

OCTOBER 2024

THE SCOUT SCOOP

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

Fall Family Camp Out

Thank you to all the Scouts and families who joined us in September for our Fall Family Campout. We had over 30 Scouts in attendance.

After a Friday evening with popcorn and a movie, Scouts had a busy Saturday partaking in archery, wrist rockets and BB guns. The afternoon saw us making paracord bracelets and origami and exploring nature. Those still with energy left also took a hike and played gaga ball.

We made the best of a rainy Saturday evening with indoor songs and joke-telling, and still got to enjoy yummy s'mores and cocoa.



Pack Events

Monthly Committee Meeting

(All parents & volunteers welcome)

Sunday, Oct. 6, 2024

6:00 - 8:00 PM

Annex Building, St. Basil's

Haunted Hayride & Harvest Event

Saturday, Oct. 19, 2024

7:30 - 9:00 PM

Camp Butler, Peninsula

Monthly Pack Meeting & Halloween Party

Wednesday, Oct. 23, 2024

6:00 - 7:00 PM

Parish Center, St. Basil's

Monthly Committee Meeting

(All parents & volunteers welcome)

Sunday, Nov. 3, 2024

6:00 - 8:00 PM

Annex Building, St. Basil's

Lego Derby

Saturday, Nov. 9, 2024

2:00 - 5:00 PM

Parish Center, St. Basil's

Monthly Pack Meeting

Wednesday, Nov 20*

6:00 - 7:00 PM

Parish Center, St. Basil's

**note earlier date due the Thanksgiving holiday*



Haunted Hayride & Harvest Event

The Annual Hayride is a fun family BSA-run event at Camp Butler in Peninsula. In addition to the hayride, there will also be crafts and games geared towards the harvest season. The show goes on Rain or Moonshine. Pack 652 will be attending on the evening of **Saturday, October 19th**.

Tickets for Cub Scouts will be purchased by the pack. **Scouts must RSVP via Scoutbook by midnight on Wednesday, October 16th.**

REQUIRED ADULT SUPERVISION: Tigers and Lions must have a participating adult with them (adult ticket to be purchased by family.) Wolves and Bears must have a guardian on-site though they are not required to participate (parents can chose not to purchase a ticket and wait in the parking lot). Webelos and AOL Scouts can choose to carpool with other Pack 652 members as an on-site parent is not required. Carpool arrangements should be made by the family directly with another Pack 652 family.

TICKETS FOR PARENTS/SIBLINGS: Siblings and parents can purchase advance tickets via this [link](#). Tickets are \$10.00 per person if purchased online and in advance. Tickets purchased at the gate are \$12 each. Tickets are required for anyone age 4 and above. *There are alternate dates for this event that families are welcome to attend on their own.*

GETTING THERE: Pack 652 will meet at the Boston Mills Visitor Center parking lot at 7pm and then caravan to Camp Bulter. This will better allow us to gather to enter the event together.

FOOD & DRINK: Beverages, snacks and mementos will be available for purchase on site (cash only).



Den Meetings

Lions

Wed., Oct. 9

Wed., Nov. 13

Tigers

Wed., Oct 2 & 16

Wed., Nov. 6

Wolves

Wed., Oct 9 & 16

Wed., Nov. 6 & 13

Bears

Wed., Oct 2 & 16

Wed., Nov. 6

Webelos

Wed., Oct 2 & 16

Wed., Nov. 6

Arrows of Light

Wed., Oct 16 & 30

Wed., Nov. 6 & 13





October Pack Meeting & Halloween Party

The October Pack meeting on Wednesday, October 23rd will be a blast. After our recognition ceremony we will enjoy various Halloween themed games and crafts, as well as a few treats. **Wear your costume!**

Den Highlights

What has everyone been doing during their den meetings? Each den has been having their own unique adventures...

LIONS: Our kindergarteners are new to scouting and have been learning the Scout Motto and Law.

TIGERS: The Tigers have had a roaring good time reviewing the Scout Oath and Laws working towards the Tiger Bobcat beltloop.

WOLVES: The 2nd graders worked on their Bobcat requirements.

BEARS: The Scouts have been learning about outdoor safety and rules for outdoor exploration preparing for their upcoming hike.

WEBELOS: In September these Scouts started working on requirements for their first hike and met all the requirements for the three shooting pins during the campout.

ARROW OF LIGHTS: These 5th graders are already preparing to move to the troop level. They have broken into smaller groups and picked Patrol Leaders, getting ready for more self-guided activities.



Popcorn Fundraising

Storefront sales are still available for the month of October. After creating an account via the Trails end website, help by scheduling a storefront shift on the Trails End app. Direct any questions to our Popcorn Kernel, Alison Carnes or send email.

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.

A third option is selling via wagon sales. Take orders from your friends and neighbors and hand deliver their product to them.

LEGO DERBY

Coming Sat., Nov. 9

Wheeled bases will be handed out at the Oct. Pack Meeting.





Lego Derby Regulations

Start thinking about how you want to design your Lego race car. The Pack will provide you the vehicle frame and wheels for you to build your Lego car. You are free to design your car and add a mini-fig driver as you desire, as long as they are within the below rules. Wheeled bases will be provided at the October Pack Meeting. If you cannot make the October Pack meeting, please reach out to your Den Leader.

Lego Derby Regulations:

1. Scouts must build the derby cars, with adult assistance as required.
2. The car must use the official MiniBrick Derby wheels and axles.
3. Cars shall be build using only Lego, Mega Blocks, or compatible bricks.
4. Max. length: 7 inches.
5. Max. width: 3 inches.
6. No bricks can extend below the wheeled platform
7. Max. Weight: 6.5 ounces
8. Max height 8 inches



Volunteer Spotlight

We have several volunteer opportunities, and Pack leadership is happy to find ways for you to help. Your personal skills, interests, and availability shouldn't hold you back; everyone can do something! Please come to a committee meeting or talk to any uniformed leader. Immediate needs include:

Lego Derby Volunteers (Nov. 9, 2024, 2-5PM)

- positions includes: set-up crew, clean up crew, time keepers, pit crew

Lion Den Leader (today through mid-May)

- Organize dates and ensure activities are assigned accordingly.
- Manage Scoutbook for the den (logging den meeting dates and adventures earned)

Assistant Den Leaders (today through mid-May)

- Assist Den Leader with planning and executing den meetings.
- Division of workload is determined by the den leaders themselves.



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via GroupMe:
(click links below for communication)

[All Pack 652](#)

[Lion Den](#)

[Tiger Den](#)

[Wolf Den](#)

[Bear Den](#)

[Webelos Den](#)

[Arrow of Light Den](#)



Den Adventure Make-ups

All ranks have required and elective adventures for Scouts to complete. If your Scout misses a den meeting, please check with your Den Leader to see if there is anything that needs to be completed. Sometimes Den Leaders have make-up days scheduled for a future date (i.e. most den do a fall and spring hike when only one is required, in addition to a hike at a campout). However, families can also work with their Scouts at home to make up a session and get their beltloop. As a reminder, only the required adventures must be completed to rank up at the end of the year.

If you need a helping hand, the Metroparks are another great resource. Or if your Scout loves these types of adventures take advantage of having someone else plan the activity. Below are some ideas. Registration via clevelandmetroparks.com is recommended.

- 10/13, 1PM-4PM - Fossil Day @ Trailside Program Center, Brecksville Reservation (This is a great addition to the Wolf "Digging in the Past" adventure.
- 10/17, 5PM or 6PM or 7PM - Map & Compass: Pumpkin Hunt, @ Rocky River Nature Center, Rocky River Reservation (Both Wolves and Bears have a map and compass reading learning requirement.)
- 10/30, 5PM or 6PM or 7PM - Map & Compass: Pumpkin Hunt, @ Trailside Program Center, Brecksville Reservation (Webelos and AOLs need to use maps to plan hikes.)

A Scout is ... BRAVE

Bravery isn't the absence of fear, it's doing the right thing even when you are afraid. It's standing up for yourself and others even when being criticized or teased. It is important to do the right thing even in these tough situations, whether protecting yourself or someone else. Don't let others convince you to do something you know is wrong. That is a true mark of courage.

Like friendliness, bravery is a muscle that weakens without use, but can also be strengthened with practice. Talk to a trusted adult or friend about possible circumstances you might find yourself at school, a friend's house or at a birthday party and practice how you might respond - *What can you say? What can you do? Who can you go to for help?* By building your mental and emotional muscles, you'll be more prepared to make decisions and be brave when it matters most.

HAYRIDE & HARVEST EVENT

Sat., October 19

*Please RSVP by 10/16
via Scoutbook
for your Scout's ticket*

