



Busy Beavers finish Hoover Lodge ceiling

The ceiling in Hoover Lodge, which had been showing signs of disrepair, has been completely renovated, thanks to the Busy Beavers. This diligent crew of workers installed new white panels, dramatically increasing the interior lighting. Also, the Busy Beavers ran new wiring for ceiling fans. These fans have been installed to improve heat flow. Several more improvement projects are scheduled for Hoover Lodge this year, including replacement of ductwork, interior painting, installation of a water line, and replacement of the building's furnace and four doors. Watch for news on these work projects and thanks again to the Busy Beavers for their generous contribution.

Campsites filling up for Heritage Weekend, May 5-7

A host of fun-filled and retrospective events are planned for Camp Tuscazoar's Heritage Weekend, scheduled for May 5-7. Only a few campsites are still available for the historic weekend.

The Heritage Weekend will focus on Tuscazoar's scouting history. Activities will begin with a 9:00 a.m. flag-raising on Saturday. Campers will have an opportunity to view a teepee village, enter a log-sawing contest, carve the camp's new totem pole, view a demonstration in knife and tomahawk throwing and participate in the climbing/rappelling wall. Camp hayrides, a demonstration of American Indian crafts, tours of Dover Dam and canoeing will also be offered. In addition, displays will feature historical Tuscazoar photos and memorabilia.

A late afternoon vesper service will be held at Pioneer Point. The evening campfire will feature camp songs from decades ago, and audio-visual presentation will tell the story of Camp Tuscazoar. Visitors are asked to wear their old scout uniforms to the campfire.

The \$5 per person fee includes all camp activities, a 75th Anniversary patch, and Saturday dinner. Canoeing fees are extra. Contact the Camp Ranger to arrange for camping or a Saturday-only visit.



"Days Gone By"

Camp Tuscazoar activity boomed in mid-1920's; Pipestone founded in 1926

After the "Wilderness Camp" was renamed "Camp Tuscazoar" in 1924, scout activity boomed, much of it centered near the present-day Old Campsite, and on the opposite hill toward Pioneer Point.

In 1924, the first swimming pool, dining hall and nature trail were constructed. That same year, George Deaver (the "Chief"), Charles Mills and C.L. Riley began a camp honors program that presented medals to the boys in an impressive Indian ceremony.

In 1925, the stone cairn was begun at Pioneer Point. The original intent was to honor the Revolutionary War soldiers who fought at Fort Laurens in Bolivar. That same year, winter camping began at Tuscazoar.

The camp honors program was changed in 1926. A *Canton Repository* article stated, "Camp honors at Tuscazoar, Canton Boy Scout camp on the Tuscarawas River near Zoarville no longer will be glittering machine-stamped medals, but Indian pipestone tokens carved with designs and hieroglyphics, the meaning of which only those who have won them may know."

Other developments in 1926 included construction of the first camp trading post and a pole tower at the camp entrance.

Tuscazoar events, programs and activities

For reservations or additional information, contact Camp Tuscazoar at 216-859-2288

Annual Tuscazoar Golf Open set for June 17

The 2nd Annual Richard C. Schoenbaum Golf Open will be held June 17 at the Zoar Village Golf Course in Zoar.

The event includes an 18-hole four-man scramble, use of a golf cart, prizes, giveaways and dinner at Camp Tuscazoar. Golfers will have a chance to win \$10,000 with a hole-in-one on a specially designated hole.

The event is named in honor of former Foundation president Dick Schoenbaum, who passed away unexpectedly in 1993.

Participation fees are \$40 for registration on or before June 1 and \$45 for registration after June 1.

The Foundation encourages golfers to form their own four-man teams when registering for the event. However, single golfers are welcome as well, and will be assigned to a foursome the day of the event.

First entries received for July Tuscazoar Cook-Off

Several scouts and scoutmasters have already entered the Great Tuscazoar Cook-Off scheduled for July 29, and plenty of entry spots are still open.

Scoutmasters, scouts and leaders and members of other youth groups are invited to prepare a favorite outdoor recipe for this summer foodfest, part of Camp Tuscazoar's ongoing 75th Anniversary celebration.

From 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. that Saturday, the public will sample the tasty dishes prepared in camp. Prizes will be awarded to the top favorites. Following the cook-off, former Tuscazoar camp staff members will lead a camp fire at the Hoover Lodge amphitheater.

Participants preparing a dish for the cook-off will receive a complimentary 75th Anniversary patch and will eat for free. Sign up at Duryee Lodge or contact the camp Ranger.

Tickets for the cook-off will be available soon, and cabins and tent sites are available for weekend camping. Watch for more details.



Win \$10,000 with a hole-in-one!

The 2nd annual Richard C. Schoenbaum memorial

Golf Open for historic Camp Tuscazoar

Saturday, June 17, 1995 **Zoar Village Golf Course**
Tee times begin at 11 a.m. **Zoar, Ohio**

Cost: \$40 per golfer with registration on or before June 1
\$45 per golfer with registration after June 1

The entrance fee will include:

- 4 man scramble at the Zoar Village Golf Course, including cart
- Games, prizes & give-aways, plus the chance to win \$10,000!
- Evening dinner at the Camp Tuscazoar Dining Hall

Register now! A limited number of tee times are available. We encourage you to organize your own foursomes.

For more information, call 216-859-2288 or 216-478-2511.



The 2nd annual Richard C. Schoenbaum memorial Golf Open for Camp Tuscazoar

Yes, I will join the fun on June 17 at the Zoar Village Golf Course!
Enclosed is my registration fee of \$40.

Name: _____

Please check one below:

- I will be joined by the following teammates.
Their registration fees are enclosed.

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

- I will be attending alone. Please assign me to a foursome.

Please return this form
by June 1 to:

Camp Tuscazoar Foundation, Inc.
P.O. Box 308
Zoarville, Ohio 44656-0308

The Historic Land of Tuscazoar

by David Tschantz

(The 7th of a Series)

Part Seven: The Council, the Kimbles and the Foundation - The Modern Era

After the railroad and the central camp area were relocated, Camp Tuscazoar entered a relatively stable period. The council-owned portion of the camp more than tripled in 1937 when George Markley transferred to the council 335.66 acres which the scouts had been using for over 15 years under a handshake agreement. This transfer was the largest single acquisition of Tuscazoar land by the McKinley Council and secured the future of the camp as long as it remained in the council's hands. It provided access to a large area in which to hike, camp and roam. Further, it brought the historic areas of Buzzard's Roost, the Zoarite Iron Mines and Troop One Cabin under the control of the council.

In 1958 the McKinley Council changed its name to the Buckeye Council and in the 1970s the Buckeye Council became the Buckeye Council, B.S.A., Inc. The latter name change was significant. Once the council became a corporation it could legally take title to the properties previously held by the Harter Bank, as trustee for the McKinley Council, which had never been incorporated. These properties, which the council formally acquired on May 22, 1975 included the Render



tracts acquired in 1925, 1927 and 1929, the Lab tract acquired in 1928, and the two English tracts acquired in 1924, all of which contained the central camp, Pioneer Point, pipestone ceremony and Stone Building facilities. It was this acquisition by the council of title to all the property which made possible the sale to Doris Kimble of almost all of the camp by the council in 1984. (One small tract of .36 acre [one of the original Render tracts] was sold to a neighbor in 1982.)

This sale, and the direction taken by the council leading up to it, had—and continues to have—a very direct and negative impact on the camp in the form of lack of maintenance to facilities and the perception that the camp was to be closed forever. This perception resulted in some very regrettable incidents of theft and vandalism of camp property at the time the camp was sold.

Fortunately, two forces intervened to create a future for Camp Tuscazoar.

First, the camp had been sold to a far-sighted couple, Floyd and Doris Kimble, who were interested in keeping it as an asset to the community. (Floyd Kimble also purchased the abandoned C&P railroad right-of-way in 1984.)

The second force was the creation of the Camp Tuscazoar Foundation in 1986. The Foundation has succeeded in sustaining itself for the benefit of the camp and attracting those dedicated to preserving the camp's ability to serve young people.

The highlight of the Foundation's existence to date has been the acquisition in December 1989 of the deed to 110.43 acres of the camp. Since this acreage encompassed virtually all of the camp's fixed facilities, Foundation resources can now be devoted to maintenance, renovation and, where necessary, new construction. Since acquiring those 110 acres, the Foundation has completed an impressive list of renovation and maintenance projects, as well as building several new smaller buildings such as latrines and adirondacks. (One such project was refurbishing the dining hall roof and kitchen. The dining hall was named Kimble Hall in recognition of the Kimble Family's generosity.) More new construction and renovation is planned for the coming months, some of it funded through the generous gifts of individuals and philanthropic organizations.

As for the historic lands of Tuscazoar, the highest and most cherished goal of the Foundation is to acquire the remaining tracts of land comprising the camp and the adjacent railroad bed not owned by the Foundation. Only then will Camp Tuscazoar's ability to educate and enthrall young people be fully protected, as it was in 1937 when George Markley sold his holdings to the McKinley Council.

Come, walk the hills and valleys, listen to the woodpecker's knock, reflect on the past with its parade of personalities both small and great, and join us in helping to "Keep the Spirit Burning."

"Camp Tuscazoar lives"

In December, 1987, an article in the *Canton Free Press* announced that the Camp Tuscazoar Foundation had succeeded in acquiring a one-year lease for Tuscazoar.

"The camp was closed by the Buckeye Council Boys Scouts of America on August 24, 1986," the article stated. "Since then, a determined effort has been made by Scouting volunteers and other concerned citizens to maintain the 65 year-old camp for Scouting use.

Mrs. Doris Kimble of Dover,

owner of the land, was instrumental in helping the Foundation make the camp available to Scouts and other community groups. Camp Tuscazoar Foundation members are preparing to open the camp soon by doing needed repairs and maintenance.

Scout leaders and community groups are urged to contact the Foundation to become a part of the historic reopening of the camp.

Foundation Trustees would like to remind the public that the purchase is yet to be accomplished. But the reopening is a major step towards reaching the goal."

Units brave Gold Rush cold

Twenty-nine patrols traveled through Tuscazoar's snowy woods at the annual Gold Rush Competition. Prizes were awarded to:

Senior division:

- 1st - Golden Eagles/Troop 132
- 2nd - Tigers/Troop 941
- 3rd - Flaming Ice Cubes/Troop 20

Junior Division

- 1st - USA/Troop 155
- 2nd - Taz/Troop 575
- 3rd - Golden Eagles/Troop 25

Webelos Division:

- 1st - Pack 913



Camp Tuscazoar's 75th Anniversary banner was displayed during this year's Gold Rush Competition. Twenty-nine units competed. Event chairman Don Selby is already planning next year's competition.

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Coming Events:

April 29	Camp Workday
May 5-7	Heritage Weekend
May 7	CTF Board Meeting
May 13	Camp Workday
June 4	CTF Board Meeting
June 17	2nd Annual Golf Open

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Items of Interest:

The Foundation will soon break ground for a new latrine in **Kepler field**. The new latrine will serve Kepler Lodge and the surrounding campsites.

Copies of I.W. Delp's book, *Tuscazoar and the Tales of the Tuscarawas* are once again available in the **Tuscazoar Trading Post**. Also available are 75th Anniversary hats and mugs. The trading post is open on Saturdays.

The **Camp Tuscazoar Endowment Fund** is nearing the \$5,000 mark. Interest income is used for camp construction and maintenance projects. Please consider a contribution. Informational brochures are available.