

SEPTEMBER 2024

THE SCOUT SCOOP

Newsletter of Cub Pack 652
St. Basil the Great, Brecksville, Ohio



WELCOME

Welcome back to a new year to all our Scouts and a salute to our new families and our Lions! We are confident that this year will be a huge success. HAPPY SCOUTING!

Fall Family Camp Out

Each year Pack 652 offers two family camping weekends. The fall campout is Friday, September 27, 5PM to Sunday, September 29th, 10AM at Camp Butler in Peninsula. The Friday night is optional, but activities will start in earnest at 9AM Saturday. The Pack does camp in a large cabin with utilities, restrooms and a kitchen. There are two bedrooms (one for males and one for females) in addition to a common room.

This year's activities include participating in Camp Butler's Cub Target and Range Sports Day. Other activities will include hiking, campfire songs and a movie night. These activities will be broken up by den. While siblings are invited to join us for the campout, only registered Cub Scouts can participate in the Target and Range portion.

See the separate email for more information and the registration link. All fees are covered in your annual pack dues.

Parent Orientation & Gear Exchange

Do you have uniforms, hiking boots and scouting gear (including handbooks, uniforms and neckerchiefs) that you have outgrown or no longer need? Bring your gently used items to the September 11th Parent Orientation & Gear Exchange.



Pack Events

Monthly Committee Meeting *(All parents & volunteers welcome)*

Sunday, Sept. 8, 2024

6:00 - 8:00 PM

Annex Building, St. Basil's

Parent Orientation & Gear Exchange

Wednesday, Sept. 11, 2024

6:00 - 7:00 PM

Parish Center, St. Basil

(child activities available)

Monthly Pack Meeting

Wednesday, Sept. 25, 2024

6:00 - 7:00 PM

Parish Center, St. Basil's

Family Camp Out

September 27-29, 2024

Camp Butler, Peninsula

*(see Youth Protection Training
information for adult participation
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Monthly Committee Meeting *(All parents & volunteers welcome)*

Sunday, Oct. 6, 2024

6:00 - 8:00 PM

Annex Building, St. Basil's



Pack Dues

2024/25 pack dues for Pack 652 will be sent out to parents shortly. Pack dues for this Scouting year are \$250 per scout. This amount covers all operational costs for your scout for the year - including, but not limited to: three races, one class B t-shirt, two camping outings, and awards.

Details on the annual budget will be reviewed at the Parent Orientation on September 11th. Payment plans will be available. Be reminded that popcorn sales help to offset your pack dues (*see fundraising info on page 3*).

BSA Annual Registration

Please be advised that starting this scouting year BSA/ Scouting America will begin having families renew their registration on a 12-month rolling calendar basis. Scouting America will send an email 15 days prior to your scout(s) anniversary date for registration and payments on the national and council level. This email will also serve as a reminder to make any necessary updates to your preferred payment method for those on auto-renew. Be reminded that annual pack dues are invoiced separately.

Youth Protection Training Requirements for Campout

Attention Parents & Guardians!

A new national BSA policy for this coming year requires **all adults registering for overnight campouts** are required to complete the BSA Youth Protection Training at least one (1) week prior to the campout. To complete this training please visit www.my.scouting.org > My training > Youth Protection Training (YTP)

This training is required every two years so if you have taken this training in the past please review your profile for status.

Den Meetings

Lions

Wed., Sept. 11
Wed., Oct. 9

Tigers

Wed., Sept. 4 & 18
Wed., Oct 2 & 16

Wolves

Wed., Sept. 4 & 18
Wed., Oct 9 & 16

Bears

Wed., Sept. 4 & 18
Wed., Oct 2 & 16

Webeles

Wed., Sept. 4 & 18
Wed., Oct 2 & 16

Arrows of Light

Wed., Sept. 4 & 18
Wed., Oct 16 & 30



REGISTER

Fall Family Campout





Popcorn Sales - Fundraising to benefit Pack 652 and YOU

Thank you to the scouts who already started their popcorn sales. We've had a great kickoff at the Lowes in Northfield and Strongsville.

Please log into the Trails End app to sign up for a storefront! We are continually adding more dates, times and locations as they become available. Just a reminder that it's best to register each scout individually with their own account.

You can also sell online. Visit your Trails End profile and update your personal website and share it with friends and family. If you don't have a profile, just download the app and sign up at no cost.

Be reminded that all Trails End sales will help to offset your annual pack dues.

We will review fundraising at the parent orientation. In the meantime, email the pack with any questions.



Haunted Hayride

The Annual Haunted Hayride is a fun family themed event traveling thru Camp Butler in Peninsula. You are invited to join the pack for this Halloween adventure on Saturday, October 19th. The show goes on Rain or Moonshine.

Keep you eyes open for registration details coming soon.



Pack 652 Online Calendar

All our Pack and Den meetings and events are posted to Scoutbook. You can access the calendar at any time and event/meeting reminders will also be sent through Scoutbook. Additionally, you are able to download the calendar. Visit the Scoutbook calendar at www.my.scouting.org and scroll to the bottom of the page for the links for each den and for the pack events.





Volunteer Spotlight

Thank you to our new and returning volunteers! The success of the Pack is made with the generous help of our Scout parents.



2024/2025 Volunteers

Cubmaster - Robby Maher
Asst. Cubmaster - Shawna Melnykowski
Tiger Den Leader - TJ Manyon
Tiger Asst. Den Leaders - Alison Carnes
Wolf Den Leader - Will Ealy
Wolf Asst. Den Leader - Colleen Egan
Bear Den Leader - Sara Blayne
Webelos Den Leader - Jessica Baako
Webelos Asst. Den Leader - Ryan Toonen
AOL Den Leader - Robby Maher
Awards Chair - Jessica Baako
Race Chair - TJ Manyon

Committee Chair - Jerry Blayne
Treasurer - Jessica Baako
Pack Secretary - Sara Blayne
Fundraising Chair - Alison Carnes
Asst. Fundraising Chair - Joe Raley
Member Recruitment Chair - Maria Krejsa
Volunteer Chair - Carolyn Jatsek

Open positions..... *Talk to our Volunteer Chair or send email to the pack for more details if you are interested.*

Special Event Chair - oversees the coordination of the Blue & Gold Banquet, Service Project, Caroling, and Memorial Day Parade.

Assistant Race Chair - Assist the Chair in planning and day-of logistics of the annual races: Raingutter Regatta, Pinewood Derby, Lego Derby.

Lion Den Leaders - incoming Lion siblings and Kindergarten families need someone to coordinate the den calendar and assign achievements to den parents.

Assistant Den Leaders - The Bear and AOL dens need someone to coordinate the den calendar and assign achievements to den parents.

A Scout is... THRIFTY.

Being thrifty means being mindful of your resources. Whether it's money, time, or possessions, a scout who is thrifty will not waste needlessly. This means reusing items, being careful to not damage things, and only buying things you really need.

Saving your money and planning for the future is another way of being thrifty. Try not to spend money as soon as you get it. Really think about what you need and want - save your money to buy something that will last you longer, that you will enjoy more, that has more value.

