

Scouts BSA Troop 8G and Troop 282B Chartered by Mary Queen of the Holy Rosary

Troop Website – <u>www.t282.org</u> We now have a Facebook page! By John Tomecek and Jan Eggum

Newsletter for March thru May 2023

Troop 8G had a busy March. The first weekend in March, the girls braved the windstorm and went to Camp McKee and earned Climbing and Citizenship in Society merit badges!!! They began in the morning going over the safety procedures, equipment, and knots with instructors **Hunter Dawson** and **Xander Riddell** They then got to climb and rappel.



Troop 8 going over safety procedures and equipment



Julieann Eggum and Annemarie Dvorak rappelling down the climbing tower

March 11, Troop 8G attended, Girls in Aerospace at the **Kentucky Aviation Museum**. They learned about different careers in flying and space. They also learned navigation and got to take a simulated flight.



I to r - Annemarie Dvorak, Mya Rivard, Julieann Eggum and Molly Eggum and Jan Eggum taking the picture

Friday March 24, 2023, both troops sold desserts at the Mary Queen fish fry.



Yum Yum



Lincoln Noe delivering desserts to the people at the tables

In April both troops participated in a bike ride along the Legacy Trail. They started near the Ironworks trailhead at the Horse Park and stopped for lunch at Northside YMCA trailhead. Finishing back at the Ironworks trailhead. Total of about 17 miles.



I to r – Mr. Rotramel, Mrs. Eggum, Trail boss Britton Sheldon, Brady Hardman, Louis Smith, Molly Eggum, Wyatt Johnson, Mya Rivard, Mr. Musgrave and taking the picture was Mr. Johnson

Tuesday, April 18 both troops took their BSA swim test at the Beaumont YMCA. The BSA swim test consists of Jumping feet first into water over the head in depth. Level off and swim 75 yards in a strong manner using one or more of the following strokes: sidestroke, breaststroke, trudgen, or crawl; then swim 25 yards using an easy resting backstroke. The 100 yards must be completed in one swim without stops and must include at least one sharp turn. After completing the swim, rest by floating.

On May 12 both troops camped out at the Bluegrass Railroad Museum and all attending earned the Railroad Merit Badge. Younger scouts had an opportunity to cook a few meals toward their rank advancements.



l to r – John Schweighardt, Molly Eggum, John Terhune, Theo Morningiello, Sam Terhune, Julieann Eggum, Annemarie Dvorak, Scoutmaster Tom Musgrave and taking the picture is Scoutmaster Jan Eggum

To cap of May, both troops helped Brady Hardman in completing his **Eagle Scout Project**. His project was to build floating island habitats at McConnell Springs. The islands are used to filter the water using plants, and have a side benefit of providing basking area for ducks and turtles.



I to r Britton Sheldon, Brady Hardman, Julieann Eggum, Molly Eggum, Jan Eggum, Steve Hardman, Tom Musgrave, John Schweighardt and Britton's brother.

Upcoming Activities

June – Summer Camp for Troop 8 July – Summer Camp for Troop 282

Troop 8G is actively looking to grow! To join, girls must be between ages 11 to 17. No prior Scout experience is necessary. Meetings are at MQHR at 7:00 pm on Tuesday nights. For more information about Troop 8G or Troop 282B, please contact either Scoutmaster 8G Jan Eggum, 859-353-1919, jghamo212@gmail.com, or Scoutmaster 282B Tom Musgrave at (859) 227-8187, trmusgrave@gmail.com
