

## Ride-A-Thon benefit planned for Tuscazoar

The Buckeye Trail Riders horse club is planning to hold their first Ride-A-Thon to benefit Camp Tuscazoar on Sept. 6-7, 2003. They hope to have more than 100 riders in camp that weekend from several area horse clubs.

The riders will raise money through sponsorships. Each day, the horse riders will leave at 10 a.m. for a 5-to-6-hour ride. A potluck dinner is planned for Saturday evening. The riders will provide all food. Also, individual prizes will be awarded at the Saturday dinner. Buckeye Trail Riders will present a plaque/award to the horse club with the most participation, and an award for the most money collected by an organization.

If you are interested in sponsoring a rider for this event, or if your horse club is interested in participating, please contact the camp at 330-859-2288.

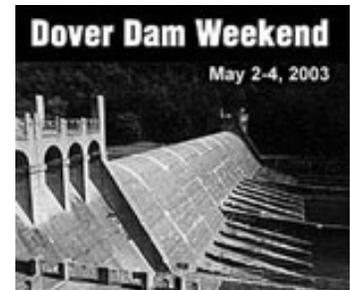
## Join the celebration of Ohio's bicentennial at Dover Dam weekend

The state of Ohio has many events planned in 2003 to help celebrate its 200 years of statehood. Now that spring has arrived, why not plan to join the celebration by attending Dover Dam Weekend at Tuscazoar? We've planned a weekend of events that will hearken back to life in the 1800's.

A Civil War reenactment; mountain men; cavalry; an old-time steam engine and other events are being planned to provide both entertainment and education. Scouts who attend will have an opportunity to earn the American Heritage merit badge. And, as always, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will lead guided tours of Dover Dam for camp visitors.

The organized events will begin at flag raising on Saturday morning and will conclude with an evening campfire program at the Hoover Lodge amphitheater.

Campsites are still available. The \$7 per person activity fee includes all camp events, a souvenir patch and a BBQ beef dinner Saturday evening. A Cracker Barrel and leader's meeting is planned for Friday evening. A second meeting will be held Saturday morning at breakfast for day-only attendees. For more information, call 330-859-2288.



## Primitive Gathering offers atlatl, archery, flint knapping, June 21-22

This will be the third year for the Primitive Gathering at Camp Tuscazoar. Each year attendance goes up. Everyone is invited to learn the primitive ways of the bow, atlatl, and flint knapping.

Camp for the weekend. Learn from skilled artisans. Try your hand at the arts. Hike Tuscazoar's hills and eat in the dining hall.

- Flint knapping -- from rocks to points. Artisans will be on hand to demonstrate and show points. Flint and tools will be for sale.
- Atlatl -- from beginners to ISAC international competition. Try your arm at the throwing stick and dart.
- Primitive archery -- from axe to wax. Learn how to make self and composite bows. Learn about various arrow woods.

Event hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday. Practice and challenge ranges will be open to visitors and exhibitors to try their throwing skills. Instructors will have throwing sticks and darts to try. A benefit auction with finely crafted items is scheduled for Saturday at 4 p.m. Admission is \$5 per car. A concession stand will also be open. For more information, please contact Norm Saeger at saeger@raex.com.

# Tuscazoar events, programs and activities

For reservations or additional information, contact Camp Tuscazoar at 330-859-2288

## Tuscazoar Tidbits

Here's a few items to keep in mind about Camp Tuscazoar. Some of these things you may have forgotten; some you might not have known. Read on...

### Pig Weekend

Camp Tuscazoar's annual pig weekend is scheduled for Sept. 12-14, 2003. The **Pig Gig** will provide many fun activities for campers and, as always, the **Pig Roast fund-raiser** will offer great food, musical entertainment and a chance to see what's new and reminisce about days gone by. The Pig Roast will be held Saturday and Sunday from 3 to 6:30 p.m. Advance tickets for the Pig Roast will be available this summer from Camp Tuscazoar Foundation members or by contacting the camp.

### Hay Rides

Be sure to schedule a good, old-fashioned hayride through the hills of Camp Tuscazoar for your group this fall. The hayrides will run from October to mid-November at 6 p.m., 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Rides can also be scheduled for other times, provided a driver and wagon host are available. The rides last approximately 1 hour and cost \$45 (\$40 for groups camping).

### Campmasters

We are always in need of campmasters. Volunteers age 21 and older who are members of the Foundation, or willing to join the Foundation for \$10, are needed to assist the Ranger in overseeing the camp on weekends and to check units in and out of camp. This is an ideal way to help out at camp and spend a weekend or two in the great outdoors. You can make it a fun outing for your family or for some old scouting friends.

### Firewood

We still have plenty of downed timber in camp that needs removed. CTF members may cut their own firewood at no charge. But, please see the Ranger before cutting or removing any timber.

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## Celebrate Ohio's bicentennial at *Dover Dam Weekend*

Come and enjoy...

- Civil War re-enactment
- Mountain men & cavalry
- Old-time steam engine
- Tours of Dover Dam
- Campfire program
- BBQ beef dinner
- and much, much more!



**May 2-4 at historic Camp Tuscazoar**

## Groups braved winter snow and ice to compete for Gold Rush prizes

Despite winter's bitter cold, snow and ice, ten hearty groups crisscrossed Camp Tuscazoar in search of gold nuggets, lost cities and high marks for leadership, participation, safety and spirit. They solved problems, cooked their meal on the trail, rescued fallen comrades (the first-aid challenge), solved a compass course, sharpened their tools and demonstrated their outdoor skills. In the end, everyone could take satisfaction in a job well done.



*Units earned points for properly pitching a tent and setting up an ideal winter campsite during the Gold Rush Competition.*

Event chairman Howard Rubin had the groups traveling from one end of the camp to the other, which helped keep bodies warm in the frigid weather. Fortunately, everyone was well equipped for the cold. No tennis shoes in this crowd!

Breakfast in the dining hall was a welcome start to the day. And, as always, Bob Spencer's chili kept everyone warm and well fed at the evening meal. Later, precious gold nuggets won during the day's events were exchanged for trays of goodies! And, the patrol that lost their entire bag of nuggets that afternoon was grateful for their recovery before the auction began.

To view more pictures of the Gold Rush, visit our website at: <http://www.tuscazoar.org/03grreview.htm>.

Our thanks to all the volunteers who helped make the weekend a success. See you next year!

# Tuscazoar Tidbits

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## Tuscazoar Slide Show

We've received many requests to present the Tuscazoar slide show at scout meetings, Lion's Club meetings, and other group events. This 20-minute program offers a look back at Tuscazoar's storied history, and includes dozens of rare and outstanding photos. If your group is interested in seeing this presentation, please contact the camp and request a showing well in advance of your event. A donation for this free showing would be appreciated to help cover our costs.

## Zoar Valley Trail

The Camp Tuscazoar Foundation continues to operate the Zoar Valley Trail, from Bolivar to New Philadelphia. Patches and medals are available for those who successfully complete this 17-mile hike. From pioneer settlements to canal locks, this trail provides a glimpse into Ohio history. Camp Tuscazoar offers an overnight stopping point for those on the trail. For more information, visit [www.tuscazoar.org/zoarvalleytrail.htm](http://www.tuscazoar.org/zoarvalleytrail.htm).

## "Adopt-A-Site" Program

So your group wants to camp, but can't afford to pay camping fees? We have the solution. At Tuscazoar, your group can spend the weekend in a campsite at no charge, provided the group completes an approved four-hour work project. To participate, inquire when you make your reservations. You need to save money; we need to get the work done. Let's work together to make them both happen!

## Bricks still available

You can still purchase an engraved brick for \$25 to honor an Eagle Scout, to remember a lost loved one or to express your support for Camp Tuscazoar. The Eagle bricks will be placed in the Eagle Walk outside the W.C. Moorhead Museum, and others are placed in prominent locations in camp for all visitors to see. Brochures with brick applications are available at camp. Information is also available on our website at [www.tuscazoar.org/eaglebricks.htm](http://www.tuscazoar.org/eaglebricks.htm).



## Hey! Where's the stockade?

*We recently found this photo in our museum photo collection. It appears to show the location of our camp entrance before the stockade was constructed, and includes two teepees, a covered wagon and several totem poles. We're guessing this picture was taken in the 1940's. Do you know more about it? If so, let us know!*

## Bridge project moves forward

A number of positive developments have occurred recently on our Zoarville Station Bridge project. Most importantly, we have been given approval to not raise the bridge when it is re-installed. The Ohio Department of Transportation, the Ohio Historic Preservation Office and the Ohio Department of Natural Resources have agreed that the bridge may be re-installed on its existing abutments, saving the project an estimated \$300,000. All remaining work, except for design and construction supervision costs, will be paid for under the TEA-21 grant we were awarded by ODOT. Another exciting development is the imminent involvement of Ohio State University's College of Engineering in the rehabilitation of the worst of the corroded bridge parts. A group of Welding School seniors, under the supervision of a faculty advisor, will be meeting with Project Manager Dave Tschantz and other project consultants in mid-April to formulate procedures for transporting these bridge parts to Columbus for examination and rehabilitation. We are excited to have OSU involved in this project! Also, the Ohio Erie Canal Association has awarded this project \$19,277. This latest grant will complete funding of this project at current estimates! We thank the OECA for their help. We now anticipate reopening and dedicating the bridge in the spring of 2004.

## Junior Membership

The Foundation offers a junior membership to those under 18 years of age. Junior members are entitled to use the camp facilities under adult supervision, and will receive the "Breeze" newsletter. The cost is only \$5 a year.

## Volunteers needed

The experts say we all have a desire to feel needed. OK...we need you! We need volunteers for event weekends, for work projects, for maintenance, for mowing, to help out in the museum, and for many other tasks. Get involved and improve your mental health!

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## Eagle project roundup

Several Eagle projects are underway at camp. Eagle candidates will be: scanning old Tuscazoar photos for display on computer in the museum; siding the camp latrines; restoring and remarking Icky's Trail; landscaping the Hoover Lodge amphitheater; improving the amphitheater lighting; and remarking and improving the trail to Pioneer Point.

We also have a long list of service projects, including litter control, trail maintenance and improvement, firewood cutting, ditch clearing, painting and cleaning. If your group is looking for a service project, please call the camp.

## Coming Events:

April 6	CTF Board Meeting
<b>May 2-4</b>	<b>Dover Dam Weekend</b>
May 4	CTF Board Meeting
June 1	CTF Board Meeting
<b>June 21-22</b>	<b>Primitive Gathering</b>
July 13	CTF Board Meeting
August 3	CTF Board Meeting
Sept. 7	CTF Board Meeting
<b>Sept. 12-14</b>	<b>Pig Weekend</b>

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## Former Foundation board member Bill Wagner passes away

Long-time Camp Tuscazoar Foundation volunteer William P. (Bill) Wagner passed away in November. He was 71.

Bill was born in October, 1931 and graduated from Louisville High School in the class of 1950. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1950 to 1955 and in the U.S. Naval Reserves from 1956 to 1960. As a youth, Bill was a charter member of Troop 120 in Louisville, where he earned the rank of Star. His first three years of Pipestone honors were earned at Camp Tuscazoar.

Bill began his adult Scouting career leading his son's Cub Pack 17 from 1980 to 1982, and he continued as a Webelos leader in Packs 120 and 244 until 1985. In 1983, he signed on as a charter member and Assistant Scoutmaster of Canton's new Boy Scout Troop 244, where he remained an active assistant for the remainder of his life.

As an adult, Bill earned his 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> year Pipestones at Camp Tuscazoar in 1983 and 1984. He earned the John Burroughs Nature Award in 1986 and assisted with the John Burroughs program at summer camp every year since 1987.

In showing his love for nature and Scouting, Bill created "Bill's Bog," a nature area at Seven Ranges Scout Reservation. He often gave nature presentations to church groups, garden clubs and various women's associations.

Bill joined the Camp Tuscazoar Foundation in its early days in 1986, and was elected to the Foundation's first class of trustees in 1987. He served regularly on the board thereafter, and used his knowledge of nature to assist with identification signs and nature trails throughout camp. He was also an avid photographer.

Bill and his wife Norma raised two children: William II and Michelle. In 1997, Bill retired from the Timken Company. He once said, "No one will ever know how much enjoyment nature and teaching nature to others has given me during the years."