



Boy Scout Troop 26

Big Bend Wisconsin

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April 2019 Newsletter

Main items worth highlighting:

- Please participate at the **Road Cleanup event (date to be communicated)**.

*Wear clothes you can get dirty, boots and gloves. Safety vests will be provided. We are **meeting at Big Bend Elementary School at 1 PM**. Several adults will also be needed so that we have one with each clean-up team.*

- Scouts at the PLC meeting **decided to change the Court of Honor date to June 11th**.

The old date conflicted with a school event. The new date will allow Crossover Scouts time to earn their Scout badge before their first COH. Time will be available at meetings between these dates to help them with the necessary requirements, signoff and Scoutmaster Conferences.

- If you are at or near Life Scout rank and haven't yet attended, suggest you consider signing up for the **Life to Eagle Workshop at Council that is scheduled for May 11th**.
- **Reminder for Scouts to BRING YOUR BOY SCOUT HANDBOOK** to all Troop meetings. You can request a Board of Review or Scoutmaster Conference whenever you are ready!

For Scouts with questions on the following items, they are encouraged to ask their Patrol Leaders. For Parents with questions on these items, you are encouraged to discuss those with Mr. Gerum, one of the Assistant Scoutmasters or Mario Rinaldi.

For those needing a Board of Review or Scoutmaster Conference let your intentions be known at the start of any Troop meeting and we will do our best to accommodate you that day.

2-Month Plan for Troop Meetings

Apr 2 nd	PLC / Adult Committee Meetings
Apr 9 th	Eagles Nest Prep
Apr 16 th	Emergency Preparedness MB
Apr 23 rd	2 nd Eagles Nest Prep, Advancement
Apr 30 th	Nature Hike for 2 nd Class, Advancement, Outdoorsman planning
May 7 th	PLC / Adult Committee Meetings
May 14 th	A-Frame Bldg, Boards of Review, Scoutmaster Conferences
May 21 st	AOL Bridge Crossover/Ice Cream Social
May 28 th	Dovetails Cutting Out, Scout Rank Work
Jun 4 th	Continuation from May 28 th
Jun 11 th	Spring Court of Honor
Jun 18 th	Summer Camp Planning
Jun 25 th	Summer Camp
Jul 2 nd	<i>No Meeting Following Summer Camp</i>

Upcoming Troop Activities

Apr 14 th	Road Cleanup, 1PM at Big Bend Elementary
Apr 26 th – 28 th	Eagles Nest
May 18 th or 19 th	Big Bend Fire Dept. Open House (Support TBD)
May 10 th – 12 th	Outdoorsman Merit Badge Clinic
June 7 th – 9 th	Whitewater Rafting
June 23 rd – 29 th	Summer Camp at Camp Long Lake

July 20th – 28th Boundary Waters High Adventure

Aug 23rd – 25th Wyalusing Campout

Other Upcoming Scouting Opportunities (info links follow)

Mar 23rd MSOE Merit Badge STEM Tech, 9AM – 3PM, \$20/Scout 12 year old and above

<http://www.threeharborsscouting.org/event/2290580>

Mar 29th Wood Badge Course (last day to register is March 11th)

<http://www.pacbsa.org/document/woodbadgeflyer4-29-19/185597>

Apr 6th
Milwaukee American Heritage Merit Badge Clinic, 9AM – 12PM, \$6 at the War Memorial in Milwaukee

<http://www.threeharborsscouting.org/event/2451878>

Apr 13th Collecting Merit Badge Clinic, \$6, 7:30 AM – 12PM at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Milwaukee

<http://www.threeharborsscouting.org/event/2403196>

Apr 27th Law Merit Badge Clinic, \$6, 8AM – 4PM at the Milwaukee Bar Association in Milwaukee

<http://www.threeharborsscouting.org/event/2403202>

May 3rd – 5th OAKLEAF Boy Scout Leader Specific Training / Intro to Outdoor Leader Skills. \$50at Lord is Life Lutheran Church in Oconomowoc (also Oct. 25th-27th)

<http://www.pacbsa.org/document/oakleaf2019registrationform/186738>

May 11
and PM Sessions Life to Eagle Workshop at Harkrider Service Center (Scout Office) AM

<http://www.pacbsa.org/document/lifetoeagleworkshop-5-11-19/189193>

May 13th-17th Wilderness First Aid Session 1 (Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri 6-10 pm) CPR Cert. Pre-req, \$95

<https://lcftraining.com/classes-training/2019/5/13/wilderness-first-aid-course-offering-1>

May 18th Motor boating Merit Badge Clinic, 9AM – Noon, \$6 at William J. Russel Sea Base

<http://www.threeharborsscouting.org/event/2452834>

May 18th - 19th Wilderness First Aid Session 2 (2 day course, 8AM – 4PM) Session 1 Pre-req

May 19th Dog Care Merit Badge Clinic at the Wisconsin Humane Society, 1-5 PM

<http://www.threeharborsscouting.org/event/2408466>

May 31st – Jun 2nd Order of the Arrow Spring Conference

Jun 3rd, 10th, 17th Small Boat Sailing Merit Badge Clinic, 2470 S. Lincoln Memorial Drive

<http://www.threeharborsscouting.org/event/2452837>

Jun 30th – Jul 5th National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT), \$305

<http://www.pacbsa.org/event/national-youth-leadership-training-nylt/2323522>

Jul 8th, Jul 15th Canoeing Merit Badge Clinic, 2454 S. Lincoln Memorial Drive, 6:30-8:30
PM See Pre-req

<http://www.threeharborsscouting.org/event/2452833>

Jul 16th – 18th Muskego County Park Cub Scout Day Camp (service opportunity)

<http://www.pacbsa.org/registration/calendardetail.aspx?activitykey=2405793&orgkey=2402&ReturnURL=/app/calendar/month/2402/2019-07-01,2019-08-04/2402/0/>

Jul 27th, Aug 5th Rowing Merit Badge Clinic, 2454 S. Lincoln Memorial Drive, 6:30-8:30
PM See Pre-req

<http://www.threeharborsscouting.org/event/2452835>

Jul 30th – Aug 1st Mukwonago County Park Cub Scout Day Camp (service opportunity)

<http://www.pacbsa.org/registration/calendardetail.aspx?activitykey=2470675&orgkey=2402&ReturnURL=/app/calendar/month/2402/2019-07-01,2019-08-04/2402/0/>

For reference, Local Merit Badge Clinics are posted on the following websites (usually with online MBC signup links):

Potawatomi Area Council website:

<http://www.pacbsa.org/event-flyers/64435>

(Milwaukee area) Three Harbors Council website:

<http://www.threeharborsscouting.org/OpenRosters/ViewOrgPageLink.aspx?LinkKey=46873&orgkey=2686>

Discovery World

<https://www.discoveryworld.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Boy-Scout-Workshops-eBrochure-2018-2019.pdf>

Merit Badge and Requirements Update:

Our Council:

<http://www.pacbsa.org/advancement/boy-scout/68014>

National:

<https://www.scouting.org/programs/boy-scouts/advancement-and-awards/merit-badges/>

ALWAYS read the merit badge clinic listings well in advance of the clinic (spots are often limited). Follow their registration requirements and find out exact times to be there, prerequisites to be completed prior, etc. Expect to be required to read a merit badge book prior to the clinic and to show up with a Troop 26 leader signed blue card at the clinic.

Current Medical Forms

Parts A, B Only (less than 72 hour camp)

http://www.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-001_AB.pdf

Parts A,B, C (greater than 72hours)

http://www.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-001_ABC.pdf

Eagle Scout Requirements & Instructions for Downloading the Project Workbook

<https://www.scouting.org/resources/guide-to-advancement/eagle-scout-rank/>

<https://www.scouting.org/programs/boy-scouts/advancement-and-awards/eagle-scout-workbook/>

Guide to Safe Scouting:

<http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/HealthandSafety/GSS.aspx>

Boy Scout 2016 Requirements Information:

Printable Insert:

http://www.scouting.org/filestore/boyscouts/pdf/524-012_BS_Requirements_Insert.pdf

Comparison w/Prior:

http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/2016BoyScoutRequirements_8.14.2015.pdf

New Requirement FAQs

<http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/2016BoyScoutrequirementsFAQs.pdf>

Scouting Magazine Blog:

<http://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2016/01/06/new-boy-scout-requirements-for-2016-now-in-effect/>

Boy Scout Guide to Advancement: <http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/33088.pdf>

Introduction to Leadership Skills

<https://www.scouting.org/filestore/training/pdf/ILST%20FINAL%202011%20-%20Item%20Number%20511-016.pdf>

Any corrections, please let Mr. Rinaldi know

Remember to also check the website for background on our advancement process, longer term calendar items and general information. <http://www.pacunits.org/t26/index.htm>

Yours in Scouting – Troop 26