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FUNDRAISING EFFORT FOR NEW SHELTER PROJECT TO BENEFIT MYERSTOWN BOY SCOUTS

Myerstown Boy Scout Troop 20 has undertaken a significant project to raise funds for the construction of four open sided Appalachian Trail shelters on Scout property located on Halfway Drive in Jackson Township. Plans call for the construction of four shelters that will provide a place for Scouts to camp, work on merit badges, conduct meetings and work on rank advancements. Additionally, each shelter will provide a primitive sleeping area for 10-12 Scouts and a covered area to prepare outdoor meals.

With the continued growth of Myerstown's Scout Troop, the new space is needed to continue the Scouting mission of preparing every eligible youth to become a responsible, participating citizen and leader whose life is guided by the Scout oath and Scout law

“We camp year round, regardless of the weather” said Senior Patrol Leader Eric Smith, 15 of Myerstown. “We don't cancel campouts because of bad weather. It can be raining, snowing or blowing and we'll be camping” “The idea of having a shelter similar to those on the Appalachian Trail is very exciting” Smith said.

“This is a major undertaking for our Troop” says Dennis Palm, Scoutmaster of Troop 20 since 1990. “Historically, we have operated our Scouting program on a very limited budget, but in order to accommodate our growing Troop and continue to provide an excellent Scouting program, we are reaching out to the community to help us achieve this goal” the Scoutmaster said.



SCALE MODEL OF PROPOSED SHELTER



TRAIL SHELTER IN SHENANDOAH NATIONAL
PARK

COST ESTIMATES & FUND RAISING GOALS

Using volunteer labor, we have calculated that each shelter can be built at a material cost of \$4000.00 or a total of \$16,000.00 for the entire project (4 shelters) to accommodate 40-50 Scouts. Organizations or individuals who are able to provide funding for one complete shelter project will be recognized by having that shelter named in recognition of their support and contribution. Private, anonymous donations will be kept in the strictest confidence.

Please join us in making this project a reality and insuring a strong Scouting program in the Myerstown area for years to come.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Scouts & Leaders of Myerstown Troop 20

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APPALACHIAN TRAIL SHELTER AT RAUSCH GAP IN NORTHERN LEBANON COUNTY

“Scouting exposes young men to people and experiences that encourage and nurture positive moral values. But we must not take Scouting for granted. You can do nothing more important for young people today than to continue, or begin, your support of Scouting. I have never met anyone with devoted Scouting experience who was not a solid citizen, a loyal friend, and a patriot. We need more of them.”

*Wallace G. Wilkinson,
former Governor of
Kentucky*

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MYERSTOWN SCOUT TROOP CONTINUES GROWTH TRENDS

Boy Scout Troop 20 continues to attract Scouting age youth from the surrounding areas. Current membership in Myerstown’s Scout Troop has reached 32 youth with 11 registered and trained leaders. “My son and I came to the Myerstown Troop from Lebanon due to its reputation as a very active and well run Troop” says Committee Chairman Gary Reitnouer.

With current local Cub Scout and Webelos membership exceeding 60 boys , Troop 20 expects to see 10-15 new boys join the troop each year for the next several years. Myerstown area boys aged 12 and up are encouraged to see what Scouting has to offer. Interested boys or parents may contact Scoutmaster Dennis Palm at dendonp@comcast.net or by phone at 717-866-2462.

ABOUT BOY SCOUT TROOP 20

Boy Scout Troop 20 was first organized in Myerstown in 1915. Currently under the direction of Scoutmaster Dennis Palm and 11 Assistant Scoutmasters, Troop 20 currently serves 32 Scouts ages 11 to 18. In addition, Myerstown Cub Scouts and Webelos packs serve an additional 60 area youth and a majority of those will transition to Troop 20 upon graduation from Webelos.

Troop 20 welcomes inquiries from youth, parents and other interested parties about Scouting programs.

See our website at www.myerstownboyscouts.org for more information.

If you or your organization is willing to assist us in our shelter project but would like more information or a presentation in-person at your organizations regular business meeting, please contact Scoutmaster Dennis Palm at 866-2462 or Asst. Scoutmaster Bill Batdorf at 866-7446. We would be pleased to meet with you.

