

TROOP 652B BRECKSVILLE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Welcome** to new troop members Nick, Peter, Oliver, and Franklin!
- At the monthly PLC meeting, the group discussed: weekly meeting plans, summer camp prep, and fall campouts.
- A parent summer camp meeting will be held on May 17. Stay tuned for details.
- **NYLT participants**: <u>ILST</u> is May 20 at Beaumont. <u>Orientation</u> will be held at council HQ on May 23 and May 31 -- you choose a date to attend.
- **BSA swim tests**, necessary for participation in water sports, can be taken before going to Manatoc and Beaumont summer camps. Arrangements have been made for drop-ins at the Independence Rec Center. See the emails from Mrs. Christian for details.
- Are you prepping for summer camp? Manatoc, Beaumont and our troop all offer **packing lists** to help you prepare for a week away from home in the outdoors. Check the summer camp packet provided by leaders (usually attached to an email) or our <u>troop checklist</u>.
- The troop spirit wear shop is open! If you need class B t-shirts, sweatshirts, or accessories, check out these options.
- **Fundraisers**: 652G will hold their annual Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, June 3 and Crew 652 will hold their annual Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, June 4. Both events will be at St. Basil. Watch for details by email and on Facebook.
- St. Basil's annual **Parish Picnic is June 11**. The parish needs our help at the event. Watch for an email sign-up.
- Our biggest fundraiser of the year, the annual **Pop & Water Sale**, **will be June 23-25 at Brecksville Home Days**. This is an all-hands-on-deck event and everyone must participate by signing up for a shift. We'll need parents to work the booth and scouts to work the water wagons. We'll also have a knot board at our booth to help teach others how to do knots. Watch for a sign-up in the near future!
- Learn more about **funding opportunities and financial support**, including individual scholarships and camperships, on our website.
- Are you part of our **private Facebook group for scouts and parents**? Everyone in the troop is welcome to join and share event photos, learning opportunities, scouting tips, and more. If you're on FB, <u>check it out here</u>.

CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Regular troop meetings are held every Wednesday from 7:00-8:30 PM at St. Basil's Parish Center. See the full troop calendar.

DATE	EVENT	TIME/PLACE
May 20	ILST (required for NYLT attendees)	Beaumont
May 24	Committee Meeting	6:15 PM
June 3	652G Spaghetti Dinner	
June 4	Crew 652 Pancake Breakfast	
June 11	St. Basil Parish Picnic	12:00-4:00 PM
June 11-16	NYLT	Firelands
June 14	PLC Meeting	6:15 PM
June 18-24	652B/G Summer Camp #1	Manatoc
June 23-25	Fundraiser: Pop & Water Sale	Brecksville Home Days
July 4	Independence Day	
July 2-8	652G Summer Camp #2	Summit Bechtel Reserve
July 8-16	Crew 652 Biking Hlgh Adventure Trip	Cumberland, MD to Washington D.C.
July 16-22	652B Summer Camp #2	Beaumont

ADVANCEMENTS

Congratulations to Mickey C. (Scout), Nick D. (Scout), Oscar S. (Second Class) and Grady W. (Star) on their recent rank advancements.

MERIT BADGE/TRAINING EVENTS

- August 26: <u>MBU Wilderness School</u> @ Firelands
- August 27: Cooking MB @ Firelands
- September 9: MBU @ Lake Erie College
- September 17: <u>Merit Badge Sunday</u> @ LEC, Cleveland
- September 30: <u>MBU Explore Cleveland</u> @ Western Reserve Historical Society
- October 21: <u>Fire Safety MB</u> @ Fire Museum, Cleveland
- November 3-5: <u>Wilderness First Aid</u>
 <u>Training</u> @ Beaumont
- November 12: Cooking MB @ Firelands