

HELP CONSERVE CAMP TREXLER



Trexler Scout Reservation has been a Boy Scout camp for nearly 100 years, since General Harry Trexler deeded the pristine 755-acre woodlands to the Boy Scouts in 1927. For financial reasons, Minsi Trails Council has decided to sell the camp, which in addition to the recreational opportunities for scouts, also protects hundreds of acres of natural areas. This includes two springs that are the headwaters for Middle Creek and two small, scenic lakes, where many scouts learned to swim and fish.

Camp Trexler is one of the few remaining properties in our area large enough to provide habitat for plants and animals that need a large, unbroken forest. Forests benefit our community in several ways:

- They protect headwaters and ground water recharge areas so the wells in our yards can continue to provide clean, safe drinking water.
- They offer recreation for residents - hiking, fishing and time spent enjoying and exploring nature.
- They provide a home for bear, deer, foxes, fishers, ducks, birds, fish, wildflowers and many other plants and animals.

When a large, forested property like Camp Trexler is divided into smaller pieces, sold off, and developed, the negative affect isn't just on animals. If Camp Trexler becomes residential houses, the costs related to road maintenance and the additional children in our local schools will far exceed the amount of taxes paid by new residents. We will all be paying for the development of that property. There will also be a greater chance of flooding downstream because the forest is no longer there to absorb and slow rain water. And the generations of scouts who spent summers at the camp will be left with nothing but memories.

PLEASE, if you wish to see Camp Trexler remain a natural area, contact **Minsi Trails Council**:

→Richard Christ, CEO. **Ask Mr. Christ to tell the Executive Council to ONLY CONSIDER ENVIRONMENTAL BUYERS** (such as conservancies, hunting and fishing clubs, other camps, state parks, etc).

email: richardD.christ@scouting.org phone #: **610-465-8554** or

Minsi Trails Council main office phone # **610-264-8551**



AND CALL or contact all of our representatives, letting them know **we want their help to preserve the natural and cultural treasure that is Camp Trexler!**

Monroe County Commisioners:

→Greg Christine @ **570-517-3102 or 3104** or via email: gchristine@monroecountypa.gov

→Sharon Laverdure via email: slaverdure@monroecountypa.gov

→John Christy via email: jchristy@monroecountypa.gov

→John Moyer via email: jmoyer@monroecountypa.gov

Polk Township Supervisors:

→Brian Ahner, Michael Hurley and Carl Hurley @ **610-681-5376** or via email @ info@polktpw.org

Chestnuthill Township Supervisors:

→Chuck Gould @ 570-992-7247 or via email: cgoald@chestnuthilltwp-pa.gov

→Robert Baxter @ 570-992-7247 or via email: rbaxter@chestnuthilltwp-pa.gov

→Eric Snyder @ 570-992-7247 or via email: esnyder@chestnuthilltwp-pa.gov

State Officials:

→PA state Representative Jack Rader @ **570-620-4341** or jrader@pahousegop.com

→PA state Senator Mario Scavello @ **570-620-4326** or mscavello@pasen.gov

Federal Officials:

→US Senator Pat Toomey @ **202-224-4254**

→US Representative Matt Cartwright @ **202-225-5546**

Thank you for your help. Together, we can save Camp Trexler!