### Announcements March 24th, 2022



**St. Patrick's Day Parade** – Troop 824 celebrated St. Patrick's Day by marching in the St. Patrick's Day parade!

**Troop 824G** only — Amazing Race Challenge! Location — Niagara Falls. March 26<sup>th</sup>. Rescheduled for April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Start at 1:00 PM. Bring a sack lunch or money for lunch. Solve puzzles to complete the race. Will need at least 1 adult to join in on this adventure. (See Mrs. Evans to join in)

**Summer Camp at Camp Merz** — We will be attending Summer Camp from July 24-29<sup>th</sup>. The cost will be \$435 for Scouts and \$175 for Adults. The final payments for Scouts and Adults is due next week on 3/31/22.

Scout payments are due as follows:
Feb 10<sup>th</sup> - \$145
March 10<sup>th</sup> - \$145
March 31<sup>st</sup> \$ 145
Adults \$175 due by March 31<sup>st</sup>



### Mammoth Cave Trip- April 9-14th

Our Troop Trip to Mammoth Cave KY over Easter break is a go! First payment for Cave Tours is done. Remainder \$120/person due 3/24.

We will be visiting the following:

National Air Force Museum in Dayton Ohio (4/10)

Louisville Slugger Museum in Louisville KY (4/11)

Louisville Zoo and Ropes Course, Louisville KY (4/11)

Mammoth Cave Domes and Dripstones Tour and Historic Cave Tour (4/12)

Accommodations include Camp Cricket Holler, in Dayton/ Camp Carlson, in Muldraugh KY and Camp Lazarus in Columbus Ohio. (All accommodations will be in cabins.)

If Interested, please sign up for Ropes Course this week

#### Dyngus Day Parade - Monday, April 18th



Line up at 3:30PM on buffalo Bolt Way (Dead End Section of 10<sup>th</sup> Ave), North Tonawanda

Parade start time 5PM sharp. Scouts wear full uniform.

**Bisons Game & Campout** – May 20<sup>th</sup> 6pm – May 21 7am – Baseball game, Hot dog, soda, fireworks, movie, snack, campout, breakfast, patch. Cost \$28.00 due April 28th





## <u>Carnival Fun Camping weekend- Miller</u> <u>Park Fellowship 2022</u>

<u>June 3-5<sup>th</sup> – Need sign ups NOW so we</u> <u>can give them head counts.</u>

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

# Service opportunity – Last day for collection is March 31<sup>st</sup>.

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.

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

### **Upcoming Activities**

Mar 24 Troop Meeting – Final Mammoth Cave pymt
Mar 31 Easter Basket Service Project/Summer Camp pymt #3 due

April 7 Troop Meeting

April 9-14 Mammoth Cave Troop Trip

April 14 No Meeting

April 18 Dyngus Day Parade (line up 3:30pm NT)

April 21 No Meeting

April 23 Troop 824G (only) Amazing Race Challenge!
April 28 Troop Meeting (Bisons Game \$20 due)

May 5 Cinco de Mayo Party – Come in Costume

May 12 Troop Meeting

May 13-15 Campout at Camp Merz

May 19 Troop Meeting
May 20-21 Bisons Game
May 26 Troop Meeting

May 30 Memorial Day activities. Lewison NY June 2 Board of Reviews/SM Conferences

June 3-5 Miller Park Fellowship – Carnival Fun (no charge)

June 9 Court of Honor

June 17-19 Fantastic Camporee – Miller Park – Troop 824G (only)

June 17 Ransomville Speedway – Troop 824B (only)

June 25 Fishing Derby – Ellicott Creek Park pond and creek 9-3:30

July 24-29 Summer Camp at Camp Merz

	Service	Camping/Outdoor	Events
January		Klondike 1/28-30	
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 3/17 St Pat's Parade 3/20 Troop 824G only – Amazing Race Challenge
April		Troop Trip 4/9-14 Mammoth Caves	Dyngus Day Parade 4/18
May	Memorial Day Lewiston	Camp Merz 5/13-15	Cinco de Mayo Party 5/5 Buffalo Bisons Game 5/20
June	Miller Pk Fellowship 6/3-5	Miller Pk Fellowship 6/3-5 Fantastic Camporee Troop 824G only 6/17-19	Ct of Honor 6/9 Troop 824B only Ransomville Speedway 6/17
July		Camp Merz 7/24-29	Hikes?
August		TBA Camping 8/26-28	Hikes? PLC Planning Meeting 8/25 3 pm
September		TBA Camping 9	First Meeting 9/8 Star Trek Birthday Party
October		Herkimer/Geology Merit Badge 10/21-23	
November	Veteran's Day Flag Retirement		University of Scouting 11/5/22









### **How to earn a Merit Badge** - The Scout should:

**Pick a Subject**. Scout, Talk to your unit leader about your interests. Read the requirements of the merit badges you think might interest you, and pick one to earn. Your leader will give you the name of a person from a list of counselors. These individuals have special knowledge in their merit badge subjects and are interested in helping you.

**Scout Buddy System**. You must have another person with you at each meeting with the merit badge counselor. This person can be your parent or legal guardian, or another registered adult.

**Call the Merit Badge Counselor**. Get a *signed* Application for Merit Badge from your unit leader. Get in touch with the merit badge counselor and explain that you want to earn the badge. (The Scout should do this. Not the Adults) The counselor may ask to meet you to explain what is expected and to start helping you meet the requirements. You should also discuss work you have already started or possibly completed.

At the first meeting, you and your merit badge counselor will review and may start working on the requirements. In some cases, you may share the work you have already started or completed.

**Unless otherwise specified, work on a requirement can be started at any time**. Ask your counselor to help you learn the things you need to know or do. You should read the merit badge pamphlet on the subject. Many troops, schools, and public libraries have them.

**Show Your Stuff**. When you are ready, call the counselor again to make an appointment. When you go, take along the things you have made to meet the requirements. If they are too big to move, take pictures or have an adult tell in writing what you have done. The counselor will test you on each requirement to make sure you know your stuff and have done or can do the things required.

**Get the Badge**. When the counselor is satisfied you have met each requirement, he or she will sign your application. Give the signed application to your unit leader so your merit badge emblem can be secured for you.

**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**