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# Troop 122 News

October 2011

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### DOWN SYNDROME WALK

We are helping with the Walk for Down Syndrome on Saturday, Oct. 1, at Notre Dame's Stepan Center. From 9 AM to 2:30 PM we will help with set-up, take-down and keeping folks safe during the walk. Lunch is included. Scouts should wear their uniform and neckerchief. Scouts will need to be dropped off and picked up at Notre Dame. Stepan Center is south of Douglas Rd. between Wilson Dr. and Juniper Rd/St. Joseph Dr. This walk is to benefit children and adults who have Down Syndrome. It's very rewarding to work with these amazing kids and adults.

### BREAST CANCER WALK

We are helping the American Cancer Society with their Breast Cancer Walk on Saturday, Oct 15, at Howard Park in South Bend, from 7:30 AM to 1:00 PM. We will be manning water stations along the walk route through downtown and along the river. We need about 16 people to pass out water to the walkers as they go by. We'll also be setting up and taking down the stations. Scouts should wear their uniform and neckerchief. This is the same weekend as our mountain biking campout so please sign up to help if you're not able to go on the campout. This is an easy job for an important cause!

### COURT OF HONOR

Thursday, Oct. 20, will be our Fall Court of Honor. We will be having pizza at 6:00 PM before the ceremonies begin so bring your whole family and your appetite! This is an important event for our scouts and parents should plan to attend. We'll be passing out all of the merit badges and ranks from Summer Camp. There will be pix & stories from our backpacking trip to Alberta, patrol skits, Sailing info, popcorn update, and more! Let's fill all the seats!

Month	Date	Event	Time	
Oct	1	Down Syndrome Walk	9 AM - 2:30 PM	
	4	Fire @ The Library	6:00 - 8:30 PM	
	6	Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM	
	13	Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM	
	14-16	Fort Custer Mountain Biking		
	15	Breast Cancer Walk	7:30 AM - 1 PM	
	18	PLC Meeting	6:30 - 8:00 PM	
	20	Court Of Honor (Pizza!)	6:00 - 8:30 PM	
	25	Committee Meeting	7:00 PM	
	27	Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM	
<b>Order Forms / Show &amp; Sell Money Due</b>				
Nov	1	Peanut Brittle	6:00 - 9:30 PM	
	3	Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM	
	<b>Sailing Deposit Due \$100</b>			
		Peanut Brittle	6:00 - 9:30 PM	
	4-6	Scout Skills Campout		
	10	Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM	
		Peanut Brittle	6:00 - 9:30 PM	
Dec	17	Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM	
		Peanut Brittle	6:00 - 9:30 PM	
	<b>18 Take Order Product Available</b>			
	24	Thanksgiving		
	29	Committee Meeting	7:00 PM	
Dec	1	Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM	
		Peanut Brittle	6:00 - 9:30 PM	
	4	Town Xmas Party?		
	5	Peanut Brittle	6:00 - 9:30 PM	
	8	Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM	
		Peanut Brittle	6:00 - 9:30 PM	
Dec	10-11	Climb Kalamazoo		
	15	Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM	

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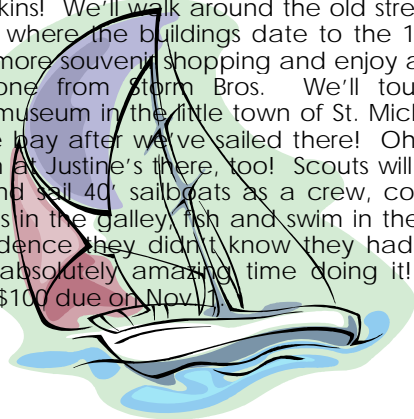


# FORT CUSTER

We will be biking the mountain bike trails at Fort Custer State Park near Kalamazoo, Michigan for our Oct 14-16 campout. We have a great campsite between two lakes and the trails are fun! Now would be a good time to start looking for a mountain bike if you need to borrow one or want to buy one. A used one will be fine. If the bike you have needs some work we have some folks who can help. Plan to bring your bike to the Oct 6 & 13 troop meetings. We'll be doing tune-ups and some practice riding to make sure all bikes are in good working order. Everyone must have a helmet!

# SAILING 2012

We have finalized our arrangements for our 2012 High Adventure trip sailing on the Chesapeake Bay off the coast of Maryland. The trip will be Saturday, July 14 thru Saturday, July 21, 2012. The main focus of this trip is sailing but we will be doing a lot of other things in the Annapolis area, too. Our trip will include a visit to the United States Naval Academy where we will attend a church service in the beautiful Naval Academy Chapel, have our own private tour of the scenic and historic Academy campus, eat lunch on the grounds, and of course go shopping in the gift shop. We will have dinner at an authentic area seafood restaurant right on the water's edge where they cover the tables with brown paper and throw a pile of soft-shell crabs on top! Everyone gets a little wooden hammer and a lot of napkins! We'll walk around the old streets of Annapolis where the buildings date to the 1700's, do some more souvenir shopping and enjoy an ice cream cone from Storm Bros. We'll tour the maritime museum in the little town of St. Michael's across the bay after we've sailed there! Oh, and ice cream at Justine's there, too! Scouts will learn to pilot and sail 40' sailboats as a crew, cook all their meals in the galley, fish and swim in the Bay, find confidence they didn't know they had, and have an absolutely amazing time doing it! First deposit is \$100 due on Nov 11.



# SCOUT SKILLS

Be ready for our Scout Skills campout Nov 4-6 at Camp Chief Little Turtle near Ft. Wayne. Our junior leaders will be planning various contests and other activities to help our scouts improve their skills. Scouts may get to work on things like lashing, first aid, fire building, etc. We haven't camped it CCLT in a while so it will be an adventure for everyone! This campout will help us get ready for the District Klondike Derby in February, too. That's an event where we will compete against other troops in our District so we need to Be Prepared! Should be an enjoyable weekend for all.

# FIRE THE LIBRARY

Tuesday, Oct 4, we will be building and tending the fire at the annual Stories Around The Campfire program at the Bittersweet branch of the Mishawaka-Penn Library. We need scouts to arrive by 6:00 PM in full uniform. Bring your pocketknife if you have a Tote-n-chip because one of our jobs is to cut marshmallow sticks. We'll tend the fire, cut sticks, listen to the stories, help kids roast marshmallows and clean-up afterward. This is a fun service project with the side-benefit of getting to roast your own marshmallows!

# CANOING

Our canoe trip down the Chippewa River was fantastic! This was our first time on this river and we will definitely be back again. Our "accommodations" at Camp Weidman were great, too. This is a small camp but is right on the Chippewa which made it very convenient. Only one person got dumped during the trip but it wasn't too cold so no worries! Thanks to Devin for suggesting the Chippewa!

# FUTURE PLANS

Future outing/campout plans include:  
 Oct 14-16 Fort Custer Mtn. Biking (Rich)  
 Nov 4-6 Scout Skills (Ron)  
 Dec 10-11 Climb Kalamazoo (Bonnie)  
 The person listed is the leader in charge of that campout. Refer specific campout questions to them.

# FUNDRAISING

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# POPCORN

Everyone should be selling popcorn! Sellers will earn 25% of what they sell to use towards campout costs above \$20 (like Climbing, Skiing, etc.), Summer Camp and Sailing next summer. Take-order forms & Show & Sell money are due at the Oct 27 meeting. Take-order product will be available after Nov 18 and the money is due on Dec 8. If you earn Walmart gift cards as prizes you can trade them in for money in your account, too.

# PEANUT BRITTLE

Please sign up at troop meetings to help make peanut brittle for at least 2 nights. Only adults are allowed to join in the fun - and it really is fun! We will be making 60+ pounds per night for 12 nights from Nov. 1 to Dec. 8. Plan to arrive at the church no later than 6:15 PM. We're usually done by 9:30. Please note that we will be making peanut brittle during the regular troop meeting. Please plan to help with both the making and the selling of this great fall favorite. Parents just usually take a few pounds to work and set out some samples. Then it just sells itself!

# SPONSOR NEWS

There is no sponsor news this month. Do you know someone who might like to be a sponsor? For \$100 a year they get ad space on the trailer, are included in the list below and on our website, and they get a newsletter! Call Dee Joyner @ 674-7109 to add a sponsor.

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# TROOP MEETINGS

Regular troop meetings are Thursdays from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM at the Osceola United Methodist Church. Please be on time and wear your shirt & neckerchief and bring your book & dues!

# XX NEWS

2011 XX: Please plan to be at the Court of Honor on Oct 20 so you can be recognized for going on the trip. You will also get a chance to say something about this trip and the XX program in general so think about what you might want to say.

Thanks to the folks who scrambled to help with the Press Ganey picnic. Xtreme Fun is a great source of income for us and they appreciate us, too! We don't have a fundraiser scheduled until we sell Hacienda gift cards in January or February. We'll be spending time in several meetings this fall discussing possible trip locations. It will definitely be an "on the water" trip involving some combination of canoeing, kayaking, and/or rafting. Remember that attendance at all troop functions will decide who can go if we have more people than slots available. Some of this will depend on where we go but everyone who's eligible for the 2013 trip should be attending as many troop and XX activities as possible!

# COMMITTEE

The current committee consists of the members listed below. Committee meetings are the LAST Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM at the church. ALL committee members should attend. Parents, sponsors and other interested adults are welcome at these meetings.

Vince Kertes	Committee Chrmn	679-4087
Rich Mitchell	Scoutmaster	850-3302
Steve Buck	Quartermaster	259-3704
Devin Cartwright	Advancement	298-2624
Bonnie Clay	Asst. Scoutmaster	315-6253
Ken Fritz	Roundtable	291-2640
Jim Trader	Church Rep	256-9567
Jeremy Haluda	Asst. Scoutmaster	607-2967
Ron Hipsher	Asst. Scoutmaster	274-4200
Jeremy Hipsher	Asst. Scoutmaster	485-9000
Dee Joyner	Sponsors	674-7109
Jason Joyner	Asst. Scoutmaster	674-7109
Joe Joyner	Treasurer	674-7109
Jack King	Quartermaster	674-6249
Jenny Sanders	Fundraising	329-1618
Ben Van Antwerp	Asst. Scoutmaster	876-9498
Scott Whitfield	Asst. Scoutmaster	485-9765