

Announcements May 11, 2023

Troop Regular Meeting

Sign-up sheets - will be posted at every meeting. Scouts and parents are asked to review them and add their names if they wish to participate in an activity or event.

SUMMER CAMP --- Session 4 - July 23-29

All adults and scouts attending Summer Camp need to provide 2 copies of health forms and required Camp forms prior to departure. These forms have been emailed to each camper.

AN EMAIL WAS SENT ON 5/1 TO ALL ATTENDING SUMMER CAMP WITH REQUIRED FORMS TO COMPLETE AND GEAR LIST

All Scouts and Adults attending summer camp must have a BSA Health form signed by your physician within 1 year of the start of camp (July 23). We are missing a lot. Make your appointments. They will not let you into camp without these health forms.

Summer Camp pre-requisites workshop – May 17th 6-8 pm

We will be holding a workshop on Wednesday May 17th from 6 to 8 at Sanborn Fire Hall to work on summer camp pre-req's prior to camp.

Scouts who should sign up are:

Vincent Cipolla

Dan Gavacs Neven Markovich

Jack Rider

Nate Synor

Chloe Coram

Carly Saturley

Merit Badges with pre-req's that we will work on are:

Emergency Prep – 7, 8b

Neven, Vincent C.

Camping - 4b, 7

Jack, Charles, Chloe

Cooking – 4, 6

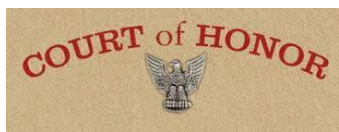
Vincent, Dan, Jack, Charles, Nate

Fishing – 9 - Scout catch at least 1 fish, clean it, cook it. **Do at home**

Charles, Chris, Ethan

Personal Fitness – 1,6,7,8

Carly, Chloe



COURT OF HONOR tonight at 6:00PM.

- The Troop will be providing pizza
- **Bring either a dessert or a salad to share.**

Whitewater weekend – Scouts arrive at Castile entrance anytime after 4:00pm

- Scouts should eat dinner on Friday before arriving at camp and must bring their own bagged lunch for Saturday. All other meals will be provided.
- Be prepared for cool/cold weather at night. Bring warm clothes to change into after getting out of the water. (wet suits will be provided but you may want to warm up when you get out.)
- Scouts will need to buddy up in tents.

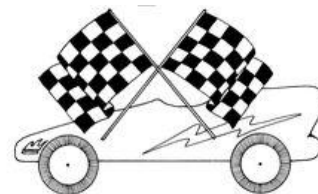
Activities (subject to additions and changes)

(Opening Patrol weekly meeting rotation – Radio Active, Cats, Cobras, Flaming Pop Tarts, UFO’s, Bulldogs)

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| May | 11 | Court of Honor – 6PM/ Opening Radio Active |
| | 12 – 14 | White Water Rafting/canoeing/kayaking merit badge |
| | 17 | Summer Camp Pre-requisite workshop 6-8pm Fire Hall |
| | 18 | Flag Folding and ceremony practice/ Opening Cats |
| | 20 | NEW <u>Meat Raffle service project</u> Fire Hall 5-8pm SIGN UP TONIGHT |
| | 21 | PLC Meeting Firehall 430pm |
| | 25 | White Chapel Flags meeting at cemetery 6pm |
| | 29 | Lewiston Memorial Day Ceremony 11am |



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| June | 1 | OA Elections/ Opening Cobras |
| | 3 | Don Miller Park Fellowship |
| | 6 | Polaris District Roundtable- Veterans Park Tonawanda- Dutch Oven Cook off |
| | 8 | Martial Art guest speaker/Opening Flaming Pop Tarts |
| | 15 | Final meeting of the year party |
| | 16 | Ransomville Speedway |
| | 23 | First part of Small Boat Sailing MB at Council office- Scouts need to take copy of health form |
| | 24 | Small Boat Sailing MB Camp Southaven |



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| July | 19-28 | National Jamboree |
| | 23-29 | Camp Massawepie |

August 20 Yearly PLC Planning meeting

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

Remind messaging – Our Troop also uses the REMIND messenger to relay information. Please make sure you are signed up to receive messages.

Text TROOP824 to 84483 to receive text alerts from Scout Troop 824

To pay Troop fees directly to the Troop bank account you may use Venmo. Send Venmo payments to: @Kendra-Gaynor



Sailing Merit Badge – for Scouts who have pre-registered
Friday, June 23, 2023, 6pm-9pm Council Service Center
Saturday, June 24, 2023, 9am-4pm Camp Scouthaven

This is a full uniform event both day, Saturday: must bring Swimsuit, water shoes, sunscreen, hat, Towel & Bag Lunch with copy of Health Form (you will get wet)

Must be a Blue Swimmer

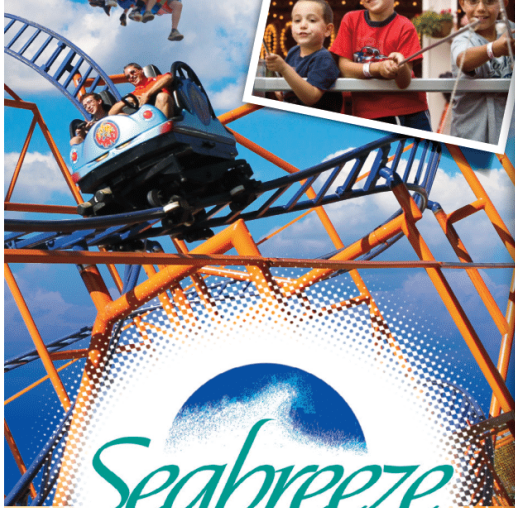
Scout must bring a blue card signed by your unit leader.

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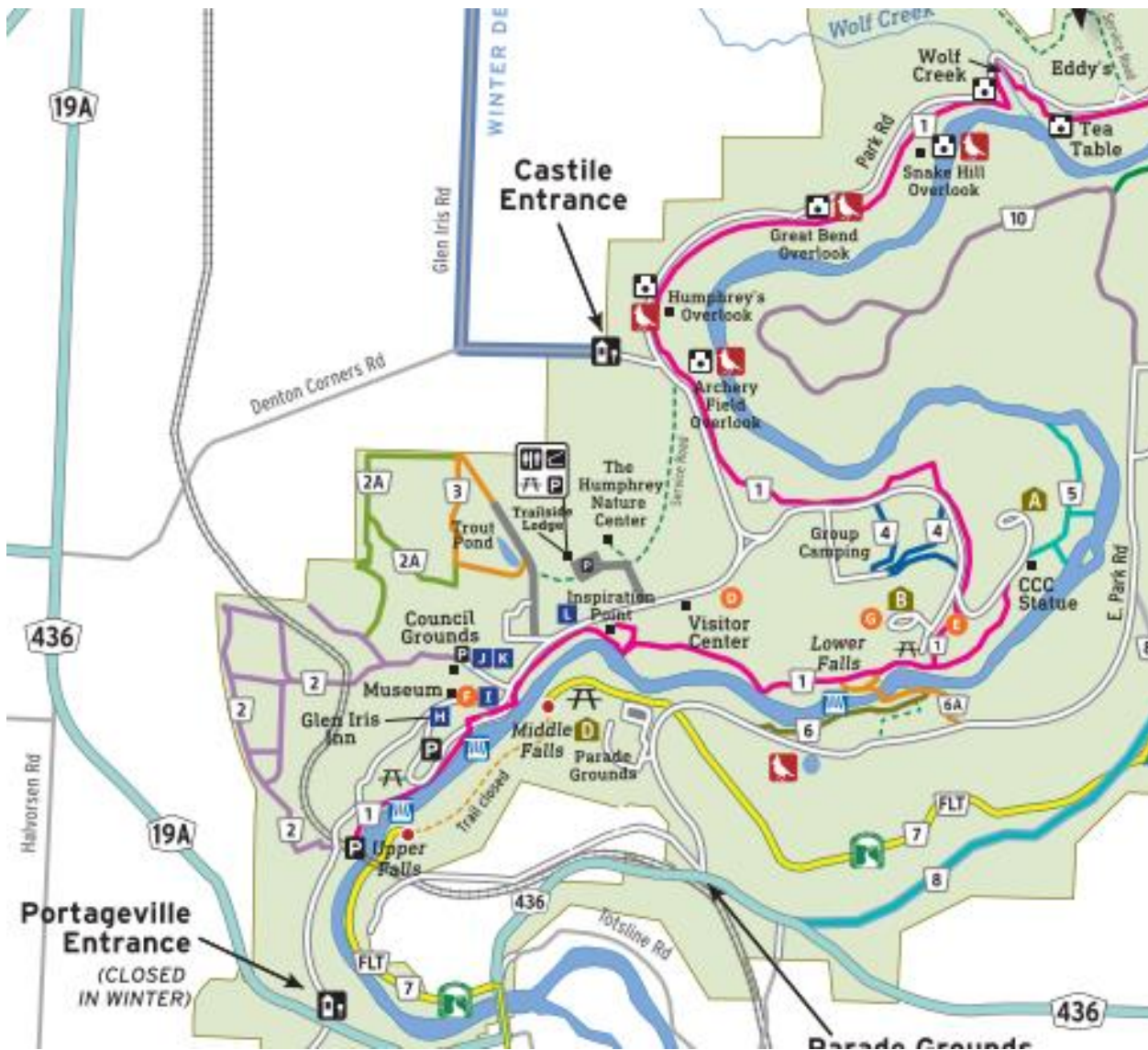
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Enter at Castile Entrance. Andy Pappal will have already checked in and paid. Tell the gate you are with the Scouts and are at Group Camping area for the weekend. They will not charge you the entrance fee at the gate. Arrive after 4pm. Troop 824 is in the Birch site in the Group camping area.

Adventure Calls Outfitters BSA Whitewater Merit Badge Course

The BSA whitewater merit badge is a two-day course comprised of both verbal and practical application, taught by members of the ACO staff that are accredited BSA Merit Badge Counselors. Upon successful completion, the scout will earn canoeing, kayaking, and the whitewater merit badge.

Course Location: Letchworth State Park

Day two will be spent all day on the Genesee river covering all the whitewater portions of the manual, then paddling the length of the gorge navigating Class I & II rapids.

Day 1: Meet at the ACO office located in the lower falls area at 8:30 am. (Get Equipment)

9:00 am: Trip Planning, and Types of Water Craft

10:00 am: PFD's, boat prep,

10:30 am: Paddle Strokes, and boat control

12:00 pm: LUNCH

12:30 pm: Rescue Skills, Boat Recovery

2:30 pm: load equipment

3:00 pm: return to Letchworth State Park Group Camping Area

3:30 pm: CPR & First Aid Instruction

Day 2: (meet at Rafting Office)

9:30 am: load equipment

10:00 am: head to the river

10:30 am: Moving Water Dynamics & Terminology, Swift Water Rescue Skills, Throw Ropes

12:00 pm: LUNCH

12:30 pm: paddle the river & Rescue Scenarios

4:30 pm: load equipment, return to Rafting Office, turn in gear, receive Blue Cards

Please Note:

- Appropriate Clothing and footwear are required for the course (water shoes, sneakers, swim shorts, shirt. NO COTTON)
- All equipment is included in the costs
- Lunch and other meals are the responsibility of the troop.
- Group camping is the cheapest and easiest place to stay for this course and can be obtained by contacting park administration at 585-493-3600.
- Upon completion of day 1 the scout will earn the canoeing merit badge.

Adventure Calls Outfitters, Inc.
PO Box 391
LeRoy, NY 14482
(585)-343-4710

Adventure Calls Outfitters, Inc. provides the following on all our river trips; rafts and / or inflatable sit on top kayaks (river levels primarily determine which craft will be used), paddles, helmets, pfd's, guides, and transportation to and from the river. For all non-rafting activities, we provide all group equipment necessary for the activity.

Please refer to the checklist below for all other recommended items related to the activity you will be participating in.

Cool Weather

- dry clothes
- dry shoes
- towel
- eye glasses strap
- bathing suit or shorts
- poly blend, lycra, or under armor t-shirt
- polar fleece jacket or wool sweater
- poly blend or wool hat
- poly blend or wool gloves or mittens

Warm Weather

- dry clothes
- dry shoes
- towel
- eye glasses strap
- bathing suit or shorts
- cotton or poly blend t-shirt
- light nylon jacket
- sunscreen
- bottled water

**** Old sneakers or water shoes or secure sandals or crocs are acceptable footwear. Flip flops or slides are not appropriate footwear due to the high likelihood of them coming off your feet, and therefore are not allowed. Going barefoot is not allowed under any circumstance.**

(Water shoes are available for purchase at our Letchworth State Park location.)

When the weather dictates, wetsuits and wet tops are available to rent. We have phased out the largest adult sizes of neoprene tops in favor of water-proofed nylon splash tops. They are more comfortable and offer better range of motion for your upper body. However, they do not provide as much thermal value so in addition to a poly-blend t-shirt, an under layer of polar fleece, wool, or a heavy polyblend is recommended.