

East Bay Charter Township

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September 11, 2008

East Bay Township Clerk
Susanne Courtade
1965 Three Mile Rd. N.
Traverse City MI 49686-8501

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Please consider adopting a resolution of support for our grant application to the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians. We plan to file this grant application by the end of December 2008.

The grant will help us finance the construction of a new nature/ecology learning center at Camp Greilick. We plan to construct this facility to better serve the community with a place to gather to learn more about nature and the need to preserve and conserve it for future generations. This facility will be available to Scouts during summer camp and the entire community of young people throughout the year.

Special thanks to you for your December 11, 2006 letter of support from you for a previous grant that was considered by the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians!

See the attached cover letter for the grant application we plan to submit.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Thomas C. Stoeber
Scout Executive

Camp Greilick "Nature Lodge" [COST ESTIMATES & BIDS]

1. Steel, pole frame building including, insulation R19 walls R30 ceiling, condensation barrier on roof, Tyvek on sidewalls. 10 ft. walls, 2 ft. overhang on eaves, 1 ft. gable ends. All windows and doors [best of bids from Home Depot & Menards] \$17,111
2. Concrete slab (4") and footings plus all labor for building erection [bid] \$6,992
3. Drywall entire interior material [best bid from Morrison's Drywall & Drywall Dynamics] \$2,960
4. Drywall volunteer labor (25 hours @ \$20/hr.) \$500
5. Material for partitions, trim and misc. [best estimate from Home Depot & Menards] \$855
6. Labor for interior rough & finish work (25 hours @ \$40) \$1,000

MECHANICAL ESTIMATE

1. Plumbing, including hot water tank and fixtures as shown. Commercial toilets with Sloan type valves. Standard porcelain sinks and economy fixtures. Rough plumbing only, in kitchen and first aid. [bid received from Sheren Plumbing & Heating] \$9,632

ELECTRICAL

1. Material for wiring and lighting as required [Fitzpatrick Electric estimate] \$3,000
2. Labor for wiring to be done by volunteer (25 hours @ \$55/hr.) [to be donated by electrician, Mark Stephens] \$1,375

MISCELLANEOUS

1. Drain field and septic materials. \$2,000
2. Backhoe equipment & volunteer labor to install drain field to be donated by Raymer Excavating (4 hours @ \$150/hr.) \$600
3. Permits \$3,500
4. Design \$2,400
5. Site work & landscaping (donated by Raymer Excavating) (4 hours @ \$150/hr.) \$600

Project Total \$52,525

\$4,075 in donated labor & materials

December, 2008

Mary J. Kelley, Legal Department
Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians
2605 N. Bayshore Drive
Peshawbestown MI 49682

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Please accept this grant application and join us in constructing a new nature center at Camp Greilick. Total cost of this project will be \$52,525. Please consider our request for \$25,000.

We are planning to construct a new nature center at Camp Greilick that will provide a place for the camp nature/conservation staff to construct educational displays, display various animals that have been preserved for study, and provide a place for group and individual study during summer camp and throughout the year.

A special feature of the facility will be that it will be available to school children throughout the year and it will be monitored by a staff directed by our full time camp director!

We are convinced that the impact of this new facility will have a positive affect on the camp operations. We strongly believe that more campers will use Camp Greilick all year around after this facility is constructed.

The Council looks forward to the opportunity to partner with the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians to offer Scouts of all ages a great place to enjoy highlight experiences here in the Grand Traverse Area. We look forward to continuing our relationship and serving our youth.

Sincerely,

Thomas C. Stoeber
Scout Executive

**Tribal Council Allocation of 2 % Funds
2009 GRANT APPLICATION FORM**

Name of project: Construct "Nature Lodge" at Greilick

1. Allocation Cycle: **December 2008**
2. Name of Applicant: **Scenic Trails Council Boy Scouts of America**

501(c)3 Fed Tax ID# **38-1360921**

Address: **1499 Business Park Drive, Traverse City MI 49686-8741**

Contact Person: **Thomas C. Stoeber** Phone Number: **(231) 947-7071 ext.# 111**

Signature of Director: _____ Date: _____

3. Type of Applicant: **Area Youth Group with local government support**

4. Brief Description

The purpose of the Boy Scouts of America, incorporated on February 8, 1910, and chartered by Congress in 1916, is to provide an educational program for boys and young adults to build *character*, to train in the responsibilities of participating *citizenship*, and to develop *personal fitness*.

Community-based organizations receive national charters to use the Scouting program as a part of their own youth work. These groups, which have goals compatible with those of the BSA, include religious, educational, civic, fraternal, business, and labor organizations, governmental bodies, corporations, professional associations, and citizens' groups.

All of the counties served by the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians are served by the Scenic Trails Council. We believe that this fact offers us a unique opportunity to partner to make a difference in the lives of youth in these counties.

We are planning to construct a *new Nature Lodge at Camp Greilick*. The best feature of the new facility is that it will be a facility used to educate Scouts and other youth in the community about our environment at Camp Greilick throughout the year. The new facility will serve as a meeting place for staff and teachers who will deliver educational sessions to interested youth who have an interest in preserving our natural surroundings. In addition, there will be wildlife displays and examples of animals that live in the area.

In addition to Boy Scouts throughout the council, the Nature Lodge at Camp Greilick can be used by other youth organizations, schools, churches, civic clubs or any other agency needing access to the outdoors for education and team-building experiences.

It is our long term goal to make good use of our facilities at Camp Greilick all year around. We look forward to the day when interested youth leaders and adults from throughout the community come to Camp Greilick to sharpen their teamwork skills and build relationships that will benefit their community and the work force.

5. Fiscal Data:	Amount requested:	\$25,000	47.5%
	Local leveraging:	\$27,525	52.5%
	Total budget:	\$55,525	100%

6. Target population: **both youth & adults in the Grand Traverse Region**

7. Counties Impacted:

ANTRIM, BENZIE, CHARLEVOIX, GRAND TRAVERSE, KALKASKA, LEELANAU, MANISTEE

8. Start Date: **April 15, 2009**

End Date: **June 15, 2009**

9. N/A

10. Scenic Trails Council Boy Scouts of America did receive an allocation of \$23,000 in 2004.

11. All previous allocation was expended.

12. Construction of the new Nature Lodge will begin as soon as we receive the needed financing and weather permits us to break ground.

13. Describe the Request:

Construction of the *new Nature Lodge at Camp Greilick* will begin after all needed funds are secured. We are seeking funds from others who want to partner with us to offer safe access to the outdoors.

One of the largest costs of this new facility will be the materials. Volunteer labor and “gift in kind” materials are being solicited from Boy Scout leaders and their contacts. This will make the facility affordable.

The council has a great track record of attracting Scouting families to camp in the summer. In addition, Scouts from Detroit, Midland and Saginaw make regular visits to Camp Greilick in the winter while accessing winter sports opportunities in the area!

We are pleased to make full use of our heated cabins in winter on almost every weekend. That serves as proof of the interest and popularity of Camp Greilick.

We have made progress in accommodating Scouting families throughout the year with programs that attract their attention, like the popular “Trailblazer Adventure Day” along with the year around activities of the Indian Drum Lodge Order of the Arrow, Scouting’s National Honor Society.

We have already forged partnerships with local organizations that use Camp Greilick during the year. We have an Explorer Post chartered to TBA-ISD with a focus on public safety/protective service. Youth from the Boys & Girls Club of Grand Traverse bring youth to our Day Camps each summer. Cherryland Amateur Radio Club has constructed a new facility equipped with ham radios and computers which has attracted lots of attention from our campers. Michigan Geocaching Association makes use of camp to train the Venture Scouts that include both boys and girls. Local DNA representatives along with the Grand Traverse Conservation District and the Conservation Resource Alliance plan to provide support with displays and volunteer manpower!

14. Statement of need:

Camp Greilick is available for camping activities all year around. However, there is no facility at camp that can be used to gather to study nature and conservation.

Recent studies indicate that many boys lack outdoor living skills or are not even interested in the outdoors. Most believe that between sports and the lure of indoor Game Boy video games and the internet, interest in being in the outdoors is declining. Our belief is that the *new Nature Lodge at Camp* will help reverse this trend!

We have a critical need at camp to conduct training sessions that help our volunteer leaders better understand their role in mentoring our Scouts. The new facility will give us a chance to combine instruction with hands on demonstrations in the outdoor living skills needed to hunt, fish, and live safely in the outdoors.

15. Gaming has had no known impact on our local Scouting program.

16. Evaluation:

The council camping committee meets monthly to monitor progress of program delivery and our Council's ability to retain youth in Scouting. Monthly camping activities are encouraged.

Each unit leader is expected to complete a written evaluation before he leaves summer camp. These results are shared with camp staff, as well as the camping and properties committees. A written plan for camp program and maintenance is developed every year. This improvement plan serves as marching orders for the camp director for the following program year. These results are also shared with volunteers at district-wide "Fireside Chats" when executive board members and the Scout Executive meet in February each year.

17. Budget

Every dollar that is contributed by the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians will be directed to the construction and completion of the new Nature Lodge. Total cost of this project will be \$52,525. Please consider our request for \$25,000.

Information about the construction of a new Nature Lodge will be covered in future editions of the Northland Scouter, a council newsletter that goes to unit leaders. It will also be covered in articles that are placed in the Voice of the Drum, a publication of the Indian Drum Lodge Order of the Arrow. Copies of the plans to use this Nature Lodge will be distributed to all interested parents, unit leaders, and by the Indian Drum Lodge Order of the Arrow. **We will identify the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians as a financial source for the construction of the new Nature Lodge.**

18. No new staff is planned. However, Native Americans are welcome to apply for positions with the Scenic Trails Council.