

TROOP 652B BRECKSVILLE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- There was no PLC meeting in August.
- The annual **Pack 652 open house recruitment event** is August 30 from 6:00-8:00 PM at St. Basil. There will be a rock wall and inflatable archery. Our troop will have a table at the event for any older youth visitors at the event. Scouts will be asked to help with activities at the open house.
- Upcoming activities and campouts. All activities and meetings are posted on the troop calendar.
 - August 12 (canoeing activity) at Camp Hi
 - September 15-17 (American Heritage Campout) at Camp Tuscazoar
 - o October 6-8 (Fall Camporee) at Firelands Scout Reservation
 - November 3-5 (Webelos/Arrows campout) at Camp Butler.
 - Camp Manatoc is celebrating their 100th anniversary with a campout September 22-24 and Mrs. Yeigh is accepting reservations to attend.

A sign up sheet will be at meetings for these upcoming events.

- **VIRTUS training**, required for all adults that volunteer or overnight with the troop, will be held September 11 at St. Basil's Family Life Center. It is highly recommend that all parents do the training. <u>Register here</u>. Choose Cleveland, OH (Diocese).
- We need you! The troop has **immediate openings on the committee** that must be filled. The troop cannot function without volunteers to make it happen. Can you give an hour or two to run a fundraiser, coordinate a service project or be our new member coordinator? Contact <u>Suzi Tschetter</u> for details.
- Scouts are encouraged to do merit badges throughout the year. Upcoming merit badge (MB) classes and Merit Badge Universities (MBU) are always listed in this newsletter.

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
August 12	Activity: Canoeing	Camp Hi
August 18-20	OA Summer Induction Weekend	Beaumont
August 23	Committee Meeting	6:15 PM
August 30	Pack 652 Open House	6:00-8:00 PM
September 4	Labor Day	
September 11	Patriot Day	
September 11	VIRTUS Training	St. Basil FLC
September 13	PLC Meeting	6:30 PM
September 15-17	Campout: American Heritage/Civil War Reenactment	Camp Tuscazoar
September 27	Committee Meeting	6:15 PM
October 6-8	Campout: LEC Camporee	Firelands
October 11	PLC Meeting	6:15 PM
October 25	Committee Meeting	6:15 PM
November 3-5	Troop Campout	Camp Butler

ADVANCEMENTS

Congratulations to Peter M. (Scout) and Tom M. (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
- October 28: MBU @ Lake Erie College
- November 3-5: <u>Wilderness First Aid</u>
 <u>Training</u> @ Beaumont
- November 11: MBU @ Firelands
- November 12: <u>Cooking MB</u> @ Firelands
- December 3: MBU @ LEC Service Center