

Scoutmaster News

Jim Horvath

We are beginning our planning for the next 18 months activities. Scout input to this process is vital, but so is adult input. We try to vary our monthly activities so we can avoid driving longer distances in consecutive months. We also try to avoid more costly activities in consecutive months. Any parent who has an idea for a great weekend campout or has access to a place to camp or hike, etc., is asked to email me or come to a meeting and discuss it.

We try to vary our high adventures so that in the typical Scout's 6-7 year involvement in Boy Scouts, they have the opportunity to enjoy several different activities. Once we have determined our High Adventure for the year, it may be necessary to have several of our monthly campouts build on that main activity to help the Scouts be prepared for the High Adventure. Sometimes our High Adventure requires an extra year to be ready. Usually we go the High Knoll in Virginia for a high adventure for a backpacking experience the year before we tackle Philmont. Backpacking experience is critical to a successful Philmont Trek.

There are so many things we want the Scouts to experience and only a few years to do it! That is why advancement and participation are so important. We also want their Scouting experience to give them life long memories.

I wish more of our Scouts were taking advantage of the July 24 to 30 Bike Trek. This has no rank requirement and really is a fun opportunity. The bike is a good way for younger Scouts to enjoy a High Adventure before they start backpacking because they do not have to carry the pack on their back. It is easier to carry the gear on the bike. Final commitments are due now and participants must start attending the Wednesday and Saturday warm up rides.

Boundary Water High Adventure Trip

Brad Mularcik

Please turn in your physical forms ASAP! We must have one for each adult and scout going on the trek. Deadline is 6/15/17.

Please make your final payment if you still have an outstanding balance.

A recommended gear list was sent to everyone. Each person going on the trek needs to have the gear on that list.

Pack check will be 6/20/17 at the troop meeting.

We will be leaving for the trek at 5pm on 6/23/17 from Copley Police Station (former Copley Community Center parking lot)

Manatoc Summer Camp Fee schedule

We go to Summer Camp July 16 to July 22 There are 24 scouts signed up from our troop which is great.

\$275 Basic Fee from May 16 to July 6 \$290 Late Fee from July 7 to July 16 There are additional fees for certain activities at Summer Camp such as Motor Boating, Rifle, Shotgun and Crafts. More on these later.

We need every parent to volunteer for at least one shift during summer camp if your son is attending. Parent supervision is needed all day and night. Please sign up at a troop meeting on the poster board!

Upcoming Campouts

Tim Knight

June 23 – July 1 Boundary Waters High Adventure

July 9-12 Cub Scout Day Camp – staff needed (Butler)

July 16 – 22 Summer Camp (Manatoc)

July 18 – 28 National Jamboree (WV)

July 24-30 Bike Trek PA and MD

August 11-13 Great Trail Council Shooting

Sports/Climbing Day (Manatoc)

Sep. 8-10 Hocking Hills

Sep. 12-17 OP Camporee (Butler)

Oct. 20-22 Warren Rupp Observatory Campout

Nov. 11-13 Camp Stambaugh (Canfield)

Dec 4-6 Klondike Warmup Tuscazoar (Dover)

Jan 19-21 Klondike (Butler)

25th Anniversary Party 8/5/17 4pm-9pm

Stacy Bechtel, Lorri Baughman, Paula Knott

Mr. Horvath restarted Troop 390 in 1992. We will be celebrating by inviting all past Eagle Scouts and all 390 past & current scouts and their families to Camp Manatoc Pool for a party. Swimming, yard games, BBQ, & a potluck dinner will be provided. We need current scout parents to sign up to bring a dish for the potluck. We will also have a snow cone machine and popcorn machine. If you know of someone who used to be in Troop 390, please invite them. Many former Scouts have never seen the new Camp Manatoc pool. It is great!

Important Dates to Remember

6/17/17 Frank's Eagle Project 9am – 3pm

7/4/17 July 4th Parade 4:30 pm

7/8/17 Jacob Strandberg's Eagle Project (tentative)

7/11, 7/18, 8/22 & 8/29 No scout meeting!

8/12/17 Robbie Bechtel Eagle Project (tentative)

Bike Trek July 24 - 30, 2017

Bike Trek participants will be doing practice rides on Wednesdays at 6:30 and Saturdays at 10 am. Locations will change. All adults and scouts must participate in at least 50% of these rides to make sure they are prepared for the trip. Contact Andre Portteus or Paul Orchosky for more information.

Merit Badges

We need a parent to help the scouts with the following merit badges:

Traffic Safety, Digital Technology

Please let Jim Horvath know if you can help. More information at www.meritbadge.org

Den Chiefs Needed

We need scouts to step up to be Den Chiefs for Pack 3300, 3390, & 3075. Being a Den Chief is very rewarding and also helps the Troop recruit new Scouts. Den Chief Training will be conducted by the Council in September.

Scouts Working on T-2-1 Brent Bartlett

Scouts working on Tenderfoot, Second Class, or First Class requirements should bring their scout handbook to EVERY scout meeting (and remember to take it home, too!) Mr. Bartlett must see the handbooks to record all completed requirements in Troop Master.

Newsletter Items

To add items to the monthly newsletter, contact Paula at bnpwood4@gmail.com

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