

## Announcements May 28, 2020

**Advancement Zoom meetings** are still being held Tuesday and Saturday evenings at 7pm. Join through the Zoom link on the Troop 824 webpage.

**The meeting next week on June 4 is cancelled to allow you all to study and take your end of year assessments for school.**

Scout advancement may be viewed in Scoutbook. (again, please remember to look but don't touch the records in Scoutbook. All completed work should be forwarded to Mrs. Gaynor.)

We are offering Merit Badge Programs from other Councils. Go to our Web page and explore. Once you have decided to explore and earn one of these badges, contact your Scoutmaster and get an electronic Blue Card and a local Counselor for that badge. Once you contact that counselor, and get approval, follow the linked video and complete the badge requirements.

### **Work on Merit Badges While Home!**

**SPECIAL COVID PATCHES AND BADGES** – We have posted 2 special opportunities to earn collectible Covid-19 patches and badges.

- The 4 point challenge (Troop website under Activities)  
Must be in the mail by May 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Social Distancing Merit Badge (Troop website under Merit Badges)

Both of these are for fun and collecting (not for your sash). They would be a very special addition to your patch collections for historical reasons and might be fun to trade at sometime in the future!



### **Camp Merz is closed for the summer**

**ALLEGHENY HIGHLANDS COUNCIL, BSA  
HAS SUSPENDED IN-PERSON SUMMER CAMPS FOR 2020**

Heartbreaking but we must keep the health and safety of our Scouts, leaders and staff as our main priority! We will have some exciting new events in the future! We will be back bigger and stronger than ever!

***FULL SUMMER CAMP REFUNDS WILL BE EITHER PLACED INTO SCOUT ACCOUNTS OR REFUNDED TO EACH FAMILY.***

Please let Kendra know which you would prefer.

# Norman Rockwell Contest

Our entries were FANTASTIC! Good job to all of you!



NORMAN ROCKWELL  
1944



QUINN FLAHERTY  
2020







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Full Program Guide

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Check it out! This is a Virtual Allegany Nature Pilgrimage event that is FREE. There are lots of exciting activities for this event. It is normally NOT a Virtual event and normally costs \$\$ to attend. This one is FREE.

Check out the schedule and go on line to register!!!

Friday, May 29th

6:00 PM - A Virtual Tour of the Night Sky

7:00 PM - River Snorkeling Adventures: An Evening with Underwater Naturalist and River Adventurer

8:30 PM - Beginning Birding "after dinner"

Saturday, May 30th

9:00 AM - Nature Themed Children's Yoga

10:00 AM - Geology of Allegany for the Whole Family

11:00 AM - Birding by Ear

12:00 PM - Exploring iNaturalist

4:00 PM - Yikes, Invasive Species!

5:00 PM - Fossils of Western New York

7:00 PM - Meet Your Neighbors: Environmental conservation starts in our backyards, with "Backyard Naturalist"

9:30 PM - Nature at Night

Sunday, May 31st

9:00 AM - Nature Themed Adult Yoga

10:00 AM - Geology of Allegany for the Whole Family

11:00 AM - Land Stewardship and the Role of Prescribed Fire on the Landscape

12:00 PM - Resurrecting Sad Insect Species

1:00 PM - Why there? How to Think Like a Frog

2:00 PM - Digital Wildlife Photography for Beginners

3:00 PM - Fungi Walk – Live

4:00 PM - A Montezuma Birding Adventure

7:00 PM - So you want to attract pollinators?