



TROOP 390

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Scoutmaster News

Jim Horvath

We have just rechartered Troop 390 for the next 11 months, February thru December. Our numbers are down due to Scouts aging out and some that lost interest. However, we just had Izaiah Harrison join the Troop and we expect to get six Webelos crossing over from three different Packs. That is always exciting. New opportunities!

The Troop 7390 for Girls that Faith Lutheran church is sponsoring is meeting with us now on Tuesdays and needs just one more to be able to officially charter. Last week they chose to be the Black Momba Patrol and developed their Patrol Yell and the design for their Patrol Flag which they will make on the 5th. The girls are working on rank advancement and attended the Klondike on Saturday, January 16th, with their Leaders Laura and Elise. Their Troop Committee will be several of the members of the Troop 390 Committee for the time being. The excitement these girls bring to Scouting is wonderful! They will be able to attend Camp Manatoc Summer Camp as a separate Troop. Manatoc has prepared for girls by adding many new facilities.

Speaking of Summer Camp, the fees are \$280 Earlybird until May 14, \$300 from earlybird until July 5 and \$315 from July 6 to July 14.

Please read the section on the second page of this Newsletter requesting new Committee members. Now is the perfect time to join us on the Committee because we are scheduling the Troop Committee Training to be conducted at the March Committee meeting. There you can learn what the committee does. More hands (and brains) help produce a better product!

Troop Elections are coming up in mid-March. This is a time to ask your Scout what Leadership position he is interested in. We will be!

Spaghetti Dinner

Tara Mostoller

Our second fundraiser for the troop is our annual spaghetti dinner which will be on 3/2/19. We need every scout and parent to help with this event. We have spaghetti to prepare, bake sale table and a basket raffle. **Please plan to donate some bakery and a few items for the basket raffle (by 2/19/19).**

Please sign up to volunteer for a parent shift at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0f4da5ab2fa1f58-spaghetti>

The next spaghetti dinner meeting is 2/12/19 at 7pm during the troop meeting. All parents are asked to attend.

Basket raffle theme ideas:

Pets, cars, wine, art supplies, college themed, Ohio themed, ice cream, gift cards or be creative and come up with your own idea! Each family is asked to donate a few items, even if not enough for a whole basket and we will add to them. If you don't have time to shop, cash donations are being accepted and we can shop for you!

You can contact Tara at taramostoller@yahoo.com for questions regarding the dinner.

The Scout Shop has Moved

The new scout shop is 5 times bigger than the old one. They have more office space and a few meeting rooms. Location is: 4500 Hudson Dr, Stow 44224

Troop Supper

Thanks to all those who participated in our troop suppers. Thanks to Mr. & Mrs. Porttus for cooking and organizing them. We will not be having a dinner in Feb or March. Next one probably late April.

Upcoming Campouts

Ed Kuchar

2/9/19 Scout Ski Day at a Peak N Peak Ski Resort

2/16/19 Ice skating day Center Ice in North Canton

3/22-24 TBD

5/3-5/5 Tuscazoar (Dover, OH)

5/17-5/19 Backpacking at Zaleski SF or Hickory Creek

June 15-28, 2019 Philmont High Adventure (New Mexico)

July 7-12, 2019 Red River Gorge Adventure (KY)

July 14-20, 2019 Manatoc Summer Camp (Peninsula)

July 22-Aug 2, 2019 World Jamboree (West Virginia)

Red River Gorge High Adventure

7/7 – 7/12 Cost: 250.00

We will have a 2nd high adventure in 2019 to the Red River Gorge. Scouts who have completed First Class are eligible. First payment of \$50 is due now.

Additional payments of \$50 will be due in February, March, April, & May.

Summer Camp 2019

Troop 390 and Troop 7390 will go to Summer Camp at Camp Manatoc in Peninsula, during Week #5, July 14-21. That is Sunday at about 1:00 pm to Saturday about 10:00 am. Each day Monday – Friday there are Advancement and Merit Badge Classes predominantly in the mornings. Afternoons most areas are open for the Scouts to do things they wish for their enjoyment or to practice for their classes.

We received the Class Schedule last week and the registration system is open to record the Scouts as they are registered and enter the classes they want to take. Even though the Earlybird fee goes through May 14, it may be better to register earlier to avoid being shut out of classes with limited space. Hopefully the class schedules will be distributed at the Troop meeting February 12 or 19.

First year campers usually take a T-2-1 class to get a jump on rank advancement plus 1 or 2 Merit Badges.

Troop 7390

Our sister troop is 7390. The Leaders are Laura Pszonowsky and Elise Nester. We have 4 girls who have signed up so far. Once we have 5 girls then they can officially register as a troop. Welcome girls!

Important Dates to Remember

2/5/19 PLC at 6pm

3/2/19 Troop Spaghetti Dinner

3/ 10/19 Troop Committee Meeting at 7pm

3/19/19 swim night at Copley High School

Philmont Scout Ranch High Adventure

6/15/19 - 6/28/19

The next Philmont contingent meetings will be 2/7/19 and 5/16/19. All scouts and parent(s) who are going to Philmont must attend these meetings. Please wear your scout uniform. **The next \$400.00 payment for the trip will be due 3/27/19.** Please call the scout shop to put the payment on your credit card. We registered with Philmont and got our 3rd choice, trek #25. **Please put on your calendar the mandatory backpacking campout 5/17 – 5/19** to prepare for our trek. There will also be warm-up hikes in April, May & June most likely Thursday evenings and either Saturday or Sunday afternoons.

Troop Committee Needs Members

The troop committee has gotten quite small in recent months. We really need more parents to participate. The purpose of the group is to meet once a month to help plan troop activities, fundraisers, and high adventure trips. We are in need of a secretary among other positions. Please consider joining us, usually on the first Sunday of the month from 7-8:30.

Troop Website

Elise Nester

Check out our new, up to date website at:

<http://www.bsatroop390.org>