



**HAWK MOUNTAIN COUNCIL
2010 ANNUAL REPORT**



HAWK MOUNTAIN COUNCIL #528/BSA

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A Note of Thanks

Dear Friends of the Hawk Mountain Council:

For 100 years, scouting programs have instilled in youth the values found in the Scout Oath and Law. Today, these values are just as relevant in helping youth grow to their full potential as they were in 1910. Scouting helps youth develop academic skills, self-confidence, ethics, leadership skills, and citizenship skills that influence their adult lives. It was a year of celebration and accomplishment for the Boy Scouts.

We, the key-three, dedicate this 2010 Annual Report to the thousands of participants, families, volunteer leaders, alumni and supporters of the Hawk Mountain Council. It is because of their efforts that we are able to report these significant accomplishments for 2010:

- Delivered a “Quality” Program to 5,995 youth and 3,197 adult volunteers in 2010.
- In May we hosted a 2010 Centennial Scout Show for the 100th Anniversary of Scouting.
- Offered lessons in leadership and ethics.
- Teaching Life Skills such as first aid and CPR.
- Produced a **balanced Operating Budget** for the 41st consecutive year!
- Kittatinny Lodge #5, Order of the Arrow, was a National Quality Lodge.
- Achieved another “banner year” at the Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation.
- The Hawk Mountain Council earned the prestigious 2010 Centennial Quality Council Award.
- Strategic Plan developed and approved for 2011-2015.

Your Council leadership is dedicated in continuing to improve the support and service to our volunteer leaders and Chartered Partners!

Thank you to all!

Douglas N. Yocom, Council President
Daniel J. Adams – Scout Executive
George J. Shoop, Council Commissioner

Traditional Scouting Programs

Cub Scouting is a family and home-centered program for boys in 1st through 5th grades. Cub Scouting's emphasis is on quality, age-appropriate programs delivered at the neighborhood level.

Boy Scouting is a program for boys ages 11-17, designed to achieve the aims of Scouting through a vigorous outdoor program and peer-group leadership building character, independence and values in young people.

Venturing is a co-ed program for young men and women ages 14-20. It includes challenging high-adventure activities, giving teenagers an opportunity to learn and grow in a fun, supportive environment.

Exploring, a division of Learning for Life, offers a co-ed program for teenagers focused on learning about specific career interest by mentoring with local businesses, professionals and industry leaders.

Scoutreach – Scoutreach reflects the diversity of the urban and rural neighborhoods and communities that it serves and uses that strength to enhance customer satisfaction and enrich the scouting experience. The mission of Scoutreach (formerly Urban Scouting) in the Hawk Mountain Council is to recruit committed adult leaders. To develop solid relationships with chartered organizations, and to ensure that culturally diverse youth have the opportunity to join the scouting program.

Volunteers – “the key to scouting success”

The success of Scouting depends on having enough engaged volunteers who are responsive to the needs of the program at the local, regional, and national levels. During 2010 the Hawk Mountain Council engaged in the following nationally directed programs:

Centennial Quality Awards Program for Units, Districts, Councils

Objective: To focus on engaging volunteers and professionals at all levels to increase their effectiveness in the delivery of the program. To support improvement in providing more timely adult leader training, better youth and adult recruitment and retention, more advancement and outdoor program opportunities, and better annual program planning.

Local Benefits: Provides better programming at all levels – unit, district and council. Involves more volunteers in support of providing a quality program.

Commissioner Service Initiative (Hawk Mountain Council has 87 commissioners)

Objective: To assist councils and districts in implementing a special emphasis on the identification, recruitment, and engagement of more commissioners in support of their units.

Local Benefits: Provides support for recruiting and training additional unit commissioners, increasing unit visits per unit by commissioners, and improving the unit-to-commissioner ratio.

National Parent Initiative/ScoutParents

Objective: To provide parents with information and tools to help them understand their importance in becoming more involved with their Scouts. In turn, we hope that Scouts will stay with the program longer and have a better experience in their local unit.

Local benefits: Supports the cultivation and engagement of more parents/mentors with their children in a quality Scouting program.

Membership/Field Operations Update

Dr. Jeffrey Zackon, Vice President Membership/William C. Long, Vice President Field Operations

“It is our sincere pleasure as Vice Presidents of Membership/Field Operations to present several notable accomplishments achieved during 2010.”

- Hawk Mountain Council achieved the 2010 Centennial Quality Council Award. The Council achieved the award in 2008 and 2009 as well.
- Adult Leader Training has always been a cornerstone of our Council. During 2010 in excess of 125 training courses were completed in all phases of our program.
- The Annual Fall Membership Campaign was responsible for in excess of 1,333 youth choosing to become a part of the Boy Scouts of America.
- During 2010 – the Council experienced a 73.6% youth retention as a composite of all programs.

2010 Traditional Membership

Cub Scouts	3,410
Boy Scouts	1,975
Venturers	207

Total Traditional	5,592
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Exploring/LFL	403
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Total Membership	5,995
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Comparison of Total Membership

Membership:	12/31/2009	12/31/2010	% of Growth
	5,932	5,995	+1%

Treasurer's Report

Thomas E. Kauffman, Treasurer

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (Unaudited)

December 31, 2010

	Operating Fund	Capital Fund	Endowment Fund	Totals
ASSETS				
Cash	\$ 58,835	\$ 31,088	\$0	\$ 89,923
Accounts receivable	19,104	0	0	19,104
Pledges receivable, net	7,966	3,200	0	11,166
Interfund balances	0	0	0	0
Inventories	129,792	0	0	129,792
Prepaid expenses	61,461	0	0	61,461
Investments	43,859	0	4,393,584	4,437,443
Gift annuities receivable	0	0	122,508	122,508
Beneficial Interest in perpetual trust	0	0	575,619	575,619
Land, buildings and equipment, net	<u>0</u>	<u>3,492,703</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,492,703</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 321,017</u>	<u>\$3,526,991</u>	<u>\$5,091,711</u>	<u>\$8,939,719</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS				
Notes payable to PennVest	0	719,447	0	719,447
Accounts payable	28,174	0	0	28,174
Accrued Expenses	32,197	0	0	32,197
Custodian accounts	56,145	0	0	56,145
Deferred income	<u>24,289</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>24,289</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 140,805</u>	<u>\$ 719,447</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$ 860,252</u>
NET ASSETS				
Unrestricted net assets	\$ 64,794	\$2,073,111	\$2,543,380	\$4,681,285
Temporarily restricted net assets	115,418	734,433	0	849,851
Permanently restricted net assets	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,548,331</u>	<u>2,548,331</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 180,212</u>	<u>\$2,807,544</u>	<u>\$5,091,711</u>	<u>\$8,079,467</u>
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Financial Update

Scott L. Gruber - Vice President/Finance

“It is my sincere pleasure as Vice President of Finance to present several significant financial accomplishments achieved during 2010.”

- Our Friends of Scouting (FOS) raised \$109,087 and our Golf Tournaments netted \$29,730 in 2010.
- A grand total of \$255,157 was generated in retail sales from our 2010 Trails End Popcorn Sale. \$4,926 of that amount was realized via our newest undertaking – internet sales. 157 Units participated in the sale this year with the majority qualifying for our bonus incentive program. Patrick Velekei served as Council Chair. We look forward to 2011 with great anticipation!
- Received a General Liability Insurance Premium Dividend of \$896 from the National Office of the Boy Scouts of America (self-insured). This check reflects a refund on our Liability Insurance Premium for 2010 and indicates a significant reduction of accidents and litigation in the councils across our country!
- The Council is a participating agency of: United Way of Berks County, Boyertown United Way and Schuylkill United Way.
- We balanced the Council Operating Budget for the 41st consecutive year!
- Raised a total of \$17,267 in camperships.

2010 Council Dinners

2010 Angel Reception - \$20,845 Net

Angel Reception Chairman – *Josh Biever*

Angel Reception Speaker – *Michael D. Guman*

Angel Award Recipient – *Richard Fehr*

2010 Good Scout Breakfast – \$5,611 Net

Good Scout Dinner Speaker – *J Ralph Borneman, Jr.*

Good Scout Award Recipient – *Mary Seidel*

2010 Leadership Dinner – \$154,125 Net

Leadership Dinner Chairman – *Douglas N. Yocom*

Leadership Dinner Speaker – *Oliver L. North*

2010 Spirit of Scouting Breakfast – \$12,797 Net

Spirit of Scouting Chairman – *Terrence J. McGlenn, Sr.*

Spirit of Scouting Speaker – *Daniel L. Cooper*

Spirit of Scouting Award Recipient –

Msgr. James A. Treston

Endowment Update

Marlin Miller, Jr., Endowment Chairman/Wayne R. Weidner, Endowment Vice-Chairman

It is my pleasure on behalf of the Council Endowment Committee to report several significant accomplishments during 2010:

- Added 16 - James E. West Fellows (recognizing gift of \$1,000); we now have 229
- Added 0 - 1910 Society Members (recognizing 5 year pledge of \$25,000); we now have 20
- Added 1 - Heritage Club Members (recognizing gifts of \$5,000 or more); we now have 70
- Received \$7,655 in Memorial Tribute gifts; added to Endowment Fund.

2010 Camping and Camp Properties

Douglas Young, Vice President Camping and Camp Properties

“It is my pleasure to report on the significant capital projects at the Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation, projects planned for the future and on the outstanding camping of units in the Hawk Mountain Council.”

In 2010 – 3,676 youth attended camp at Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation.

- 90% of our Troops had a long-term camping experience.
- 65% of our Packs had a camping experience at Day Camp/Webelos Extended Camp/Resident Camp
- In addition over 1,040 Tigers and Cubs attended Adventure Day and Cub Super Weekend.
- Kittatinny Lodge #5, Order of the Arrow, was a National Honor Lodge.

The following capital items/projects were completed in 2010

- Campsite renovations
- Climbing Tower
- Timber stand improvement
- Built fish habitat enhancements in stream
- Cub Scout Chapel Renovations
- Parking Lot Expansion
- Installed Monitoring Weir at Dam

Upcoming projects – 2011/2012

- Campsite renovations
- Timber stand improvement
- Shower house renovations
- Retrofit Lighting in Willits Dining Hall
- Retrofit Lighting in Warehouse and Ranger Shop
- Build Handicapped Accessible Nature Trail
(Pending Grant Approval)
- Install New Sound System in Willits Dining Hall



Kittatinny Lodge 5

Daniel Kline, Lodge Chief
Dick Keppler, Lodge Adviser

The Order of the Arrow, Kittatinny Lodge 5, had a very successful year in 2010 thus upholding their pledge of Cheerful Service and the promotion of the outdoors and camping. Significant achievements were:

- Held three service weekends
- Achieved Quality Lodge for the 21st consecutive year
- Held two training sessions for lodge members
- Showed a positive growth in lodge membership
- Provided staff and guidance for Cub Adventure Days
- Hosted one of the most successful and highly attended Lodge Leadership Development courses
- Appropriated money to pay for new sound system in Willits Dining Hall

Leadership

2010 Board of Directors

Council Officers

President	Douglas N. Yocom
Executive Vice President	J. Christopher Michael
Council Commissioner	George J. Shoop
Deputy Council Commissioner	Matthew A. Gettis
Treasurer	Thomas E. Kauffman
Assistant Treasurer	Brian C. Regnier
Legal Counsel	Joseph H. Jones, Jr.
Immediate Past President	J. Christopher Michael
Scout Executive	Daniel J. Adams

Vice Presidents

Administration	James C. Webb
Camping/Properties	Douglas Young
Field Operations	William C. Long
Finance	Scott L. Gruber
Governance	Andrew Maier II
Legal	Robert P. Dennison
Membership/Relationships	Dr. Jeffrey Zackon
Long Range Plan/Marketing	Stephen D. Pradon

2010 Executive Board Members

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2010 Advisory Board Members

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* Deceased

Eagle Scouts

The Eagle Scout rank is the highest rank that a scout can achieve, taking years of dedication and hard work to achieve. Nationally, only about 5% of Scouts earn the Eagle rank. For 2010, the Hawk Mountain Council had **137** Scouts achieve the Eagle Scout rank.

Jamie A Anczarski
William R Angstadt, Jr.
Cole A Bausher
Ross C Baver
Andrew C Beane
Zachary P Beatty
Sean M Beavens
Matthew C Beekman
Nicholas R Berg
Thomas J Berger
Scott A Beshore
Nicholas A Bilski
Noel M Bond
Clinton G Bowen
Aaron M Brouse
Gregory L Brown
Jared W Brown
Richard S Bruno, Jr.
Brandon M Buterbaugh
Jonathan Carl
Tyler J Chlebowski
Tyvonne W Conrad
Dustin Daniels
John R DeGroot
David R DeTurk
Matthew Dietrich
Daniel S Doherty
Eric J Dompkowski
Jacob Erickson
Joshua E Espinoza
Dylan M Farrier
Scott R Fields
Jason Firestone
Gregory Free
Austin E Fritz

Evan R Fucci
Ian J Fucci
Evan G Gipprich
Walter E Glunz
Nickalys T Goda
Patrick J Grinage
Benjamin Harakel
Bradley G Harman
Joshua E Hartman
Joshua S Hay
Jonathan E Herflicker
Shane A Hobert
Ethan J Houghtby
Bradley T Huber
Cody B Hunsinger
Matthew J Jones
Logan M Kauffman
Michael R Keating
Brandon A Kegerize
Jared J Keith
Corey A Kelch
Daniel R Kelly, IV
Daniel J Kiefer, IV
Jason M King
Jonathan A Kissinger
Nathan J Klein
Thomas Kline
Nathan R Knauss
David Kocher, Jr.
Edmund P Kolodziej, III
Matthew S Krajewski
Ian Kramlich
Shawn M Krause
Cory R Lape

Luke D Lauer
Michael J. Lella
Nathan S Leshner
Patrick Loube
Jacob May
Mark T McDevitt
Matthew R Mealand
Jordan Miller
Joshua A Miller
Justin T Miller
Joshua T Minnich
Cody A Mohn
Jacob Moll
Sean D Moran
Darren S Nagle
Kurtis C Ney
Kurt J Niehus
Austin G Noguera
Michael O'Hare
Matthew J Pachulo
William A Parks
Nathaniel A Parrish
David Peffley
Hayden S Potts
Ryan Potts
Jarad D Radcliffe
Austin E Resch
Eric W Richmond
Zachary Ricketts
Eric T Ritchey
Jacob T Ritschard
David Robertson
Benjamin Rodgers
Joseph R Russo

Bryce Sakach
Daniel R Schellhamer
Stephen T Schlegel
Casey Schneck
Brandon Schneider
Anthony N Schuhl
Dustin B Seyler
Anthony L Shaner
Ezekiel J Sheaman
Andrew Skicki
Sean P Slater
John G Snyder
Matthew J Snyder
Benjamin D Solt
Kevin P Stairiker
Drew B Starliper
George W Stein
Jarred M Stratton
Andrew Strause
Dennis L Swartz, Jr.
Jaron C Talotta
Eric S Tucci
Andrew J Wagner
Spencer A Walmer
Patrick J Walthers
Luke E Watkins
Jonathan S Weaver
Troy D Weber
Justin C Weld
Morgan JC Williams
Kyle D Witman
Tylor J Wolfe
Shawn M Woll
Matthew Zomolsky

Chartered Partners

During 2010 the Hawk Mountain Council continued to enrich the lives of young people throughout our 2 county service area. We accomplished this only through the committed efforts and ongoing collaboration of our nearly 170 Chartered Partners.

Advent Lutheran Church	West Lawn	PA	Mt Aetna Lions Club	Mt Aetna	PA
Allegheny Lutheran Church	Mohnton	PA	Mt Zion Lutheran Church	Kutztown	PA
Alvernia University	Reading	PA	Muir Volunteer Fire Company #1 Auxillary	Muir	PA
American Legion Post 74	Mahanoy City	PA	Multicultural and Literacy Institute	Reading	PA
American Legion Post 878	Oley	PA	Nativity Lutheran Church	Reading	PA
Andreas Sporting Club	Andreas	PA	New Bethel Union Church	Kempton	PA
Atonement Lutheran Church	Reading	PA	New Jerusalem Evangelical Lutheran Church	Fleetwood	PA
Auburn Mothers Club	Auburn	PA	New Journey United Methodist Church	Reading	PA
Bausman Memorial United Church of Christ	Wyomissing	PA	Oakbrook Resident Council	West Reading	PA
Bellemans Union Church	Mohrsville	PA	Parents of Adventure	New Ringgold	PA
Berks County Bar Association	Reading	PA	Parents of Shenandoah	Shenandoah	PA
Berks County Dental Society	Oley	PA	Pine Forge Elementary Parent Teacher Association	Pine Forge	PA
Bethany Lutheran Church	Reading	PA	Reading Eagle Co	Reading	PA
Bethany United Methodist Church	Barnesville	PA	Reading High School	Reading	PA
Birdsboro Area Climbers Association	Stowe	PA	Reading Hospital & Medical Center	West Reading	PA
Blandon Fire Company	Blandon	PA	Reading Railroad Heritage Museum	Hamburg	PA
Board of Deacons-Pennside Presbyterian	Reading	PA	Reading Society of Model Engineers	Temple	PA
Boyertown Area YMCA	Boyertown	PA	Reformation Evangelical Lutheran Church	Reading	PA
Boyertown Lions Community Ambulance	Boyertown	PA	Rehlersburg Lions Club	Rehlersburg	PA
Boyertown Museum of Historic Vehicles	Boyertown	PA	Richmond Elementary Parent Teacher Association	Fleetwood	PA
Boyertown Public Library	Boyertown	PA	Robeson Evangelical Lutheran Church	Mohnton	PA
Boys Club of Orwigsburg	Orwigsburg	PA	Sacramento Community Fire Company	Sacramento	PA
Branch Township Booster Club	Llewellyn	PA	Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church	West Reading	PA
Calvary Lutheran Church	Laureldale	PA	Salem Church	Klingerstown	PA
Camp Cadet Pa State Police	Reading	PA	Salem Shalters Lutheran Church	Fleetwood	PA
Christ Church-United Church of Christ	Temple	PA	Salem United Church of Christ	Oley	PA
Christ United Church of Christ	Bowers	PA	South Mountain YMCA	Wernersville	PA
Christ United Methodist Church	Tower City	PA	St Andrews united Methodist Church	New Berlinville	PA
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints	Reading	PA	St Ann's Roman Catholic Church	Frackville	PA
Civil Air Patrol	Reading	PA	St Catherine of Siena Roman Catholic Church	Reading	PA
Community United Church of Christ	Reading	PA	St Columbkil's Roman Catholic Church	Boyertown	PA
Concerned Parents of Baer Park	Reading	PA	St Daniel's Lutheran Church	Robesonia	PA
Cornwall Terrace Parent Teacher Organization	Sinking Spring	PA	St Gabriel's Episcopal Church	Douglasville	PA
Cumbola Volunteer Fire Co	Cumbola	PA	St Ignatius Loyola Roman Catholic Church	Sinking Spring	PA
Deer Lake & West Brunswick Fire Co	Orwigsburg	PA	St John Baptist De LaSalle Roman Catholic Church	Shillington	PA
Earl Township Parent Teacher Organization	Boyertown	PA	St John-Hill United Church of Christ	Boyertown	PA
Entech Engineering Inc	Reading	PA	St John's CCCC Church	Port Clinton	PA
Epiphany Lutheran Church	Temple	PA	St John's Hains United Church of Christ	Wernersville	PA
Eplers United Church of Christ	Leesport	PA	St John's Lutheran Church	Mohnton	PA
Faith Worship Center of Schuylkill County	Orwigsburg	PA	St John's Lutheran Church	Pine Grove	PA
First United Church of Christ	Hamburg	PA	St John's United Church of Christ	Kutztown	PA
Fleetwood Volunteer Fire Company #1	Fleetwood	PA	St John's United Church of Christ	Orwigsburg	PA
Frankford Radio Club	Kutztown	PA	St John's United Church of Christ	Tamaqua	PA
Friedens Evangelical Lutheran Church	Oley	PA	St Johns Evangelical Lutheran Church	Boyertown	PA
George D Keller Memorial Association	Schuylkill Haven	PA	St Johns Evangelical Lutheran Church	Kutztown	PA
Glenside Resident Council	Reading	PA	St Johns Lutheran Church	Birdsboro	PA
Good Shepherd United Church of Christ	Boyertown	PA	St Johns Lutheran Church	Hamburg	PA
Good Shepherd United Church of Christ	Reading	PA	St Johns Lutheran Church	Ringtown	PA
Grace Alsace United Church of Christ	Reading	PA	St Johns Lutheran Church	Sinking Spring	PA
Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church	Shillington	PA	St Joseph Medical Center	Reading	PA
Grace Lutheran Church	Reading	PA	St Joseph Roman Catholic Church	Frackville	PA
Group of Citizens	Gordon	PA	St Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church	Reading	PA
Holy Guardian Angels Roman Catholic Church	Reading	PA	St Margaret's Roman Catholic Church	Reading	PA
Hometown Fire Company #1	Tamaqua	PA	St Mark's Lutheran Church	Birdsboro	PA
Hope Lutheran Church	Reading	PA	St Mark's United Church of Christ	Cressona	PA
Hope of Christ Presbyterian Church	Summit Hill	PA	St Michael's Church	Hamburg	PA
Immaculate Conception Blessed Virgin Mary	Douglasville	PA	St Patrick's Roman Catholic Church	Pottsville	PA
Jerusalem Lutheran Church	Schuylkill Haven	PA	St Paul's Lutheran Church	Douglasville	PA
John Paul II Center for Special Learning	Shillington	PA	St Paul's Lutheran Church	Mertztown	PA
Knights of Columbus Council 2711	Coaldale	PA	St Paul's Lutheran Church	Port Carbon	PA
Lansford American Legion	Lansford	PA	St Paul's Lutheran Church	Reading	PA
Latter Day Saints - Kutztown Ward	Kutztown	PA	St Paul's United Church of Christ	Auburn	PA
Lebos Pedal Parlor	West Lawn	PA	St Paul's United Church of Christ	Birdsboro	PA
Liberty Fire Co	New Berlinville	PA	St Paul's United Church of Christ	Douglasville	PA
Lincoln Park Volunteer Fire Company	Shillington	PA	St Paul's United church of Christ	Fleetwood	PA
Little Run Sportsman's Club	Tremont	PA	St Pauls United Methodist Church	Pine Grove	PA
Little Swatara Church Of The Brethren	Bethel	PA	St Peter & Paul Russian Orthodox Church	Minersville	PA
Longswamp United Church of Christ	Mertztown	PA	St Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church	Tower City	PA
Lorane Association of Parent/Teacher	Reading	PA	St Peter's Union Church	Tamaqua	PA
Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity	Leesport	PA	St Peter's United Church of Christ	Reading	PA
Mahantongo Ministerium	Klingerstown	PA	St Peters Untied Church of Christ	Pine Grove	PA
Mahantongo Valley Fire Co	Klingerstown	PA	St Thomas Church	Bernville	PA
Maidencreek Church	Blandon	PA	Strausstown Lions Club	Strausstown	PA
Meeds Memorial United Methodist Church	Nesquehoning	PA	Summit Hill Heritage Center	Summit Hill	PA
Men of Trinity Lutheran Church	Pottsville	PA	The Children's Home of Reading	Reading	PA
Millmont Elementary PTO	Reading	PA	The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints	Pottsville	PA
Most Blessed Sacrament Roman Catholic Church	Bally	PA	The Pottsville Hospital & Warne Clinic	Pottsville	PA
Mothers of Pine Grove	Pine Grove	PA	Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church	Valley View	PA
Mountain Valley Golf Course	Barnesville	PA	Trinity Lutheran Church	Bechtelsville	PA

Chartered Partners

Trinity Lutheran Church
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West Penn Youth Center Corp
Wild Birds Unlimited Nature Store

Pottsville PA
Robesonia PA
Topton PA
Wernersville PA
Andreas PA
Sinking Spring PA

Wyomissing Fire Company
Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church
Zion Lutheran Church
Zion Spies Evangelical Lutheran Church
Zions Reformed Church

Wyomissing PA
Womelsdorf PA
Shoemakersville PA
Reading PA
Ashland PA

HISTORICAL PROSPECTIVE

The Beaver Family Service Center

The Council dedicated the current Beaver Family Service Center on October 30, 2007. It is a historic 1801 farmhouse. On September 11, 1971 the conference room and flag plaza were dedicated. The American Flagpole is over 82 feet high and is the highest flagpole in Berks County and the highest flagpole of all Scout Councils in the Boy Scouts of America.

The first Council Headquarters location was in the *Reading Eagle* Building at 6 South Sixth Street. In 1917, Headquarters was moved to 522 Washington Street and three years later (1920) it was moved east on the same block into the Thrift Building on the southeast corner of Sixth and Washington Streets. The Friends Meeting House on North Sixth Street, adjoining the Rajah Temple, became available in 1926 and was the fourth Headquarters site. In 1946 a move was made to the Breneiser Building at 120 North Eighth Street where Headquarters remained for fourteen years. Thus, for forty-three years the Council maintained its Headquarters inside a ten-block area in the center of the City of Reading. Then in 1959 the Krick bequest made a Council-owned Headquarters available, six miles north of Reading on the Reading-Pottsville Highway.

Camp

Hawk Mountain Council was born of the consolidation of the Daniel Boone Council in Berks County and the Appalachian Trail Council in Schuylkill County and part of Carbon County. The 1970 consolidation developed into a happy and prosperous union because of the sincere concern for mutual welfare.

The headquarters of the Daniel Boone Council on the George Krick property along the Pottsville Pike near Reading was designated to serve the merged councils.

The easiest thing in the merger was agreeing upon a name. Once the merger was agreed upon, it was quick with no objections. It just had to be "Hawk

Mountain Council" since that landmark had been the former borderline between the two councils and now became the center of the merged territory.

Daniel Boone Council had Camp Shikellamy on the south side of Blue Mountain and the Appalachian Trail Council had Blue Mountain Camp on the north. They were only about 1,500 feet apart, close for hiking from one to the other and separated by the famous Appalachian Trail. But, there was no direct road. Driving between the two was a six mile, round-about trip.

The new council operated two camps for two summers and found itself with a staff of 93 between the two locations. The decision was made to use only one of the camps. When the council's two camping programs came together at Camp Shikellamy, the staff was reduced to 58. Blue Mountain was closed for two years.

Meanwhile, attention was being turned to solving the camp problem permanently. A study was undertaken and alternatives considered, including an investigation with the state about building a road between the two. Gilbert Associates had done a study for the council and told us that to put water and sewer lines in properly would cost an arm and a leg. It was a good study and recommended that we should stay at Blue Mountain and sell Camp Shikellamy.

The last camping season at Camp Shikellamy was 1977 and the property was sold at auction in 1978. Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation opened in 1978.

The success of the camping program is but one evidence of the solidarity and dedication of the true Scouters who faced up to reality in the late 1960s and consolidated their resources to assure the youth of today and tomorrow the availability of the wholesome, character-building experience of growing up in the Hawk Mountain Council.

Scouting Solves Problems.....

Today's youth face many challenges and influences competing for their time. Consider the issues facing youth and how they can be addressed through Scouting:

	Youth Issues/Topics	Scouting Activities
1	Child obesity	Personal fitness; nutrition, exercise (hiking, swimming, bicycling)
2	Alcohol/drug abuse	Participation in Scouting's anti-drug program
3	Emergency preparedness	Disaster training and first aid/lifesaving skills training
4	Leadership	Leading Scout patrols, running meetings, planning events
5	Character	Learning and living the Scout Oath and Law
6	Family values	Scouting is a family-based program involving parents and youth
7	Diversity/tolerance	Helping Scouts with physical and mental disabilities
8	Environmentalism	"Leave No Trace" training
9	Community service	Service projects, Scouting for Food (food drive), Eagle Scout projects
10	Youth achievement	Scout rank advancement, merit badges and improved academics
11	Mentoring	Positive adult role models and their impact on young lives
12	Civic Involvement	Citizenship training, flag ceremonies

Scouting gives youth the opportunity to break these trends in an environment where they are encouraged by a positive peer group. Participation in Scouting also provides youth with many character development and leadership opportunities that are not available through other types of activities.

Cub Scout Promise

**I promise to do my best
To do my duty to God and my country,
To help other people, and
To obey the Law of the Pack.**

Scout Oath

**On my honor I will do my best
To do my duty to God and my country
and to obey the Scout Law;
To help other people at all times;
To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake,
and morally straight.**

Venturing Oath

**As a Venturer, I promise to do my duty to God and help
strengthen America, to help others, and to seek truth,
fairness, and adventure in our world.**