

Heartland Center

Eagle Scout Project Ideas:

- Make and erect directional signs helping people find their way from the camp's entrance to the High Ropes Course called "The Summit" and the Low Ropes Course called "The Edge." These signs should be routed into wood signs shaped like arrows with 5-inch lettering and painted green with white lettering. A total of five to seven signs are needed.
- Install lighting on our path from Pete's Cabin Lodge to the Dining Hall. Electricity is available.
- Build freestanding, somewhat portable, benches with a backrest. (See the benches at the swimming pool for a template.) Treated lumber should be used for the frame and recycled decking material (i.e. Trex) should be used for the seat and backrest.
- Reforest meadow to buffer the conference center from Waldron Road. This project involves laying out a planting grid, coordinating the preparation of the field for planting (mowing and then applying herbicide), and the planting of small trees (i.e. mix of oak, hickory, walnut, and sycamore). If planning is done in advance, Heartland can obtain the trees needed for this project. Planting should be done in the fall or in the spring. To get trees at a reasonable rate (possibly free) Heartland must order several months in advance. Heartland requires that only adults may handle and administer the herbicide.
- Shoe Cubbies - Build and install weather-resistant cubicles to place shoes outside of swimming pool. We would like two sets of cubbies (one for the boys side and one for the girls side) with 40 cubbies each (80 total) for campers to put their shoes before they enter the bathhouse. The shoe cubbies should be at least 6" x 10" inches each. These cubbies could be a freestanding shelving unit or attached to the wall.
- Pool Bathhouse Shelves – Heartland would like to have 18-inch deep shelves hung 36 inches above the benches in the pool house for campers to place their basket with their clothes in it while they are swimming. There should also be a peg or hook below the shelf for towels to be hung on. Both the boys and the girls bathhouse need shelves.
- Steps added on the path from the volleyball court up the hill going by cabin # 9. This 30-foot stretch of path is uphill and rocky and could use some steps to make the hike safer (for an example, see the steps on the path leading to the archery course.)
- Highlander Campfire Pit – Heartland needs some nice cooking/campfire pits built for our Highlander campsites. The campfire pit should have a cement or brick surface and be a minimum of 36 inches in diameter, with walls to contain the burning wood, coals, etc.
- New retaining wall constructed at Oak Place approximately 30-foot long x 3-feet high with drainage.
- Weather-resistant portable picnic tables.