

EXPLORING

DISCOVERING OUR POSTS, ADVISORS, AND EXPLORERS

December 2018

NEW POSTS ON THE BLOCK

City of Findlay Aviation

Post Advisor – Bruce Ziegler

Community Memorial Hospital

Post Advisor – Michelle Waggoner

University of Findlay Animal Science

Post Advisor – Brandon Forshey

Crown Equipment Corporation

Post Advisor – Brian Livingston

Putnam County Sheriff's Office

Post Advisor - Kelly Iliff

Lima Memorial Hospital

Post Advisor - Kristin Purdy



Michelle Waggoner

DOUBLE VISION FOR LIMA MEMORIAL

Our newest Exploring Post has rolled out of the gate quickly and are utilizing local media to keep the momentum going. Lima Memorial has twice been featured on WLIO News, highlighting their Exploring program, volunteers, and Explorers. At their open house, 101 students attended, and the next meeting saw around 45 students attend. With 15 registered adult volunteers, this post has plenty of knowledge and experience to pass along.



Post Of The Month

Blanchard Valley Hospital Medical Explorers

With an average attendance of 50 Explorers per meeting, the Blanchard Valley Medical Explorers are eager to learn about their future. When asked about some of the highlights thus far, Post Advisor Dave Maroscher said, "The cadaver lab is by far the favorite meeting we have, but this group has really taken a liking to speaking with our doctors, OB professionals, and our surgeons." Education is Maroscher's passion, and he understands the importance of providing it, "Our scholarship is another topic that is talked about frequently." Blanchard Valley has offered one \$1,000 scholarship in the past, but this year graciously added another \$1,000 scholarship.



Advisor Of The Month

Michelle Waggoner – Community Memorial Hospital

Michelle Waggoner is a veteran at Community Memorial Hospital, entering her 17th year at the hospital, and 4th as the CEO. Her Exploring program examines general health careers, and the opportunities that exist in the medical field. When asked why she is in Exploring, Michelle said, "I love helping kids achieve their goals. I have known kids that think they know what they wanted to do, and have gone to school and either switched majors, dropped out, or felt trapped in a career they did not like. Exploring helps students

understand more about medical careers." Michelle went on to say, "The number one benefit is helping students have experiences that positively impact their career development."



Explorer Of The Month

Steele Stabler – Van Wert County Sheriff’s Office

Steele Stabler’s commitment to Exploring is evident by his Sargent ranking with the Van Wert County Sheriff’s Office Exploring post. Stabler, entering his 4th year as an Explorer, is a University of Cincinnati student that is studying Cyber Security and Cyber Policy. Steele is not only an Explorer, but an Air Force ROTC Cadet. After graduating from the University of Cincinnati, Stabler plans to put his training to work, commissioning as a Second Lieutenant in the Air Force, preferably as a Special Investigations Officer. When Stabler decides to move on from the military, he would like to pursue a career in federal law enforcement.

When asked about his favorite Exploring activity, Stabler said, “Working the Van Wert County Fair. It’s a great opportunity to have positive interaction with the public and the youth of Van Wert County. Influencing the next generation of Explorers, or even law enforcement officers is a pretty cool experience.”

WING IT FOR EXPLORING

Come Dine For Exploring

On Monday, December 17, from 5 PM-9 PM, Exploring will team up with the Buffalo Wild Wings in Findlay to Wing It For Exploring. Buffalo Wild Wings will donate 15% of your bill to our Friends of Exploring campaign. All you have to do is tell your server you are dining for Exploring!

2019 FRIENDS OF EXPLORING

MAKE THE DIFFERENCE TODAY

The 2019 Friends of Exploring Campaign is underway. This year our goal is to raise \$9,500. The funds raised go directly to Exploring, and help keep program costs down, and prevent the implementation of a participation fee. The yearly registration fee Explorers pay go directly to our national office to provide general liability insurance to the participant.

Friends of Exploring is an annual local fundraising campaign offering you an opportunity to support Exploring. Helping youth is the key to developing a more responsible and productive society. The Black Swamp Area Council invests \$168 per Explorer in program and services. Please consider the impact a pledge will make in the life of an Explorer.

2019 Goal | \$9,500

2018 Goal | \$7,500

2019 Raised | \$1000

2018 Raised | \$8,655

If you can, please consider a donation to Exploring. Your support is greatly appreciated. To make a pledge or donation, contact Exploring Executive Matt Kibler at 567-245-1259 or matt.kibler@scouting.org

Membership Report | Registered Explorers

September	October	November	December	Total Youth Recruited
178	272	357	384	198