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	9:00 9:50	10:00 10:50	11:00 11:50	12:00 12:50	1:00 1:50						
The History of the GNFC				X		B	X	X	X	A.J. Block	Learn the fascinating history of our Council including its founding, districts, camps, famous alumni and much more.
Backcountry Camping – Who’s Hungry?				X		B		X	X	Alan Percy Birch Bark	Being well nourished gives you the energy to hike all day and avoid lying in bed being hungry. This session will cover the planning, packing and preparation of the food you need while in the backcountry. Suggestions on Portions, Dietary concerns, Trail snacks and group meals. Packing, Transporting and Preparation. Trash disposal: Burn it or Carry in out (consider all these with initial planning). <b>Please have a 4’ piece of cord on-hand during the session to learn some knots.</b>
Backcountry Camping – How Not to Be Gross!			X			B		X	X	Alan Percy Birch Bark	Stomach bugs are just waiting to ruin your backcountry trek. During this session we’ll explain the ways to handle water purification, Latrines, cat-holes and “grey water” dispersal. Clean-up after food prep, dish and pot washing. The importance of personal sanitation and hand washing. <b>Please have a 4’ piece of cord on-hand during the session to learn some knots.</b>
Backcountry Camping – The Ultimate Campsite		X				B		X	X	Alan Percy Birch Bark	More than just dropping your gear, selecting where to camp and the campsite configuration can make a huge impact on your comfort and safety. During this session we’ll discuss campsite selection, setup and safety considerations. Consider the 5 “W’s”: Wet, Widow makers, Wind, Waste and Wildlife. The importance of having a Dining fly and a designated “kitchen area”. The “Bear-muda Triangle” – how to best avoid a visit from Yogi in the middle of the night. Swim area and water supply area. <b>Please have a 4’ piece of cord on-hand during the session to learn some knots.</b>
Backcountry Camping – Dressing for Success	X					B		X	X	Alan Percy Birch Bark	Keeping warm and safe during a backcountry expedition depends on having the proper clothing that can deal with weather and sun. This session will explain the 25 to 30% rule, and how to keep warm, dry and comfortable. Layers, Material types, and what to avoid. Rain gear. How to wash on trek as needed. <b>Please have a 4’ piece of cord on-hand during the session to learn some knots.</b>

Developing a High Adventure Canoe Program					X	B		X	X	Alan Percy Birch Bark	A high adventure program is a great way to keep older Scouts engaged and encourage younger Scouts to build skills. GNFC's own Birchbark Expeditions program helps Crews organize and execute week-long canoe tripping expeditions into the backcountry of Algonquin Provincial Park in Canada, providing world-class canoe wilderness experience at a very affordable cost for youth and adults. Attend this session to learn about this turn-key canoe program, how to organize a Crew and expedition opportunities in our own backyard – keeping your older youth engaged and challenged.
Patrol Leader Summit		X				Y		X		Army Leonetti	It's a timed round robin of different subjects and how each participant deals with them and a lesson on timing and scheduling.
The Cub Scout Campfire			X			A	X			Brian Welsh	How to put on a campfire program your Pack's families will enjoy and remember.
Simple Magic & Card Tricks					X	A	X			Brian Welsh	If you want to learn some simple tricks which will amaze your friends then this course is for you. You will learn some simple sleight of hand techniques that you can practice to perfection and three easy card tricks which will make everyone think you have some magic up your sleeve.
Cub Scout - Oh The Places You Will Go!	X					A	X			Brian Welsh	This is your chance to learn about the fun places in WNY (and beyond) where you can take your Pack or Den for a day of fun – or an overnight adventure!
Becoming Fearless				X		B	X	X	X	Hon Mary G Carney, Erie County Family Court Judge	This course will focus on how meditative practice can help youth and adults be more resilient in times of stress, build a warrior mentality and be unshakeable when things get chaotic. Learn to fend off negative thoughts and behaviors, build self-confidence, focus and treat others and yourself with respect and gratitude.
BSA Distinguished Conservation Service Award Program					X	B	X	X	X	Dave Bliss	The BSA has ended the Hornaday Award program and created a new program to replace it. Learn about the new awards as well as other BSA Conservation Awards for individuals and units.
Paper Crafts		X				A	X			Dick Hanaburgh	A brief look at various crafts and other activities using paper and little else. Learn a couple small projects and ways to incorporate them into your Den and Pack meetings. You can also see some examples of more advanced projects.
Winter Camping				X		B	X	X	X	Edward Lawrence	Winter Camping do's and dont's.
Hosting a Foreign Scout Group					X	B	X	X	X	Edward Lawrence	

10 Essentials and Building a Minimum Item Survival Kit				X		B	X	X	X	Eric Reynolds	
Commissioner Training: Unit First Aid			X			B	X	X	X	Felton Davis	
JTE unit training	X									Felton Davis	
Outdoor Ethics Guide/Advisor Seminar				X		B	X	X	X	Fred Thornley	To promote the wise use of the outdoors, every troop should have a scout and an adult serving as their outdoor ethics guide and advisor, respectively. Participants will learn of best practices to integrate outdoor ethics into every aspect of a unit's program.
Outdoor Ethics Orientation		X				B	X	X	X	Fred Thornley	This orientation will address the four components of BSA Outdoor Ethics..... the Outdoor Code, Leave No Trace, TREAD Lightly! and the Land Ethic. Also included will be information concerning the BSA's Outdoor Ethics Awareness and Action Awards, as well as a brief overview of the Outdoor Ethics Guide youth position of responsibility. This session fulfills a requirement for both youth and adults towards earning the BSA Outdoor Ethics Action Award.
GNFC Fishing in Western New York					X	B	X	X	X	Gary House (the "Salmon King")	This course will discuss the basics of fishing in Western New York to help you be successful. The do's and don'ts, the items you need, knot tying and the places to go. Time for questions and answers will be available.
Religious Emblems Counselor Training		X				B	X	X	X	Jim Smyczynski	This course will describe the role of a Unit Religious Emblems Coordinator and will fulfill the requirement to be a trained Religious Emblems Counselor for Catholic Religious Emblems
Chaplaincy in the Unit				X		B	X	X	X	John Beutel	Is your unit interested in having a chaplain and/or chaplain's aide and want information about it? Are you currently serving in this role, new or veteran? Learn about or refresh yourself with the scope and responsibilities of these positions. Discussion and sharing about effective promotion of reverence and Duty to God through these adult and youth positions will be included
Interfaith Service/Scout's Own	X					B	X	X	X	John Beutel	Conducting an interfaith service/Scout's Own is one way to help youth and adult members of various faith traditions to fulfill their Duty to God during scouting activities. Learn about the distinction between interfaith services and Scout's Own activities and various options to consider in planning and presenting them. Discuss and share with others how to incorporate these into your unit's programming

Learn Three Guitar Chords & Get Playing		X				B	X	X	X	Koby Trout	Did you know many popular songs can be played on guitar using three easily learned chords? In this class you will learn first how to tune your guitar and then how to play those "magic chords" that will open a world of music to you. Have your guitar out and ready for this one as you will be playing a campfire song or two by class end.
Creating Pack Traditions					X	A	X			Peter Smith	Tired of last minute planning, reinventing the wheel or inconsistency from year to year? Come explore how to create fun events, ceremonies and activities that can enhance your annual calendar, make your pack unique and keep your cubs and families coming back for more.
Family Scouting Round Table			X			A	X			Peter Smith	This session will start by hearing about one Pack's journey including their successes and challenges and lessons learned regarding family scouting. The session will then open up for attendees to ask questions and share their experiences and best practices developed during this first year of family scouting.
Resiliency: Leading in Difficult times	X					B	X	X	X	Peter Smith	Learning to move forward as leaders in these difficult times
Digging Deep Into the Guide to Safe Scouting		X				B	X	X	X	Rob Reeves	The Guide to Safe Scouting details the BSA health and safety policies and procedures, but how familiar are you really with its contents? Have you ever been told about a "rule" but weren't sure where it came from? Have you ever been confused about how to apply a BSA policy to a specific situation in your unit? We can't promise that we will have all the answers but together we will discuss where to find the most relevant information and how to apply it so that your Scouts can get the most out of the Scouting program in a safe and fun way.
Introduction to Orienteering				X		B	X	X	X	Rob Reeves	Orienteering is about so much more than map and compass work! It is a fun and challenging sport played in countries throughout the world. Orienteering challenges the mind and body, giving you the confidence to venture off-trail and look at the land in a new way. Learn from fellow Scouter and President of the Buffalo Orienteering Club about how you can help your Scouts complete their First Class orienteering requirement and have fun doing it. We will also discuss earning orienteering merit badge, how to introduce the subject to Cub Scouts and how to participate in local meets and "map hikes" at area parks. We will take a close look at the orienteering map of Camp Schoellkopf and learn how orienteering maps differ from other kinds of maps.

Adult Recognition Awards			X			A	X	X	X	Ron Krawczyk	Adult leaders can earn awards, too. Find out how and which awards Cub Scout, Boy Scout, and Venturing Scouters can qualify for and how to submit applications for them.
Developing a Junior Leader Training Course for Your Troop	X					A		X		Stephen Dubois	All the trainings and handbooks teach adult leaders that the boys should be running a Scout Troop. But how can you help train them to run their Troop better and more successfully? Creating a course within your own Troop can be a daunting task if you don't know where to start, but I can show you that it can be done cost-effectively and professionally. After introducing our course 10 years ago, in Troop 85, we have seen incredible growth in our youth leaders. The course will teach the basics of what to do, how to pace and schedule, the types of useful curriculum and how to staff it. After your first year, subsequent years will be easier and easier to maintain and soon your Troop will have a culture of well-trained and eager boys ready to take leadership by storm.
Getting to Youth Run			X			A		X		Stephen Dubois	All of the adult leader training, literature and handbooks all clearly state the same exact thing: that Boy Scouts should be Boy-led. Yet many Troops do not allow this to happen. This course is designed to set your Troop in the correct direction and allow your boys to take their leadership to the next level so you, as their adult leaders, can mentor them, guide them and train them to run THEIR Troop so you can enjoy some coffee.
Sea Scouts for Land Lubbers	X					B		X	X	Steve Molik	Learn about Sea Scouts - the Water Scouts! This course will teach the basics to Scouts, adult leaders and staff. Sea scouting -one of the best kept secrets. Come learn the secrets!
Virtual Group Meeting Roundtable			X			A	X	X	X	Panel Discussion	An open discussion and sharing of ideas for what has worked for you to keep scouts interested and engaged