

AUGUST 2026

THE SCOUT SCOOP

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



Pack Meet-up at Hinkley Lake

Join us for a Pack Family Meet-up at Hinkley Lake (weather permitting). We will meet at the newly renovated Hinkley Spillway for swimming.

[Hinkley Spillway | Cleveland Metroparks](#)

Families are welcome to go fishing or visit the new Boathouse & boat launch after the meet up.

[Hinkley Boathouse | Cleveland Metroparks](#)

Summer Hikes

Many Pack 652 families have been enjoying the multiple hikes that have been coordinated over the summer. There are still more planned. We hope to see you there.

Don't forget your 6 essentials!

August 12th - Join us for a 1.4 mile hike down Old Mill Trail. We will meet at the trailhead in Furnace Run. Don't forget your 6 essentials! Siblings and parents are encouraged to attend, along with any potential scouts.

August 29th - Enjoy a great 3 mile hike along Blue Hen Falls' hilly trail. Our meet up point is outside the Boston Mills Visitor Center.

See the Scout book calendar for specific addresses.

Pack Events

Meet @ Hinkley Lake

Sunday, August 2, 2026

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Hinkley Lake Spillway

Summer Hike

Wednesday, August 12, 2026

6:00 - 7:00 PM

Old Mill Trail, Furnace Run

Welcome Back / Recruitment Night

Wednesday, August 26, 2026

6:00 - 7:30 PM

Family Life Center, St Basil's

Summer Hike

Saturday, August 29, 2026

10:00 - 10:30 AM

Boston Mills Visitor Center

Pack Meeting

Wednesday, Aept. 2, 2026

6:00 - 7:00 PM

Parish Center, St. Basil's

Fall Family Camping Trip

Friday, September 25-27, 2026

Fireland Reservation,
Wakeman, OH





Welcome Back / Recruitment Night

Join us Wednesday, August 26th for our Pack 652 Welcome Back & Recruitment Night.

We will have lots of fun scout-themed activities for your scout to engage in. Drop by and reconnect with other in the pack.

This event is open to new and potential scouts so bring a friend! An information booth will be set up to provide Scouting America information and the Pack 652 calendar of events.

Recruitment Volunteers Needed

We are looking for some assistance to work the recruitment table during the Brecksville-Broadview Heights grade 1-4 Meet-the-Teacher events on Monday, August 17th. If you and your scout (in class A) can assist, that would be appreciated. This is low pressure. We need help handing out brochures, inviting interested folks to the Welcome Back/Recruitment Night event and answering basic questions.

Please [sign up](#) for one or two time slots if you are available

Pack 652's 2026/27 Scouting Year

Thanks to all those that attended the planning meetings for the upcoming year. If you couldn't make it, there are still opportunities to volunteer!

Most of the 2026/27 calendar has already been entered into the Scoutbook calendar. We will finalize the fall camping dates in the next week or so.

Big calendar changes to note... Pack meetings are moving to the 1st Wednesday of the month with Den Meetings taking place on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. Monthly Committee Meetings will now happen on the 3rd Wednesday of the month.

Den Meetings

Lions

Wed., Sept. 9 & 23
6:00 - 7:00 PM

Tigers

Wed., Sept. 9 & 23
6:00 - 7:00 PM

Wolves

Wed., Sept. 9 & 23
6:00 - 7:00 PM

Bears

Wed., Sept. 9 & 23
6:00 - 7:00 PM

Webelos

Wed., Sept. 9 & 23
6:00 - 7:00 PM

Arrow of Light

Wed., Sept. 9 & 23
6:00 - 7:00 PM

**Note that den and pack meeting occurrences have changed weeks.*

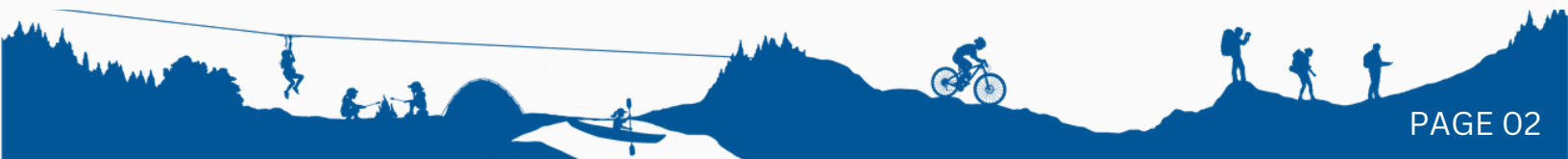
Next Committee Meeting

Wednesday, August 19th

6:00 - 8:00 PM

Parish Center, St. Basil's

All parents & guardians welcome





Fall Family Camping Trip

For the 2026 Fall Family Camping Trip, we will be returning to Firelands Reservation, Friday evening, September 25 - Sunday morning, August 27th.

This year we have reserved the field next to the dining hall and gaga ball pit. Tent camping is encouraged, though we have small family cabins available. These are limited so please reach out to a Pack leader if you wish to use a cabin.

We will have den and pack activities planned, along with a hike. There is a small lake for fishing, so bring your poles.

See below for the updated required training for adults joining us for the campout.

New Youth Protection Program for Scouting America

In the Spring of 2026, Scouting America's Youth Protection Training (YPT) program was replaced by Safeguarding Youth. Safeguarding youth is a value at the core of the Scouting movement. It is vital to maintain a culture of active supervision, awareness, and safety at all levels of Scouting. Safeguarding Youth training helps leaders and parents prevent harm to youth and is required for all Scouting America registered volunteers and participating adults. Current Scouting families are required to take the Safeguarding Youth training by May 2026.

For those adults who have not yet completed the training, completion of this training will be required in order to participate in the fall camping trip.

Calling all new LIONS

Have an incoming kindergartener? It's time to register them to [join the pack!](#)

Thank you for our new Lion Den guides, Alison and Christina!





Pack Calendar for Meeting and Activities

All our Pack and Den meetings and events are posted to Scoutbook and on the Pack's website, www.pack652.com. Additionally, you are able to download the calendar to your personal calendar. Visit the Scoutbook calendar at www.advancements.scouting.org and scroll to the bottom of the page for the links for each den and for the pack events.

Event/meeting reminders will also be sent through Scoutbook to your email(s) listed on your Scout's profile.

Popcorn Fundraiser

It's that time of year again! Selling popcorn at storefronts and/or via wagon sales is a great way to raise money to pay off your pack dues and raise money for the Pack.

Watch for information on how to sign up coming out soon!

A Scout is CHEERFUL

The mood that you project is contagious. Try smiling to people and see how many people will smile back. You have the power to make others feel great with a happy and CHEERFUL attitude, and that in turn will make you feel good about yourself. Your CHEERFULNESS can change someone's life.

Believe it or not, your attitude is a choice. Make a choice to be happy and cheerful and things will already seem better. Being cheerful, even in difficult situations, will draw others to you and differentiate you as a leader.

The next time you're getting frustrated — maybe something unfair happened, or you're just working on a difficult homework assignment — give yourself a moment to pause and take a breath. Smile. Say, "I got this." Know that this challenge will make you stronger. Then, cheerfully start again.

