



2024 ANNUAL REPORT



The Mission of the Michigan Crossroads Council National Eagle Scout Association is to find, encourage, and reengage each Eagle Scout to passionately serve and give, to be an active resource for the council's operation and program, to support the council's mission and vision, and to help the council achieve its goals.



Fellow Michigan Eagle Alumni,

For the 4th year in a row, our alumni committee has been recognized as one of the few Distinguished Alumni Committees.

Our committee continues to deliver exceptional service to the youth of Michigan Crossroads Council.

Our committee connects with Eagle Scout Alumni throughout the lower peninsula of Michigan and rekindle their connection to Scouting. We look forward to working with the Eagle Alumni in the upper peninsula in 2025 as we have merged with Bay Lakes Council.

Our committee continues to grow, serve, and represent the over 69,000+ Eagle Scout Alumni living in Michigan.

As a fellow Eagle Scout, we hope to inspire you to join the many Eagle Scouts across this great state to give your time, talent, or treasure to our outstanding scouting program.

In Scouting,

MICHIGAN CROSSROADS COUNCIL AT A GLANCE:

2024 Reporting

Eagle Scouts – 755

Eagle Project Service Hours –
98,897

Youth – 26,501

Volunteer Leaders – 9600

REGISTER TODAY AT:

michiganscouting.org/eaglealumni



2024 MICHIGAN EAGLE SCOUT ALUMNI LOCAL PROGRAM IMPACT

69,112 Eagle Scouts live in the Lower Peninsula of Michigan...

18 completed our online survey and became more engaged in the scouting program

19,186 receive our Quarterly E-Newsletters

2,100+ Follow us on Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, & Instagram

400+ Completed Service Hours to Council Camps, Merit Badge Programs, & Council Service Projects

\$195,727 raised for Local Scouting Programs





Completed Strategic Initiatives

- Aligned long-term strategy with Michigan Crossroads Council
- Created marketing outreach plan to continue growth
- Executed “EAGLinks” to assist Eagle Scout families in times of loss & mourning
- Enhanced focus & promotion of NESAs Scholarships
- Formed partnership with local & regional Native American Organizations



1924-1932



1933-1955



1956-1972



1972-1975



1975-1985



1985-1986



1986-1989



Present-day patch



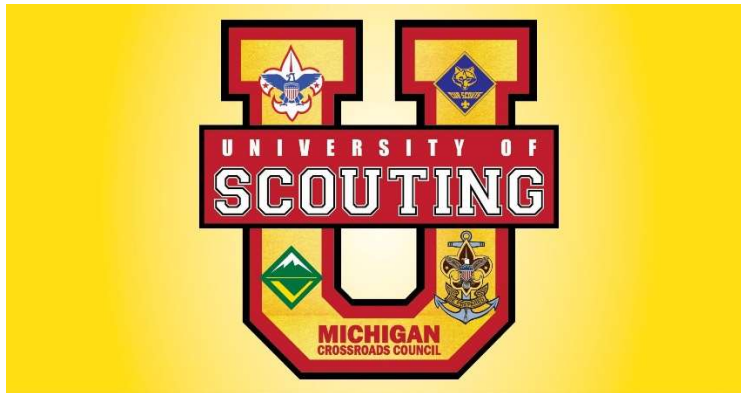
January – Annual Kickoff Event

Michigan Eagle Alumni from around the state gathered at Angel Good Catering in Belleville for a great night of networking, fellowship, and swearing in of our committee officers. We shared our goals for 2024 and how we plan to achieve them.

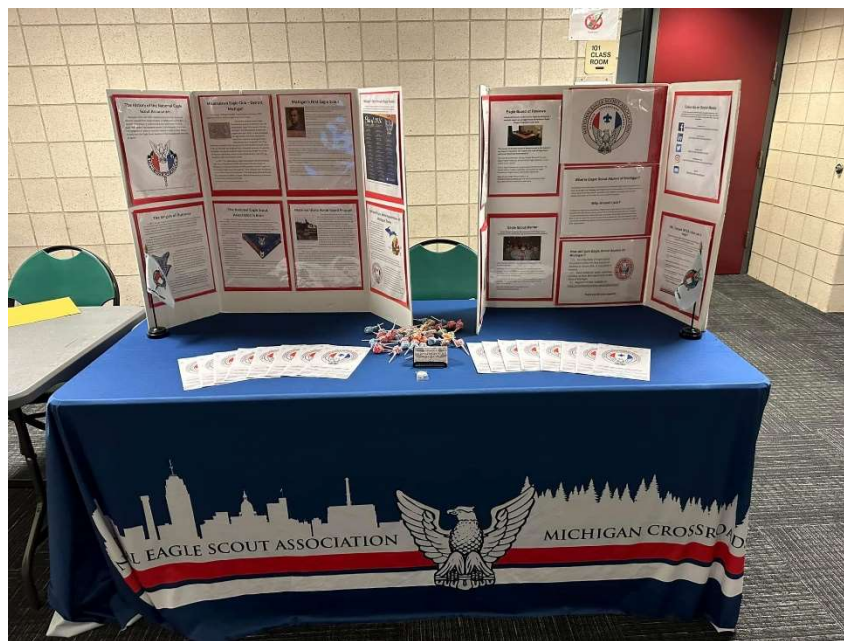




JANUARY – University of Scouting



The University of Scouting is an adult leader’s learning adventure! It is an action-packed, fun-filled day of supplemental training where leaders choose what sessions to take. Courses are led by experienced Eagle Scout Alumni and professionals who will enhance the abilities for our leaders. This event would not be possible without the support of our Eagle Alumni.





FEBRUARY – George Meany Recognition Dinner

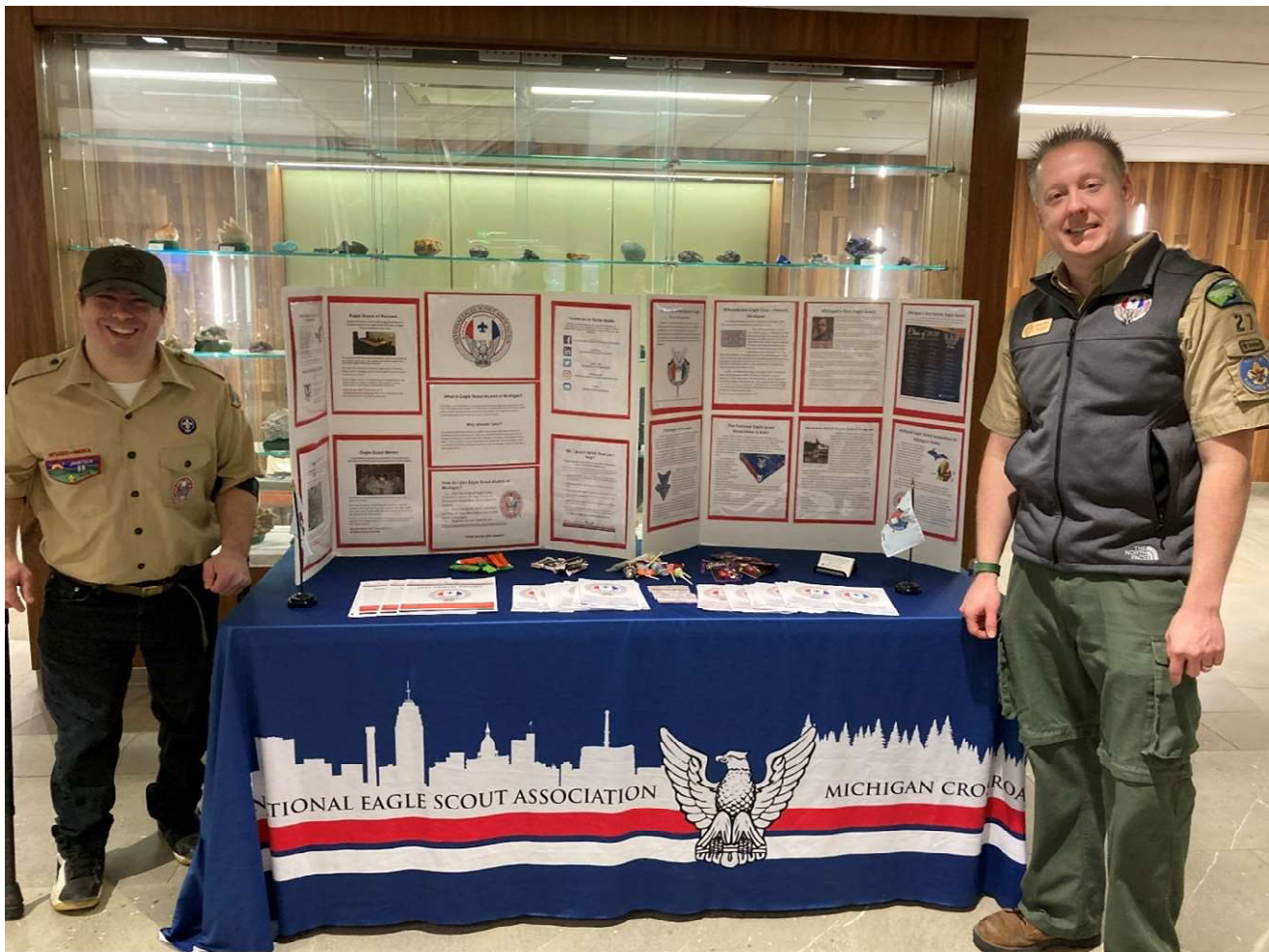
George Meany, the first president of the AFL-CIO was an incredible supporter of Scouting, and it is in his honor that we award the George Meany Award to recognize union members who have made a significant contribution to the youth of their communities by volunteering in the programs of Scouting America.





MARCH – EMU Merit Badge Day

Scouts from across the state gathered at Eastern Michigan University during Spring Break to complete merit badges and progress towards the rank of Eagle Scout. Eagle Alumni have supported this event since its inception as merit badge counselors and staff members. This event would not be possible without the support of our Eagle Alumni.



Monthly Virtual Committee Meetings – Held the 4th Wednesday of every month from 7:30 AM- 8:30 AM except July & December when there will be no scheduled monthly meeting.



MARCH – BUILDING CHARACTER CELEBRATION



The 2024 Eagle Scout and Summit Award Class gathered and were recognized. The event was led by Chairman John Schuring. Our Keynote Speaker for the evening was Jared Velheer

Title Sponsor: Meijer Foundation **Eagle Scout Sponsors:** JF Jandernoa Foundation

Glenn and Melinda Adams Service Project of the Year Award: Jason Babb

2024 Messenger of Peace – Distinguished Service Project Award: Mason Schlafer

2023 NESAs Outstanding Eagle Scout Award Recipients: Nathan Tripplett & Tim VerHey,

Silver Sponsors: Foremost Graphic Groups, Mitten Outdoor Adventures, American Legion, Dickinson Wright, Dr. John Fox, James Williams, & Trails End.



MAY - EAGLE RECOGNITION DINNER SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN

On May 29th, Deann Newman and John Modetz as dinner co-chairman put together an outstanding in-person event. Master of Ceremonies for the evening was Zach Damon is an Eagle Scout, Producer, and Host of Ann Arbor Tonight Late-Night Television Variety Show. Thank you for your generosity and continued support of Scouting here in Michigan.

Distinguished Eagle

Sponsor: Modetz Funeral Home and Mercury Audio Video and Lighting

Quartermaster Sponsor:

Acrisure & American Legion

Summit Sponsor: Welsby Consulting

Silver Palm Sponsor:

Pendo Advisors, Steve Harris, Kurt & Deann Newman, CBTS



2023 Distinguished Eagle Scout Award Recipients: Dr. Timothy Johnson

2022 NESAs Outstanding Eagle Scout Award Recipients: Ted Everingham & Greg Hooker

2023 NESAs Silver Wreath: Jay Bottorff

We raised more than \$75,717 combined from the Building Character Celebrations and Eagle Recognition Dinners to support local scouting here in Michigan.



MAY – GOLF OUTING – SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN

Our 4th Annual Mulligans for Eagles Golf Outing was held at Washtenaw Golf Club in Ypsilanti, Michigan. Our golfers enjoyed the beautiful weather, fellowship, and a great game of golf. We raised \$15,000 for our youth scouting programs in southeast Michigan. A huge thank you to our event sponsor, UHY. This event would not have been possible without our golfers, sponsors, and staff.





SEPTEMBER – RENDEZVOUS IN THE D



Alumni, Eagle Scouts, and Friends gathered at the VIP Reception held at the Rendezvous in the D Camporee held at Willow Metro Park. Over 2,000+ Scouts & Cub Scouts gathered for an action-packed day full of fun, merit badges, and fellowship.

Eagle Scout Alumni of Michigan hosts many tabling events throughout the year and state at various events to engage Scouts, Eagle Scouts, Alumni, and more! We are always to meet Eagle Scouts!



Would you like to host a NESAs Table Display at your next event? Email NESAs Chairman Mike Jedinak @ michael.n.jedinak@gmail.com.



NOVEMBER/DECEMBER – SCOUTING FOR FOOD

Food for Thought:

If there are 40 people in your neighborhood, 8 of them don't know where their next meal will come from.

There are families in every community who suffer from food insecurity – even in seemingly affluent neighborhoods. You just might not know it.

We sponsored two pickup sites: St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Ann Arbor, MI, and The Salvation Army in Port Huron, MI.



**Michigan
Crossroads
Council collected
over 100,000 lbs.
of food
throughout the
Lower Peninsula
of Michigan.**



DECEMBER – HOLIDAY BISTRO CELEBRATION

Eagle Scout Alumni of Michigan supported the Urban Scouting Program for Inner City Youth in Flint, MI by sponsoring a table at the Holiday Bistro – Warwick Hills Gold & Country Club in Grand Blanc.



“I would like to tell you how much we appreciate Mr. Cooley and his In-School Scouting Program. The students are really excited about the whole experience. I think that the In-School Scouting Program is a positive way to build character, promote citizenship, and teach compassion to our boys.”

Anita J. Miller, Principal of Freeman Community School

The Urban Scouting Program is designed to give a Scouting experience to young men and women considered at-risk with the goals to improve school performance, personal behavior, and communication skills.





Michigan Crossroads Council NESAs - Executive Board Directory - 2024

Executive Board Officers

Interim President – Michael Jedinak

Chairman - East Division – Michael Jedinak

Chairman - West Division – Vacant

Executive Board Members

Immediate Past Chairman, East Division – Dennis Pate

Vice Chairman of Membership – David Berger

Vice Chairman of Engagement – Petersen Decker

Vice Chairman of Events – Eric Welsby

Vice Chairman of Service – Rev. James Robinson

Vice Chairman of Communications – Brandon Gaines

Vice Chairman of Public Relations – Zach Damon

Vice Chairman of Awards – Joe Diederich

Vice Chairman of Merchandising – Michael Fluegemann

Vice Chairman of Chaplaincy – Petersen Decker

Ad Hoc Positions

Eagle Recognition Dinner Chairman(s), East Division – Deann Newman and John Modetz

Building Character Celebration Chairman(s), West Division – John Schuring

Great Lakes Award Selection Committee Chairman – East Division – Jay Bottoroff

President Ford Award Selection Committee Chairman – West Division – Ned Brown

Council Staff Advisor – Joseph Stocchero

Committee Members

Scott Bednas

Dick Northrup

Mike Osvath

David Weaver

Joseph Auito

Jeff Dunlap

Jamie Callahan

Jason Richter

Michael J Thorp

Jeff Geraldts

Scott Nehls

Allan Medwick