

### **JUNE 2025**

# THE SCOUT SCOOP

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

### **Blue & Gold Banquet**

The Pack celebrated all our Cub Scouts at the Blue and Gold Banquet on May 17<sup>th</sup>. Scouts were recognized for their achievements and were ranked up to the next den level. Congratulations to all our Scouts!

Thank you to our planning committee and volunteers for helping make this event a huge success:

Sara Blayne, Rachele Ealy, Carolyn Jatsek, Angela Maher, and Anne Raley, as well as Jamie Scott, Tim Fitch, and Om & Megan Kakani, and the rest of the set up and clean-up crew.

### **Memorial Day Parade**

Pack 652 joined the Broadview Heights Memorial Day Parade lineup. Cub Scouts waved to the crowds and threw out candy.

Thank you to all those who gave their lives in service to our country.

## **Bring a Friend - Recruitment Events**

Over the summer we have three events where Cub Scouts can bring friends, classmates and neighbors to participate and see some of what we do in Scouting. See page 2 for details.

These free events are great opportunities for potential scouts to ask questions and meet others. Those who join us for the Bike Rodeo or the fishing event and then join Pack 652, will be awarded with the corresponding beltloop. What a great way to kick of your scouting adventures!







## **Summer Scouting Opportunities**

Stay involved. Stay engaged.

\*Recruitment Event/Bring a Friend ^ Elective Adventure(s) - Earn beltloop(s)

Summer activities and events are a great opportunity to reenforce our scouting mission during the summer and to connect with friends and fellow scouts. Some events are also great opportunities to bring a friend along to experience firsthand what scouting is all about. As with our other activities, these events can be found in Scoutbook and on our <u>website</u> at <u>www.pack652.com/calendar/</u>.

#### St. Basil Family Picnic\*

Sunday, June 8th, 12-4pm @ St. Basil's Enjoy a picnic lunch with rock wall climbing sponsored by Pack 652

#### Engineering/H.A.M. Radio Elective^

Saturday, June 28th A unique activity <u>for in-coming Webelos and AOLs</u> to work on their engineering achievement, including learning to use H.A.M. radios. Details TBD.

#### Pack 652 Bike Rodeo\*^

Saturday, July 26, 10-11am @ Cleveland Metroparks Cliffs Bike Park Learn about bike safety and care and ride the various paths. Earn your den's biking beltloop. Bring a friend and let them experience scouting.

#### S'mores Cub Adventures (Lake Erie Council)^

June 20-22 or July 25-27, 2025 @ Firelands Scout Reservations These overnight Cub Scout camps are designed to help Cub Scouts in Tigers through Arrow of Light complete adventures for their rank requirements.

More info here: <u>https://scoutingevent.com/440-</u> <u>Smores2025</u> Pack 652 Family Picnic & Field Day Wednesday, June 18, 5:00-7:00pm @ Chippewa Ford Field, Brecksville Reservation Meet up with other scout families for games and activities. Bring a picnic dinner, toss a ball, fly a kite and splash in the creek.

#### Pack 652 Family Bike Ride & Ice Cream\*

Wednesday, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 5-6:30pm Meet at Peninsula Train Station Join us for a bike ride along the towpath, followed by ice cream. Friends interested in scouting are invited too. Helmets required. Bring ice cream money.

#### Pack 652 Family Fishing & BBQ\*\*

Wednesday, August 13, 5:30 - 7:00 pm Brushwood Lake Furnace Run, Summit Metroparks Grab those fishing rods and join the pack at Brushwood Lake. A BBQ dinner is included. Friends considering joining scouting are invited too.

#### Cub Scout Day Camp (Great Trails Council)^ July 23-25, 2025 @ Camp Butler, Peninsula

While there are several date options, this is the date Pack 652 leaders recommend. Activities at Day Camp will include: nature hikes, BB guns, archery, slingshots, crafts, sport/ games, learning about archeology and paleontology, checking out fossils, making new friends and tons more!

More info here: <u>https://scoutingevent.com/433-csdc</u>

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### **Event Volunteer Opportunities**

VOLUNTEEPS NEEDED We understand that taking on a bigger leadership role is not for everyone. The Pack does have smaller volunteering opportunities through-out the year for those looking to commit to a couple of hours here and there.

Please take a look at some upcoming opportunities and if you can sign up to assist, we appreciate it!

### **SIGN UP FORM**

Keep an eye out in future newsletters for more opportunities to help with recruitment, camping, races, and more.

### A Scout is KIND...

As a Scout, kindness should be one of the main principles that you should work towards every single day. Being kind is treating people well without expecting anything in return. Being kind means trying to understand the feelings of others, then doing everything in your power to treat them as you would want to be treated.

Often, we don't realize how the things we say or do can hurt others. By making a conscious effort to always be kind, you'll begin to better understand the consequences of your actions. Do your best to only build people up and never break them down. It is not an exaggeration to say that one kind gesture can change someone's life forever.

Putting this Scout Law into action: If you see someone who is sad or scared, be there for them. Ask if they are okay. How can you help? Listen to them. If they don't want to talk about it, just sit with them. Do they seem lonely or shy? Ask them to join you in an activity. Unconditional kindness is the foundation of lifelong friendships.

### **Annual Planning Meetings**

Part 1 Wednesday, May 28, 2025

Part 2 Wednesday, June 4, 2025

6:00PM - 9:00 PM Parish Center, St. Basil's

\*\*All Parents & Volunteers are encouraged to attend.\*\*

### Got hidden talents?

Have a fun and fascinating hobby or a profession that might interest our entire pack or a single den? Have a connection or referral?

We would love to hear from you and discuss opportunities for a guest "speaker" or a unique activity based on size and age limitations.

Planning for the 2025/2026 year is kicking off so please reach out to Pack 652 leaders at cubpack652@gmail.com with ideas.





### **Leadership Volunteers Needed**

VOLUNTE As they say... it takes a village. Remember, the more volunteers we have, the easier the workload for everyone. We need your help. No previous scouting experience needed!

As we prepare for the 2025/26 Scouting year, we are looking for some new parent volunteers. Below are some of our current openings.

### Assistant Den Leaders for Lion - Webelos dens (mid-August through mid-May) -

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

### Special Events Coordinator (April - June & December) -

- Lead the planning committee for the annual Blue & Gold Banquet.
- Schedule the Pack's annual caroling activity and Memorial Parade entry
- Work with Pack/Den Leaders to schedule summer events and partner with Recruitment Chair to promote summer activities that can also be used as recruitment opportunities

### **Assistant Committee Chair** (year-round)

• Assist with administrative duties including volunteer training, medical and insurance compliance, and budgeting.

### **Recruitment Chair** (April - August)

- Schedule recruitment tables at school and set up volunteer sign-ups.
- Partner with Special Event Chair to promote summer activities
- Work with Lake Erie Council on creation of flyers and other promotional material.

### **Assistant Popcorn Kernel** (August - December)

• Assist the Kernel with scheduling store fronts and managing inventory of popcorn for fundraising efforts.

Please talk to a pack leader or email the pack at cubpack652@gmail.com about any positions you have questions about or are interested in.

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