Partners for Clean Streams Lake Sawyer Project Delayed to 2012

We wanted to update everyone on the status of the Camp Miakonda wetland and stream restoration project. Partners for Clean Streams (PCS) continues to move forward on the project; however, there has been a delay in the final engineering and design plans. In addition, PCS decided that it would be best to have permits in hand before bidding the work.

The near final plans are now in hand, but they are still working to secure the many permits needed before construction can begin.

Partners for Clean Streams does not expect to issue a bid(s) for construction for this fall. With the complexity and specificity of permits and monitoring expected for this project, it is felt that having these components in hand prior to requesting quotes will allow contractors to prepare the most accurate, and fully encompassing, response to bid requests. They expect to issue the final plans and specs, along with the detailed bid document, in the spring to allow potential contractors significant preparatory time, with construction anticipated in the fall of 2012.

Please know that Partners for Clean Streams, and the Erie Shores Council Boy Scouts, are fully committed to seeing this project through until successful completion.

In addition to the planning and regulatory tasks, PCS will continue to work with local and regional partners to secure native plants and seeds, work with volunteers to harvest/re-locate plants, and work closely with the Boy Scouts and other groups to continue educating and engaging both youth and adults. The extended schedule will allow us to more fully engage many partners and continue to plan for the monitoring, education, and use of the project for the years to come. Please watch for activities and future updates about our progress and check the PCS website for more information on this and other PCS projects at www.PartnersForCleanStreams.org.

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The National BSA Catalog is available at www.scoutstuff.org
Clean Your Streams

The annual streambank cleanup organized by Partners for Clean Streams (PCS is coming up on Saturday, September 17th. In its fifteenth year, Clean Your Streams Day has had wonderful participation from Scouts and their families over the years. Camp Miakonda area has been one of the more than 50 cleanup sites in the region and one of the many on the Ottawa River. In 2010, more than 650 PCS volunteers spread out along 7 rivers and streams (and the many smaller streams that feed into those rivers) to remove over 22,000 pounds of garbage in one day. And congratulations to Cub Scout Pack 153, who won the award last year for the most volunteers. Way to go boys! What an impact we can have on the environment when working together.

Unfortunately garbage returns year after year. This year Scout groups and their families can kick off from the Olander Park Shelter House or one of 6 other kickoff locations throughout the greater Toledo area. If a Pack or Troop is starting at Olander Park, you will be working in many areas nearby, but upstream of Camp Miakonda. In this way PCS hopes to intercept much of the garbage that ends up adjacent to and downstream of the Camp. Groups need to pre-register online and can choose to emphasize one location by attending the same kickoff location or to spread out amongst areas closer to home.

In an organization who emphasizes “Leave no Trace,” I know preventing and removing debris that enters our rivers is near and dear to many Scouts (past and present!). So your call to action is to commit to attending this year’s Clean Your Streams Day, either as a family or as a Scout group, and then to also take it one step further. Take preventative steps—or educate your neighbors and businesses—about actions you can take at home, school, or work to reduce the likelihood that more garbage ends up in our rivers, streams, and ultimately, into Lake Erie. A few simple steps – use refillable water bottles instead of disposable, use reusable shopping bags and recycle any plastic ones, and of course, put garbage in its place (and pick it up if you see it lose). As you probably know, those rivers and Great Lakes are the same ones that we, as communities, draw our drinking water from, fish in, and recreate upon. Let’s work together to ensure our rivers and streams are fishable, swimmable, and drinkable.

More information on Clean Your Streams Day and all of Partners for Clean Streams’ activities can be found online at www.PartnersForCleanStreams.org and groups can register online at www.regonline.com/CYSregistration to participate September 17th, from 8-noon.

Scout Shop News

New-- The BSA has developed a new merit badge for Chess! Merit Badge books and badges are now available.

• Special Flag of Honor in remembrance of September 11, 2001. The stripes list the victims of that day including first responders. Proceeds go to several charities through our National BSA including the Voices of 911 (supporting the families of the victims), the National 911 Museum at Ground Zero, the Flag of Honor Fund, and the Wounded Warrior Project.” Available now $37.99

New-- Inflatable Raingutter Regatta Raceway Track with 2 lanes, Easy Set Up $24.99

• Coming soon for Boy Scouts Only E2Xtreme Car Racing…Cars run on CO2 cartridges! Design, build, and race yours today! (May be used for some requirements in Model Design and Building, Woodworking, or Woodcarving Merit Badges).
Construction City

2011 Construction City is around the corner. Webelos Den Leaders—make sure you sign up your 4th and 5th graders as soon as possible to avoid being locked out. This year we are expecting more fun and excitement (and a lot of clean up afterwards). Construction City will be limited to 444 boys total. All reservations will be on a first come basis. Register at the Scout Office with Nancy (ext 204 or Nancy.Brushaber@Scouting.org). You must register in advance! Payment will be required when registering your group. REGISTER EARLY, because we will surely SELL OUT!

Construction City General Session: (Limited to 360 1st or 2nd year Webelos) will be Saturday, November 26, 2011, 9 AM to 4:00 PM at the University Of Toledo’s Main Campus Health Education Center. Plan on arriving 30 minutes before the start of your session to check-in. The cost is $9 per boy. You are required to bring one adult per boy — adults are free.

The Bridge Builder Division: (Limited to 84, 2nd year Webelos). This division requires the boys to build a bridge capable of holding a scale weight. You will receive additional information on this at the November training session. The cost is $9 per boy. You will be required to bring one adult per boy — adults are free. Please check in at 7:45 AM Program will begin promptly at 8:15 AM.

New for 2011: Construction City Training will be at University of Scouting instead of at Camp Miakonda, the date for University of Scouting is Saturday, November 5th at Cardinal Stritch High School.

Rally Day – September 8th

This is our special program to enroll new Tiger Cubs, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and their parents. School Night Rallies will be conducted in every elementary school in our four counties of Northwest Ohio on September 8th.

The School Night Rallies are sponsored by the Erie Shores Council, BSA, and are held through the cooperation and support of our local school systems. Over 200 schools will open their doors to Scouting. Adult volunteer leaders will conduct the School Night Rallies.

During each School Night Rally program, volunteer leaders will explain all about the fun and activities in the Tiger Cub, Cub Scout and Boy Scout programs to kids and their parents and will sign up new members. Boys in the first grade can join Tiger Cubs; boys in the second, third, fourth and fifth grades can join Cub Scouts; and boys in grades six and up can join the Boy Scout program.

Let’s give every youth the opportunity to learn and enjoy the Scouting program!

The Erie Shores Council is putting on its second annual ‘One Night Recruitment’ on September 8, 2011. Our goal is to recruit 500 Scouts in one evening! Keep your eye out for newspaper articles, and other advertisements this fall. We are testing the decoder for recruitment in certain schools this year. The youth that receive the decoder, visit our website and turn in the secret code will receive a free prize for Joining Scouting! Contact your District Membership Chair or District Executive for details! Remember: Recruitment and retention’ it’s everyone’s job!
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 September/October 2011 Scouting News issue are:

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- Cub Scout Pack 27
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Disabilities Committee

The Erie Shores Council announces the formation of a new council-wide committee chaired by Sonya Whitehead. Their primary mission will be to promote the inclusion of people with disabilities into the programs and units of the council. The goals include:

1) empowering volunteer leaders with knowledge and understanding of individuals with disabilities,
2) encouraging unit leaders to promote the inclusion of youth with disabilities into Scouting units, and
3) to promote growth and development of all Scouts and Scouters as a result of inclusion.

The committee is seeking input from every district and unit. What units already have programs in place? How can we improve on events to be more inclusive for all? Do any of our Scouters have connections to community groups/programs that would benefit or partner with the council? If you have interest in serving on this committee or just want to share what is or is not working for your unit please e-mail Sara Crosby at Sara.Crosby@Scouting.org.

Shelton Price, from Pack 370 in Carroll Township, Eagle Bay District, came in First Place in the popcorn selling contest. He is flanked by his dad, Scott Price, left, and on the right, Mike Weaner, Computer Data Services, who presented Shelton with his first place prize of a new laptop computer at the Scouter Recognition Dinner last June! Shelton is so excited to have won this prize, and he believes he will still be using his new machine when he goes to college!
Halloween Party

All Scout families are invited to come trick or treating at Camp Miakonda. Our Halloween extravaganza is open to the public and also has a special time set just for Scout families only. Cost is $7 per person, children under 2 are free. Activities include a haunted hayride, haunted hike, haunted cabins, games, storytelling, haunted fort, trick-or-treating and concessions. A Trick-or-Treat bag of goodies is included with the registration fee.

Come as a pack, bring your family and friends. Wear a costume! Pre-registrations are encouraged, but walk-ins are always welcome.

Haunting this fall is Saturday, October 29 from 5:30-9:00 PM, open to Scouts and to the general public; and on Sunday, October 30th from 2-4:30 PM just for Scouting families.

National Jamboree 2013 – Go Big, Get Wild!

Get ready! The 2013 National Scout Jamboree is coming and it ain’t your father’s jamboree. We’re talking seriously high adventure, people! Whitewater rafting, zip-lining, rappelling, mountain biking, hiking, and more - with 50,000 of your closest friends at the brand new Summit Bechtel Reserve in the wilds of West Virginia.

The Jamboree will take place from July 15 to July 24, 2013, and is open to Boy Scouts & Venturers. Erie Shores Council will be sending one Troop and a quarter Crew in 2013. Visit jamboesc.com for the latest information on the Jamboree including how to apply for youth and adult spots on the ESC contingent. Applications for Scoutmasters and Crew Advisors must be received by October 31, 2011 for consideration.

Scouting for Food

Scouting for Food is a community-wide food drive to help feed hungry people by providing additional, much needed food to emergency food pantries. Select the area you wish to canvas and turn it in to your District Executive.

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University of Scouting

It’s a great opportunity for new and veteran Cub Leaders to meet and share ideas with other leaders throughout the Council. Join all the great leaders of Northwest Ohio for a day of training and learn the secrets and best techniques to make your Scouting year memorable!

It will be held Saturday, November 5 at Cardinal Stritch High School, 3225 Pickle Road, Oregon (Between Woodville Road and Navarre). Check in at 8:30 AM, Classes end at 4:30 PM. Cost is $10 if registered by October 20, after that $15 to register for classes. Save a spot for you and a fellow leader by calling the Scout Service Center (419/800) 241-7293 or get a reservation form online at www.erieshorescouncil.org.

Also available will be classes for Boy Scout leaders and Boy Scouts Den Chief, Chaplain Aide, Troop Boards of Review, Troop Courts of Honor and Order of the Arrow.
Calendar of Events

SEPTEMBER
1    Show-N-Sell Popcorn Orders Due
3-5  Labor Day Holiday
6    Regular Business Office Hours Resume
9    Blast & Cast Tournament
15   Popcorn Distribution
16   Popcorn Sale Begins
20   Council Commissioners Meeting
22   Council Camping Committee Meeting
27   Council Training Committee Meeting
28   Council Advancement Committee Meeting
     Council Membership Committee Meeting

OCTOBER
1-2  Cub Scout Family Camps
15-21 Scouting For Food Bag Distribution
22   Scouting For Food Bag Pick Up/Celebration
25   Council Training Committee Meeting
26   Council Advancement Committee Meeting
     Council Membership Committee Meeting
     Popcorn Sale Show-N-Sell Payments Due
27   Council Camping committee Meeting
31   Halloween

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