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January

Air Force Museum Wright Patterson Air Force Base Dayton, OH

This month's theme was aviation so the Troop traveled to the Air Force Museum on the Wright Patterson Air Force base in Dayton. The Troop stayed in a cabin at Camp Hugh Taylor Birch in Dayton.



Nate Booher, Jordan Matzinger, Charles Pelz, Isaac Lohmueller, Donald Noble



Isaac Lohmueller, Donald Noble, Jordan Matzinger, Charles Pelz



Isaac Lohmueller got the fire started to heat the cabin



Isaac Lohmueller



Charles Pelz, Isaac Lohmueller



Jordan Matzinger



Mr. Randy Hall



Donald Noble, Jake Kinney, Josh Kinney



Charles Pelz, Jake Kinney, and others watching Donald Noble playing Solitaire



Jordan Matzinger, Mrs. Lisa Pelz, Mr. Kevin Kinney playing cards

The Scouts used the wood burning not just to heat the cabin but also to cook pizza sandwiches for dinner. They were also able to enjoy hot Pop-tarts for dessert.



Donald Noble and Josh Kinney making dinner



Donald Noble



Josh Kinney came up with the idea of using a skillet on top of the pizzas like an oven







Hot Pop-tarts for dessert



A perfect pizza sandwich



Nate Booher, Jordan Matzinger, Isaac Lohmueller



Isaac Lohmueller, Jordan Matzinger, Nate Booher



Jake Kinney, Nate Booher, Jordan Matzinger, Isaac Lohmueller

After dinner the Troop took a short drive into town to get some ice cream at Young's Dairy.



Jake Kinney



Donald Noble



Charles Pelz



Isaac Lohmueller











Charles Pelz, Nate Booher, Josh Kinney, Donald Noble, Jordan Matzinger, Isaac Lohmueller, Jake Kinney









Isaac Lohmueller



Donald Noble



Charles Pelz, Jake Kinney

March

Campout Center of Science and Industry Columbus, OH

This month's theme was science and technology, so the Troop scheduled a campout to the Center of Science and Industry in Columbus, OH. The Troop stayed at Camp Madison Lake.





Nick Booher



Nick Booher, James Randolph



Nick Booher, Nate Booher, Isaac Lohmueller, Joseph Mickenberg, James Randolph, Adam Hall



Isaac Lohmueller



Isaac Lohmueller



Isaac Lohmueller, James Randolph, Nate Booher



Nate Booher





Isaac Lohmueller climbing out of a submarine James Randolph controlling a Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV)



Adam Hall on the video screen



James Randolph's ROV





James Randolph, Isaac Lohmueller, and Nate Booher making a stop motion video



Isaac Lohmueller showing off his stop motion video



Joseph Mickenberg



Isaac Lohmueller



Mr. Steve Mickenberg



Nate Booher



The scouts sporting fashionable glasses for a 3D movie: Joseph Mickenberg, James Randolph, Nick Booher, Adam Hall, Nate Booher, Isaac Lohmueller







Joseph Mickenberg





Nate Booher and Isaac Lohmueller racing in the buzzer game



Isaac Lohmueller



Nate Booher listening to a presentation on dinosaurs



Nick Booher and Adam Hall racing in the buzzer game



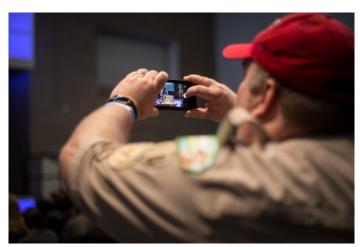
Adam Hall and James Randolph resting in a dinosaur's nest



Nate Booher



Foucault pendulum, used as a clock



Mr. Randy Hall



Rat basketball



Adam Hall, Nick Booher



Adam Hall



Nick Booher, James Randolph



Nate Booher and Isaac Lohmueller playing checkers



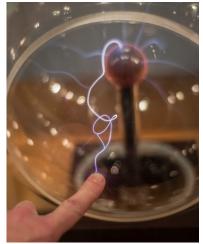
Nate Booher and Isaac Lohmueller playing checkers



Mrs. Hall, Mr. Randy Hall



Plasma ball



Plasma ball



Playing with green screen technology in the TV studio



James Randolph



Isaac Lohmueller



James Randolph



James Randolph



Joseph Mickenberg



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Adam Hall







Joseph Mickenberg





Isaac Lohmueller



Joseph Mickenberg

March

Cross Over Ceremony Evendale, OH

The Troop welcomed 6 Cub Scouts from Pack 72 into the Troop at the annual Webelos Cross Over ceremony: Petey Wilkens, Nathan Young, Wesley Anglin, Drew Dunlap, Scott Lawson, and Noah Berres.







Mr. Randy Hall starting the ceremony



Wesley Anglin, Donald Noble





Josh Kinney, Wesley Anglin, Donald Noble



Noah Berres, Donald Noble



Noah Berres, Matt Smeal, Nate Wilkens



Drew Dunlap, Donald Noble



Josh Kinney, Drew Dunlap, Donald Noble



Scott Lawson, Donald Noble



Josh Kinney, Scott Lawson, Donald Noble



Petey Wilkens, Donald Noble



Nathan Young, Donald Noble



Josh Kinney, Nathan Young, Donald Noble



Petey Wilkens, Donald Noble, Nathan Young, Josh Kinney, Joseph Mickenberg, Wesley Anglin, Jake Kinney, Adam Hall, Noah Berres, Sam Noble, Nick Booher, Drew Dunlap, Charles Pelz, Scott Winslow, Adam Helwig, Nate Booher, Adam Smeal, Nate Wilkens, Luke Wilkens, Kevin Hall

Troop Meeting Science and Technology Theme

March

The campout this month was a trip to the Center of Science and Industry (COSI) in Columbus, OH. This theme was carried over into the Troop meetings. Each patrol was asked to present a cool science demonstration.



Toby Rainey leading the cool science demonstrations



Toby Rainey



Isaac Lohmueller



Isaac Lohmueller explaining how it is possible to puncture a plastic bag filled with water with pencils and not have the bag leak



Adam Hall, Isaac Lohmueller



Toby Rainey, Isaac Lohmueller



Isaac Lohmueller showing the final result: nine pencils poking through the bag without a single leak



Adam Hall showing a demonstration of surface tension of water

For the adult patrol, Mr. Randy Hall built a hovercraft that the Scouts could ride on. One scout would ride on the hovercraft while his fellow patrol members would give him a push in the right direction. The goal was to have the hovercraft knock down a set of inflatable bowling pins.



Wesley Anglin, Declan McGrath, Nathan Young, Mr. Randy Hall



Wesley Anglin, Declan McGrath, Nathan Young, Mr. Randy Hall



Declan McGrath, Nathan Young, Wesley Anglin, Mr. Randy Hall



Nathan Young, Jordan Matzinger



Grant Edwards



Toby Rainey



Declan McGrath



Declan McGrath



Sam Noble, Grant Edwards, Jake Kinney, Toby Rainey



Sam Noble, Isaac Lohmueller, Jake Kinney, Grant Edwards, Toby Rainey



Sam Noble



Toby Rainey, Isaac Lohmueller, Joseph Mickenberg



Nate Booher

Participation Bead Program

The participation bead program was introduced to the Troop this year as a way of recognizing a Scout's participation in the various activities of the Troop. Scouts receive unique beads for each of a wide range of activities and honors. The Scout can then display the beads he has earned on the leather straps that can be worn on the uniform.

Each year the Scouts will be given new leather straps to display the beads for that year. The colored marker near the top of the strap will change each year. This year the marker is red.





Description	Туре	Color
Camping beads		
Overnights	Pony	Black
Rain	Pony	Blue
Snow	Pony	White
Under 32F	Pony	Clear
Over 90F	Pony	Yellow
High adventure	Barrel	Green
Summer camp	Barrel	Bluee
Outing beads		
Troop	Pony	Green
Patrol	Pony	Orange
Ceremony	Pony	Purple
Service beads		
Scouting related	Disc	Black
Outside of scouting	Disc	White
Grubmaster	Food	
Leadership	Barrel	Purple
NYLT	Barrel	Red
Honor beads		
Thank you from fellow scouts	Pony	Iridescent
Good job from adult leaders	Pony	Red
Scoutmaster Challenge – attempted	Pony	Silver
Scoutmaster Challenge – achieved	Pony	Gold
Scoutmaster Choice	Fleur-de-lis	Green

Caving Campout Marengo Cave Marengo, Indiana

Marengo Cave is a cave located in Marengo, Indiana. The Troop has gone to this cave for many years as it is a favorite among the Scouts. The Scouts are able to do a wild cave tour that involves crawling through tight passages, getting wet and muddy, and exploring the cave in its natural environment. The only light in the caves are the lights the Scouts carry with them. This year the Scouts did the Waterfall Crawl tour.



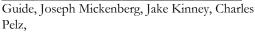
Nate Booher



Jake Kinney, Joseph Mickenberg, Mr. Ken Booher, Nate Booher, Isaac Lohmueller, Mr. Kevin Kinney, Charles Pelz



The entrance into the cave – the Redroom Entrance







Isaac Lohmueller, Nate Booher, Mr. Ken Booher, Mr. Kevin Kinney



A stream flows through the cave that the Scouts have to wade through







Isaac Lohmueller Nate Booher







Joseph Mickenberg

Nate Booher, Jake Kinney



Jake Kinney, Joseph Mickenberg





Joseph Mickenberg



Isaac Lohmueller









Jake Kinney's adventurous dismount from the swing



Nate Booher





Jake Kinney, Joseph Mickenberg



Hanging out

Charles Pelz, Isaac Lohmueller, Nate Booher, Joseph Mickenberg, Jake Kinney



Isaac Lohmueller



Charles Pelz



While it was raining the Scouts were able to watch a movie about caving around the world in the activity room



Charles Pelz, Joseph Mickenberg, Jake Kinney, Isaac Lohmueller



Jake Kinney, Charles Pelz, Joseph Mickenberg



Isaac Lohmueller



Jake Kinney



Charles Pelz, Joseph Mickenberg, Jake Kinney



Isaac Lohmueller



Isaac Lohmueller



Joseph Mickenberg



Isaac Lohmueller



Joseph Mickenberg, Nate Booher



Nate Booher and Isaac Lohmueller in a sword fight



Jake Kinney



Joseph Mickenberg



Jake Kinney, Joseph Mickenberg



Isaac Lohmueller, playing SuperFight



Nate Booher, Isaac Lohmueller



SuperFight card game



Joseph Mickenberg, Jake Kinney playing Stratego Battle Cards





Mulch Fundraiser April

The mulch sale is the Troop's main fundraiser, raising funds for the Troop to use for its operations and also raising funds to go into the Scouts' own accounts to help pay for the campouts throughout the year. During the spring the Scouts take bagged and bulk mulch orders, and then the Troop works together one weekend to distribute all of the bags. This year the Troop sold 1790 bags and 36 cubic yards of bulk mulch.



Nathan Young, Petey Wilkens



Isaac Lohmueller



Petey Wilkens



Jordan Matzinger



Nathan Young



Jake Kinney









Jake Kinney

Sam Noble

Sam Noble

Petey Wilkens







Petey Wilkens, Scott Lawson



Wesley Anglin



Joseph Mickenberg



Isaac Lohmueller, Sam Noble

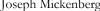


Nathan Young



Clay Kessler









Joseph Mickenberg





Drew Dunlap, Nathan Young, Charles Pelz



The last pallet to clear off

Spring Court of Honor Scout Achievement Center Evendale, OH

Scouts are recognized at the Spring Court of Honor for the advancement they earned in the last 6 months, which includes the Merit Badge Challenge. Eleven Scouts earned a total of 26 merit badges and eleven scouts earned 12 rank badges.



Isaac Lohmueller



Scouts that earned merit badges: Clay Kessler, Joseph Mickenberg, Jake Kinney, Sam Noble, Josh Kinney, Nate Booher, Tobey Rainey, Isaac Lohmueller, Nick Stroh

Scouts who achieved rank advancement



Wesley Anglin (Scout rank)



Declan McGrath (Scout rank)



Nathan Young (Scout rank)



Sam Noble (Second Class rank)



Toby Rainey (Second Class rank)



Joseph Mickenberg (Second Class and First Class ranks)



Clay Kessler (Star rank)



Jake Kinney (Star rank)



Nick Stroh (Tenderfoot rank)



Scouts that earned new ranks: Joseph Mickenberg, Sam Noble, Nathan Young, Nick Stroh, Declan McGrath, Toby Rainey, Wesley Anglin, Clay Kessler, Jake Kinney

(not present: Scott Lawson (Scout rank), Grant Edwards (Star rank)

Scoutmaster Mr. Steve Lohmueller recently had completed Woodbadge Training, which is an extensive adult leadership training program. He selected to receive his recognition for completing the course at the Troop Court of Honor.



The opening of the recognition ceremony



Isaac Lohmueller presenting the Woodbadge beads, a symbol for those who have completed Woodbadge



Isaac Lohmueller presenting the Woodbadge neckerchief



Mr. Lohmueller presenting a Scoutmaster Minute





Josh Kinney, Mr. Steve Lohmueller, Nate Booher, Adam Hall, Jake Kinney, Sam Noble, Mr. Scott Smeal, Donald Noble, Declan McGrath, Jordan Matzinger, Toby Rainey, Nick Stroh, Wesley Anglin, Mr. Randy Hall, Joseph Mickenberg, Nick Booher, Nathan Young, Clay Kessler, Mr. Mike Stroh, Isaac Lohmueller

Eagle Court of Honor Alec WIllertz Evendale, OH

Alec is Troop 598's 66th Eagle Scout







Alec Willertz



Flag bearers Adam Helwig and Donald Noble



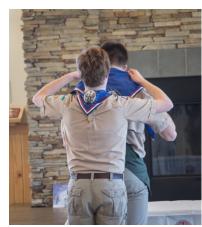
Alec Willertz leading the Troop in the Pledge of Allegiance



Eagle Scout Matt Smeal, Alec Willertz



Advancement Chair Mr. Mike Stroh



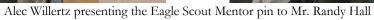
Matt Smeal, Alec Willertz













Alec Willertz sharing his thoughts on his Eagle award



Mr. Willertz



At a Troop meeting after the Court of Honor Alec Willertz was able to install his Eagle brick in the Troop's Eagle Hall of Fame



Alec Willertz, Eagle Scout

Horseback Riding Campout Whispering Woods Riding Stables Georgetown, Kentucky

This year the Troop tried a new campout idea by selecting to go horseback riding. The ride was an hour long over 2 miles through the woods. In the afternoon, the Troop went for a hike and then waited out a big rainstorm.



Wesley Anglin



Donald Noble teaching Scott Lawson how to set up the dining fly



Scott Lawson and Isaac Lohmueller



Donald Noble, Nathan Young



Donald Noble, Jake Kinney making Mountain Man for breakfast



Donald Noble



Nathan Young



Donald Noble, Scott Lawson, Jake Kinney, Isaac Lohmueller



Isaac Lohmueller, working on a camp gadget



Isaac Lohmueller and another camp gadget



Isaac Lohmueller's four tier weather rock





Nate Booher



Scott Lawson



Nick Booher



Wesley Anglin



Donald Noble



Adam Hall



Jake Kinney



Isaac Lohmueller



Mr. Nick Young



Mrs. Winslow



Nathan Young



Nathan Young



Donald Noble



Adam Hall, ready to take the lead



Isaac Lohmueller





Donald Noble, Adam Hall



Scott Lawson



Donald Noble



Donald Noble



Scott Lawson



Isaac Lohmueller







Isaac Lohmueller



Scott Lawson, Mr. Nick Young, Adam Hall, Nathan Young



Isaac Lohmueller, Mr. Steve Lohmueller



Jake Kinney, Wesley Anglin, Nick Booher, Nate Booher



Mrs. Winslow, Donald Noble, Scott Lawson, Mr. Nick Young, Adam Hall, Nathan Young



Jake Kinney, Wesley Anglin, Nick Booher, Nate Booher, Mrs. Winslow



Isaac Lohmueller, Mr. Steve Lohmueller



Adam Hall



Mr. Nick Young



Donald Noble, Scott Lawson



Donald Noble



Nate Booher



Nick Booher



Wesley Anglin



Jake Kinney



Isaac Lohmueller, Mr. Steve Lohmueller



Isaac Lohmueller







Mrs. Winslow, Scott Lawson, Donald Noble, Nate Booher, Nick Booher, Nathan Young, Adam Hall, Jake Kinney, Isaac Lohmueller, Mr. Nick Young, Wesley Anglin



Nathan Young



Mr. Randy Hall



Wesley Anglin



Scott Lawson, Wesley Anglin



Nate Booher, Wesley Anglin, Scott Lawson



Nick Booher



Nathan Young, Scott Lawson, Donald Noble and Toby Rainey



Mr. Randy Hall teaching Wesley Anglin how to lash poles together



Wesley Anglin practicing his new skill





Wesley Anglin, Scott Lawson, and Isaac Lohmueller working to tie a remote clove hitch



Wesley Anglin, Nate Booher, Isaac Lohmueller, Nathan Young, Scott Lawson, and Jake Kinney playing cards in the camp activity building while waiting for the rainstorm to pass





Nate Booher and Jake Kinney making dinner

Nathan Young, Jake Kinney, Wesley Anglin, and The importance of picking your tent site well Isaac Lohmueller checking the new camp lake





Isaac Lohmueller lashing together another camp project – a camp chair, with help from Mr. Hall









Mr. Randy Hall, Nate Booher



Jake Kinney



Nate Booher





Isaac Lohmueller and Nathan Young were hanging onto the dining fly, so for their "discipline" they had to be human poles for 10 minutes



Taking down the dining fly on Sunday morning

Memorial Day Arlington Heights, Lockland, and Reading, OH

May

Each year the Troop helps celebrate Memorial Day by hiking in the Arlington Heights, Lockland, and Reading Memorial Day parade. The parade starts at the Arlington Heights Town Hall and progresses over 2 miles through the 3 cities and ends at Koenig's Park in Reading.



Nick Booher, Jordan Matzinger, Isaac Lohmueller, Adam Hall, Charles Pelz, Kevin Hall, Drew Dunlap, Mr. Randy Hall



Nick Booher, Nate Booher, Charles Pelz, Isaac Lohmueller, Wesley Anglin, Kevin Hall, Declan McGrath, Drew Dunlap



Isaac Lohmueller



At the memorial service in Lockland, OH



Along Wyoming Avenue, Lockland, OH



Crossing over the bridge between Lockland and Reading



Along Benson Street, Reading, OH



Intersection of Reading Road and Vine Street, with Declan McGrath and Nick Booher carrying the flags



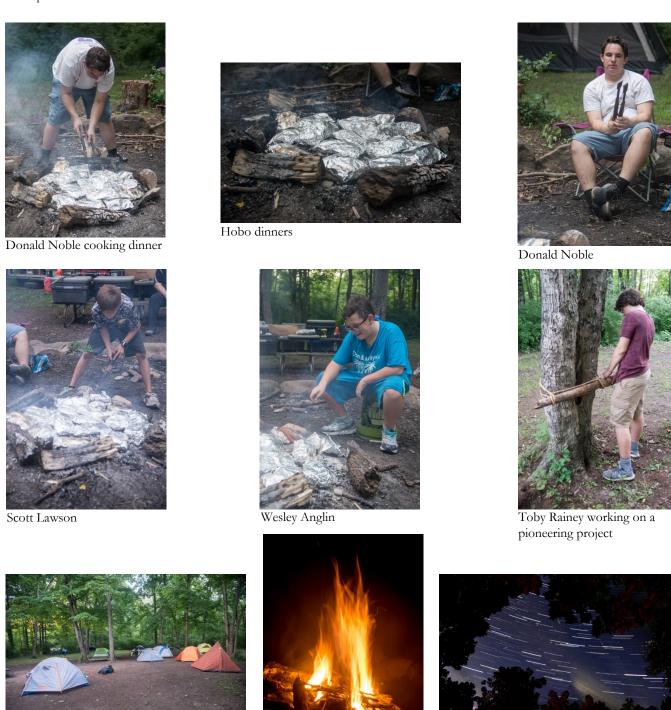
Memorial service in Reading, OH



Nate Booher, Wesley Anglin, Jordan Matzinger, Nathan Young, Isaac Lohmueller, Declan McGrath, Adam Hall, Drew Dunlap, Kevin Hall, Nick Booher, Charles Pelz

Advancement Campout Hueston Woods State Park College Corner, OH

The focus for the weekend was to work on advancement for the younger scouts, including the 5 mile hike. The Troop camped at Hueston Woods State Park.



Star trails



Turkey vulture



Toby Rainey, Isaac Lohmueller, Donald Noble, Petey Wilkens, Wesley Anglin, Scott Lawson, Sam Noble, Nathan Young, and Mr. Brad Wilkens at the trailhead



Mr. Brad Wilkens, Sam Noble, Toby Rainey, Isaac Lohmueller, Donald Noble, Scott Lawson, Wesley Anglin, Nathan Young, Petey Wilkens



On the homestretch back to camp



Toby Rainey and Isaac Lohmueller carrying some logs back to camp for a pioneering project

For lunch the Scouts made solar cookers out of Pringles cans to cook their hotdogs.









Scott Lawson

Petey Wilkens

Nathan Young

Toby Rainey







Sam Noble

Mr. Brad Wilkens

Solar hot dog cookers at work







Sam Noble on a swing created by Isaac Lohmueller



Isaac Lohmueller working on a pioneering project

In the afternoon the Troop had a competition to see which pair of Scouts could tie a remote clove hitch on a tree in the fastest time. They had to tie the knot without getting closer than 3 feet to the tree.



Joseph Mickenberg, Petey Wilkens



Kevin Hall, Mr. Randy Hall



Scott Lawson, Isaac Lohmueller - winners



Toby Rainey, Nathan Young



Wesley Anglin



Isaac Lohmueller sporting his breast plate



Isaac Lohmueller



Joseph Mickenberg



Petey Wilkens working on dinner



Wesley Anglin



Wesley Anglin



Scott Lawson building his first fire with the Troop



Scott Lawson



Scott Lawson, with help from Nathan Young



Scott Lawson building his first fire with the Troop, with help from Nathan Young



BSA*

Declan McGrath cooking dinner



Petey Wilkens, Declan McGrath working on dinner



Wesley Anglin making dessert









Hike information

Summer Camp Camp Ransburg Bloomington, IN

Every summer the Troop goes on a week long summer camp trip to Camp Ransburg. The main objective is to complete merit badges, but there are lots of opportunities for fun as well.





On Sunday evening the camp staff puts on the opening campfire program



Nathan Young, Jordan Matzinger









Jordan Matzinger, Nathan Young, Declan McGrath, Sam Noble





Camp-wide flag lowering



The Troop does flag ceremonies in the campsite as well



Donald Noble, teaching Wesley Anglin and Nathan Young how to fold a flag



James Randolph



Jordan Matzinger



James Randolph, Nick Stroh



Adam Helwig



James Randolph



Nate Booher

On Monday evening one of the camp staff taught Scouts how to play the card game Magic the Gathering.

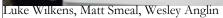






Nick Booher, Matt Smeal







Nick Booher, Luke Wilkens, Matt Smeal, Wesley Anglin



Nathan Young



Isaac Lohmueller



Nathan Young



Toby Rainey, Nathan Young



Toby Rainey



Also on Monday evening, the camp staff organized a game using water balloons.



Grant Edwards



Sam Noble



Petey Wilkens



Jordan Matzinger, Petey Wilkens



Adam Helwig





Jordan Matzinger, Mr. Richard Carpenter



Morning flag raising



Sam Noble



Toby Rainey



Matt Smeal



Sam Noble, having been caught hanging on the dining fly



Luke Wilkens, Nate Booher, Matt Smeal, Nick Booher

Camp Ransburg participates in the BSA International Ambassador Program, and hosts a group of students from China. On Tuesday, the Camp organizes a Culture Fair to allow the students to share their culture



Wesley Anglin



Wesley Anglin





Declan McGrath, James Randolph trading patches with a Chinese student

Sam Noble, Nick Stroh

On Thursday night, the camp held a Magic the Gathering tournament. Isaac Lohmueller came in second place.



Isaac Lohmueller



Jordan Matzinger



Nathan Young



Nick Booher, Adam Helwig



Sunset over Lake Monroe



Declan McGrath hurt his leg prior to camp, and was able to get rides on the golf cart to get to his classes.





Nick Stroh



Matt Smeal, Luke Wilkens



Petey Wilkens in a merit badge class



The Troop that acts out a given scenario the best gets to go into the dining hall first



Hoppers are scouts who are responsible for setting up the table and cleaning up after the meal. Each table has a hopper.



Nick Booher



Nathan Young



Jordan Matzinger and Isaac Lohmueller making modern art



The final presentation of the art



Toby Rainey





Isaac Lohmueller working on another camp pioneering project



Nick Booher



Jordan Matzinger working in Leatherwork Merit Badge



Jordan Matzinger with Leatherwork Merit Badge counselor Chris Chupp



Board of Review for Nick Stroh



Isaac Lohmueller working in Leatherwork Merit Badge



The Troop campsite – Glen Haven

Each afternoon the NEST staff puts on a Mad Science science project. On this day, they demonstrated model rocketry, and then attempted to launch a sweet potato rocket









The sweet potato launches off



The sweet potato launched successfully, but had a hard crash landing, busting into pieces

On Thursday, the camp runs the Ransburg Triathlon. The race involves canoeing on Lake Monroe, then running along Lakeside Trail to the activity field. Runners need to do five laps around the field on a bike, then run up Ridge 5 to finish at the STEM Center.



Petey Wilkens



The runners



Isaac Lohmueller



Sam Noble



Isaac Lohmueller, Petey Wilkens, Sam Noble



Sam Noble



The race begins





Isaac Lohmueller approaching the finish line



Petey Wilkens and Sam Noble approaching the finish line



Final results



Wesley Anlgin showing his successful Thrown Figure 8 knot



Mr. Anlgin tying the Thrown Figure 8 knot



Mr. Carpenter tying the Thrown Figure 8 knot









Isaac Lohmueller out on Lake Monroe during Open Boating

Petey Wilkens



Matt Smeal, Donald Noble, and Luke Wilkens coming back from a Ransburg X outing



Toby Rainey in Cooking Merit Badge



Fingerprinting Merit Badge







Nathan Young



Wesley Anglin



Nathan Young

Archaeology Merit Badge



Scouts working an archaeological dig site



Sam Noble



Sam Noble



Instead of the usual weather rock, it is a weather Sam



Nate Booher, Isaac Lohmueller, Petey Wilkens, Sam Noble, Jordan Matzinger, Wesley Anglin, Nick Stroh



Staff member, Mr. Jess Anglin, Jordan Matzinger, Matt Stroh, Luke Wilkens, Toby Rainey, Nathan Young, Donald Noble, Matt Smeal, Grant Edwards, Mr. Richard Carpenter, Nick Booher, Declan McGrath, Adam Helwig, Wesley Anglin, James Randolph, Nate Booher, Isaac Lohmueller, Petey Wilkens, Sam Noble, Nick Stroh, Mr. Brad Wilkens, Mr. Mike Stroh, Scoutmaster Mr. Steve Lohmueller



Wesley Anglin, Mr. Jess Anglin



Mr. Richard Carpenter, Jordan Matzinger



Mr. Steve Lohmueller, Isaac Lohmueller



Jordan Matzinger, staff member, Wesley Anglin



Luke Wilkens, Matt Smeal



Matt Stroh, Mr. Mike Stroh, Nick Stroh



The last flag lowering ceremony of the week



Friday night closing campfire



Nick Stroh, Nick Booher, Grant Edwards, Petey Wilkens, Luke Wilkens



Jordan Matzinger, Declan McGrath



Sam Noble, Nick Stroh



Matt Smeal, Isaac Lohmueller



Wesley Anglin



Grant Edwards, Donald Noble, Adam Helwig



Entering into the campfire circle



James Randolph



Grant Edwards, Matt Smeal, Nick Booher, Nathan Young, Wesley Anglin, Nate Booher, Jordan Matzinger





Nate Booher



Chinese dance routine



Nick Booher recognized for his participation in the Rangler program



Donald Noble, Luke Wilkens, Matt Smeal recognized for their participation in the Ransburg X program



Staff skit



Staff skit



Staff skit



Adam Helwig recognized for his participation in the Wrangler program



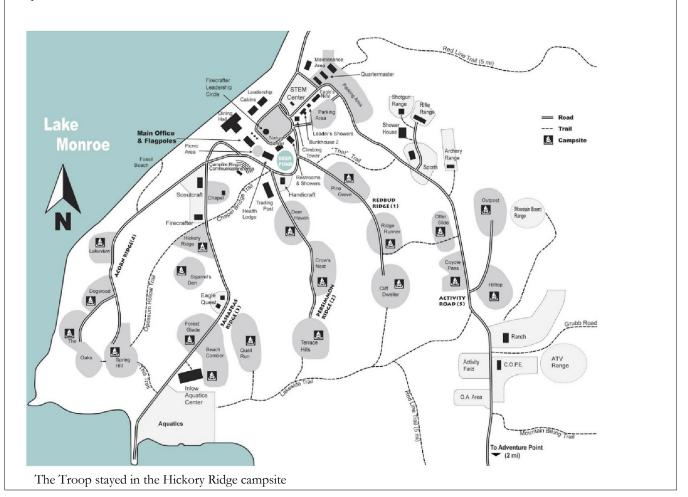
Declan McGrath, Petey Wilkens, Wesley Anglin, and Nathan Young recognized for their participation in the First Year Scout program



Mr. Steve Lohmueller, receiving recognition as Scoutmaster



Camp staff



High Adventure Campout Backpacking, Smoky Mountains National Park Gatlingburg, TN

August

The Troop wanted to start a high adventure program for the older Scouts. The inaugural trip was a 5 day backpacking trip to the Smoky Mountains. The Scouts completed 32.6miles.

On the first day, the Troop parked along the Clingmans Dome Road and backpacked a short trail to the Mount Collins

shelter.



Mount Collins shelter



Isaac Lohmueller after an arduous 0.7 mile backpack trip from the vehicles



Making dinner



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Clingmans Dome observation tower

Views from on top of the Clingmans Dome observation tower





Mr. Bryan Edwards







Mr. Ken Booher





When the Troop got back to Mount Collins shelter, other campers there warned the Scouts that there was a black bear in the area. The bear spent several hours slowly working its way around the shelter, coming within 30 feet or so of the shelter several times. In the middle of the night, the bear did make it under the canopy of the shelter near the backpacks before it was scared off.



Along the trail from Mount Collins shelter



View looking east from the Newfound Gap overlook



Isaac Lohmueller at the Newfound Gap overlook



Isaac Lohmueller



Nick Booher at the Newfound Gap overlook



Mr. Ken Booher, Nick Booher Isaac Lohmueller





Nick Booher



Grant Edwards



Mr. Ken Booher



Mr. Bryan Edwards



Trail blazes to mark the Appalachian Trail



Appalachian Trail trail marker



Nick Booher filling up his water bottle at the Icewater Spring shelter



Isaac Lohmueller filling up his water bottle at the Icewater Spring shelter



Isaac Lohmueller





Pipevine swallowtail butterfly



Pink turtlehead flower



Charlies Bunion is a mountain top within the park best recognized for the large rocky outcropping just below the summit. The Troop ate lunch on top the outcropping.



View of Charlies Bunion from along the Appalachian Trail



Charlies Bunion



Nick Booher



View looking into the valley below Charlies Bunion







The rain and fog rolled in later in the day

Grant Edwards, Isaac Lohmueller, and Nick Booher along the AT near Laurel Top

For night 2 the Troop stayed at Pecks Corner shelter.



Pecks Corner shelter.



Grant Edward making dinner



Isaac Lohmueller in Pecks Corner shelter.



Grant Edwards







Mr. Ken Booher





Nick Booher and Isaac Lohmueller reading the map to determine where to go next



View along Bradley Fork Creek



Grant Edwards throwing rocks into Bradley Fork Creek



Grant Edwards, Isaac Lohmueller





Crossing Bradley Fork Creek



Isaac Lohmueller



Mr. Bryan Edwards



Isaac Lohmueller



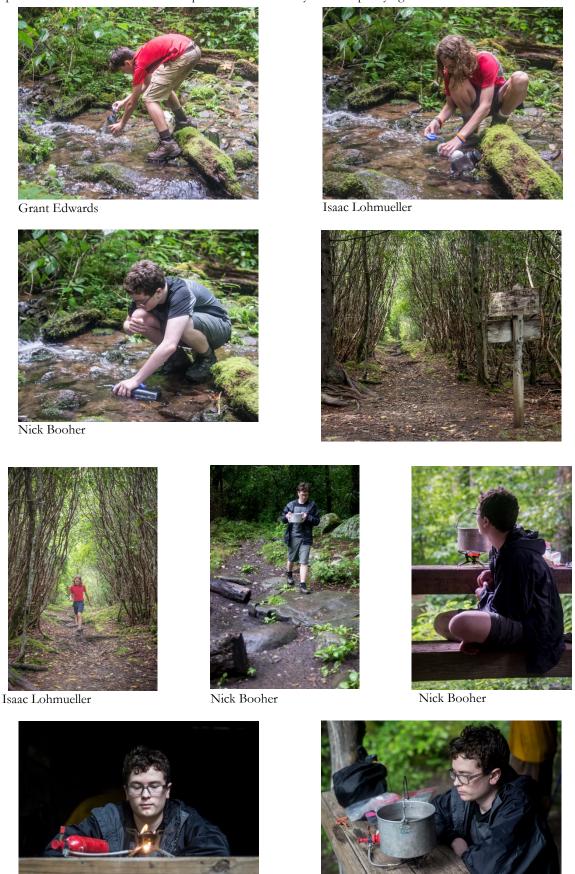
Isaac Lohmueller, Mr. Steve Lohmueller



Taking a break along the trail: Mr. Bryan Edwards, Mr. Ken Booher, Nick Booher, Grant Edwards, Isaac Lohmueller







Nick Booher prepping the stove to make dinner

Nick Booher cooking dinner



Kephart shelter



Isaac Lohmueller



All food had to be hung in bear bags at night



Kephart shelter



Bridge across the Kephart Prong Creek



Mr. Steve Lohmueller, Isaac Lohmueller, Mr. Bryan Edwards, Grant Edwards, Nick Booher, Mr. Ken Booher



Isaac Lohmueller



Bridge across the Kephart Prong Creek



Nick Booher



Mr. Ken Booher



Grant Edwards



Isaac Lohmueller, Nick Booher



Isaac Lohmueller, Nick Booher, and Mr. Ken Booher on one of the many stream crossings













Grant Edwards

Isaac Lohmueller

Isaac Lohmueller, Nick Booher, Mr. Ken Booher

The Scouts spent the night at Icewater Shelter



Isaac Lohmueller



One of the natural visitors that came into the shelter



Nick Booher



Pipevine swallowtail butterfly



Isaac Lohmueller



Icewater Spring shelter



Gear is hung from the rafters to protect it against mice



Icewater Spring shelter



After a period of rain and fog, the weather cleared up for some scenic views



Nick Booher



Isaac Lohmueller, Nick Booher





View looking east from Icewater Spring

Heading back down the Appalachian Trail towards Newfound Gap











Mr. Ken Booher



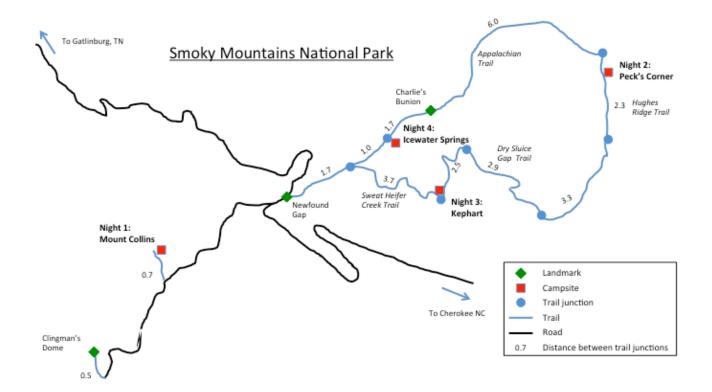
The backpacking trip was successfully completed back at Newfound Gap



Isaac Lohmueller, Mr. Steve Lohmueller



Nick Booher, Mr. Ken Booher, Mr. Steve Lohmueller, Isaac Lohmueller



Day	From	То		Miles
1	Clingmans Dome Road	Mount Collins shelter		0.7
	Mount Collins shelter	Clingmans Dome Road		0.7 (*)
	Clingmans Dome parking	Clingmans Dome		0.5 (*)
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	Clingmans Dome Road	Mount Collins shelter		0.7 (*)
2	Mount Collins shelter	Clingmans Dome Road Peck's Corner shelter		0.7
	Newfound Gap			10.5
3	Peck's Corner shelter	Kephart shelter		10.9
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4	Kephart shelter	Icewater Springs shelter		4.7
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5	Icewater Springs shelter	Newfound Gap		2.7
			Total Miles	22.6
			iotal Milles	32.6

(*) denotes miles were hiked without backpacks

Rock climbing RockQuest Climbing Center Sharonville, OH

August

The Troop tried a new campout idea this year. It was an overnight at the RockQuest Climbing Center. Everyone arrived at 9:00 pm, and after a brief period of instruction, the boys were allowed to climb until 2:00 am, when it was lights out. Everyone slept out on the climbing mats. Climbing could begin again the next morning for 2 hours. The campout was a big hit with everyone. This was a first time climbing experience for many of the scouts.









Toby Rainey, Declan McGrath Declan McGrath

Declan McGrath

Drew Dunlap



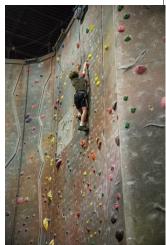




Petey Wilkens



Declan McGrath



Isaac Lohmueller



Declan McGrath on the bouldering rock



Nick Booher, Nathan Young



Mr. Kevin Kinney belaying Nathan Young



Mr. Nick Young



Nathan Young



Jordan Matzinger



Drew Dunlap



Nathan Young



Nathan Young



Wesley Anglin



Petey Wilkens



Nick Booher







Nick Booher



Austin Young



Any scout who found a hidden blue tag won a door prize



Jake Kinney



Josh Kinney



Josh Kinney



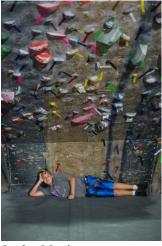
Josh Kinney



Josh Kinney belaying Nathan Young



Isaac Lohmueller

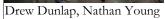


Jordan Matzinger



Isaac Lohmueller







Jake Kinney



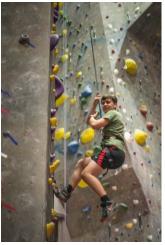
Josh Kinney



Sam Noble



Jordan Matzinger



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Petey Wilkens



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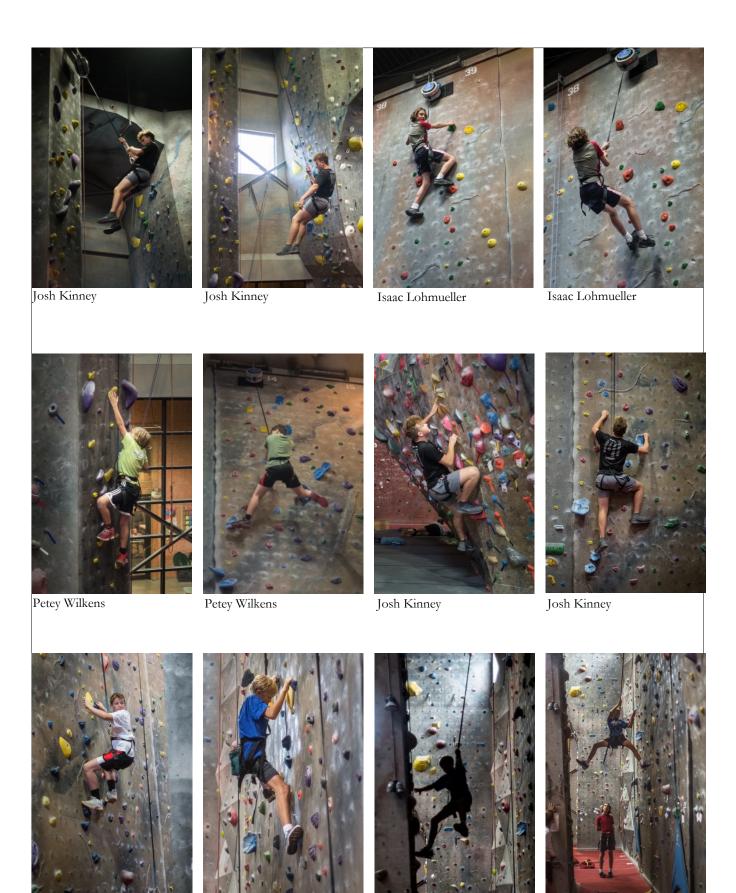
Petey Wilkens



Drew Dunlap



Isaac Lohmueller



Sam Noble

Nathan Young

There are 2 climbing walls that face each other an are about 5 feet apart. The scouts started a game where they would climb up one wall and then leap over to the other wall and attempt to grab a hand hold. Here, Nathan Young is giving it a try.







Isaac Lohmueller



Sam Noble



Isaac Lohmueller



Toby Rainey



Toby Rainey



Wesley Anglin



Wesley Anglin



Wesley Anglin



Declan McGrath



Sam Noble



Sam Noble

September

Fall Court of Honor Scout Achievement Center Evendale, OH

Scouts are recognized at the Fall Court of Honor for the advancement they earned in the last 6 months, which includes summer camp. Seventeen scouts earned 78 merit badges and six scouts earned rank badges.



Color guard: Adam Hall, Isaac Lohmueller



Master of Ceremony Adam Hall

During each Court of Honor, Scouts present their rememberances of the various campouts during the last 6 months.



Nathan Young



Donald Noble



Wesley Anglin



Isaac Lohmueller



Sam Noble



Nathan Young, Declan McGrath

The Scouts earned a total of 78 merit badges, mostly from summer camp. The merit badges were presented to the Scouts by the Advancement Chair Mr. Mike Stroh.



Petey Wilkens





Joseph Mickenberg



Declan McGrath



Isaac Lohmueller



Clay Kessler



Nate Booher



Wesley Anglin



Scouts who earned merit badges: Sam Noble, Wesley Anglin, Joseph Mickenberg, Nathan Young, Isaac Lohmueller, Declan McGrath, Nick Stroh, Petey Wilkens, Adam Helwig, Nate Booher, Clay Kessler





Petey Wilkens receiving an award from Mr. Brad Wilkens



Donald Noble receiving a certificate for completing the Ransburg X program at summercamp



Matt Smeal receiving a certificate for completing the Ransburg X program at summercamp

Each Scout that earns a rank gets to light a candle during the ceremony to symbolize his advancement along the path to Eagle.



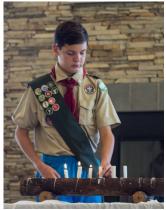
Petey Wilkens, Scout rank



Nate Booher Tenderfoot rank



Declan McGrath Tenderfoot rank



Nick Stroh Second Class rank



Isaac Lohmueller Star rank



Joseph Mickenberg Star rank



Scouts who earned Rank: Petey Wilkens, Nate Booher, Declan McGrath, Nick Stroh, Isaac Lohmueller, Joseph Mickenberg



Scoutmaster Mr. Steve Lohmueller presenting a Scoutmaster Minute



Assistant Scoutmaster Mr. Brad Wilkens, Assistant Scoutmaster Mr. Randy Hall, Joseph Mickenberg, Wesley Anglin, Petey Wilkens, Sam Noble, Nathan Young, Adam Helwig, Adam Hall, Nate Booher, Nick Stroh, Declan McGrath, Scoutmaster Mr. Steve Lohmueller, Clay Kessler, Matt Smeal, Donald Nobler, Isaac Lohmueller, Advancement Chair Mr. Mike Stroh, Committee Chair Mr. Scott Smeal

September

Go Ape High Ropes Course Indianapolis, IN

Go Ape is a high ropes challenge course. The course takes about 2-3 hours, and contains around 40 obstacles the scouts had to navigate through, amongst the canopy of the forest. The course starts with a ladder climb up into the canopy 40 feet off the ground. The course also contains several ziplines.



Nathan Young, Mr. Tim McGrath, Declan McGrath



Nathan Young, Declan McGrath



Declan McGrath, Nathan Young, Nate Booher, Isaac Lohmueller



Pre-adventure safety training



Mr. Tim McGrath, Nathan Young, Isaac Lohmueller, Nate Booher, Mr. Ken Booher



Declan McGrath



Mr. Ken Booher, Declan McGrath



Declan McGrath



Nate Booher



Jake Kinney



Mr. Kevin Kinney, Mr. Ken Booher, Jake Kinney



Nathan Young



Mr. Tim McGrath, Nathan Young, Isaac Lohmueller, Mr. Kevin Kinney, Nate Booher, Declan McGrath, Mr. Ken Booher, Jake Kinney

After the safety training, the Scouts practiced the safety techniques on a ground level course.







Mr. Tim McGrath



Declan McGrath, Mr. Tim McGrath



Mr. Tim McGrath



Nathan Young



Nathan Young



Nathan Young



Jake Kinney



Mr. Kevin Kinney



Jake Kinney on a zipline



Isaac Lohmueller



Isaac Lohmueller



Mr. Ken Booher



Nate Booher



Isaac Lohmueller



Isaac Lohmueller on a zipline



Isaac Lohmueller



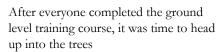
Nate Booher



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Declan McGrath



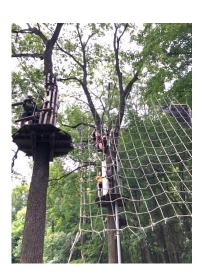
Jake Kinney, Nathan Young, Mr. Tim McGrath, Declan McGrath



Declan McGrath, Nathan Young



Declan McGrath



Nathan Young



Declan McGrath



Mr. Ken Booher



Jake Kinney



Nathan Young



Isaac Lohmueller



Nate Booher



Isaac Lohmueller



Isaac Lohmueller



Nate Booher



Playing kickball after completing the ropes course



The Scouts played several games of Stratego



Nathan Young and Declan McGrath starting dinner



Nate Booher, Nathan Young, Jake Kinney, Isaac Lohmueller, and Declan McGrath having dinner



Dinner, scout style



Declan McGrath frying up donuts for dessert



October

Orienteering Campout Camp Friedlander Loveland, OH

The Troop set up a short orienteering course at camp and the Scouts got a chance to navigate the course using GPS. In the afternoon, the Scouts made several pioneering projects.



Mr. Brad Wilkens, Petey Wilkens, Isaac Lohmueller, and Sam Noble making omelete-in-a-bag for breakfast



Nathan Young





Scouts working on an orienteering course



Declan McGrath



Sam Noble



Pioneering project



Sam Noble and Declan McGrath working to get a fire started



Isaac Lohmueller working on a pioneering project



Toby Rainey



Nathan Young



Isaac Lohmueller



Petey Wilkens, Sam Noble, Charles Pelz



Petey Wilkens



Sam Noble, Charles Pelz, Nathan Young, Toby Rainey, Declan McGrath, Isaac Lohmueller playing a round of gaga ball



Isaac Lohmueller, Toby Rainey, Sam Noble, Mr. Brad Wilkens

October

Service Project Hands Against Hunger Sharonville, OH

Hands Against Hunger is a program sponsored by the organization A Child's Hope International and is dedicated to providing nutritious and protein-rich meals to children around the world who face hunger on a daily basis. The Scouts assembled bags of fortified soy, rice, dehydrated vegetables, and nutrient powder. Each bag feeds 6 children.



Mr. Mike Stroh putting in one of the ingredients



Isaac Lohmueller filling the bags to the final weight



Nick Booher sealing the bags shut



Josh Kinney, Donald Noble



Josh Kinney, Donald Noble



Sam Noble



Jake Kinney







Charlie Odonnell

Mr. Ken Booher, Mr. Jim Odonnell



Isaac Lohmueller, Mr. Steve Lohmueller, Charlie Odonnell, Mr. Jim Odonnell, Nick Booher, Mrs. Janet Kinney, Donald Noble, Nick Stroh, Josh Kinney, Jake Kinney, Sam Noble, Mr. Mike Stroh, Nate Booher, Mr. Ken Booher, Mrs. Courtney Booher

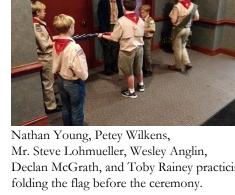
Bob Griffin Memorial Evendale, OH

November

Bob Griffin was a big supporter of Scouting in Dan Beard Council, and was the founder of Troop 598, having served as its first Scoutmaster for many years. He passed away in 2018, and Dan Beard Council reached out to the Troop to participate in Mr. Griffin's memorial service. The Troop removed the flag from his coffin and folded it. Council then presented it to the Troop in honor of Mr. Griffin's role in the Troop.



Nathan Young, Toby Rainey, Wesley Anglin, and Declan McGrath practicing folding the flag before the ceremony.



Declan McGrath, and Toby Rainey practicing



Nathan Young, Wesley Anglin, Toby Rainey, and Declan McGrath folding the flag during the ceremony.



Wesley Anglin presenting the flag to Executive Tom Dugger.



Scout Executive Tom Dugger sharing some thoughts to the Troop of the role Mr. Griffin played in Scouting and the Troop



Toby Rainey accepted Mr. Griffin's flag on behalf of the Troop from Scout Executive Tom Dugger



Bob Griffin
Fervent supporter of Scouting
Founder / first Scoutmaster for Troop 598
April 16, 1926 – October 28, 2018

November

Service Project Camp Conservation Day Camp Friedlander Loveland, OH

Each year Dan Beard Council sets up a Camp Conservation Day at Camp Friedlander. Troops participate for the day providing conservation service to the camp. This year the Troop planted trees around the concession stand at the amphitheater.





Declan McGrath, Austin Young



Nathan Young









Jake Kinney, Nathan Young



Declan McGrath, Austin Young



Declan McGrath, Austin Young



Samantha Young, Petey Wilkens



Petey Wilkens



Samantha Young, Petey Wilkens



Jake Kinney, Nathan Young



Charlie Odonnell, Wesley Anglin



Austin Young, Declan McGrath



Wesley Anglin



Nathan Young, Jake Kinney



Declan McGrath, Austin Young



Nathan Young, Jake Kinney



Petey Wilkens, Samantha Young



Petey Wilkens



Nathan Young, Jake Kinney



Petey Wilkens



Jake Kinney, Declan McGrath, Austin Young



Isaac Lohmueller



Nathan Young, Petey Wilkens, Mr. Brad Wilkens



Mr. Steve Lohmueller, Mr. Nick Young, Declan McGrath, Mr. Kevin Kinney, Petey Wilkens, Mr. Brad Wilkens, Austin Young, Isaac Lohmueller, Wesley Anglin, Samantha Young, Mr. Jim Odonnel, Charlie Odonnell, Nathan Young, Jake Kinney





After the work was completed, Scouts were served lunch in the dining hall. While the Troop was waiting for the food to be served, Isaac Lohmueller, Petey Wilkens, and Declan McGrath started playing some rounds of Whoosh Ball.

November

Gorman Farm Campout Gorman Heritage Farm Evendale, OH

One of the traditional campouts for the Troop is to go to Gorman Farm in Evendale, OH. Boy Scout Troop 598 is the only group that is allowed to camp on the property. The Scouts do a service project for the farm in the morning, and the Scouts can launch model rockets in the afternoon. In the evening, the Troop does a flag retirement ceremony.

The service project this year was to clean out the asparagus beds.

This was Matt Smeal's last campout as a Scout.



Mr. Randy Hall hanging out by the fire after the Scouts went to bed





Jake Kinney



Matt Smeal



Nate Booher



Matt Smeal



Mr. Randy Hall, Nathan Young



Mr. Randy Hall hauled everything to the compost bin

Gorman Farm has several asparagus beds. The asparagus plants are perennial plants, which means that they grow back every year. To get the best yield, the plant stems need to be cut off close to the ground, and all the surrounding weeds removed. This is typically the service project for the Troop during the November campout.















Nathan Young

Isaac Lohmueller







Wesley Anglin



Mr. Jess Anglin, Wesley Anglin



Wesley Anglin



Mr. Jess Anglin, Wesley Anglin Nate Booher





Nate Booher



Jake Kinney



Nate Booher, Isaac Lohmueller, Jake Kinney, Mr. Jess Anglin, Matt Smeal



Nate Booher, Petey Wilkens

Isaac Lohmueller found a golf ball in the woods and lashed a golf club together. He then created the game of wall golf. In this game, the golf ball is placed at one end of the wall and the ball has to be hit along the length of the wall. Several versions of the game were created over the weekend. In one version, obstacles were placed along the wall and the golfer had to navigate amongst the obstacles. In another version, the golfer had to hit the ball down the entire length of the wall with as few strokes as possible



Isaac Lohmueller showing off the golf club he lashed



Isaac Lohmueller playing wall golf



Nate Booher



Nate Booher



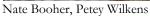
Isaac Lohmueller, Nate Booher. In this version, the ball starts on the block of wood. The golf ball has to be hit between the stick obstacles and touch the rock pillar at the end of the wall.





Nate Booher, Wesley Anglin, Isaac Lohmueller







Petey Wilkens





Matt Smeal



Mr. Randy Hall

In the evening the Troop performed a flag retirement ceremony. In preparation for the ceremony, the blue field of stars was removed from the flags. During the ceremony, the flags are then respectfully burned.



Jake Kinney



Jake Kinney



Nate Booher





Petey Wilkens, Isaac Lohmueller, Matt Smeal



Petey Wilkens, Isaac Lohmueller



Nathan Young, Wesley Anglin working on the lunch dishes



Josh Kinney designing a rope sling for carrying firewood



Josh Kinney using his rope sling to haul firewood



Petey Wilkens



Josh Kinney



Matt Smeal



Isaac Lohmueller

After lunch the Scouts had the opportunity to launch model rockets. The Troop used a Troop meeting prior to the campout to build the rockets.



Nathan Young



Isaac Lohmueller retrieving a rocket



Isaac Lohmueller showing off his modified rocket



Petey Wilkens, Isaac Lohmueller



Petey Wilkens, Isaac Lohmueller, Wesley Anglin



Isaac Lohmueller



Isaac Lohmueller



Petey Wilkens



Petey Wilkens











Isaac Lohmueller modified his kit rocket with slightly less than aerodynamic fins. The result was a somewhat erratic flight path for his rocket. It didn't get very much altitude.



Josh Kinney, Jake Kinney, Matt Smeal, Nathan Young, Mr. Steve Lohmueller, Petey Wilkens, Wesley Anglin, Isaac Lohmueller, Nate Booher, Mr. Randy Hall



Petey Wilkens reading his part at the beginning of the ceremony



Petey Wilkens, Clay Kessler, Matt Smeal, Nate Booher, guest, Jake Kinney, Josh Kinney, Isaac Lohmueller



Matt Smeal adding a flag to the fire



Josh Kinney adding a flag to the fire



Panoramic view of the Mill Creek Valley below Gorman Farm





Miscellaneous Activities



Game time during a meeting: Adam Hall, Nate Booher, James Randolph, Nick Booher, Charles Pelz, Jordan Matzinger



Grant Edwards and Clay Kessler teaching cyber safety to the Timbersnake Patrol: Nathan Young, Wesley Anglin, Scott Lawson, Declan McGrath



During a Timbersnake Patrol meeting, the Scouts played a team building game: Scott Lawson, Petey Wilkens, Nathan Young, Declan McGrath, Hunter Grant, Wesley Anglin



A typical Troop meeting



Firearms safety training by the Evendale Police Department in preparation for the December outing for shooting at Target World

Troop Events Without Photos

February – Merit Badge Challenge December outing – Shooting at Target World