



MUSKINGUM VALLEY COUNCIL

ADVENTURE UPDATE

ADVENTURE IS WAITING...BUILD YOURS NOW!

March 30, 2016



(Commissioner Moose, Amy Pinson, Eric Udischas)

SILVER BEAVER AWARDS – 2016

Congratulations to these exceptional individuals whose servant leadership is building adventures, changing lives and improving our community. They each received the Council's highest honor, the Silver Beaver Award at our recent Celebration of Leadership.

ANN MURPHY SET TO RETIRE

After 28+ years, our Service Center Manager and Accounting Specialist, Ann Murphy is retiring. We will be honoring her service at a retirement gathering:

Friday afternoon, April 1st at the Stone Academy.

Please be sure to thank Ann for her years of service, and consider joining us on April 1st at the Stone Academy between 2 and 5 PM.



FILL-IT-UP PARTY SET!

Did you fill up a Popcorn Take-order form? If so, you have already received your fill-it-up patch. Now get set for the fill-it-up party at *The Works* in Newark on Saturday, April 23rd. You'll get free admission to the Works with a free lunch. Parents and other guests are \$9.00 each. Invitations with all the details will go out in the mail soon. We hope to see you there – you earned it!

FRIENDS OF SCOUTING

The Muskingum Valley Council has an \$800,000 annual budget. About half of those expenses are the direct result of activities, camps and events that are paid by the fees collected. The other half however, are things like utilities at camp, water treatment and testing, mowing the grass, maintaining the camp truck, recruiting supplies, and a council staff. This second half of the budget is paid by contributions from the local United Way, special events, the popcorn sale, endowment, and your Friends of Scouting contributions. If you have not made your FOS contribution, we encourage you to do so now. If you know an individual or business that appreciates the value of Scouting, contact the office and we will offer them the opportunity to contribute as well.

SCOUTFEST 2016 (May 13-15)

This awesome weekend Scouting extravaganza, will offer many unique opportunities for your scouts. It is the first time anyone has been allowed to camp at the park. Your scouts will have the opportunity to climb the 15-story steel staircase wrapped around a huge industrial chimney. It is the first time we have offered boating at a SCOUTFEST event. The City of Mount Vernon has opened it's doors to help make this a memorable weekend you don't want to miss! Follow this link to register and pay for your Scouts:



ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION FORM

See you in Mount Vernon!

ADVANCEMENTS

Effective immediately, the Scout Shop will no longer sell any Cub Scout, Boy Scout or Venturing advancements without a completed advancement form. Should you forget to bring a completed form with you, we will provide one for you. This policy is necessary to ensure we are getting an accurate accounting of the number of advancements taking place. Thank you for your cooperation.

PROUD PARTNER OF THE UNITED WAY:

Four local United Way's support our Scouts. Your support of your local United Way Campaign is a great way to support Scouting and other worthy organizations.





*Please join us for our
National Eagle Scout Association
Annual Gathering and Recognition Event
Saturday, April 16, 2016
5:30 p.m. (Dinner is at 6:00)
\$15 per person*

*Location is at the Dresden United Methodist Church
1014 Main St. Dresden*

*This event is a fellowship and banquet for Eagle Scouts Past and Present
In addition, We will be giving special recognition to our new Eagle Scouts of the past year
As well as Honoring Richard A. Clark With the 'NESA Outstanding Eagle Scout' Award,
Seth Kittner with the 'Adams Eagle Scout Project of the Year' Award,
And this years' Raymond Nicholson II Eagle Scholarship recipient (TBA)*

*This invitation is for all Eagle Scouts And their Families
An RSVP by April 9th is requested.*

*If you have any questions about the event please contact Carl Church at 740-617-7564
or the BSA office at 1-800-934-2128.*

LIFE-TO-EAGLE SEMINAR

April 12, 6:30 PM, Scouting service Center

If you are a life Scout and want to earn your Eagle Scout Rank, please attend this seminar. We'll walk you through the process and answer many questions you might have.

SCOUTING FOR FOOD

Have you done your good turn today? Do your Scouts appreciate the power of service? We now have bags and door hangers available to units who wish to participate in our Scouting for Food good turn.

We are asking every Pack, Troop, Crew, Post, and Ship, to join us in this effort. Riesbeck's Food Markets have partnered with us by providing door hangers and bags. Each unit will distribute bags in the week preceding April 16th. Then, on Saturday the 16th, you simply return to each home and retrieve the full bags off of their front steps. You may deliver the collected food to a food pantry in your community, or deliver it to the Council Service Center for distribution to area food pantries. If we engage the entire Scouting community in this effort, we can have an incredible positive impact. Let us know that you plan to participate; register your unit at this link:

<https://form.jotform.com/53036779849977>

2017 NATIONAL JAMBOREE

The 2017 National Scout Jamboree will take place July 19 - 28, 2017 at The Summit in the New River Gorge area of West Virginia.

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN.

Want to find out more? There's a one-stop shop for registering, additional information, and all kinds of details at:

<http://www.summitbsa.org/events/jamboree/overview/>

Youth who are interested in attending should fill out this form: [Youth interest form](#)

BOY SCOUT SUMMER CAMP

We are gearing-up for another exciting summer at MVSr. Construction begins soon on the new Ecology & Conservation pavilion. The new observation deck is already complete. Our STEM program has a new Makerbot 3D printer. And now two NEW announcements made possible with a grant from the Friends of the NRA:

1. There will no longer be an additional charge to take shotgun Merit Badge, or to purchase any ammunition at camp. All ammunition is being provided at no cost to the Scout!
2. Scouts will have an opportunity to try the new sport of 'Sporting Arrows'. Archery targets will be launched through the air much like a clay bird in shotgun. This promises to be an exciting addition to our camping program.

Here are several important camp dates to mark in your calendars:

Deadline for Camperships:	April 23
Deadline for Fee Payments:	May 15
Deadline for T-shirts:	May 30



ARE YOUR SCOUTS ‘NUTS’ FOR CAMPING?

Scouts receive a full 40% of each sale to apply toward their camp fees this summer. The sale started March 1st.

Orders and payments are due to the council no later than April 7th. Product pick-up will be April 23rd at the

Scouting Service Center in Zanesville.

TUNE IN TO THE NATIONAL GROWTH CONFERENCE ON APRIL 20!

The National Growth Conference is coming up in a few weeks! Councils have been reporting on their hopes and dreams for their 2016 Growth Plans. This live streamed conference will discuss the many ways we can work together to get more families involved in Scouting.

Here are the details:

- **Date:** April 20
- **Live broadcast begins:** 7 p.m. Central
- **Who can participate?:** Anyone can join the broadcast — staff, volunteers, units, and friends!
- **How can I view it?:** livestream.com/bsa/nationalcouncil. (The broadcast also will be recorded and available at the same address after the live event.)

We know that everyone is wants to be a part of a growing BSA! It will be exciting to see where our councils want to go in their quest to serve more youth and change more lives!

WELCOME TO CAMP ZANE!

Did you know that the city of Zanesville was founded by John McIntire? John was the son-in-law of Ebenezer Zane who cut the road through Ohio from Wheeling to Maysville Kentucky. The road was called Zane’s Trace, and was not much more than a path. In payment for cutting the road, Ebenezer was given land at the junction of the Licking and Muskingum Rivers. Ebenezer gave that land to John McIntire who founded a city which he named in honor of Ebenezer – Zanesville. Our Scouting Service Center sits on the edge of the McIntire neighborhood in Zanesville. That is why we have named the property ‘Camp Zane’. We are now looking for Scout units who would like to help improve the property. We are open to unit service projects like tree planting, bird houses etc... Just call the service center if your unit would like to help out.



ADVANCED TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

NYLT August 7-12, 2016

National Youth Leader Training Camp is a great opportunity for your Troop to develop excellent leadership skills within its ranks. It is open to First Class Scouts who are 13 years of age by August 7, 2016. or registered Venture Scouts, Click here for more info: <http://www.muskingumvalleycouncil.com/training/nylt-national-youth-leadership-training/>

Wood Badge

Wood Badge is the BSA's ultimate leadership training for adults; it offers a six day immersion in the theory, practice, and experience of appropriate skills for leading others within Scouting and environments beyond the BSA. We have an approved course scheduled for two weekends in 2016: **August 19-21, and September 24-26.** Click here for more info: <http://www.muskingumvalleycouncil.com/training/wood-badge-training/>



August 5-7

Muskingum Valley Scout Reservation

Shoot--Ree

Saturday, June 4, 2016

10AM – 2PM

\$15 per family includes lunch and one patch.

[Click here to pre-register for this event!](#)



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740-453-0571

Scout Shop Hours: (Labor Day to Memorial Day)
Monday – Thursday 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Friday – 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
(Service Center will Close at Noon on April 1st)