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<u>Trustworthy</u>: The badge of honesty. Having it lets you look any man in the eye. Lacking it he won't look back. Keep this one at the top of your list.

Patrol Leaders Council (PLC): Patrol Leaders Council meetings for the new scout year are starting again. The PLC meetings for this fall will held at 6 PM at the church hall on the following Mondays. October 3, 2022 November 7, 2022 December 5, 2022

<u>**Troop Meetings:**</u> Troop Meetings as always will be held on Monday nights starting at 7 PM at the church hall. The fall troop meetings for the new scout year will be on the following Mondays.

September 12, 19 and 26, 2022 October 3, 10, 17 and 24, 2022 November 7, 14, 21 and 28, 2022 December 5, 12 and 19, 2022

<u>**Troop Committee Meeting:</u>** Troop Committee meetings are held in conjunction with the PLC meetings on the first Monday of the month before the formal troop meetings. We encourage all adults who are interested in helping out with the troop in any way to coming to these meetings. The troop committee meeting for this fall will be held on October 3, November 7 and December 5, 2022.</u>

TROOP EVENTS



<u>Upcoming Troop Events</u>: Go to <u>www.auburn121.com</u> for information on all troop trip and event details, links to permission slips, lists of what kind of gear to bring on a trip, the Council website, medical forms and much more. Check it out.

- Whitewater Rafting weekend On the weekend of Sept. 23-25 Troop 121 will be joining with Troop 101 to raft the Deerfield River in western MA. All reservations have been made and the roster is set. If anyone is interested in going, we can put them on a waiting list in the event someone cancels.
- Annual Scout and Troop Registration The troop must recharter with the Heart of New England Council and BSA before Christmas. All scouts who wish to register for the 2023 Scout Year must pay the registration fee as soon as possible. The registration costs have increased. BSA registration fees for the 2023 scout year are \$150 for each scout, \$63 for each adult leader and an optional \$15 for the Scout Life magazine.
- We are looking for ideas for thrips for October and November Bring your ideas to the next troop meeting.

- Scouting for FOOD The Troop has not conducted this service project for the past three years or so. In past years we made donations to Kateri's Kitchen and Auburn Youth and Family Services. We will be discussing restarting this project for this November.
- Troop LOCK-IN If there is interest the Troop is considering a Lock-In on Friday, December 30th at the church hall. Adult help is always need for this event. Details will be available at upcoming troop meetings.
- Ice Fishing The annual troop ice fishing /winter sports weekend will be on January 27-29, 2023. Once again by popular demand we will staying in the Aquatics Lodge at Camp Moses in Russell, MA. Details and sign-up will be on the web site soon.
- Scout Sunday On Sunday, February 5, 2023; help celebrate Scouting's birthday by joining the Pack and the Troop at 10:30 AM church services at North American Martyrs. Please dress in full Class A uniform and bring a non-perishable food item for Kateri's Kitchen.
- SUMMER CAMP The troop will be attending week #2 of the Mohegan Council's annual summer camp at Treasure Valley Scout Reservation. We will be at camp from Sunday, July 9 through Saturday, July 15, 2023. Start preparing now!! Details will be posted on the Troop website as they become available.

ORDER of the ARROW Events

To find out what is happening with the catamount Lodge please use this link; <u>https://hnebsa.org/catamount-lodge/</u>





SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

- PULL TABS Cub Scout Pack and Boy Scout Troop 121 are collecting <u>aluminum</u> pull-tabs from all types of beverage and food cans to help the Shriners and the Shriners Hospitals for Children. This community service project is easy to do. Before you put those aluminum cans and lids in the recycling bin remove the tabs and save them in a container of some sort. Bring the tabs to any Pack or Troop meeting and give them to your leader. Once we've collected as many as we can store without having them getting in the way in someone's garage, we will make arrangements to turn them over to the Auburn Rotary Club.
- <u>SNOW SHOVELING</u> As in years past the troop has committed to shoveling the walks and stairs at the church, rectory and church hall after weekend snow storms. If snow if predicted on weekends, please check your email and texts for a snow shoveling notice.