

January 18, 2024
Troop Regular Meeting



Announcements

Don't miss out!
Be sure to read our Announcements each week!



Remind messaging — Our Troop 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



Sign up for Summer Camp Resica Falls – 7/21/24- 7/27/2024– we need a head count. First payment of \$100 **was** due at our Troop meeting on January 11th.

Family Life Merit Badge Tracking – Those working on the Family Life Merit Badge should be prepared to review their progress at the meeting this week.

January

- 18 Troop meeting/ PLC meeting 6:30 - Finalize plans for Klondike campout and meals
Eagle Board of Reviews Jaiden and Matt
- 19-21 Klondike at Camp Merz
- 25 Troop meeting
- 28 PLC Troop 824G 4:30-6:30

February

- 1 Troop meeting/ **AOL's Visit – Eclipse activities**
- 4 Scout Sunday
- 8 Troop meeting - National Boy Scout Day
- 11 PLC 4:30 – Plan for B&Gold
- 15 Troop Meeting – prep for Fire Hall overnight
- 22 Troop activity (Planetarium?, other?)
- 24-25 Fire Hall overnight “Camp-in’
- 29 Troop meeting - SM Conf's & Bd of Reviews / Rank and Merit Badge work due



March

- 7 Troop meeting - Easter Baskets fill and wrap with Tim Rider
- 9 Miller Park Meat Raffle 5 pm
- 10 PLC 4:30
- 14 Troop meeting - Ct of Honor/ Pi Day (bring a Pie to share)/
2nd Summer Camp pymt due \$200
- 17 St. Patrick's Day Parade
- 21 Troop Meeting
- 23 Service - make beds for needy
- 28 no meeting



April

- 1-6 Niagara Frontier Trail Medal activities
- 4 no meeting
- 8 Solar Eclipse
- 11 Troop Meeting/ 3rd summer camp pymt due \$150
- 18 Troop Meeting
- 21 PLC 4:30
- 25 Troop Meeting
- 27 ?Liberty Drive Clean up?



May

- 2 Troop meeting - work on Pinewood cars (Plan menus for 17-19th)
4th Summer Camp pymt due \$150



- 5 Trash the Trash Hike – Erie Canal ?
- 9 finalize menus for 17-19 weekend
- 10-11 Scout Night with Bisons
- 11 Unlimited Pinewood Derby
- 16 Troop Meeting
- 17-19 Orienteering Camporee at Bond Lake (Registration about \$30)
- 23 White Chapel Flag Placement
- 27 Lewiston Memorial Day event
- 30 SM Conf's Bd of Reviews/ Rank and Merit Badge work due

June

- 6 Troop Meeting
- 13 Court of Honor – last meeting

July

Summer Camp –7/21-27

We need Adult Volunteers to become Merit Badge Counselors for our Troop

What is a merit badge counselor? A merit badge counselor is a responsible adult with knowledge and enthusiasm about a career, hobby or other subject who is willing to share that knowledge and enthusiasm with Scouts.

The job of the merit badge counselor is not to go on every single outing or excursion with a Scout. It's to make sure the Scout knows what is required of them to earn the badge, and to help them with any requirements that can be completed in a group setting.

Adults can be a Merit Badge Counselor for more than 1 merit badge.

Quick and easy Merit Badge Counselor Training is available on line at my.scouting.org

Please see Kendra if you have any questions.



Boy Scouts of America MERIT BADGE COUNSELOR INFORMATION



(Please type or print legibly.)

Name* Primary phone* Home Cell Work

Address* Other phone Home Cell Work

City/state/zip* Other phone Home Cell Work

Email address* I do not have email. Age

District Unit: Troop Crew Ship No. BSA ID

- I am not affiliated with a district. I am not affiliated with a unit.

*Required field. Primary phone and email address indicate how Scouts should contact you.

To qualify as a merit badge counselor, you must

- Be at least 18 years old and of good character.
- Be registered with the Boy Scouts of America (position code 42).
- Complete Youth Protection training.
- Be recognized as having the skills and education in the merit badge subjects covered and hold any required qualifications and training as outlined in the *Guide to Safe Scouting* or the *Guide to Advancement*—or use others so qualified.
- Be able to work with Scout-age youth.

As a merit badge counselor, I agree to

- Follow the requirements of the merit badge, making no deletions or additions, ensuring that the advancement standards are fair and uniform for all Scouts.
- Have each Scout accompanied by another person during all instructional sessions.
- Keep my Youth Protection training current.
- Renew my registration annually if I plan to continue as a merit badge counselor.

Merit Badges <i>For more than eight merit badges, attach additional sheets.</i>	Add (A) Drop (D)	For each merit badge, list qualification(s) that support your request. <i>Qualifications could include college degrees, formal training certificates, positions held, and specific life experiences.</i>
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		
7.		
8.		

A = Adding a new merit badge that you will counsel to the roster. D = Removing your name from the roster for this merit badge.

Complete the following:

- This is a new application (first time to register as a merit badge counselor).
Attach this form to the BSA Adult Application, indicating position code 42.
- This is an update to an existing list of merit badge subjects.
- I no longer wish to serve as a merit badge counselor.

Youth Protection training date
(Attach copy of the current certificate.)

I agree to work with:

- All Scouts
- All Scouts in these districts:
- Only with Scouts in these units (indicate whether troop, crew, or ship):

Counselors are encouraged to be available to work with any Scout in any unit.

I plan to serve as a merit badge counselor for this event or outside organization:

Council Approval:

Name (print)

Position

Date

Signature Date