



Troop 4 Newsletter

Prairie Fox District - Potawatomi Area Council
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Upcoming Events

June 2022

3-5. OA Spring Conference
7.... PLC Meeting 6:30 pm
12-17...NYLT Course
14.. Troop Meeting 6:30 pm
21.. Troop Meeting 6:30 pm
25.. Summer Camp Trailer Pack
25.. Committee Meeting
26 - Jul 2... Summer Camp

July 2022

5.... PLC Meeting 6:30 pm
12.. SJN Service Troop Meeting
15-17..4B&G Whitewater Outing
19.. Troop Meeting 6:30 pm
26.. Troop Meeting 6:30 pm
29-Aug 4... SeaBase

August 2022

2.... PLC Meeting 6:30 pm
9.... Troop Meeting 6:30 pm
12-14..OA Fall Conference
16.. Troop Meeting 6:30 pm
19-21..4B&G RenFaire Outing
23.. Troop Meeting 6:30 pm

Birthdays

Nate H
Will H

Summer Camp Trailer Pack

June 25, 2022

Bag check & trailer pack (watch for times). We'll be packing the trailers on Saturday to save time on Sunday. SPLs will also be checking bags for contraband or missing items.

Summer Camp

June 26 - July 2, 2022

4B & 4G are going to Camp Long Lake for summer camp again this year.

2022 Crossovers get the early bird pricing until 5/24.

Regular price is \$340

Late Sign-Up (signed up after 5/24) is \$350.

Adults signed up by 5/24 are \$140. (\$10 late fee after 5/24).

Summer Camp Drivers

We'll need parents to drive scouts to and from Camp Long Lake. There is a sign-up on-line for slots:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B094BA9AB23A2FF2-20221>
Please sign up with the number of scouts you can drive.

We would like all drivers to take the BSA's Youth Protection Training found at my.scouting.org -- Thank You!

4B & 4G July Whitewater Rafting

July 15-17, 2022

Heading to Crivitz, WI for a fun weekend of camping and whitewater rafting on the Peshtigo River. Depending on river depth Scouts will use a 1 person funyak (similar to a kayak) up to a large group raft.

Scouts must weigh a minimum of 65 pounds to participate. There is gear available for a limited number between 65-85 pounds. ***All participants must have a current swim test dated 8/2021 or more recent and pass at swimmer level to participate. Please contact your Scoutmaster or test at summer camp if you do not have this. ***

Cost: \$55 / person -- SIGN UP by July 1

4B & 4G RenFaire Outing

August 19-21, 2022

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! We will be attending the Bristol RenFaire for a weekend of camping and fun.

Save the dates! Permission slips will be coming out soon... Watch your email, Facebook, and Slack for more information.

Other Upcoming Activities

Here are some other things that are planned - Save the Date. Permission slips will be posted as we get closer to the activities.

August 19-21 - 4B & 4G RenFaire Outing
September 9-11 - 4B Horseback Riding Outing

On-line Permission Slips?

You may have noticed that the troops' activities only have on-line permission slips with reminder slips at the troop meetings. We are trying some new ideas for making signing up more accessible. Over the next few months you might see different ways to sign-up on-line and activities may or may not have paper permission slips.

Slack

The Troop has begun using Slack as a communications tool. We are slowly expanding who has been invited. This is a tool for youth and adults. Watch your email for the invite and be sure to sign up when you receive one.

Troop Adult Assistance

We're always looking for additional help from parents (and leaders). If you want to help, please let us know.

Some Ways You Can Help:

- Becoming a Registered Leader
- Being an adult chaperone on outings (requires Youth Protection Training)
- Driving to and from outings and events (recommended to have Youth Protection Training)
- Assisting with specific events (such as Fundraiser product pick-up)

In-Person Troop Meetings

We're going to continue meeting in-person as troops but continue to do so responsibly. Some of the COVID restrictions have been relaxed in the last two months.

Things to remember:

1. Monitor your personal and family health. If your scout or family has had a fever in the last 2 weeks, has been sick in the last 2 weeks consider staying home. Please ensure you do not currently have a fever.
2. Continue good hand washing / sanitizing practices - with additional washing / sanitizing as activities require.
3. If you are un-vaccinated: Wear a cloth mask or face covering whenever inside a building or when within 6 feet of another person. Masks are optional if you are fully vaccinated.
4. Disinfect surfaces after each meeting.

The troop leadership will continue to monitor the situation, feedback from parents, and recommendations of health officials.

Got Advancement?

Looking to have requirements signed off? Remember, it's up to you to seek out a scout First Class or Above to test and sign off on your requirements. Once they've dated and initialed your advancement sheet, drop it in the box and it will get recorded in Scoutbook. Not in the box or without the initials of whoever signed it off? It doesn't get recorded.

What about Merit Badges? Once you decide you want to work on a badge, fill out a Blue Card and take it to the Scoutmasters to sign off. They'll also help you find merit badge counselors. Having issues contacting a counselor? Let Mr. Wagner or Mrs. Tahtinen know so they can help find another counselor.

Troop Leadership

Key Leadership

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Youth Leadership - PLC - 4B

SPL - JD H
ASPL - JJ M & Carson P
PL (Extraterrestrial Eagles) - Victor D
PL (Furious Foxes) - Jack A
PL (Ballistic Bats) - Liam W
PL (Ramb'tious Raccoons) - Brandon K
PL (Sitting Ducks) - Sam W

Youth Leadership - PLC - 4G

SPL - Addy A
ASPL - Ariella B
PL (Camo)
PL (Gummi Worms)

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Please contact Liz Danner (Secretary) with items and/or corrections for the newsletter at: liz@esitec.net

Committee Meeting

Next Committee Meeting:
June 25, 2022

Next Round Table:
September 2022 - 7 pm @ St. Mary's

Drop Offs

Anything that is due to the Troop can be dropped off at ETC to Liz or Boni Danner's attention weekdays 8 am - 3:30 pm.

Mailing List

Keep up to date on what's happening in the troop! Subscribe to the Troop 4 mailing list. Send an email to Liz Danner with **subscribe scout-troop4** or **subscribe girl-troop4** in the body of the message.

Lost & Found

Can't find something after an outing? Check the Troop's Lost & Found!

Items will remain in the lost & found for three months and then will be disposed of (either donated or trashed depending on the item and its condition).