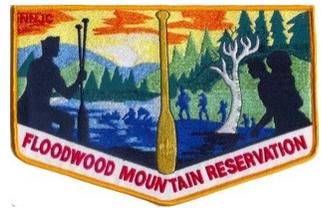




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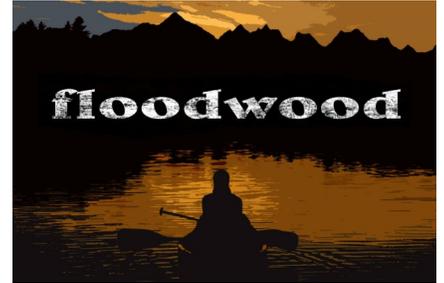
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Floodwood Vision—Don Weiss—Camp Director



My vision for Floodwood is relatively simple. Being involved with NCAP visitations for well over 20 years, and being a team chair for about 20 of those, I see a national trend of "empty beds" and council camp properties that are not being utilized for their potential. National has also seen this, and there is a concerted effort to do something about it across the country. Floodwood is a very unique camp as it caters to providing youth with an unforgettable experience. The Adirondacks are an area to be enjoyed for their beauty and serenity. My goal is to not only "fill the empty beds" (have full weekly occupancy) and perhaps even add a week or two down the road, but to also provide that unique experience to youth, and yes, the advisors (adults) as well, using the scouting methods. Though a crew may choose to work on a merit badge or two, I would like ensure the experience of an Adirondack adventure outweigh getting another merit badge. So in a nutshell, that is what I see.

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Congratulations Bruce Bordeau - Floodwood Ranger

Congratulations to Bruce! He has been selected to receive the Trip McMillan award from the Ramapo Valley District. It is a council award given annually to an outstanding NNJC staff member. This award recognizes his dedication and continued service for 30 years as an FMR staff member.



Bruce is the ranger for Floodwood and is the cornerstone to the successful program. This Fall will mark Bruce's 30th Anniversary at camp. Over the years Bruce has had the privilege of working with 100's of staff members and meeting thousands of Scout Leaders and Scouts. He brings laughter to any group and makes sure everyone is having a memorable experience. During that time has been a friend, father figure, and role model to many scouts and staffers.

Bruce's dedication to Floodwood is contagious and he has inspired others to stay active in supporting camp. He doesn't do it for any recognition as he truly loves what he does.

Important Dates:

Work Weekends

Jun 9-11

Jun 23-25

2017 Camp Dates

July 9-15 Week 1

July 16-22 Week 2

July 23-29 Week 3

July 30-Aug 5 Week 4

Aug 6- 12 Week 5



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FMR History

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Floodwood Mountain Reservation was acquired by Bergen Council, BSA on November 22, 1963. Over the next year plans were drawn up for a rather ambitious camping reservation with multiple camps with-in the property. As a first step, an outpost camp was established at Rollins Pond for the summer of 1965. Attendance was by invitation and only units with the required depth of adult leadership were considered. The continued for next four summers. Problems with water supply led the Council to explore other areas of the reservation for a permanent camp site and in the end West Pine Pond was chosen. It is here that units have camped since the summer of 1970, while Rollins Pond continues as the launching point for canoe treks and for the water skiing program.

What makes Floodwood unique is its location on Rollins pond which connects directly into the vast Saranac, St.Regis, Tupper, Raquette, Fulton Chain canoe waters. As a result, out-of-camp canoe trips flow directly from its own waterfront. No other camp in the Adirondacks has this advantage and, as a result, out-of-camp canoe trips are the exception rather than the rule. This location advantage transforms the Floodwood experience from "just another summer camp" into a seamless two-week adventure that continuously engages and tests each Scout's capacity to prevail over constantly varying and ever increasing challenges both in camp and on out-of-camp treks.

The council continues to promote the Floodwood Mountain Reservation with-in and is working to develop out of council attendance. Given the uniqueness of the Floodwood experience, it is not difficult to convince strong troops from other areas that Floodwood is for them.

Work Weekends -We need your help!

Calling all campers, staffers (past or present), and FMR supporters we need your help! FMR conducts work weekends in both the fall and spring. These are important to help sustain and make improvements to the camp. We need to step up the attendance on these weekends to make a bigger dent in the projects underway in camp. Please consider attending one or both spring weekends (Jun 9-11 and Jun 23-25) and give some time to the camp. If you can help please contact:



Mike Wirth Michael.Wirth@scouting.org or Dave Stuhr stuhr@fordham.edu

2017 Sign Ups / Promo Visits 2016-2017—Steve Lung

Sign-ups for the summer 2017 continue and we are on track for another great season with 30 Trek on the books! \$470 is our all in price (food, fuel, stoves, water filters, canoes, etc included). Please sign-up on-line at Floodwood.org Troops interested in scheduling a visit to their troop should contact *Steve Lung* silung@rocketmail.com or *Dave Stuhr* stuhr@fordham.edu

Items Wanted

Looking for donations for the our program:

Foosball table

1st Aid supplies

Furniture for Program building:

Couches, benches, Chairs

If you have an item to donate please contact Steve Lung at silung@rocketmail.com

Donations

Floodwood relies in part on donations, if you wish to donate to Friends of Floodwood please contact Dave at:

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