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ERIE SHORES COUNCIL

Hello Erie Shores Council Leaders!

Happy Monday!

We hope you enjoyed the first addition of Membership Monday last week and found the information of value. We want these e-newsletters to be beneficial to you, so please let us know if there is information you want to see in a future edition.

It's Open House season!

School open houses in our region will be happening within the next *two to three weeks*. Do you know when your school's is?

Contact the school office and ask to host a table in an area where a lot of parents and families will be walking by. This may be the cafeteria, a busy hall way, or right out front of the school office.

You'll want an engaging table display that will catch the eye of new families. The more exciting, the better! Here are some examples of displays at schools:



What types of things should you have at an Open House?

- *Copies of flyer with recruitment date on it*
- *Interest sheet for parents to leave contact info*
- *A nice table cloth*
- *Mini Boys Life magazines*
- *Extra patches*
- *A poster with photos of your unit in action*
- *Scout coloring pages*
- *Pinewood Derby cars*
- *Popcorn tins/boxes*
- *Uniform shirt/vest*
- *Comic books/Bookmarks (ask your DE for these)*

Community Events

Perhaps your unit already is aware, but many festivals, fairs, and weekend community events allow the Boy Scouts to set up an informational table. Look for busy events in your area and reach out to the coordinator to ask if you can be involved this year. It's a great way to get publicity before recruitment season!

You can set your display up similar to the way described above (for school open houses), or in a new way. Perhaps an activity such as knot tying, a rain gutter regatta, slime making, face painting, or some type of carnival game. Or maybe they will allow you to show some campfire cooking skills. The possibilities are endless!



Council Membership Kick-off!

REMINDER: If you haven't, please RSVP for our Council Membership Kick-off Party! On the evening of **August 8th**, we will be hosting an informational party to kick-off the membership season and prepare leaders for success. It will be held in the **Council Lodge and Ford Center at Camp Miakonda, starting at 6:30 pm**. We will have light refreshments, a fun atmosphere, and great fellowship with expert volunteers. You won't want to miss it!

It is important that someone (or multiple people!) from your unit attends a Membership Kickoff to receive all the important updates and supplies for the 2018 Membership Season! This includes your yearly packet of materials for JSNs and school open houses.

You should RSVP using this link so we have your kit available that evening: <https://www.erieshorescouncil.org/Kickoff>

If you are unable to attend the Council Kick-off Party, please plan to attend the Wood or Eagle Bay district kick-off. See dates and locations below.



What will the Council Kick-off Look Like?

Gathering and refreshments will begin at 6:30 pm back in camp. We will have a few short introductions of key volunteers presenting for the evening, and then roll right into the informational program.

The agenda covers:

- *Lions Rank*
- *Family Scouting*
- *Unit Ownership of Membership*
- *Steps Leading up to JSNs*
- *"ESC One Night JSN" description*
- *Membership Packets*
- *Now What?*
- *Any Questions*

Wood District Membership Kick-off:

August 2nd @ 7:00 PM

Location: *Christ United Methodist Church
301 W Main Street,
Portage, OH 43451*

For more information:

<https://www.erieshorescouncil.org/WDMembershipKickoff>

Eagle Bay Fall Membership/ Popcorn

Kick-off:

August 14th @ 6:00 PM

Location: *Clyde VFW #3343
847 W Maple Street
Clyde, OH 43410*

- Popcorn Kick off and Training- 6:00pm-7:00 pm
- Membership Kick off and Training- 7:15pm- 8:15pm

For more information:

<https://www.erieshorescouncil.org/EBKickoff>

Additional Resources

Erie Shores Council Website - Membership Page

<https://www.erieshorescouncil.org/new>

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Questions?

Our Erie Shores Council Membership Team is always ready to help as you roll into the new Scouting Year! Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions! Just click on our name for an email address or call at the number listed.

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