

TROOP 226 UPDATE



February 1, 2018

OUR NEXT CAMPS

Our winter Polar Bear Camp will be Saturday and Sunday February 3 – 4. This camp will be preceded by 3 weeks of special training for winter camping. Although camping in winter sounds intimidating, this is a fun camp when properly prepared. If you have any questions or concerns about Polar Bear please contact our Scoutmaster or one of the Assistants.

Our March Cabin Camp will be Friday to Sunday March 9 – 11.

Camp fees remain at \$30.00 and are due at the regular meetings of January 30th for Polar Bear and March 6th for the March camp.

DUES ARE DUE

This year, BSA National increased its dues by \$9.00 per person. We will currently maintain our semiannual dues at \$30.00. We will evaluate our dues status over the next six months to determine if an increase is necessary.

The semiannual \$30.00 fee is due in March. This covers operational costs and some limited supply purchases for the six month period beginning March 1 and ending August 31. **Dues not paid by April 1st will be deducted from your account.**

SUMMER CAMP!

Each year our camping season culminates with our exciting Summer Camp at Cole Canoe Base in Alger Michigan. Summer Camp 2018 will be Sunday to Saturday June 17 – 23 with our advance team departing on Saturday June 16.

Summer Camp is an exciting and fun week. About 70% of our scout's advancement takes place at Summer Camp. Cole Canoe Base also offers a vast variety of activities and events for our scouts to take part in.

Summer Camp enrollment information is included with this newsletter mailing and is available on our website www.troop226ohio.org.

No scout should miss the fun of Summer Camp. If you have any questions about Summer Camp please contact Mr. Apo.

OUR NEW PATROL LEADERS

SPL/STAFF – Pat Gallagher – (440) 390-8696
ARROWS – Jacob Cook – (440) 570-3733
COBRAS – Chris Gallagher – (440) 268-6417
MOOSE – Jeff Grzywna – (440) 236-9226
PANTHERS – Mike Gallagher – (440) 390-8696
WOLVES – Jason Johnson – (216) 990-0487

EAGLE COURT OF HONOR

Our Eagle Court of Honor will be on Sunday February, 18th at the Strongsville United Methodist Church beginning at 2:00pm. We will be recognizing our Scouts for their advancement and awards that have been earned since September.

At this Court of Honor we will also be honoring Joshua Larson and Matthew Slavik for their earning the highest rank in scouting, the Eagle.

Family and friends are invited to all of our Courts of Honor and we encourage everyone to come and share in honoring ALL of our Scouts for their achievements earned this fall.



MERIT BADGE MIDWAY

Merit badge work is our version of more traditional academic work – somewhat like a great school experience! This spring we will again be offering our Merit Badge Midway where every Scout will have the opportunity to work on one or more merit badges. Most Eagle required badges will be available along with several optional badges.

Our Merit Badge Midway will take place at our regular meetings on March 20th and April 3rd and 10th.

Parents, the full merit badge list can be found in your scout's handbook. If you have a particular skill, hobby or occupation and would consider being a counselor for that merit badge during our Midway please contact Mr. Apo for details at scouts@troop226ohio.org.

OUR SCHEDULE FOR THE NEXT FEW WEEKS

Class C	Sat-Sun – Feb 3-4 – Polar Bear Camp – Camp Butler Scout Reservation Peninsula, Ohio
Class A	Tues – Feb 6 – Uniform Advancement Meeting – Conferences and Boards of Review – PLC Meeting at 6:00pm
Class B	Tues – Feb 13 – Regular Troop Meeting
Class A	Sun – Feb 18 – Eagle Court of Honor – Strongsville United Methodist Church – 2:00pm
	Tues – Feb 20 – NO REGULAR TROOP MEETING DUE TO COURT OF HONOR
Class C	Sun – Feb 25 – Scout Sunday – Strongsville United Methodist Church – Meet in the lobby at 9:00am
Class A	Tues – Feb 27 – Regular Troop Meeting
Class B	Tues – March 6 – Regular Troop Meeting – PLC Meeting at 6:00pm – \$30.00 Camp Fee Due
Class B	Fri-Sun – March 9-11 – March Cabin Camp –
Class A	Tues – March 13 – Uniform Advancement Meeting – Conferences and Boards of Review – \$30.00 Dues are Due
Class B	Tues – March 20 – Regular Troop Meeting – Merit Badge Midway Begins – \$30.00 Dues are Due
	Tues – March 27 – NO REGULAR TROOP MEETING – SPRING BREAK
Class A	Tues – April 3 – Regular Troop Meeting – Merit Badge Midway Continues – PLC Meeting at 6:00pm
Class B	Tues – April 10 – Regular Troop Meeting – Merit Badge Midway Concludes