

## **Scouts BSA Troop 282**

Chartered by Mary Queen of the Holy Rosary
Troop Website – <a href="www.t282.org">www.t282.org</a>
We now have a Facebook page!

By Britton Sheldon

#### **Newsletter from March - August of 2020**

The last newsletter was in February of 2020. After that date there was not a lot of Scouting done because of COVID 19. The troop started by having their first Zoom meeting on April 21 to discuss how to continue. After all, we could not go on any campouts and that was going to be problem for scouts to advance and, of course, to have fun. Soon we were getting accustomed to having Zoom meetings to plan activities and advancements. To date we have had approximately 52 Zoom meetings.



Troop 282 would like to welcome our newest scout, Matteo Mevoli, and his family, mom, Krista and father Dino to the troop. Matteo may your journey through scouting be filled with fun, adventure, and many great experiences.

Below are troop activities and other announcements.

#### **COVID Camping**

With distancing in effect, scouts camped out in their own back yards. They cooked for family and slept in a tent in the back yard instead of camping and cooking with their patrol. Below, **Britton Sheldon** showed off is hamburgers and his creative s'more sandwich he cooked for his family.











#### **Eagle Awards and Projects**

An Eagle project is necessary to advance to the rank of Eagle Scout. The scout must demonstrate leadership and the project must be something permanent. You can see the Eagle Honor Roll on the troop website, www.t282.org/eagle\_scout.htm.

On April 14, Life Scout Jackson Pierce became the newest Eagle Scout in Troop 282. Eagle is the highest rank in Scouts BSA, and must be earned before a scout turns 18. Jackson is the 74th scout in Troop 282 to earn the rank.

Jacksons' Eagle service project was building storage cabinets for an after-school program called East 7th Kids Café, sponsored by Maxwell Street Presbyterian Church. They needed cabinets all around a small room to help decrease clutter. The after school



program is free to kids who would have nowhere to go after school. The program also provides a meal for the kids.

On June 25, **Jeremy Terhune's** Eagle service project was to build 14 benches and four picnic tables for the Mary Queen School.

Jeremy was well organized and the school will benefit from the project for classes to be conducted outside during the nice weather and for many other school or church activities.

Attendees included Jeremy's family, Troop 282 scouts and leaders, the **Knights of Columbus from Mary Queen** and other friends, a very good turnout for an Eagle service project.



Thanks for the lunch Jeremy and thanks to **The Home Depot** and the **Knights of Columbus** for their donations.

### Cleanup at Calvary Cemetery Date, July 21

Calvary Cemetery periodically needs the grounds cleaned up so the caretaker can cut the lawn around the tombstones. A crew of about 20 people picked up branches and debris and ended up with about 25 bags and filled a pickup truck.

Attendees included scouts from Pack 282 and Troops 282, 186, and 103, along with the Knights of Columbus from Mary Queen. All volunteers worked about 2.5 hours in the heat of the day for this service project. Good job everybody.



## **Troop 282 Dutch Oven Cleaning - July 8**

Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic the troop had scheduled a cleaning day for its Dutch ovens. We were able to socially distance the scouts as they scoured away rust on the ovens. The Dutch ovens were overdue to be cleaned and it will take another day or two to get them seasoned for the future cobblers.



Top left: Andrew Vogel – Top Right: Dominic Sympson and Jeremy Terhune - Bottom left: Alex Klement and Brady Hardman Bottom right: Scoutmaster John Rotramel and Britton Sheldon

# Volunteering at God's Pantry July 8 and July 17

Part of being a scout is service to the community. Service hours are part of advancement for all scouts. Scouts from Troop 282 volunteered to help at God's Pantry making up boxes for distribution at St. Luke's Church to help families during COVID-19. They attended a couple of hours each day for three days, working 10 total hours.



Attendees: Brady Hardman, Britton Sheldon and Ryan Carpenter

#### **Upcoming Activities**

September – Camping in Stonehedge Farm

See more about Troop 282 on www.t282.org.

If you are interested in Scouts BSA, either as a boy or girl or as an adult leader, please contact:

Scoutmaster John Rotramel at (859) 223-4235 or Troop 282 Committee Chair, John Tomecek at (859) 433-5646

Scouts BSA Troop 282, Chartered by Mary Queen of the Holy Rosary Church, is looking for a new Scoutmaster. John Rotramel, our current Scoutmaster, will be stepping down. He has been Scoutmaster for the past four years and is still going to hang around, but would like to pass the torch to a new Scoutmaster. If you know of anyone that is interested, please contact John Tomecek, Troop 282 Committee Chair, at 859-433-5646.

If you have an American flag that becomes worn, torn, faded or badly soiled and would like to have it retired, you can bring it to the church rectory or contact John Tomecek at 859-433-5646.