

Every one of our summer trips has left those of us that attended them with very special memories as well as a special sense of pride.

Some of those memories include:

- 1988- High Point to Delaware Water Gap - Troop's 1st 50 miler Backpacking
- 1989- Raystown Lake PA - Trough Creek St Pk
- 1990- Backpacking the Appalachian Trail (AT) through NY and visiting West Point,
- 1991- Lake George trip canceled
- 1992- Hiking the historic trails of Gettysburg
- 1993- Backpacking the Presidential Range in White Mountains of NH
- 1994- Rafting the Shenandoah River in Virginia and visiting the Skyline Drive.
- 1995- Backpacking 50 miles of the AT from Pine Grove to Duncannon

For 1996 we are going to create more special memories by visiting Raystown Lake, PA's largest inland lake.

Raystown Lake was created by an earthen dam completed in 1974 and is the largest of its kind east of the Mississippi River (I think). This relatively new lake is 32 miles long and its fish population is still evolving as is the recreation potential of the area.

Submerged beneath the lake are several towns and many homes. In fact up until the mid 80's there was a church steeple sticking up out of the water, very close to where we will be camping.

The area is perfect for this year's week trip. Besides the lake and all of its potential for activities, there is Trough Creek State Park within hiking distance which is loaded with beautiful trails bathed with rhododendron and mountain laurel, and gorges cut by pristine brooks and waterfalls.

Ed will be leading a crew to Altoona to visit the famous Horseshoe Curve and if we're lucky, see some trains go by that will seem to have more cars than our troop has had scouts. The museum of railroads in Altoona will also be explored.

We will also try to get in a visit to Penn State and Juniata College both within an hour of the campsite. Some underground caverns are in the area and are on the menu of possible 1/2 day trips.

The lake itself is where we will spend most of our time however. Last year there was a striped bass

caught weighing in at 56 pounds (trust me).

We will have several boats including a houseboat that will be used for daily trips on the lake. Swimming and canoeing will also be available.

Our campsite is on a 107 acre peninsula near the southern end of the lake and is operated by Troop 71 of Saxton. The campsite is accessible by boat and a limited access road.

Close to our campsite is Raystown Lake Resort Lodge with luxury accommodations. Parents interested in helping out but maybe not in roughing it with us will find this resort everything they want. It has a full service marina where all kinds of boats and jetskis may be rented. Call for a brochure: 814-658-3500 or see me.

For camping near by that is a little more comfortable, there is Seven Points. I have the brochure on this area also.

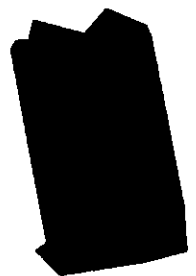
PARENTS: One of the reasons we picked this area is because we are hoping for more parental involvement. Our troop is over 80 strong now and with more help there is no telling how large we may become. The days when only two leaders were needed to go on a week trip with Troop 48 are gone.

Our boys today need the Boy Scouts!

It is a place where they develop life skills. Skills that allow them to really begin to understand themselves.

They need a strong identity that is based on real peer interactions and not a false identity that are sometimes found in highly structured and competitive activities.

Boy Scouts and all the different experiences that come with it will be with the scout for his entire life. And at times those experiences will help to guide him down a path he may otherwise not have chosen. A path that is ----



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PERMISSION SLIP

I grant permission for my son(s) to attend the trip to Raystown Lake with Troop 48.

I understand the dates and times of the trip.

I understand that should my son(s) need medical help I will be contacted and if I am unable to be contacted the people I listed below will be contacted. If none of us can be contacted I give permission for the leaders of Troop 48 to act in the best interest of my son(s) and enable them the right to give permission for my son(s) to be treated by professional medical personnel.

Scouts Name(s) _____

Home # _____ work # _____

Mother's name _____ work # _____

Father's name _____ work # _____

Any other # where the parents may be contacted: _____

Other people that may be contacted if we can not be:

name _____ # _____

name _____ # _____

name _____ # _____

Parent signature _____ Date _____

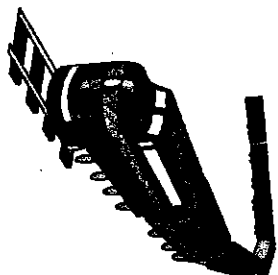
Medical concerns/prescription drugs the leaders need to know about!

I will be able to help with the trip and will be attending the following days and approximate times:

Saturday _____ Sunday _____ Monday _____

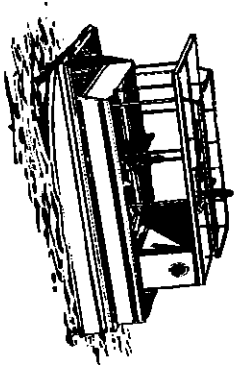
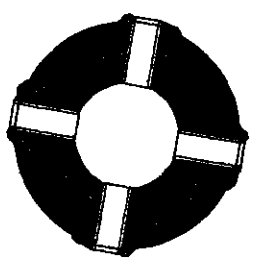
Tuesday _____ Wednesday _____ Thursday _____

Friday _____ Name: _____



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