

Scoutmaster News

Jim Horvath

What a wonderful Spaghetti Dinner! It took every Scout and Parent and more to pull it off! It becomes fun when so many people are helping. Our Scouts can be very proud of the job they did. Thank you all and thank you too for selling tickets. 320 dinners were served.

New Youth Protection Training

Boy Scouts has long been an advocate of Youth Protection Training. With the coming of Family Scouting, Scouts are rolling out an updated YPT Training. It replaces all other YPT Trainings. Registered Leaders whose YPT has expired are in the process of taking the new training for our Troop recharter in March. The certification is good for two years. However, anyone with an unexpired YPT will have to take the new version by October 1 regardless.

All Parents are asked to take the online training also. It is required if you are volunteering at Summer Camp and at other times. It is really a good training. To take the Training you first setup a my.scouting.org account. Once logged in, click on the YPT symbol and it will take you to the training site. There are four modules to the training. The fourth module is a very easy test that helps you understand the major points of Youth Protection. After you have completed the Training, please go back to my.scouting.org and forward your certificate to me at jhorvath99@aol.com.

Troop Website

Elise Nester

Check out our new, up to date website at: http://www.bsatroop390.org

There are lots of forms and information on the website.

2018 High Adventure:

High Knoll Backpacking Trip

6/23/18 - 6/30/18 Cost: \$400.00

This summer's High Adventure is a backpacking trek at High Knoll, in Pulaski Virginia. It is our Troop requirement for those that wish to participate in our Philmont Trek in 2019.

Scout are required to participate in two of the three Backpacking weekends we have planned in preparation for the Trek.

The fourth payment of \$75 is now due.

Scout Swim Test Night

We have to test all scouts each year for swimming. We will be doing this 3/20/18 at Copley High School from 7-9 pm. Cost is \$2/person. We will have troop elections from 7-7:30 and then swim testing 7:30-8:00, open swim 8-9 pm.

Districts Merge

Old Portage District and Tri-Fire District have merged together. We will have our first joint event at the May Camporee 5/4-5/6.

Fish Fry

3/30/18 Camp Manatoc fish fry 5:00 – 7:00 \$10/adult, \$6.00/child

Upcoming Campouts

Ed Kuchar

Mar 23-25 Scout Skills at Firelands (Oberlin)

April 20-22 Campout Tuscazoar (backpacking)

May 4-6 Camporee (Parkman, OH)

June 1-3 Butler Campout

June 10-15 NYLT (Butler)

June 23-30 High Knoll High Adventure

July 9-11 Cub Scout Day Camp (Manatoc)

July 15-21 Summer Camp (Manatoc)

Aug 10-12 Bike & Canoe Trip (Massillon)

Sep TBD Aviation MB at MAPS (Canton)

Oct 19-21 Shooting sports (North Lawrence)

Nov 9-11 Scout skills Ft Steuben (Steubenville)

Nov 30-Dec 2 Klondike warm-up (Seven Ranges)

June 2019 Philmont High Adventure (New Mexico)
July 22-Aug 2, 2019 World Jamboree (West Virginia)

Missing Tents

Scouts take tents home to dry them after Campouts. Three tents have not come back in the last 6-8 months. Please check your basements, garages or anyplace they may have been put after drying. We need them!

Camp Cards Sale Starts March 8

Scouts can sell Camp Cards to help boost their scout account for campouts or summer camp. Sales begin 3/8 and end 6/7. Cards cost \$10.00 and are good at over 200,000 places nationwide on the Entertainment Book Online system. Scouts earn \$5/card for their account. Request Camp Cards at the Troop meetings.

Important Dates to Remember

3/20/18 Scout Swim Night at Copley High 7-9pm 4/8/18 Troop Committee Meeting 7pm

Merit Badge Information

Astronomy – Contact Mr. Kuppusamy to get finished up with the MB.

Electricity – contact Mr. Mularcik to get signed off.

Robotics, Programming, Electronics – began on 1/14/18. These three merit badges have much overlap and will require significant effort to complete.

Snow Sport MB – Contact Mr. Kuppusamy to get signed off.

Disability Awareness MB – 4/21/18 8am – noon at Goodwill store on Waterloo Road. Complete the whole MB in 4 hours!

Spaghetti Dinner

Lorri Baughman & Dawn Nabors

Thanks to everyone who helped with the spaghetti dinner. It was a huge success. From baking, to selling presale tickets, to the raffle baskets to the dinner, everyone did a great job coming together to raise some needed funds for our troop..

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