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Summer Camp 2010

Since 1964 Schoepe Scout Reservation at Lost Valley has been one of the premier Summer Camps in all of Southern California. More than 100,000 Scouts have been to Lost Valley earning merit badges, enjoying the wilderness, and learning the leadership and life skills that are essential to the Scouting program.

Boy Scout Summer Camp:

Week 1: June 27 - July 3

Week 3: July 11-July 17

Week 4: July 18-July 24

Week 5: July 25-July 31

Week 6: Aug. 1-Aug. 7

Scouts can choose from 37 different merit badges and also participate in all of the fun activities Lost Valley has to offer. See next month's edition of the Lost Valley Tribune or go to www.ssrlv.org for a complete list of merit badges and programs at Lost Valley.

Cub Resident Camp:

July 7 - 10, 2010

Come enjoy four days and three nights of swimming, archery, BB guns, nature hikes, crafts, water slide, astronomy and much, much more! Webelos can complete the requirements for Activity or Academics Pins. Wolves and Bears will have lots of fun activities that help meet their Belt Loop and Arrow Point requirements, too.

Venturing Summer Camp:

July 5 - 10, 2010

Young women and men age 14 to 20 who are registered Venturers come as a Crew or individual Venturer and join us for a fun-filled week of Venturing summer camp!

The Core and Elective programs available include: Mountaineering, Archery, Rifle or Shotgun Shooting, COPE, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness, Lifesaver, Equestrian, Wilderness Survival, and Land Navigation. You can also participate in our "Taste of Camp" Program and visit many program areas.

News From Camp

Property Manager Russ Enloe reports that we have received over 17 inches of rain and 15 inches of snow already this winter!

Camp has also gone through a major upgrade to the internet and phone service and now operates through the Hughes Net high performance commercial satellite service.

Internet service will be available to adult leaders in both dining halls, the Tom Tabb center, and the business office.

Our phone service now operates by VOIP through a satellite which means there is a slight delay in phone conversations as the signal travels from earth to the satellite and back to earth again.

To have a successful conversation each party needs to not talk while the other party is talking. If the conversation becomes garbled both parties need to stop talking for a couple of seconds for the system to recover.

Lost Valley Spring Calendar

March

5-7 Open Camping
Forestry Merit Badge

12-14 Open Camping

19-21 Open Camping

26-28 Open Camping

April

2-4 Open Camping

9-11 Webelos Partner & Pal
Fish & Wildlife Merit Badge

Open Camping

16-18 Open Camping

23-25 Open Camping

May

30, 1-2 Merit Badge Weekend (Rifle, Shotgun)
Open Camping

28-31 Memorial Weekend Family Camp

Adventure

The Cupeño people called it Wiatava, “the place of the oaks.” Since 1959, the Boy Scouts of Orange County have called it home.

Come join us for a week of adventure, advancement, and activity, and find out why Schoepe Scout Reservation @ Lost Valley is the best summer camp around!

After traveling a scenic ten-mile dirt road that winds through the chaparral of the Bucksnot Mountains, Lost Valley unfolds before you as an oasis in the wilderness. Oak and pine trees surround grassy meadows and flowing creeks. The area abounds with wildlife and hiking trails.

Lost Valley is a rugged place waiting for those with an adventurous spirit and a desire to challenge body and mind. It provides opportunities for Scouts of all ages to explore and grow mentally, physically, and spiritually.

The Orange County Council has spent over \$3 million dollars in the past ten years to provide two modern, cafeteria-style Dining Halls, the best program areas, and the finest facilities of any summer camp in Southern California.



Advancement

At Lost Valley, we offer 37 different Merit Badges, all taught by our trained and enthusiastic Camp Staff.

Whether you're interested in the adventure of Horesmanship and Rock Climbing, or the opportunity to earn required merit badges, this is your chance to move forward on the Trail to Eagle.

For those who enjoy Shooting Sports, we offer our professional Shotgun Range, our 24-position Rifle Range, and an Archery Range.

Our Nature Center offers Scouts the opportunity to learn about nature first hand, surrounded by a wealth of plants and animals, and our sparkling night skies make our Observatory one the best in Southern California.

The Staff at our First Class Scout Skills Center are dedicated to teaching outdoor skills and helping Scouts advance towards First Class.

Scouts who attend summer camp are 87% more likely to become an Eagle Scout than those who don't.



Activity

Lost Valley offers a wide array of activities for both Scouts and Scouters.

Our program schedule offers Scouts time to earn merit badges and rank advancement, as well as time for patrols to participate in recreational activities as a team ensuring a well-rounded summer camp experience that benefits the Scout, his patrol and the whole troop.

There are opportunities for hiking, horseback riding, the challenge of our COPE course, boating in the lake, handicrafts, swimming in the pools, along with instruction in rank and merit badge advancement.

Summer camp also provides opportunities for youth leadership, and learning to be a team player.

A week of summer camp at Lost Valley promises “Memories that last a lifetime.” Every Scout has the chance to learn and grow, while having a great time with their friends. They'll come home with tales of adventure, advancement, and activities they'll never forget.



Conservation Programs

Did you know that Lost Valley offers some of the best and most comprehensive programs anywhere for conservation related merit badges?

We have 4 different weekend programs this year for Scouts to come to camp and learn about Forestry, Fish & Wildlife, and Soil & Water Conservation.

These programs include field work, short lectures, and observations of nature in Lost Valley. Hands on conservation projects will allow Scouts to learn about the environment in a real forest camp setting.

These programs are limited to 40 Scouts so be sure to sign up early. These are some of the most popular weekend merit badge programs at Lost Valley.

Forestry Merit Badge:

March 5 - 7, 2010

October 8 - 10, 2010

Fish & Wildlife Merit Badge

April 9 - 11, 2010

Soil & Water Conservation Merit Badge

November 19 - 21, 2010

Costs range from \$30 - \$45 with discounts for early sign up, this includes food, sleeping accommodations in a cabin, and program materials.

For more information on these programs or to sign up please visit www.ssriv.org.



2010 SSRIV Program Books

Have you ever wondered where you can get all of the information on the programs available to your Troop, Cub Pack, or Venture Crew all in one place?

We have assembled these programs into 4 editions of 2010 Lost Valley Program books so that you can easily find the programs that are available to your Unit.

Copies of the books have been sent to each Cubmaster and Scoutmaster in Orange County Council. If you have not received a copy for your unit email us at lvtribune@ssriv.org and we will get a copy sent to you.

Copies are also available for download

Cub Packs:

Download our Cub Pack Edition 2010 Lost Valley Program book with information of "Valley of the Lost Nations" Cub Resident Camp along with all of the weekend programs.

Lost Valley has many camping opportunities for Cubs & Webelos including: Family Camp, Webelos Partner & Pal, Webelos Great Escape and all of the open camping weekends for Cub Packs.

<http://www.ssriv.org/forms/2010SSRIVCubWebelosPrograms.pdf>

Scout Troops:

Download our Scout Troop Edition 2010 Lost Valley Program book with Summer Camp information along with all of the weekend camping programs including merit badge weekends, Conservation Programs, and open camping weekends for Scout Troops.

<http://www.ssriv.org/forms/2010SSRIVBoyScoutPrograms.pdf>

Venture Crews:

Download our Venturing Edition 2010 Lost Valley Program book with information on Venturing Summer Camp along with the weekend programs including our Venture Core and Electives programs along with open camping weekends for Venture Crews.

<http://www.ssriv.org/forms/2010SSRIVVenturingPrograms.pdf>

Complete Edition:

Download our Complete Edition 2010 Lost Valley Program book with information on all of our Scouting programs at Lost Valley.

<http://www.ssriv.org/forms/2010SSRIVProgramBook.pdf>

Program Area Focus...

Lake Virginia

Ready to get wet? Ready to feel the wind in your face? Then come down to the shores of Lake Virginia!

During the fall of 2009 we added an additional 1.3 million gallons of capacity, this combined with the recent rain and snowfall should ensure a beautiful lake this coming summer.

Lake Virginia was originally known as Agua Caliente Lake. During the 2005 season it was renamed Lake Virginia in honor of Virginia Schoepe, wife of longtime Scouting Supporter Adolph Schoepe.

During summer camp Lake Virginia offers an array of boating activities including Rowing and Canoeing Merit Badges, and new for 2010 Paddle Craft Safety Course, the Kayaking BSA patch along with the very popular Open Boating time.

Canoes, Kayaks, and rowboats are available during the Memorial Day and Labor Day Family Camps, and can also be reserved during many open camping weekends by prior arrangement with the head campmaster.

Lake Virginia has an extensive beach perfect for lounging or a mealtime gathering. Spring, summer or fall Lake Virginia has lots to offer, so be sure to visit on your next trip to Lost Valley!



Meet the Man...

Joshua Fisher



Orange County Council and Schoepe Scout Reservation welcome Joshua Fisher, our new Council Director of Camping.

Joshua comes to us from Catalina Council in Tucson, AZ where he served as the Council Program Director. Prior to that he has worked for the Boy Scouts in Albuquerque, NM and Ontario, CA.

He is an Eagle Scout from Old Baldy Council and received his Order of the Arrow Vigil honor in Papago Lodge of Tucson.

Joshua will oversee the Camps and Programs for Schoepe Scout Reservation, Newport Sea Base, and Oso Lake.

To bring him closer to the camping programs Joshua will be working out of the Newport Sea base although he will be spending a considerable amount of time at Lost Valley and Oso Lake.

Joshua can be reached at his Newport Sea Base office (949) 642-5031 or by email joshuaf.ocbsa.org

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