make sure you stop by The Shop to earn a badge or two or to just find out more information about the program!

## Handicraft Lodge

Art enthusiasts and crafters unite! Stop by the Handicraft Lodge located across from the Mohawk Campsite along the camp road to create projects and earn badges. The lodge also features kilns for Pottery and Sculptures!

## ATV Program

Are you a scout looking to kick it up a notch this summer? Our ATV program is offered to Scouts 16 years of age and older and offers an experience to learn about ATV's, safety and have the opportunity to take guided rides around camp. More information is available on page 20 of this guide.

## Native American Village

Using the history of the Lenni Lenape and of the Village of Resaca, the Native American Village lets Scouts explore lore and legends of Native Americans

and of Resaca falls. In addition, Scouts will have the opportunity to learn how to go on archeology digs to find relics in other communities.

## Rangers

This year the Rangers will have an opportunity to explore many different areas in camp at the end of their day to get a taste of camp. This will be happening Monday Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons 4-5pm. The areas they will be exploring are the rifle range, STEM, and the Native American Village (NAV).

## Costume Weapons Policy

If you are dressing up in a costume for camp this year, please note the following policy regarding weapons. All prop weapons must be such that it is impossible of taking an edge and must be easily identifiable as a prop. As an example, a prop sword should be made out of foam, plastic, or wood, instead of metal. Any prop ranged weapons should be unable to be fired (toy crossbows/bows without strings, quivers with bolts or arrows glued in place). Any Scout or leader found in violation of this policy will have their prop confiscated and held until check out. If you have a question or concern regarding this policy, please email the program director.

## Lunch and Clubs

Every day we will offer a different lunch club. During your club period, Scouts can choose different sporting or gaming activities to challenge each other or the staff to a friendly game.

# Program Highlights (Continued)

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Lunch Gold 12:15- 12:40  
Lunch Club Gold 12:50 - 1:15  
Siesta Gold 1:25 - 1:50  
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Siesta Green 12:15-12:40  
Lunch Green 12:50-1:15  
Lunch Club Green 1:25-1:50

Lunch Club Purple 12:15-12:40  
Siesta Purple 12:50-1:15  
Lunch Purple 1:25-1:50

## Campers Council

(Monday-Friday 12:05 pm at Resica Rangers Amphitheater)

This forum of the camp's principal youth leaders, the senior patrol leaders, will gather each day to review the program and discuss concerns of the camp. Therefore, it is extremely important that your senior patrol leader, or designated representative, be present at each meeting to ensure your unit's representation

## Campwide Tournament of Knights

(Monday - 7:30 pm)

Join the Resica Falls Camp Staff and your fellow scouts in a fun and exciting night to prove yourselves as Knights of the realm. Explore the faire and compete in various competitions to prove yourselves to the King of the Falls.

## Gateway Competition

(Judged Friday by 12:00 pm)

Troops are encouraged to design and build a creative gateway to their campsite using the theme, Knights of the Bushkill. As well as a house banner to represent their troop at events around camp. The Troop with the most creative gateway as well as the most creative banner will be recognized in the Closing Ceremony.

## Race of Kings

(Tuesday- 7:15 pm)

Young Knights (14 years of age or older) seeking to prove their strength, stamina, and skill will be put to the test through many trials around the reservation. The Race of Kings consists of delivering a message to the King and on the journey running, kayaking and Archery shooting. Join us to test your endurance and skill.

## Moat Mayhem

(Tuesday 7:30pm)

Gather back young adventurers for it is time yet again to prove yourselves. While Monday night you proved your valor on land, on this day you shall prove it in water. Join the Resica Falls Camp Staff and your fellow campers for a night of water themed fun on the parade field.

## Catapult Competition

(Thursday 7:20pm)

READY. AIM. RELEASE. Together we must band together to fight back against those that wish to see the downfall of our realm. Units should plan on constructing (using lashings) a Catapult (no taller than 6 feet) that is able to launch a softball sized projectile. The unit that creates the most accurate device shall be recognized during the closing ceremony.

## Dutch Oven Dessert Challenge & Leaders' Swim and Barbecue

(Monday - 9:00 pm)

Adult leaders are invited to the pool for some fun and a swim. In addition you are invited to cook up your special dessert recipe in a Dutch Oven. Your dessert should be Medieval themed and will be judged by our select panel of judges. Camp can provide a Dutch Oven and some basic ingredients such as flour, sugar, etc. Any exotic ingredients should be brought to camp. Make arrangements with your commissioner for any needs you require from the camp.

## Rescalibur

Legend holds of a blade stuck in stone by kings long ago. And the one who is able to free it from the stone is foretold to become a true hero of the realm. While the blade has been found it remains locked by ancient magic. Be first to draw the sword by deciphering the runes, solve the riddle, and free the blade.

## Quest Board

Adventurers are able to find quests on the walls of taverns across the land. And the Kingdom of Resica is no different. Scouts, Patrols, and Units can find a quest they wish to attempt and should they complete it, reap the rewards promised.

# Program Highlights (Continued)

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## Campfire Night

(Wednesday Night)

On Wednesday night we encourage troops to plan their own campfires of skits, goofs, revelry, and fun times in their campsite. If troops wish they can invite their favorite staff members to attend their campfires and share in the fun! The campfire circle is the heart of the campsite and can provide an opportunity for lifelong memories among your troop.

## Twilight Programs

(Thursday at 7:30 pm)

During the early evening on Tuesday and Thursday, a variety of twilight programs will take place. These include Twilight Boating on Lake Roger, Twilight COPE at the COPE Course, Archery at the Archery Range and Cowboy Action Shooting at the Rifle Range. Pay attention in camp to see which events are happening on what night to enjoy in all the sunset fun.

## Friday Afternoon Closing Ceremony

(Friday 2:00 and 3:00 alternating depending on your schedule)

Join us as we recognize all of the winners and participants from your camp-wide activities. You won't want to miss this fun and exciting closing ceremony, which will include the slide show of your week in camp!

## OA Call-Out

(Wednesday 8:15 pm)

We urge all Troops to get involved in the Order of the Arrow program here at Resica Falls. The OA Call-out will recognize those who have been elected to Scouting's National Honor Society.

## Religious Services

All Faith Service-Wednesday-7:30 - 8:15 pm

A Scout is Reverent. Join us for our staff-led religious services – uniforms are appropriate. If your troop would like to coordinate a service of a particular faith, we would be happy to help you plan and run it.

## Patrol Style Cooking

Patrol method cooking is available for those troops or patrols that want to experience the cook-your-own style resident camp. Troops or patrols can choose this option for any number of meals including the entire week. **If you wish to cook all week in your campsite please speak with the camp director, prior to your week in camp.** Those that wish to cook a meal in their site should talk to their camp commissioner. **Bringing your own equipment is encouraged however;** any units that do not have the proper cooking equipment can talk to the **camp administration** about borrowing the equipment they need.

## Leaders Program

(See Schedule on Pg. 19)

Adult leaders are encouraged to participate in all activities in camp. This includes sitting in on your Scout's merit badges and supporting them during campwide activities. In addition, there are special programs and contests designed specifically for leaders. These will be announced throughout the week and posted on all the bulletin boards.



# Resica Falls

## 2021 Master Schedule

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:00	Reveille	Reveille	Reveille	Reveille	Reveille
7:15	Breakfast Gold	Breakfast Gold	Breakfast Gold	Breakfast Gold	Breakfast Gold
7:50	Breakfast Green	Breakfast Green Polar Bear Oakenfield Swords	Breakfast Green Polar Bear Oakenfield Swords	Breakfast Green Polar Bear Oakenfield Swords	Breakfast Green Polar Bear Oakenfield Swords
8:25	Breakfast Purple	Breakfast Purple Polar Bear Riverbend Shields	Breakfast Purple Polar Bear Riverbend Shields	Breakfast Purple Polar Bear Riverbend Shields	Breakfast Purple Polar Bear Riverbend Shields
8:50	Morning Colors	Morning Colors	Morning Colors	Morning Colors	Morning Colors
9:15	High Five Merit Badges Resica Rangers IOLS Training (10:15 AM)	High Five Merit Badges Resica Rangers Leader Specific Training	High Five Merit Badges Resica Rangers Coffee Drinking MB CPR Training (10:15 AM)	High Five Merit Badges Resica Rangers	High Five Merit Badges Resica Rangers IOLS Training Part 2 (10:15 AM)
11:45	Safe Swim Defense Safety Afloat	Climb on Safely	Leave No Trace	Trek on Safety	
12:05	Campers Council Meeting	Campers Council Meeting	Campers Council Meeting	Campers Council Meeting	Campers Council Meeting
12:15	Lunch Gold	Lunch Gold	Lunch Gold	Lunch Gold	Lunch Gold
12:50	Lunch Green	Lunch Green	Lunch Green	Lunch Green	Lunch Green
1:25	Lunch Purple	Lunch Purple	Lunch Purple	Lunch Purple	Lunch Purple
2:15	Merit Badges Resica Rangers Home Away From Home	Merit Badges Resica Rangers	Merit Badges Resica Rangers Scout with Special Needs	Merit Badges Resica Rangers Napping Merit Badge Mile Swim	Packing Time (2:00 PM) Blue Card Reconciliation & Check-out (2:30 PM)
3:30	Free Swim Leader's Know-How	Free Swim Leader's Know-How	Free Swim Leader's Know-How	Free Swim Leader's Know-How	Closing Ceremony (3:30 PM)
5:15	Dinner Gold	Dinner Gold	Dinner Gold	Dinner Gold	Departure from Camp 4:30PM
5:50	Dinner Green	Dinner Green	Dinner Green	Dinner Green	
6:20	Dinner Purple	Dinner Purple	Dinner Purple	Dinner Purple	
6:30	Colors and Retreat	Colors and Retreat	Colors and Retreat	Colors and Retreat	
7:30	Tournament of Knights	Race of Kings (7:15PM) MOAT Mayhem	All Faith Service (7:30PM) OA Callout (8:15PM)	Catapult Competition (7:20PM) Twilight Program Resica Ranger Overnighter Wilderness Survival Overnighter OA Inductions	
9:00	Star Talk Leaders' Swim and BBQ Leaders' Dutch Oven Dessert Challenge	Star Talk (Backup)	Star Talk (Backup) Pre-Ordeal	OA Ice Cream Social (9:30PM)	
10:00	Taps	Taps	Taps	Taps	Taps

# Resica Falls 2021 Pool Schedule

<b>TIME</b>	<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>
7:50-8:15	POOL CLOSED	Polar Bear A	Polar Bear A	Polar Bear A	Polar Bear A
8:25-8:50	POOL CLOSED	Polar Bear B	Polar Bear B	Polar Bear B	Polar Bear B
9:15-10:00	Swimming MB	Swimming MB	Swimming MB	Swimming MB	Swimming MB
9:15-10:40	Lifesaving MB	Lifesaving MB	Lifesaving MB	Lifesaving MB	Lifesaving MB
10:15-11:00	Swimming MB	Swimming MB	Swimming MB	Swimming MB	Swimming MB
10:45-12:00	Lifesaving MB	Lifesaving MB	Lifesaving MB	Lifesaving MB	Lifesaving MB
11:15-12:00	Swimming MB	Swimming MB	Swimming MB	Swimming MB	Swimming MB
11:15-2:15	Red Cross Lifeguard	Red Cross Lifeguard	Red Cross Lifeguard	Red Cross Lifeguard	Red Cross Lifeguard
2:15-3:10	Instructional Swim Resica Rangers Swim	Instructional Swim Resica Rangers Swim	Instructional Swim Resica Rangers Swim	Instructional Swim Resica Rangers Swim	POOL CLOSED
3:00-3:30	Mile Swim Build Up	Mile Swim Build Up	Mile Swim Build Up	Mile Swim	POOL CLOSED
3:30-4:30	Free Swim	Free Swim	Free Swim	Free Swim	POOL CLOSED
<b>EVENING</b>	Leader's Swim w/ Ranger Nick (9:00-10:00 pm)	Moat Mayhem (7:30-9:00 pm)	POOL CLOSED	Night Owl Swim (8:30-9:30)	POOL CLOSED

# Resica Falls

## 2021 Lake Schedule

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9:15-10:40	Canoeing, Fishing Kayaking, Rowing	Canoeing, Fishing Kayaking, Rowing	Canoeing, Fishing Kayaking, Rowing	Canoeing, Fishing Kayaking, Rowing	Canoeing, Fishing Kayaking, Rowing
10:45-12:00	Canoeing, Kayaking Rowing, Small Boat Sailing	Canoeing, Kayaking Rowing, Small Boat Sailing	Canoeing, Kayaking Rowing, Small Boat Sailing	Canoeing, Kayaking Rowing, Small Boat Sailing	Canoeing, Kayaking Rowing, Small Boat Sailing
2:15-3:45	Canoeing, Kayaking, Small Boat Sailing, Fishing Paddlercraft Safety Training (2:15-4:30)	Canoeing, Kayaking, Small Boat Sailing, Fishing Paddlercraft Safety Training (2:15-4:30)	Canoeing, Kayaking, Small Boat Sailing, Fishing	Canoeing, Kayaking, Small Boat Sailing, Fishing	LAKE CLOSED
3:50-4:40	Open Boating	Open Boating	Open Boating BSA Stand-Up Paddleboarding	Open Boating BSA Stand-Up Paddleboarding	LAKE CLOSED
EVENING	LAKE CLOSED	Race of Kings (7:15 pm)	LAKE CLOSED	Twilight Boating (7:30 pm)	LAKE CLOSED

**NOTE: Because of the distance to the lake, Scouts should plan to spend the entire morning OR their entire afternoon at the lake so it does not interfere with the timing of other merit badges. Scouts WILL NOT HAVE TIME to take a badge at the lake and schedule a session immediately following in the main camp. All boats should be to shore by 4:40 pm.**

# Resica Rangers— First Year Camper Program



**R**esica Falls is proud to introduce our new First Year Camper Program. The Resica Rangers program is based on the new requirements and will cover skills necessary for Scout through First Class. The Resica Rangers program will be a full day of skill instruction, camp exploration, and engaging patrol activities.

## About The Program!

Our First Year Camper Program is one of the most important programs we offer in camp. A positive experience in camp will help determine a new Scout's length of stay in Scouting. This program is designed to meet the needs of our youngest campers by reinforcing the values of Scouting and the Patrol Method through a fun, hands-on program. The Resica Rangers program has been created with leader concerns, merit badge opportunities, and unit activity scheduling in mind.

## What's New?

- An improved First Year Camper area with individual and specialized instruction areas for different skills and patrols, as well as a central meeting area.
- The Resica Rangers program will consist of a full-day program with Scouts placed in patrols to reinforce the Patrol Method.
- Skill instruction will take place between 9:15 am to 12:00 pm, and 2:15 pm to 4:20 pm each day. On Thursday afternoon and evening, Rangers will also participate in a five-mile hike and overnighiter.

- In addition to Scout skills and rank advancement requirements, Rangers will have the opportunity to earn Astronomy and Nature merit badges.
- Those Rangers who pass the BSA Swim Test will additionally work on Swimming merit badge with their patrol. Those Rangers who are Starters or Beginners will work on Instructional Swimming with their patrol.

The Resica Rangers program is not meant to replace any skill instruction or Troop activity, but we hope to work with the Troops to ensure that each Scout that goes through our program learns more about Scouting and the outdoors. Units with Scouts participating in the Resica Rangers program are encouraged to provide a leader or two throughout the week to aid with instruction.

There are a few things we would like each Scout to bring to camp to ensure Resica Rangers runs smoothly. The list includes:

- Backpack (daypack)
- Canteen or water bottle
- Scouts BSA handbook (Scout's name on it)
- Hiking Boots suitable for a 5-mile hike
- Swim Suit and Towel
- Rain gear
- Sunscreen and Insect repellent
- A tent for each Scout for the overnighiter

# Advancement Skills Covered by Resica Rangers

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## Scout

- (1a-f) Scout Oath/Law, Scout Spirit, Scout Sign, Salute & Handshake, First Class Badge Description, Outdoor Code, and Pledge of Allegiance
- (2) describe troop leadership, advancement, ranks, merit badges
- (3) patrol method, patrol name/cheer/flag etc.
- (4) knots – square, two half hitch, taut-line; care for rope; whipping and fusing.
- (5) pocket knife safety

## Tenderfoot

- (1abc) Overnight Camping and Outdoor Code in Practice.
- (2abc) Basic Cooking
- (3a-d) Practical uses of knots & wood tools – uses, care and sharpening
- (4) – basic first aid, poisonous plants, personal first aid kit
- (5) buddy system and safe hiking
- (6ab) physical fitness and developing a plan to improve them
- (7a) demonstrate how to display, raise, lower, and fold the US flag
- (8) leadership and EDGE method

## Second Class

- (1b) Leave No Trace
- (2a-d) fire/stove, tinder/kindling/fuel, firebuilding
- (2f&g) sheet bend & bowline
- (3a-d) map & compass, 5-mile hike, hazards & injuries, finding directions
- (4) 10 animal identifications
- (5) BSA beginner test, safe swim defense, water rescues
- (6) first aid, hurry cases, prevention, emergency response, vehicular accident.
- (9) three R's of personal safety; bullying

## First Class

- (1b) Tread Lightly principles
- (2acd) Menu planning and food preparation
- (3) lashings; timber hitch/clove hitch; camp gadget
- (4) orienteering course of 1 mile, measure height; GPS current location, destination and route to get from one to the other
- (5a) 10 plant identifications
- (5bcd) weather safety
- (6) BSA swimmer test, safety afloat, boating, line rescues
- (7) carries, heart attack/CPR, emergency plan home/meeting location.
- (9a) constitutional rights and obligations of a U.S. citizen

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## Resica Rangers Notes:

1. Rangers should be registered in Doubleknot for Resica Rangers.
2. Rangers should arrive to program on Thursday afternoon ready to go on the 5-mile hike and overnighter with all necessary gear. Gear will be transported to the lake as needed – please make sure the Scout's name & Troop number are on it.
3. The Resica Rangers staff at Resica Falls serve as skill instructors. It is the job of the leaders of the troop to ensure that the retention and comprehension of the skills taught is obtained.



# Adult Leader Activity/ Training Schedule

## **Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills**

Monday & Friday, 10:15am  
Location: Dining Hall  
Trainer: Chris Brenner

## **Safe Swim Defense & Safety Afloat**

Monday, 11:45am  
Location: Pool  
Trainer: Aquatics Director

## **Home Away From Home**

Monday, 2:15pm  
Location: Dining Hall  
Trainer: Program Staff

## **Paddlecraft Safety**

Monday & Tuesday, 2:30-4:30pm  
Location: Lake  
Trainer: Aquatics Director

## **SM/ASM Leader Specific Training**

Tuesday, 9:15am  
Location: Dining Hall  
Trainer: Council Training Committee

## **Climb on Safely**

Tuesday, 11:45am  
Location: Ecology  
Trainer: Climbing Staff

## **Coffee Drinking Merit Badge**

Wednesday, 9:15am  
Location: Dining Hall

## **CPR Certification**

Wednesday, 10:15am  
Location: Dining Hall  
Trainer: Aquatics Director

## **Leave No Trace Training**

Wednesday, 11:45am  
Location: Ecology  
Trainer: Ecology Staff

## **Working with Scouts with Special Needs**

Wednesday, 2:15pm  
Location: Dining Hall  
Trainer: Jacob Huff

## **Trek Safely**

Thursday, 11:45am  
Location: Scoutcraft  
Trainer: Scoutcraft Staff

## **Napping Merit Badge**

Thursday, 2:15pm  
Location: Dining Hall

## **Leaders Know How**

Leaders will be invited to learn skills in different program areas all week-long around camp. Leader's Know How runs from Monday through Thursday. Please check the newsletters for the daily location

# High Adventure

**ATV Program:** Morning classes will be offered at 9:15 AM - 10:30 AM or 10:45 AM - 12:00 PM and will be for Scouts 16 years of age or older. There are four week-long sessions offered and each session has a limit of 6 participants. Before arriving to camp participants must complete the online blended learning training found at [atvsafety.org/atv-ecourse](https://atvsafety.org/atv-ecourse) (2 hrs. to complete). Completion certificates must be presented to the instructor along with your ATV Participation and Hold-Harmless Agreement that must be completed and signed by a parent before the scouts arrive in camp. Participants are required to wear long pants, long sleeved shirts, and sturdy boots that cover the ankle while on the course. Per manufacturers standards, participants may not weigh more than 215lbs. There is a \$25.00 fee per scout for participating in the program.

Afternoon classes will be offered between 2:15 and 3:45 pm. Scouts must be 16 and older to participate in this program. There are four week-long sessions offered and each session has a limit of 6 participants. Before arriving to camp participants must complete the online blended learning training found at [atvsafety.org/atv-ecourse](https://atvsafety.org/atv-ecourse) (2 hrs. to complete). Completion certificates must be presented to the instructor along with your ATV Participation and Hold-Harmless Agreement that must be completed and signed by a parent before the scouts arrive in camp. Participants are required to wear long pants, long sleeved shirts, and sturdy boots that cover the ankle while on the course. Per manufacturers standards, participants may not weigh more than 215lbs. There is a \$25.00 fee per scout for participating in the program.

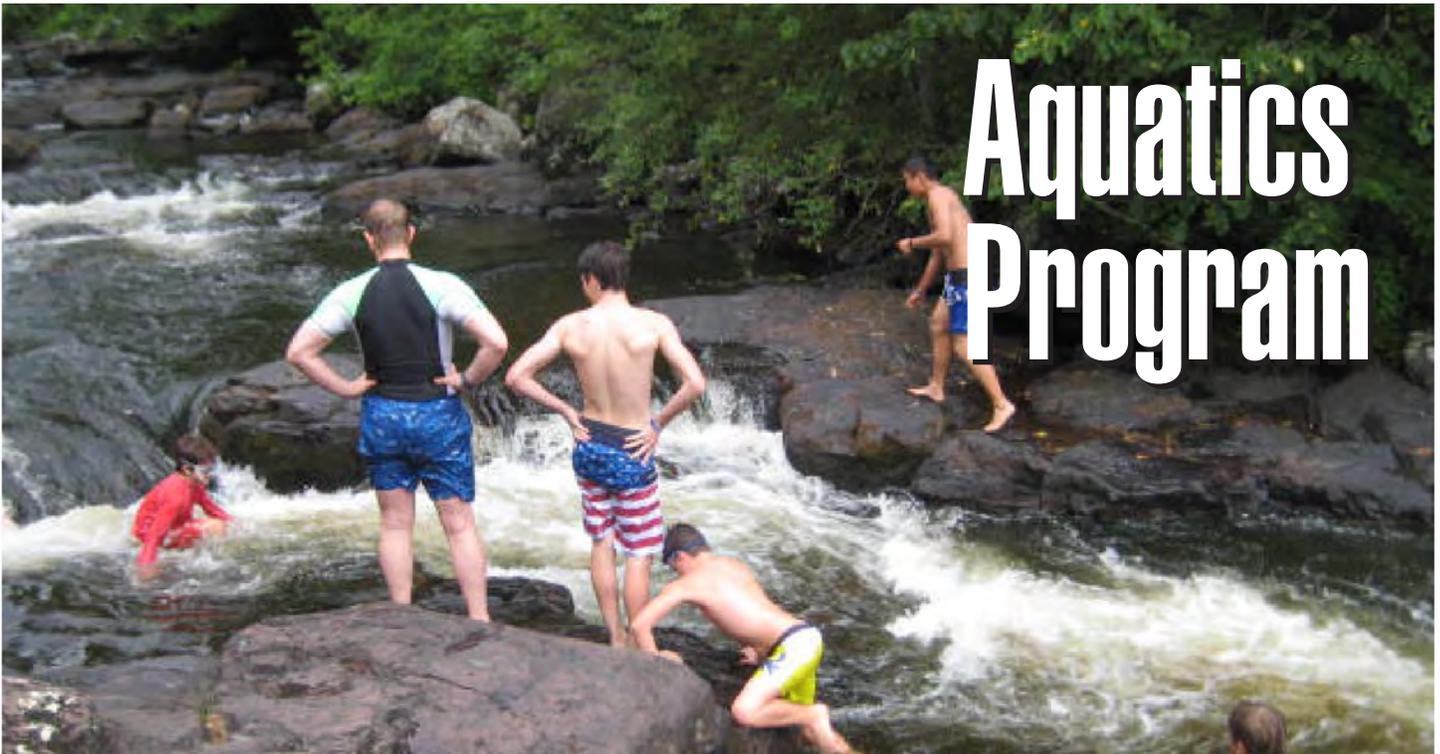
**Climbing Merit Badge:** Climbing Merit Badge will be offered in the afternoons at the COPE course. Resica Falls is located near some of the best climbing cliffs in the Northeast. We offer climbing on our own 42 foot climbing wall. So, whether your older Scouts are novices or experts, Big Springs has something for their skill level.

**High Five Adventure Club:** Are your Scouts looking to do a few merit badges at camp, but they also want some ADVENTURE?!! Each morning, Scouts aged 14 and up will be given the opportunity to go on a different adventure around Resica Falls and the Pocono Mountains. On Monday the Scouts will have an opportunity to pick their excursions for the week, so the activities will change each week depending on what that week of Scouts want to do. The excursion will meet every day at the Clock Tower at 9:10am (unless decided otherwise). Here is a list of possible excursions for the Scouts to pick from:

- A hike to Look Out Point, one of the many scenic vistas in camp, followed by a swim in the Bushkill Creek
- A shotgun shooting competition that will feature challenging shooting angles
- A canoe trip on the Delaware River
- A COPE/Climbing day
- Action Archery/Atlatl/Sporting Arrows/Tomahawk Throwing/Knife Throwing
- Fly Fishing
- The World Famous Three Falls Hike

This is a great high adventure opportunity for your Scouts that they won't want to miss!!

**PLEASE NOTE: YOU CAN REGISTER FOR THE HIGH FIVE ACTIVITY ONCE YOU ARRIVE IN CAMP, BUT YOU MUST PRE-REGISTER FOR THE ATV AND CLIMBING MERIT BADGE PROGRAMS TO SECURE A SPOT**



# Aquatics Program

## **SAFELY AFLOAT AND SAFE SWIM DEFENSE**

**ORIENTATION:** Each leader will have the opportunity to receive training in the safety afloat and safe swim defense plan. This will qualify the unit leader to hold boating and troop swims anytime and anyplace during the year. A two year certification will be presented to the leaders who take this opportunity. After completing safety afloat and safe swim defense, a leader may take the troop to the Bushkill Creek, set up and run a safe swim area. Scouts are not permitted to swim in the Bushkill without Adult supervision.

**SMALL BOAT SAILING:** Sailboats may be taken out for general use during any of the open boating periods. Only swimmers can take out sailboats but not until they go through a sailing check-out orientation. Personal flotation devices (PFD's) must be worn at all times.

**ROW BOATING:** Rowboats may be taken out for general use during any of the open boating periods. No more than three people can be in a boat. A non-swimmer must be accompanied by a certified lifeguard in order to take out a rowboat. A beginner may take out a rowboat provided they are accompanied by an adult swimmer. All boaters must wear PFD's at all times.

**CANOEING:** Canoes may be taken out for general use during any of the open boating periods. No more than two people can be in a canoe. Only swimmers can take out a canoe. PFD's must be worn at all times.

**CANOE TRIPS:** Resica Falls offers a Troop the opportunities for all types of canoe trips on the Delaware River. Whether you want a half day, whole day or an overnight canoeing experience, we can help you plan your trip. This program is ideal for the second year and older campers who are swimmers. These Troop trips are available by pre-arrangements through your commissioner or even before camp. A canoeing overnigher can give your Scouts additional cooking and camping experience, and they can all count on getting a little fishing in. You must have two qualified leaders on the trip and two leaders back in camp if only part of your Troop participates. Trips may be postponed should weather or river conditions warrant it. Only swimmers may participate in a Troop canoe trip. A trip plan must be filed at the time of departure.

**RED CROSS LIFEGUARD:** This program is offered to certify Scouts and interested leaders as lifeguards. The program is very intense and requires all week to be completed. Upon completion, Scouts and leaders will be awarded a two year certification. As lifeguards are required for all aquatic activities back at home, Troops are encouraged to have Scouts and/or leaders participate by talking to the aquatics director. Cost for Red Cross Lifeguard is \$200, which includes CPR. CPR training is also available as a separate activity on Wednesday morning at the Dining Hall with the Aquatics Directors for \$75. All

# Aquatics Program (Continued)

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Red Cross Lifeguard participants must register for the course prior to the week of their arrival at camp. Additionally, all participants must complete their online modules prior to their arrival at camp. There will not be any opportunity to complete these online trainings while at camp. It is only a \$100 fee for the Red Cross Lifeguard recertification program. Some online classroom work must be completed prior to your arrival at camp. For enrollment and questions regarding this program, please contact our aquatics director at [aquatics@resicafalls.org](mailto:aquatics@resicafalls.org).

**POLAR BEAR:** The polar bear program is a program for everyone in camp. Show up at least two days for an early morning swim and earn the honor of being in the polar bear club. Members of the club are eligible to purchase a special patch at the trading post. Unit leaders should keep track of attendance.

**MILE SWIM:** This program is offered to help improve awareness of being physically fit. It is a four day program which includes discussion, and three days of swim work-outs culminating in a complete nonstop Mile Swim on the fourth day. Upon completion, Scouts are awarded the certification card and the right to wear the mile swim patch.

**KAYAKING:** Kayaks can be used during any of the open boating periods. Only one person may be in a kayak at a time. Only swimmers can take out a kayak. PFDs must be worn at all times.

**FISHING:** Lake Roger and Lake Ann offer great fishing and are loaded with blue gills. *A PA Fishing license IS needed for fishing at these lakes for everyone 16 and over.* Rowboats may be used by Scouts and leaders qualified as swimmers. The boats may be reserved with the lake director in advance. PFD's are required by all boaters. There will be no fishing permitted from any boat docks, or within 100 feet of the docks along the shore. A buddy must accompany Scouts to the lake. A note by the Scoutmaster attesting that the Scout has caught, identified and released the fish unharmed is sufficient for merit badge purposes. Scouts may keep one fish according to all state laws if they wish to cook and clean it at their campsite though at least one of the two fish must be released unharmed. Bring your own rod and reels to camp. Fishing Merit Badge is taught at Lake Roger.

**FLY-FISHING:** The Bushkill Creek offers some of the best fly-fishing around as it is fully stocked with trout. Anyone 16 years & up must have a PA Fishing license in order to flyfish at Resica Falls. An application for a license can be found on the PA Fish and Boat Commission website at [www.fishandboat.com](http://www.fishandboat.com). The Bushkill Creek at Resica Falls is fly-fishing only and with all fish being catch and release. A buddy must accompany Scouts while fly-fishing. Fly-fishing is available on the Bushkill from well above and well below the falls. There is no wading by Scouts into the Bushkill. A note by the Scoutmaster attesting that the Scout has caught, identified and released the fish unharmed is sufficient for merit badge purposes. Bring your own rod and reels to camp. Fly-fishing Merit Badge is taught at the Native American Village.

**PADDLE BOARDS:** Paddle boards can be used during any of the open boating periods. Only one person may be on a paddle board at a time. Only swimmers can take out a paddle board. PFDs must be worn at all times. BSA Stand-Up Paddleboarding - required to attend both sessions.

**SWIMMING IN THE BUSHKILL:** The camp has many exciting swimming holes along the Bushkill Creek to give your Troop the opportunity to set up and run a safe swim area at a place other than the pool. Some of these are ways to combine a nice dip with a hike and perhaps a bag lunch. Possible destinations include: Cool Dip, Little Falls, Chapel Pool, Piano Pool, and of course, Fossil Rock. A trip plan must be filed at the time of departure.

**MOAT MAYHEM (AQUATIC CARNIVAL):** Gather back young adventurers for it is time yet again to prove yourselves. While Monday night you proved your valor on land, on this day you shall prove it in water. Join the Resica Falls Camp Staff and your fellow campers for a night of water themed fun on the parade field.

# Aquatics Program (Continued)

## Boating on Lake Roger

Big Springs offers boating on Lake Roger. Scouts and Leaders can sail, row, canoe, or even Dragon Boat. You can also fish from the shore or boats on our beautiful lake.

The trail to Lake Roger leaves the main part of camp from behind the trading post. It is about a 20 minute, scenic trail up to the lake. Leaders may also drive Scouts to the lake on the access road, located about one-half mile up Route 402 from the main entrance of camp.

Rowing, Canoeing, Kayaking, and Small-Boat Sailing merit badges are offered at the lake. The lake is open during regular program times. Scouts can come up anytime before closing time to work on badges.

According to the regulations of Scouts BSA, each Scout and adult who wishes to use the boats at the lake must be accompanied by a buddy and have a buddy tag. A

person who has been classified as a non-Swimmer must be accompanied by a lifeguard while boating on the lake. They can be passengers in tandem kayaks, canoes, and rowboats. A beginner must be accompanied by an adult Swimmer, and may use canoes, tandem kayaks, and rowboats. Only Swimmers are permitted to use kayaks during open boating. Sail boats are not available for open boating. Everyone wears a PFD at all times while in the boating area. Please consult the Lake Director for rules regarding use if the Wibit Aquapark attractions.

There are also opportunities for troop boating in the afternoons. Troops need to supply their own leadership and lookouts. A staff member will also be present to help our Troops.

NOTE: Open Boating subject to watercraft availability. Merit Badge classes receive preference with boating equipment.



# Unique Opportunities at Resica Falls

## Hike to one of our Beautiful Vistas

Here at Resica Falls we have many beautiful destinations around camp that your group can hike to and take in the scenery. Your commissioner can help you plan a hike to any of these locations in camp.

- The Resica Falls
- Little Falls\*
- Lookout Point
- Signal Mountain
- Lake Roger
- Lake Anne
- Beaver Lake
- Indian Flats
- Bushkill Bluff
- Piano Pool\*
- Chapel Pool\*
- Cool Dip\*
- Fossil Rock\*

\*Denotes swimming hole

Be sure to file a Trip Plan with the Camp Office for all trips. You can also request to take a bag lunch with you on your trip. Locations marked with an asterisk above are great swimming holes. If you would like to go swimming while on the hike you will need to have the Aquatics Director sign off on your Trip Plan.

## Canoe Trips

While your Troop is at Resica Falls, consider taking an afternoon out of camp to canoe the Delaware River. We can arrange a more relaxing trip for troops with less experienced Scouts, or a more strenuous trip for those that are experienced canoers! These trips can be arranged through your commissioner.

## Learn About Raising Fish

Having a World-Class Fly Fishing stream running through our camp not only allows us to teach Fly Fishing Merit Badge in the perfect setting, but it also allows us to be able to teach more about raising fish. We have our very own fish hatchery on the property and would love to let your Scouts feed the fish while they learn about how they are raised and how we get them acclimated to the new waters once we release them.



# Unique Opportunities (Continued)



## COWBOY ACTION SHOOTING AT RESICA FALLS

### WESTERN FUN

The program offers a fun and safe introduction to cowboy action shooting with pistols, rifles, and shotguns. While attending camp, Scouts and Venturers 14 years of age or older can take part in a special shooting experience with opportunities to shoot single-action .22-caliber pistols, lever-action .22-caliber rifles, and 12-gauge or 20-gauge shotguns.

In various old-time western scenarios, Scouts play “good guys” who prove their accuracy by shooting at things like spinning metal targets where they hit the spinner to “ring the bell.” All shooters choose their own cowboy action names before starting so the NRA instructors—dressed in cowboy attire—can call them by those names.

### YOUTH REQUIREMENTS

Scouts and Venturers who are over the age of 14, or are 13 and have completed the eighth grade, may participate in this activity.

All youth participants are required to have written permission from their parent or guardian before they can take part in the program.

### TRAINED SUPERVISION

The cowboy action shooting program is conducted by NRA-certified instructors with pistol, rifle, and/or shotgun certifications (will have all three if using all three types of firearms). Each cowboy action shooting participant will be accompanied by a certified pistol, rifle, or shotgun instructor (depending on the firearm being used) who is actively involved in every shot and all of the gun handling. All Range Safety Officers and instructors for this program possess current credentials for the discipline they will be instructing.

Scouting BSA Youth Protection policies for two-deep leadership must be maintained at all times.

