

SCOUT ADVENTURE CAMP

E Hemstock Road and S Knoll Road
Rochelle, IL 61068

Contact Information	
Des Plaines Valley & Three Fires Councils 630-584-9250 Reservation 815-562-4990 Ranger	
Facilities Offered	
X	Tent Camping
X	Cabin Camping
	Dining Hall
X	Showers
X	Swimming
	Pool
X	Boating/ Canoeing
	Rifle Range
	Archery Range
X	Hiking Trails
	Climbing Wall
	COPE Course
	Chapel

The Scout Adventure Camp in Rochelle is the result of a joint venture between Des Plaines Valley Council and Three Fires Council, in an effort to develop and operate this Scout camp property formerly known as the Three Fires Scout Ranch, into a Scout Resident Camp and a year-round camp for Scouts of all ages including Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Venturers. When fully developed, Adventure Camp will offer a variety of camping and outdoor experiences revolving around several theme-based facilities and program areas including a lake with boat dock, swimming beach and fishing pier, and a dining hall. With over 500 acres of space to explore and hike, Scout Adventure Camp is able to accommodate hundreds of campers for large district or council events, as well as smaller groups for troop, pack, and crew outings. This is an exciting new camp for our council, so come out and visit!

The Lake: A new lake was created for Scout Adventure Camp. This lake will be stocked with fish, and will provide activities such as fishing, boating, and swimming for Scouts. The lake floor has been lined with geothermal coils, which absorb heat in the winter and delivers it indoors. In warm weather, the process is reversed, which conserves energy and saves money on heating and cooling costs. A new entrance road was also built, which takes visitors around the lake to the central part of camp. The Lake is named

McCann Lake, after a donor.

Cub Scout Program Areas in Development:

CASTLE: An archery range will be built to help scouts develop hand-eye coordination and fine motor skills as well as self discipline. Building a miniature catapult promotes teamwork, following instructions, and problem solving. A maze will help develop self-reliance and problem solving. Storytelling will help bring imagination and creativity out in a young boy.

FRONTIER LAND: A session on camp crafts will help instill self reliance, teamwork. A slingshot course develops hand eye coordination as well as an enjoyment of days gone by. Native American tradition is an important part of understanding the traditions of cultures before us. A BB gun range will help to develop hand eye coordination for youth.

PIRATE SHIP: Understanding the importance of the relationship between the seas and development of cultures around the world is just one of the activities that would take place on the ship. Fun would be another part of the activity as boys imagine themselves sailing the high seas. From the ship they would have access to fishing and boating.

TREE HOUSE: Nature education would be the first focal point of the tree house area. The camp property offers a wide variety of environments from oak savannas to wetlands. Basic first aid could also be a part of the tree house experience, helping boys to learn to take care of themselves and handle minor emergencies

ATHLETIC FIELDS: In addition to having fun and burning off energy, boys will learn teamwork, coordination skills, and good sportsmanship.

SPACE STATION – SCIENCE CENTER: Designed to open a young man’s mind to the wonders around us, the space station science center will encourage scouts to explore wonders that are both near and far away.



Activities inside the Camp: Scout Adventure Camp offers two heated cabins with a capacity of 40 people each, operating year round. A shower house was constructed in 2007 with 6 private shower and bathroom stalls, one of which is handicap accessible. Pavilions are available for group picnics, and a dining hall is coming soon. A lake is available for fishing, boating, and swimming. Hiking is popular along the rivers and through the woodland.