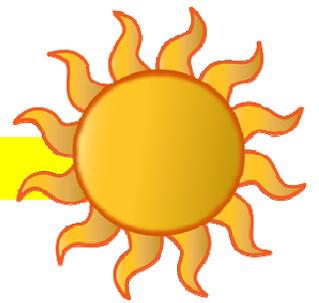


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Patrick Scherer, Scout Executive

Tom Geopfert, Past Council President, is pleased to announce the selection of Patrick Scherer as our new Scout Executive/CEO of the Great Trail Council, effective July 15, 2017.

Pat began his Scouting career as District Executive in Menasha, Wisconsin, serving as Camping Director and District Director. He moved on to become the Director of Development in Portland, Oregon in 2000, and then promoted to Director of Field Service in 2004 in San Francisco, California. In 2009 he was selected as the Scout Executive of the Potawatomi Area Council in Waukesha, Wisconsin.

Pat is an Eagle, Rotary Club member, Wood Badge, and a graduate of St. Norbert College in De Pere, Wisconsin. He and his wife, Mara, have two children.

Please join me in congratulating Patrick as he joins in partnership with the volunteers and staff of the Great Trail Council to deliver quality Scouting



New Woodman Chapel at Camp Stambaugh

Camp Stambaugh in Canfield, Ohio used by 13,000 youth throughout the Great Trail Council area of Mahoning, Trumbull, Portage, Summit, Medina, and parts of Wayne counties opens a new outdoor chapel this summer thanks to the generosity of the Charles Woodman family of Youngstown. The new Chapel will be dedicated this fall. It will seat 100 youth and adults for Scouting activities like vespers, Eagle Court of Honors, and troop Court of Honors as well as weekend church services.

The Chapel and new Dining Hall parking lot can also be used for outside groups, service groups, or small outdoor weddings.

Special thanks to Mrs. Nancy Woodman for making this possible for Scouting and the community.

For more information call Chris Bergdorf, Director of Camping at 330-657-2418.



New Camp Stambaugh Parking Lot





National Scout Jamboree

In 2009, the BSA purchased 10,600 acres of property adjacent to West Virginia’s New River Gorge National River area in order to create the Summit Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve. The Summit is the new home of achievement, adventure, and innovation in Scouting. With world-class facilities and a focus on outdoor action sports, the Summit welcomed Scouts to a whole new jamboree experience in summer 2013. 2017 is the next national jamboree and The Summit will also be hosting the 2019 World Jamboree. The Great Trail Council will send 130 youth and adults to the mountain top event in 2017.

This is not the Retirement Planning Merit Badge



It’s no wonder that Coin Collecting is one of the most popular merit badges. Hundreds of thousands of Scouts have

discovered the thrill of learning that the nickel in their pocket is worth more than five cents. But there are better ways than coin collecting to create extra retirement income, like a gift or annuity or charitable remainder trust. Call 330-773-0415, ext. 215 or email mdoxey@bsamail.org to request information on how you can enjoy your coin collection, but not have to live on it. Be Prepared. Great Trail Council, Boy Scouts of America.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF BOYS

We all know that boys today are “at risk”. They are more likely than girls to drop out of school and less likely to enter or graduate from college. They are also more likely to be diagnosed with learning disabilities and have low self-esteem.

Findings from the study indicate that the positive effects of Scouting last a lifetime. Men who were Scouts five or more years as youth are more likely than men with no Scouting experience to:

- Graduate from high school (91 percent Scouts versus 87 percent non-Scouts),
- Graduate from college (35 percent Scouts versus 19 percent non-Scouts),
- Earn higher annual household incomes (\$80,000 Scouts versus \$61,000 non-Scouts),
- Have lifelong friendships (89 percent Scouts versus 74 percent non-Scouts), and
- Believe that helping others should come before one’s own self-interest (92 percent Scouts versus 83 percent non-Scouts).

The Great Trail Council continually updates its friends and alumni files. Please complete and return this coupon to:

Great Trail Council, BSA
P.O. Box 68, Akron, OH 44309-0068
gtcbsa@gtcbsa.org

Name: _____
Address: _____
Business: _____
Phone: (w) _____ (h) _____

- Yes, I’m an Eagle Scout
- Scouting history in family
- I would welcome a visit from a Scout professional to discuss Scouting programs & volunteer opportunities.

The Boy Scouts of America’s Great Trail Council is one of the largest youth programs in the 5 1/2 county area of Northeast Ohio. More than 10,000 young people are a part of Scouting here locally and are part of the more than 3 million members of the BSA across America.

The purpose of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

Scouting’s programs and outdoor adventures prepare young people for a lifetime of character, leadership and service to our nation.

We’re proud of who we are and what we are about — we know we make a difference in the lives of kids, each and every day.

If you’d like to know more about Scouting, please visit our websites, www.gtcbsa.org or the BSA’s national website at www.scouting.org or to join visit: BeAScout.org