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2026 Spring Product Sale

Earn Your Way to Camp - Spring Product Sale is live! Is your unit participating?

We are excited to offer a SUPER EASY Spring Product Sale to help Scouting families earn their way to summer camp. By partnering with Gertrude Hawk Chocolates we are able to provide a quality product that is well known, a 25% commission on everything sold (i.e. sell \$100 of candy and earn \$25 for camp), take order and online sales options, and an order system that is simple for the unit champion to use (it's basically collect the forms and turn them in to use - EASY!)

If you are interested and haven't signed up yet. Sign up is easy. [CLICK HERE.](#)

You can learn more about the sale by checking out all of our resources including a recording of our kick off and easy to share resources that you can send to your families such as email and social media templates!

Visit the [Spring Product Sale Fundraising page](#) on our website!

All take orders are due to the Council Service Center by February 25. Online Sales for Scout Deliver Close on March 2 and Online Sales for shipping close on March 22. All delivered product will be available for pick up the



SCOUT EXECUTIVE
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Quick Links Below

Click on each graphic below to go to that web page.



UPCOMING

week of March 23 so that candy can get to customers by Easter!

This sale is an easy way to help your Scouts earn their way to summer camp, NOAC, High Adventure Trips, Jamboree, or any camping experience! Units keep their commissions and any bonus commissions will be sent to the unit, so whether or not your unit attends Mack or Bashore is not a limiting factor in participating in this year's sale.

For questions, don't hesitate to reach out to our team!



COUNCIL SERVICE CENTER CLOSURES

(please plan in advance)

The Council Offices and Scout Shop **WILL BE CLOSED:**
Monday,
February 16th
for Presidents' Day



February 2026 Merit Badge College



The Council Merit Badge College will take place on February 28th! We have a new location for 2026, St. James Catholic Church in Lititz. There are morning and afternoon sessions for 17 different merit badges. Registration closes on February 19th. Visit [2026 Council Merit Badge College](#) for full list of the badges offered, the prerequisites, and the link to register.

2026 Scout Expo

The 2026 Scout Expo (Mall Show) is right around the corner, and registration is now open! This year's event will run February 2nd–6th, from 6:00 p.m.–7:45 p.m. each night at the Lebanon Valley Mall. Units should plan to set up their Expo booth on Sunday, February 1st, from 3:00–5:00 p.m. Choose from “Back to the Future” themes: Western, Oldies, or Future for your booth! Theme areas are limited, and will be confirmed based on a first registered basis. For more information and to register visit [Iron Forge Activities](#).



2026 Scouting Update Presentation - Schedule Yours Today!

Unit leaders play a critical role in the success of Scouting across Lancaster and Lebanon Counties. Because of your leadership, Scouting continues to grow, serve, and change lives—and we're asking for your help in sharing that story with families.



Campaign

This year, the Pennsylvania Dutch Council is offering a **brief, 5 to 8 minutes, Annual Scouting Update** that can be included during an upcoming **Blue and Gold Banquet, Court of Honor, or family meeting**. The presentation is designed to be concise, engaging, and family-friendly, highlighting the *State of Scouting*: what's happening nationally, how our local programs are growing, and where Scouting is headed next.

During the update, families will also be given an opportunity to contribute to our **annual Friends of Scouting campaign**, which supports Scouting across Lancaster and Lebanon Counties. This year, we will offer **special recognition for families who choose to make a \$250 or more gift** in support of Scouting's mission and impact.

Last year alone, our Council served more than **2,400 youth**, completed **38,000+ hours of community service**, welcomed thousands of Scouts to camps at Bashore and Mack, and continued to expand ScoutReach programs that remove barriers to participation. These achievements are made possible by strong units and informed, engaged families.

We understand that unit meeting time is valuable. Presenters will work with unit leaders to ensure the update fits smoothly into the event and adds value for families.

If your unit is planning a Blue and Gold, Court of Honor, or similar gathering, we encourage you to consider welcoming an Annual Scouting Update as we continue **Charting the Course for the next generation of Scouts**.

Susquehanna units should contact Sheila Fasig at Sheila.fasig@scouting.org to schedule.

Iron Forge units should contact Amy Shober at shoberamy@gmail.com to schedule.

Iron Forge District & Susquehanna District News

District Roundtable Meetings - January 2026

Roundtables are held on the first Thursday of each month from September through May, each District holds a Roundtable to provide leaders with information that will help units be successful.

- [Iron Forge District Roundtable](#), February 5th at the **Cornwall United Methodist Church, 50 Freeman Dr,**





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SCOUT NIGHT
 Scouting for America
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SCOUT NIGHT PACKAGE OPTIONS

BASIC	SLEEPOVER
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Field box ticket Festival 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Field box ticket Food tray Discount Sleepover Breakfast Shower, lockup, chair, lockbox and lockmat
\$1750	\$3250*

Get every ticket by scanning this link or by clicking on and downloading the order form below.

Gates for festival open at 5:00pm and the Game takes place at 6:45pm.

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 or email at twinsmab@LancasterStormers.com

All tickets will be digital
 *Overseas 10% base price plus fees. *Basic 10% base price plus fees
 Groups of 20+ people will be charged an 18 processing fee.

Visit us online at www.lancasterStormers.com

The Lancaster Stormers are hosting their annual Scout Night and Sleepover on Friday, June 12th! Save the date and get your tickets today by clicking the link below!

[Click Here for Tickets](#)



SPECIAL
 Scout features and discounts!

BALTIMORE AREA COUNCIL PRESENTS

SCOUT DAY AT CAMDEN YARDS

UPPER DECK TICKETS: **\$17**
 LOWER DECK TICKETS: **\$23**

PAPERLESS E-TICKETS!

PRE-GAME PARADE FOR YOUTH!

POST-GAME RUNNING-OF-BASES FOR YOUTH!

SPECIAL EDITION SCOUT DAY PATCHES FOR FIRST 3000 SCOUTS!

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 SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2026 @ 1:35PM

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QUESTIONS?
 CONTACT CHRIS WETZEL
 CHRISTINE.WETZEL@SCOUTING.ORG 443.573.2523

Our friends at the Baltimore Area Council are hosting their Scout Day at Camden Yards on Sunday, April 12th! For any Orioles fans out there, save the date and get your tickets today!

[Click Here for Tickets](#)

2026 NYLT

Learn About the 2026 NYLT Course!

NYLT: National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) is an exciting, action-packed program designed to provide youth with leadership skills and experience that they can apply within their troops and in other situations requiring leadership of self and others. NYLT is a six-day course that emphasizes hands-on learning in a fun, engaging environment. Through a blend of activities, presentations, challenges, discussions, and games, participants will develop confidence and leadership abilities while working together as a team.



The 2026 Council NYLT Course will be held over 2 weekends in August. We are looking for Youth to join our staff. In order for a Youth to be eligible to staff NYLT they must have taken NYLT.

If you know a Scout who would be a great addition to our staff send their name and contact info to padnylt2026@gmail.com

To learn more visit [National Youth Leadership Training](https://www.nytl.org).

2026 Camp News And Resources



Had a Great Time at Camp Bashore's Summer Camp? Seize the Day—Register for 2026!

If your unit had an awesome experience at camp this summer, why not lock in the fun for next year? It's never too early to secure your spot for the 2026 season at Bashore Scout Reservation!

[CLICK HERE](#) to make your 2026 Summer Camp reservation at Camp Bashore.

[Visit the Bashore Webpage](#)

Ready for Another Stellar Summer?

Now's the perfect time to schedule your **summer camp promotion!** Packs that complete a promotion by March 31st, 2026 will receive **\$50 off their total camp fees**—a deal that's truly astronomical. Let's get your pack's countdown to camp started!



To schedule, reach out to **Ben Wohlberg** at campdirector@campmack524.org.

Do you know a Scout who shines as an instructor, loves helping younger kids, or practically lives in the great outdoors? We're recruiting staff for all program areas this upcoming season!

- **Counselors in Training begin at age 14**
- **Instructors ages 15–17**
- **Area Directors ages 18+**
- **Special needs: Aquatics Director (21+), Assistant Aquatics Director (18+), and Camp Commissioner (18+)**

Applications can be found [HERE](#)

We'll be holding in-person staff interviews on Saturdays during district Klondikes. Keep an eye out for our Camp Director at the trading post! If you know a Scout or Scouter who would make a great addition to our team, send them our way—we'd love to meet them!

Questions? Contact our Camp Director, Ben Wohlberg at campdirector@campmack524.org.

Friends of Camp Mack

Friends of Camp Mack, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation and promotion of the program and property of J. Edward Mack Scout Reservation. The objectives and purpose of the Friends of Camp Mack is to:

- Identify, grow, and coordinate a network of current and former staff members, campers, and supporters of the J. Edward Mack Scout Reservation – that would be YOU!
- Support camp property preservation and improvements via financial, material, and labor donations and fundraising efforts.
- Aid in the promotion of J. Edward Mack Scout Reservation programs through like donations.
- Sponsor social and service events open to supporters and the public that focus on supporting the J. Edward Mack Scout Reservation.
- Engage in other activities related to the maintenance, sustainability, preservation, and promotion of J. Edward Mack Scout Reservation.



If you would like to join our mission to preserve and maintain this special place, become a Friend of Camp Mack! To join, click [HERE](#).

And when you join, you can show your pride as a Friend of Camp Mack with some awesome merchandise! Click [HERE](#) to check out our Friends of Camp Mack store and place your order today. All proceeds from the sale of Friends of Camp Mack merchandise will go directly to support the camp.

We hope you'll consider joining our great cause and consider joining us for some of our upcoming FOCM Friday Service Days at Camp Mack! We'll perform service projects of varying skill levels around Camp Mack on the listed days and lunch will be included!

- Friday February 6, 2026 - 8 AM to 3 PM
- Friday March 6, 2026 - 8 AM to 3 PM
- Friday April 3, 2026 - 8 AM to 3 PM

If you are able to attend one of our upcoming days, please email ericsha@friendsofcampmack.org to let us know so we can plan accordingly!

To learn more about The Friends of Camp Mack, visit our website at www.friendsofcampmack.org

Sign-Up To Be A Campmaster!

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BASHORE
SCOUT
RESERVATION



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PENNSYLVANIA DUTCH COUNCIL

CAMPMASTER CORPS

The Pennsylvania Dutch Council is fortunate to have a dedicated group of registered and trained Scouters who volunteer their time as **Campmasters**.

Serving as the friendly face of camp for the weekend, **Campmasters provide a warm welcome to visiting Units and groups, and lend a hand wherever needed to help things run smoothly.** Their presence not only enhances the experience for Scouts and leaders but also gives our hardworking Camp Rangers the opportunity to focus on camp improvement projects—or take some well-earned personal time.

Becoming a Campmaster is a rewarding way to give back to Scouting while enjoying the beauty of our camps. Here's what you can look forward to:

- Spend weekends at Camp Mack, Camp Bashore, or both
- Provide cheerful service to Scout Units and other groups at camp
- Welcome and check-in/out Units and groups
- Enjoy fellowship and fun!
- Supply groups with tools for service projects
- Attend a Campmaster training session to be successful in your role
- Create your own schedule

Campmaster Lodging

Each camp has a fully equipped cabin just for Campmasters—with a kitchen, bathroom, bedrooms, TV, and heat in the winter—so you'll be comfortable while you serve.

Sign-Up Now!

Interested in joining the Campmaster team? Visit the [Council Campmaster page](#) to learn more.

To sign up or to ask questions, reach out to Matt Stewart at wallaby38@gmail.com or 717-587-8409.

Upcoming Events

February

- **February 2-6:** Scout Expo at the Lebanon Valley Mall. More information available at [Iron Forge Activities](#)
- **February 13:** Trivia Night at the Millersville VFW
- **February 21:** Leaders of Female Scouts Summit Register [HERE](#)
- **February 28:** Council Merit Badge College. More information will be available soon [on our website.](#)

March

- **March 14:** Iron Forge District Pinewood Derby*

April

- **April 11:** Iron Forge District Merit Badge College at Bashore*
- **April 11:** Susquehanna District Pinewood Derby at Camp Mack

May

- **May 21:** Annual Golf Classic for Scouts
- **May 28:** Iron Forge District Awards Celebration

***More info coming soon!**

To find out about additional events, please click on the Council Calendar button below.

PA DUTCH COUNCIL CALENDAR

Friends of Scouting 2026

Friends of Scouting Annual Campaign

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To make automatic payments using your bank account or credit card, please contact Lauren Bowen at lauren.bowen@scouting.org or call 717-553-4210.



Campaign

DONATE HERE

Order of the Arrow - Wunita Gokhos Lodge

Upcoming Events:

- Lodge Family Banquet - March 26, Donegal Presbyterian Church, Mt. Joy. Registration deadline March 8
- OA Fellowship Weekend - April 24-26, J. Edward Scout Reservation

[Click Here](#) for additional details about upcoming events, service opportunities, registration link, and current newsletter.





Scout Shop

Pennsylvania Dutch Council, BSA

General Information

In-Store shopping hours are:

Monday to Friday 10:30 am - 4:30 pm

Scout Shop Associates and Support Staff will be available by appointment

Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 10:30 am.

Can't make it into the store? Call 717.553.4200 or email **BOTH**
tanya.hanna@scouting.org AND robin.kotzmoyer@scouting.org

DID YOU KNOW... Your order can be filled and shipped directly to your home or business. A shipping and handling fee will be applied to your purchase.

A credit card is required for payment.

**3% Credit Card Processing Fees
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- Registrations
- Fall and spring product fundraisers
- Camp related events or training programs
- Replenishment of unit accounts



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