

Announcements February 17, 2022

Welcome new Scouts to Troop 824! - We had 5 new Scouts join us this week after crossing over at their Blue and Gold Ceremony from Pack 824. Welcome! The 4 boys will be starting a new Patrol (which will make 4 Patrols in Troop 824B!) Their Patrol Leader will be Jaiden Fleckenstein and the Assistant Patrol Leader will be Vincent Cipolla. One girl is also crossing over from the Pack into Troop 824G. She will be joining the UFO Patrol.

Winter Carnival – Many of our Scouts headed up to the Adirondacks last weekend and attended the Saranac Lake Winter Carnival. Although the weather decided to warm up the Troop had a great time at the parade in Saranac Lake, The Wild Center in Tupper Lake and visiting Lake Placid.



Camp Gross – (Cost \$15 + Patrol food costs) Troop 824B & 824G will be camping on the weekend of March 4-6th at Camp Gross. The camp is located 1 mile north of the Village of Cassadaga, on New York Route 60. We will be staying in the Enoch Carlson Lodge. It offers a furnace, running water electric stove and refrigerator. If the weather is reasonable the Scouts are encouraged to sleep out in tents. Patrols will be planning, shopping, and cooking their own meals for this camp out. Patrols should plan to cook outdoors.

Court of Honor - Our next Court of Honor will be held on March 17th **ST PATRICK'S DAY!** Court of Honors are where Scouts are presented with recognitions and awards that they have earned. Scouts and families attend. We will have a Pot Luck Dinner at this event. Each family is asked to bring a dish to share. (Remember to take your serving bowls and utensils home after the event.)

St. Patrick's Day Parade – Troops 824 B & G will be marching in the St. Patrick's Day Parade this year on Sunday March 20th at 2pm. The Troop will be parading in St. Patrick's Day costumes and will be pulling the Klondike Sled (decorated of course!) One of our Troop members will be dressed as our Troop Leprechaun (**because every St. Patrick's Day Parade needs a Leprechaun!**) Parents are needed to march along with the Troop and we will need one driver with a van or SUV to ride along with the group incase anyone needs a ride to the finish. Please sign up at the front table.

Summer Camp at Camp Merz – We will be attending Summer Camp from July 24-29th. The cost will be \$435 for Scouts and \$175 for Adults.

Scout payments are due as follows:

Feb 10th - \$145

March 10th - \$145

March 31st \$ 145

Adults \$175 due by March 31st

(Several Scouts still owe the 1st summer camp payment which was due on February 10th.)



Upcoming Activities

Feb 17	Troop meeting – Camp Gross Prep/First mtg with new Crossovers
Feb 24	Troop meeting – Camp Gross Prep/and \$15 due
Mar 3	No Meeting – Polaris District Awards Dinner register on wnyscouting.org
Mar 4-6	Camp Gross Cassadaga, NY – Patrol cooking
Mar 10	Board of Reviews/Summer Camp pymt #2
Mar 17	Court of Honor/St Patrick’s Day
Mar 20	St Patrick’s Day Parade – Buffalo
Mar 24	Troop Meeting
Mar 31	Easter Basket Service Project/Summer Camp pymt #3 due

	Service	Camping/Outdoor	Events
February	YWCA Food and Toiletries collection	Winter Carnival Saranac Lake NY (heated cabin) 11-13	Scout Sunday 2/6
March	Easter Baskets w/ Mr. Rider 3/31	Camping 4-6 Camp Gross	Ct of Honor 17 St Pat’s Parade 20
April		Troop Trip 9-14 Mammoth Caves	Dyngus Day Parade 4/18
May	Memorial Day Lewiston	Cycling Camporee 5/13-15	Cinco de Mayo Party 5/5 Trash the Trash 5/7 Tore Flora Hike 5/29
June	Camping Miller Pk Fellowship 6/3-5	Miller Pk Fellowship 6/3-5 Fantastic Camporee 6/17-19	Ct of Honor 6/9
July		Camp Merz 7/24-29	Hikes?
August			Hikes?
September			First Meeting 9/8
October		Monster Mash 3 rd weekend – Merz Herkimer/Geology Merit Badge 10/21-23	
November	Veteran’s Day Flag Retirement		University of Scouting 11/5/22

Class B T-Shirts Are now available in all sizes. \$15 each.



We are still required to follow Covid safety precautions, and all

Scouts and Adults must wear a mask while indoors at a Scouting event.

Hand Sanitizer will be available. Each person must sign in when they arrive at our meetings and activities.
If a Scout or family member is feeling ill or has been exposed to Covid please do not send the Scout to a Troop meeting or activity.

Troop Merit Badge offerings

Our Troop has recently offered Emergency Preparation, First Aid and Citizenship in Society Merit Badges. Some of the Scouts need to finish up pre-requisites or incomplete work. Remember to get missing work turned in before our Court of Honor on March 17th.

Announcements can be found on the Troop website www.Troop824.org under the Announcements Tab and our Troop Calendar is found under the Calendar Tab

Remind messaging — Our Troop uses the REMIND messenger to relay information. Please make sure you are signed up to receive messages. **Text @7hd2a4 to the number 81010**

Service opportunity

YWCA of the Niagara Frontier

Donations needed for Carolyn's House – a supportive housing program for homeless woman and children.

Toiletries donations will be collected each week at Troop meetings.

We will turn them in at the end of March.

Ideas

Cleaning Supplies
Laundry soap
Dish soap
Wash cloths
Towels
Tissue
Hats
Gloves

Socks (women and children)
Toothbrushes/toothpaste
Floss
Body wash
Deodorant
Brush or comb
Shampoo/conditioner
Lip balm
Hand Sanitizer

The Troop 824 "Cone Heads" visiting Saranac Lake Winter Carnival.

