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Eagle Scout project transforms Waterloo Senior Center

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Scout Kayleigh Ferraro (in wheelbarrel), a member of Troop 7071, Athens County's only BSA Troop for female scouts, completed her Eagle Scout project Saturday at the Waterloo Senior Center in New Marshfield. Her vision was to enhance the center's outdoor space by building and planting raised garden beds. On Saturday, local Scouts and Scouters from Troop 7071, Troop 71, Troop 53, and Troop 50, along with Cub Scouts from Pack 71 and Pack 53, and Scouters from Ohio University's chapter of Epsilon Tau Pi's Eagle Scout fraternity aided Ferraro with her project **Submitted Photo: Keith Milam**

NEW MARSHFIELD — Scout Kayleigh Ferraro, a member of Troop 7071, Athens County's only BSA Troop for female scouts, completed her Eagle Scout project Saturday at the Waterloo Senior Center in New Marshfield. Her vision was to enhance the center's outdoor space by building and planting raised garden beds, creating a fresh and vibrant green area for the residents to enjoy. With her Eagle project now complete, Ferraro has a few remaining steps to become the first member of Troop 7071 to earn the rank of Eagle.

The project was the culmination of months of planning and coordination. Ferraro devoted herself to every aspect of the project, from designing the garden beds to organizing materials and volunteers. Her leadership ensured every detail was meticulously attended. Local Scouts and Scouters from Troop 7071, Troop 71, Troop 53 and Troop 50, along with Cub Scouts from Pack 71 and Pack 53, and Scouters from Ohio

University's chapter of Epsilon Tau Pi's Eagle Scout fraternity all played a pivotal role in bringing the project to fruition.

The successful completion of this project is a testament to the transformative power of scouting and the strength of community collaboration. It highlights the positive influence that young leaders like Ferraro can have on their communities. The Waterloo Senior Center, now with a beautiful and functional garden space, is a tangible outcome of the dedication and hard work of Ferraro and her fellow scouts.

To learn more about Athens County's only female BSA Troop 7071, visit <u>BSATroop7071.org</u>. To learn more about Scouts in Athens County, visit <u>Athenscountybsa.org</u>.