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Council Annual Business Meeting

The Annual Business Meeting for the Erie Shores Council, BSA, will be January 19th at the Ford Center at Camp Miakonda. All Chartered Organization Representatives from every pack, troop, post, and crew; Executive Board Members; and Council Members-at-Large are voting members of the council and are invited to attend. An optional dinner will be served at 5:30 PM (RSVP with Joyce at 419-241-7293 ext 206) and the meeting will begin at 6:15 PM.

The voting slate includes the following officers nominated to serve for 2011: Council President Jack Randolph, Council Commissioner Ed Frey, Jr., Council Treasurer Brent Lochbihler, Legal Counsel Gary Harden, Past President Hal Munger, Vice President/Nominations Mary Arquette, Vice

President/Properties Shawn Chowdhary, Vice President/Marketing Gary Corrigan, Vice President/Program Roger Greive, Vice President/Development Paul Nungester, Jr., Vice President District Operations Richard Reynolds, Vice President/Membership-Relationships Robert Thompson, Vice President/Scoutreach Mark Urrutia, Chairman-Distinguished Awards Hank Newcome, and Chairman-Activities and Civic Service Dave Wilson. Congratulations to all the volunteer Scouters elected to serve as Executive Board Members, Council Advisory Committee Members, Council Members at Large, Council Associate Members and National Council Representatives. The District Commissioners will also be approved for service in their respective districts.

Grant Awarded for \$1.36M Habitat Restoration Project at Camp Miakonda



Congresswoman Marcy Kaptur was at Camp Miakonda on Friday, November 12th to announce the Partners for Clean Streams' \$1.36M Great Lakes Restoration Grant Award for Habitat Restoration at Camp Miakonda. A press conference was held at the Activity Field near the statue of Jake the Goose.

Partners for Clean Streams (PCS) has been awarded a highly competitive, \$1.36 million dollar Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Grant from U.S. EPA for habitat and stream restoration on Camp Miakonda, which is adjacent to the upper Ottawa River. By increasing wetland habitat, reducing the stream erosion, and diversifying the habitat near and adjacent to the river, PCS is providing a better chance for the animals, fish, and bugs to thrive in healthier habitats, both in the river and in the forested, adjacent areas. In the years to come, this restored area will be used as an amazing outdoor classroom for Scouts and their families to

learn about the natural environment and enjoy experiencing outdoor adventures in and around Lake Sawyer once again.

In addition to the grant, the Army Corp of Engineers is working with PCS on a Habitat Restoration Master Plan. Already, the concept plans are complete and the surveying and final design to be completed over the winter, accelerating the planning and positioning the project for timely implementation in the fall of 2011.

In the Ottawa River watershed, "Camp Miakonda is the largest remaining undeveloped, unprotected tract of the Oak Openings ecosystem, a sandy-soiled oak savanna that once covered a large area of Lucas County." (*Toledo Blade* Nov. 18, 2009) The 157-acre Boy Scout Camp is situated directly along one of the major waterways to enter North Maumee Bay, and is a green gem nestled within a rapidly developing urban and suburban community.

On Sale at the Scout Shop

Merit Badge Updates

Black and white cover merit badge books are 88 cents each.

Scouting Heritages—Available now! Youth attending National Jamboree or High Adventure Bases may have already fulfilled requirements!

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Let us do the work for you! Contact Sara (ext. 216) or scrosby@bsamail.org.

The National BSA Catalog is available at www.scoutstuff.org



Groundbreaking at The Summit Marks New Era for BSA

Scouts, volunteers, and BSA professionals joined with area officials in West Virginia late October at the groundbreaking ceremony for our newest high-adventure base and future home of the national jamboree—The Summit Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve. Dates for the 2013 Jamboree—July 15-24—also were announced at the ceremony. To follow developments at the site, visit The Summit’s Facebook page and check out the “Scouts in the News” feed on scouting.org

Interactive BSA Uniforms Site Launched

The new, official uniforms website is now active. It includes a number of features that make it a valuable resource not only for Scouts and parents, but for leaders, Scout Shops, councils, distributors, and customer service. The interactive format takes visitors through Scouting’s ranks and programs, with 360-degree views of what the official uniform should look like when complete. Other features include drag-and-drop insignia, full descriptions of each uniform piece, and a “Shop Now” link that takes you directly to the Scoutstuff.org site.

Brush Up on Your Driving Skills While Helping the BSA

The BSA and the National Safety Council have joined to offer two great benefits for employees, volunteers, and the organization: online defensive driving at the discounted rate of \$19.95 (less than half of the original price) with an added bonus of a \$4 donation to the BSA. For more information, go to www.scouting.org/nsc.

New Training Will Be Offered for Venturing Leaders

The Venturing Leadership Skills Course (VLSC) is being replaced by a new course entitled Introduction to Leadership Skills for Crews, or ILSC. The purpose of ILSC, which is the first

course in the series of Venturing leadership training, is to teach crew members with leadership positions what their new responsibility is and how to most effectively reach success in that role. Completion of the course is a prerequisite for participation in more advanced leadership programs. The Volunteer Development Team expects this course to be released to the Scouting community within 30 days. Watch the training page on scouting.org for updates.

Silver Beaver Nominations

Do you know of one of our volunteer Scouters who has truly shown the Scouting Spirit and gone above and beyond in their service to the youth of Northwest Ohio? If so, be sure to nominate that special person for a Silver Beaver Award. It’s the highest honor a volunteer Scouter can receive from a local Scout council.

The Annual Scouter Recognition Dinner will be held **June 2nd** at Camp Miakonda. Nominations for the Silver Beavers that will be presented that evening must be in to the Distinguished Awards Committee by **March 31st** for their consideration. Nomination forms are available at the Scout Office, online at www.erieshorescouncil.org in the leader Resources listing under the Resources section or email erieshores@bsamail.org and we can send you an electronic copy to print. Send the completed forms to: Erie Shores Council Distinguished Awards Committee, P.O. Box 8728, Toledo, OH 43623.



For information about district events and activities call your district executive, attend your district roundtable, visit the district website, or link from the council website www.erieshorescouncil.org

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Troop 154
Allen Ellett

Brian Sherman

Troop 87
James Layman

James Stevens

Troop 154
Allen Ellett

Paul Weaner

Troop 87
James Layman

Construction City 2010

361 Webelos constructed a cardboard city and built bridges at this year's Construction City event on November 27th at UT's Health Education Center. It was a fabulous event and everyone had a great time!



Swan Creek

Bryan Ziegler

Troop 104
Dan Anderson

Christopher Roth

Troop 146
Bob Sadovy

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Troop 101
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New At The Scout Shop

Pinewood Derby Tools (see demos on youtube.com/derbyworx)

Pro Outer Hub Shaver \$7.99

Pro Bore Polisher \$10.99

Pro Rail Rider \$14.99

Pinewood Derby Car Medals in Blue, Red and White \$2.99 each

Cubmaster and Den Leader Appreciation Plaques \$25.99 each

Cub Scout Hooded Sweatshirts Youth Sizes S-L \$24.99

BSA Zip Front Hooded Sweatshirt \$29.99 Adult sizes S-2XL

3-LED Headlamp \$7.99

Kids LED Headlamp \$4.99

Mini LED Keychain Flashlight \$2.99

Eagle Scout Memory Box \$34.99

Soaring Eagle Stonecast Plaque \$49.99

BSA Eagle Print Hoodie Adult S-2XL \$29.99

Books

The Legacy of Lord Baden Powell \$15.99

The Survival Handbook \$25.00

Boy Scouts of America Today \$35.00

Boy Scouts of America A Centennial History \$35.00

Coming Soon

Geocaching Merit Badge Books

Robotics Merit Badge Books

New Venturing Uniforms (Green Nylon Shirts with Gray Nylon Pants Sized for Ladies and Men)

Centennial Camporee

We have a limited supply of the Centennial Rockers available at the Scout Shop at Camp Miakonda. Give Sara a call and pick up what you missed, 241-7293, ext 216.

Jamboree Souvenir DVD Now on Sale

Own a piece of history. The Boys' Life 2010 National Scout Jamboree Souvenir DVD is now available for preorder at boyslife.org/jambodvd. The DVD provides almost 90 minutes of jamboree excitement, including arena show highlights, "Behind the Scenes at Boys' Life," and more than 600 jamboree troop photographs. For discounts on 51-plus DVDs mailed to the same address, or for questions, call 972-580-2376. Please forward this e-mail to your jamboree leaders and others who may be interested.

The Legacy Campaign

Special Thank You's to everyone who has committed their support to the Legacy Campaign for the construction of the new Centennial Leadership Center.

Additional gifts made since the November/December 2010 *Scouting News* issue are:

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Tour Permits

From time to time Scoutmasters and Committee Members have inquired into when Local and National Tour Permits are required. The answer to the National Tour Permit question is easy, as it is clearly stated in the *Guide to Safe Scouting*: a National Tour Permit is granted by the Region, after approval by the Council, and is required for trips in excess of 500 miles one way, or for any trips outside of the USA. Requirements for Local Permits are less clear. Upon request, we have printed a recent answer provided by the Risk Management Committee Chair to a Unit asking about whether a Local Tour Permit should be obtained, for example when scheduling an activity at a Metro Park, such as Oak Openings.

Local Tour Permits: Sufficient communication with families and adherence to the requirements of the *Guide to Safe Scouting* is an important part of the Scouting program. A local tour permit operates as a checklist to ensure that these aspects are identified and followed. So, as leaders, we should advocate using these at all appropriate times, following best practices, etc.

Ok, so when is one not required?

Meetings held at the chartering organization's regular meeting place. This is known by parents, District, & Council. The protocol for meetings is well understood and managed.

District camporees, camporalls, summer camp at Council camps/facilities and other organized District or Council events. Exceptions to this include events conducted at another council's camp (Local Permit is required)

or 500 miles one way from the regular meeting place (National Tour Permit is required, for example, Council Philmont Contingent). These are planned, communicated with troops and families in an organized manner and district staff/officers oversee and are in attendance.

Short, in-town den trips (example used in the *Guide To Safe Scouting*).

To answer your question about Oak Openings, I too have heard Scouters refer to a practice of not applying for a permit if the activity is carried out within council boundaries. I've never seen written policy on this. Perhaps others have. Although, some troops never obtain Local Tour Permits at all, and view them as best practices they disregard, even for travel outside of council boundaries. Yet they are simple to submit, can be faxed or e-mailed, and in my experience, Council staff turns them around promptly, and will prioritize if necessary.

So, my question is, when might you wish you had filed one? Answer: If someone is injured and there is an insurance claim, a claim investigator may ask whether a Local Tour Permit had been obtained. If not, its absence could affect whether liability insurance, or the Scouts' secondary health/hospitalization insurance applies.

That being the case, I'd file for one. If someone disagrees with this practice, have them get in touch with the Risk Management Committee Chair. If there is written policy on another clear exception, we'll reconsider this advice and share the information with others.

Camp Frontier Ground Hog Kick Off

The Ground Hog Kick Off for Camp Frontier's 2010 Summer Camping Season will start with a dinner at Camp Miakonda's Ford Center on Wednesday, **February 23rd**. Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm. Get your copy of the 2011 *Camp Frontier Leaders Guide* and visit with the 2011 leadership of camp. Please RSVP with Nancy at 800.241.7293 ext 204 or email Nancy.Brushaber@Scouting.org by February 18th.

Camp Alaska Breakfast

After 24 hours outside, sleeping in a shelter that you have built yourself, and, after having eaten three meals that you have cooked over an open fire; nothing is more refreshing than a good hot breakfast.

On **January 16th**, 8:30 AM – 11:00 AM, the staff at Richard P. Anderson Pioneer Scout Reservation offer the option of a hot pancake breakfast to those who have completed Camp Alaska there on Saturday night.

Please let us know in advance that you will be there.

Cost is \$9.00 per person with Camp Alaska and \$5.50 for Breakfast Only.

Call the Scout Service Center, 419-241-7293 ext 204, or email Nancy at Nancy.Brushaber@Scouting.org.

Save The Date! 85th Annual Scouter Recognition Dinner

Thursday, June 2nd at Camp Miakonda

It's a celebration honoring all Erie Shores Council adult volunteer leaders!

Come early and 'catch up' with other volunteer Scouters at each district gateway. Beginning at 6:00 PM a delicious picnic-style barbecue dinner will be served buffet style on the Parade Field. At 7:30 PM a wonderful program begins at the Council Ring honoring many volunteers and their very special accomplishments this past year and culminates with the Silver Beaver Court of Honor honoring six outstanding volunteers with the Council's most prestigious award. The evening concludes with a dessert reception in the Council Lodge.

Tickets are \$12.00 per person. Deadline to purchase tickets is Friday, May 20th. A flyer with a reservation form can be found online in the Current Events section at www.erieshorescouncil.org.

Mud Hens Sleepovers

Erie Shores Council Dates

Saturday, May 28th

Saturday, June 11th

Friday, June 24th

Saturday, June 25th

Friday, July 15th

Saturday, July 16th

Friday, July 30th

In 2010, over 7,000 Scouts enjoyed a Mud Hens game and over 5,000 Scouts spent the night at Fifth Third Field. The 2011

Scout Sleepovers are expected to be even bigger! Whether you're a seasoned veteran or coming to the Scout Sleepover for the first time, the annual Boy Scout Sleepover events are fun for the whole family.

Cost for the Sleepover Event is \$17 per person, which includes a game ticket and sleepover ticket. Cost to attend the game only is \$9.00 per person. You must attend the game to sleepover. Every Scout sleeping over receives a Mud Hens Sleepover Patch! The Mud Hens will donate a percentage of the proceeds back to our council!

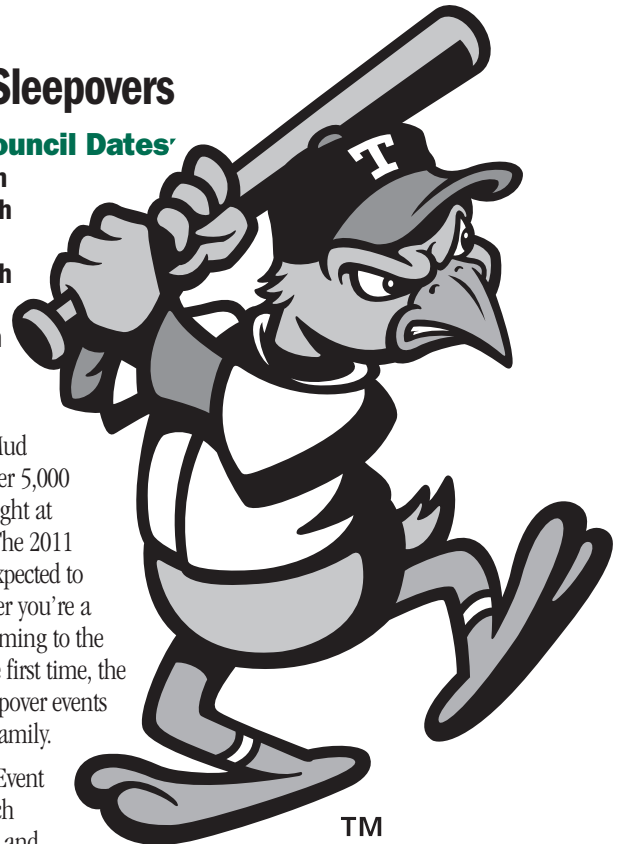
Show up early! The Scout Parades start 40 minutes prior to game time! Bring as many banners and signs as you can carry!

Enjoy the all-you-can-eat breakfast buffet for only \$8.00! Buffet Includes: Scrambled Eggs, Crispy Bacon, Sausage Links, Hash Browns, Fresh Fruit, Orange Juice, Apple Juice, Milk, and Coffee.

Enjoy the picnic snack pack during the ballgame for only \$5.00! (Discounted from regular concession pricing) Picnic Snack Pack Includes: 1 hot dog, 1 bag of chips & 1 small soda.

You'll have the opportunity to purchase a Toledo Mud Hens Sleepover commemorative baseball T-shirt!

WE WILL SELL OUT of sleepover space and tickets, so make your reservations as soon as possible! Brochures are in the mail to all Scouts and available at the Scout Shop.





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Calendar of Events

JANUARY

- 1-3 New Year's Holiday – Office & Store Closed
- 15 Youth Protection Training
- 15 Star Party – PSR
- 16 Camp Alaska Breakfast - PSR
- 17 Martin Luther King Day-Office & Store Closed
- 19 Council Annual Business Meeting
- 25 Council Training Committee
- 26 Council Advancement Committee
Council Membership Committee
- 27 Council Camping Committee
- 29 Walleye Scout Sleepover

FEBRUARY

- 15 Council Commissioners Meeting
- 21 Presidents Day – Office & Store Closed
- 22 Council Training Committee
- 23 Frontier Ground Hog Kick Off
Council Advancement Committee
Council Membership Committee
- 24 Council Camping Committee
- 26 Walleye Scout Sleepover

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