



TROOP 390

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The Great Trail Council

The Signal Tree District

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Scoutmaster News

Jim Horvath

Camping is a big part of Scouts! Our March Campout will be an opportunity for older Scouts to spend some time outdoors teaching the new Scouts some outdoor skills. I hope the turnout for this campout will be substantial. It is important that Scout skills be taught correctly by Scouts. The new handbook has been out for some time, however, older Scouts may not have read it to understand the changes in rank requirements. Let's review the requirements before the campout.

Both of our Troop Committees took Unit Committee training Sunday, March 10. I appreciate their time and commitment to the Troops. Each year when we re-charter the Troops, the training requirements have been increasing. I am proud of our Troops. All Leaders and Committee Members are currently trained or in progress of becoming trained. This is critical because in the near future individual adults will not be re-chartered without certain trainings.

Additionally, we will soon be doing a Unit Assessment. Assessments that are going to be required twice a year. Our Commissioner will guide the Troop Key 3s through this process. Our Boy Troop Key 3 is comprised of Adam Ashenfelter, Charter Organization Representative, Debbie Forster, Committee Chair, and me, Scoutmaster. Our Girl Troop Key 3 is the same except Tim Gallagher is the Scoutmaster.

You may notice that in many places I say Troops! That is because we have two Troops now: a girl Troop and a boy Troop, both Chartered by Faith Lutheran Church. Please be patient with the leaders as we get used to having both troops.

Troop Supper 4/23/19 6:30pm

Come with your family to join us for dinner before the troop meeting. Meet the other parents in the troop. We will be welcoming our new scouts and their families!

Spaghetti Dinner

Tara Mostoller

Thanks to everyone for a fantastic spaghetti dinner! We had so many comments on what a great job the scouts and their families did serving our guests. Thank you for your bakery and raffle basket donations. We were able to raise over \$4,000.00.

Philmont Scout Ranch High Adventure 6/15/19 - 6/28/19

The final Philmont contingent meeting will be 5/16/19. All scouts and parent(s) who are going to Philmont must attend this meeting. 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.

Please put on your calendar the mandatory backpacking campout 5/17 – 5/19 to prepare for our trek.

There will also be mandatory warm-up hikes in April, May & June most likely Wednesday evenings and either Saturday or Sunday afternoons.

Cub Scout Day Camp 6/20/19-6/22/19

Volunteers (scouts and parents) are needed to help at Cub Scout camp in June. Scouts can spend the two nights at Camp Butler while helping out or they can just come volunteer during the day. Sign up at the troop meetings.

Upcoming Campouts

Ed Kuchar

3/22-24 Manatoc

5/3-5/5 Tuscazoar (Dover, OH) Animal Science MB

5/17-5/19 Backpacking at Zaleski SF or Hickory Creek
(for Philmont Scouts only)

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)

Aug 8 – Aug 11 Bike, Camp, Canoe (Massillon, OH)

Sep. 20-22 Stambaugh 100th Anniversary

Oct 18-22 North Lawrence Shooting./Fishing Campout

Important Dates to Remember

3/19/19 swim night at Copley High School

4/2/19 PLC at 6pm

4/7/19 Nick Kuchar Eagle Court of Honor 2:00pm

4/7/19 Troop Committee Meeting at 4pm

4/23/19 Troop Supper 6:30pm

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 & treasurer among other positions. Please consider joining us, usually on the first Sunday of the month from 7-8:30pm.

Duties:

Secretary: Take minutes at the committee meeting
Send out weekly "troop reminders" email
Make the court of honor program
Update our advancements 4 times per year

Total commitment is about 6 hours per month

Treasurer: Keep financial records for the troop

Report financials at committee meeting

Total commitment is about 1-2 hours per month.

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.

We are still accepting scouts to go on this trip.

Four payments of \$62.50 are due in March, April, May and June.

Summer Camp 2019 7/14-7/21

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.

Summer Camp fees are

\$280 Earlybird until 5/14/19

\$300 5/14/19 - 7/5/19

\$315 7/6 – 7/14

The earlier the scouts sign up the better chance they have of getting the classes that they want.

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

Nick Kuchar Eagle Court of Honor

4/7/19 at 2:00 pm at Faith Lutheran

Please join us in congratulating Nick Kuchar on his rank of Eagle Scout. A meal will follow the court of honor. Please RSVP to Jennifer Kuchar at jennifer@kuchar.org by 3/26/19 if you plan to attend.

Troop Website

Elise Nester

Check out our new, up to date website at:

<http://www.bsatrop390.org>