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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- At the March PLC, the group discussed a campout calendar, summer camp, and meeting activities.
- These are our **upcoming activities and campouts**. Stay tuned for details or a sign-up sheet at troop meetings.
  - April 11-13 -- Troop Campout @ Richfield Heritage Park. Parents will be invited out on Saturday to observe their Scouts and how
    campouts operate. We'll prepare our crossover Scouts for Patrol-led camping and appropriate gear. Older Scouts will practice
    lashing skills and building a gateway in preparation of the Manatoc Summer Camp challenge.
  - May TBD -- Observatory Campout @ Geauga Park District
  - o June 15-21 -- Summer Camp #1 @ Manatoc. An email was sent with registration information.
  - July TBD -- Summer Camp #2
- Crossover Scouts will be working towards **Scout rank prior to summer camp**. Scouts were instructed to make sure they have the following at each weekly meeting: Uniform, Scout handbook, notebook, and writing instrument.
- Pack 28 will hold their **crossover ceremony for Arrow scouts March 21**. Three boys from the pack will be joining our troop. All Scouts are requested to join Pack 28 in their crossover ceremony to welcome those new Scouts to our Troop. An email was sent with details.
- Our weekly troop meeting on April 16 will be held at the Brecksville Recreation Center pool to complete annual swim tests. All Scouts
  should take the test for camping and rank requirements. We'll begin at 7:30 pm. Non-members may need to pay a \$5 fee.
- National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) will be held June 8-13, 2025 at Firelands. Scouts must be at least 13 at the time of NYLT and have achieved First Class rank. Many of our older Scouts have attended and benefited from this premier training program. NYLT attendees must complete Intro to Leadership Skills for Troops (ILST) on May 17 before attending NYLT. See Mr. Snyder about registering for NYLT.
- **Service opportunities**: The girls' troop may be participating in council's <u>Trash the Trash Day</u> on May 3. <u>Mrs. Christian</u> is coordinating. Six scouts are needed to assist the parish at Food Truck Thursday on June 7. It's one hour of service from 6:30-7:30 PM in the parish parking lot. Speak with <u>Mr. Maher</u> if you can help. The annual Parish Picnic is scheduled for Sunday, June 9. We will be sending out a sign-up for scouts to work a shift during the event.
- **Fundraisers**: Thank you to all who helped at the girls' troop spaghetti dinner! The venture crew will hold their annual pancake breakfast on May 18. Volunteers are needed to help at the event. And... it's all hands on deck for the boys' troop annual pop & water sale at Brecksville Home Days from June 20-22. A shift sign-up will be sent out for parents and scouts to choose when they will help at the sale
- The troop spirit wear shop is open! If you need class B t-shirts, sweatshirts, or accessories, check out the options.

## TROOP 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 <u>troop calendar</u>.

DATE	EVENT	TIME/PLACE
April 2	Committee Meeting	6:30 PM
April 9	PLC Meeting	6:30 PM
April 11-13	Troop Campout	Richfield Heritage Preserve
April 20	Easter Sunday	
April 22	Earth Day	
April 23	Committee Meeting	6:30 PM
May 3	Service: Scouts Trash the Trash Day	
May 7	Troop COH	
May 14	PLC Meeting	6:30 PM
May 18	Crew 652 Pancake Breakfast	
May 26	Memorial Day	
June 9	St. Basil Parish Picnic	12:00-5:00 PM

## **ADVANCEMENTS**

Congratulations to Conner D. (Second Class) and Peter M. (First Class, Second Class) on their recent rank advancements.

## MERIT BADGE/TRAINING EVENTS

- March 22: <u>Fire Safety MB</u> @ Fire Museum, Cleveland
- March 23: Cooking MB @ Beaumont
- March 25: Animation MB @ LEC
- April 3-5: <u>Wilderness First Aid Training</u> @ Beaumont
- April 10: <u>Entrepreneurship MB</u> @ LEC
- April 17: Fingerprinting MB @ LEC
- April 26: Metalwork MB @ Kent State Univ.
- May 17: LST @ Beaumont
- May 18: Merit Badge Sunday @ LEC
- June 8-13: NYLT @ Firelands
- June 15-21: Manatoc Summer Camp
- September 13: Cooking MB @ Firelands