

Scoutmaster News

Jim Horvath

Every fall we try to refocus the Scouts on Rank Advancement and improving Outdoor Skills. There is always more to be achieved. With the upcoming Court of Honor October 8, Scouts will need to finish any rank requirements or merit badges that they may be working on. Each year Scouts are supposed to renew their Cyber Chip training in order to earn rank advancement. We will do that on October 1 at the Troop meeting.

We invite all parents to attend the Court of Honor regardless of whether your child is receiving a badge or advancement. We have three Courts of Honor each year and this is our opportunity to update you on things happening in the Troop and answer your questions. Your feedback is important to us.

One subject that we will address at the COH is Merit Badges. Simply put a Scout should earn First Class Rank before focusing on Merit Badges. Each Scout will have some opportunities at Summer Camp and in the Troop before that. But Merit Badges are the mainly for Star, Life and Eagle Ranks. Eagle Required Merit Badges usually work better for the Scouts who are older and more mature.

Tuesday, October 22 is our Troop Open House date. We invite Packs in our area to bring their Webelos who will be crossing over to a Troop in the Spring to visit and learn about our Troop. But is also a time to invite boys and girls who are not in the Cub Scout Program to come visit. They are certainly welcome to come to any meeting, but the open house meeting focusses on them. Please encourage your Scouts to invite other boys and girls to visit our Troops and consider joining.

Acme Cashback Prgm to benefit Scouts

The annual ACME cashback program began August 8 and will end December 28. 5% of all ACME goods go 100% to the scout that brings in the receipt.

Please turn in any receipts at the meetings with the scout's name written at the top.

We are also looking for a coordinator for this project. Please consider assisting in this short, simple project that benefits the Scouts so much. Contact <u>Jim Horvath</u> for more details.

Popcorn Sales Kickoff

Elise Nester is once again our trusted Popcorn Kernel. However, she needs a parent assist to make this work! Please consider helping out to make this a success. This is <u>not</u> a huge commitment! Email <u>Elise</u> directly to offer just a little time – it will go a long way!

NOTES FROM ELISE:

Popcorn season has gone off with a blast! The very first weekend, we had 3 Show & Sells plus a neighborhood Blitz. Thank you to all the parents who helped to make this work.

If you have not yet had a chance to review the 2019 Popcorn info sheet that was emailed to all families, please take a minute to do so. It has all the popcorn info you need. You may also access it on the Troop website at <u>https://www.bsatroop390.org/fundraisers/</u>.

Important Popcorn Dates:

Sept 24th - 1/2 way point - Scouts selling 15 items or more (and bringing their sheets to the meeting) will receive a large candy bar

Oct 8 - 3/4 point - fill an entire order sheet (30 lines) or \$550 in sales, receive a \$15 gift card (GameStop, Regal Cinema, iTunes, Google Play)

Oct 22 - Finish Line - Sell \$750 & receive \$25 gift card

11/8 weekend popcorn pickup (Details TBD)11/26 Popcorn money is due to the Troop

We still have open Show & Sell dates. Please contact Elise Nester (330-730-8007 or empester (@gmail.com) if your Scout would like to

<u>emnester1@gmail.com</u>) if your Scout would like to participate.

Den Chief Training October 19

At Camp Stambaugh. Contact <u>Jim Horvath</u> for more details

Upcoming Campouts

Ed Kuchar

Sep. 20-22 Camp Tuscazoar-American Heritage MB

Oct TBD-Possible Campout with Pack 3390 Webelos

Nov 19th or 26th- TBD, Scout Skills at Ft. Steuben

Dec 6-8 Klondike Warm-up (Firelands or Stigwandish)

Jan 31-Feb 2 Klondike at Manatoc

Feb 15 Ski/Tobogganing Day activity

Mar 20-22 Wright Patterson Air Force Base

April 24-26 Laurel Caverns

May 15-17 Scout Skills

June 2020 Bike Trip Great Allegheny Passage or C&O Canal Trail

July 19-25 7/19-25 Summer Camp @ Camp Manatoc

Important Dates

Sept 24, Troop elections

Oct 8, 7:30 pm Court of Honor

Oct 19, Den Chief Training, see below for more info

WE ARE STILL MISSING 3 CODE OF CONDUCT SHEETS. IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY, PLEASE RETURN YOUR SIGNED SHEET AT THE NEXT MEETING.

WELCOME!

Let's all provide a hearty Scout Welcome to RYAN INGERSOLL, joining our troop! Be sure to introduce yourself at the next meeting!

TROOP TENTS! Five Tents are missing! We need them for the September 20th

campout. Scouts take a tents home to clean and dry after a campout. They should be opened and dried the same day and brought back the next meeting. Tents can be dried many ways. Open and spread them over some lawn furniture or the railings of a deck or a clothes line outside or in the basement. The only thing worse than a moldy or mildew tent is one we don't have.

Troop Website

Elise Nester

Check out our website at: <u>http://www.bsatroop390.org</u>

Wrap Up:

Eagle Scout Project-Completed

Joe Bartlett had a good turnout for the replacement of the fence around the playground at Faith Lutheran.A big thanks to everyone that helped! The Pre-school Director is very pleased!

We will still need help moving the shed to its final place and make some repairs to it. We will schedule that soon. We will need Scouts, Moms and Dads to help. This is not part of Joseph's Eagle Project.

Rummage Sale Wrap Up

The Summit County Children's Board Auxiliary Rummage Sale tear down was a success. Thanks to the 11 scouts and 7 adults who helped load 1 trailer and 3 vehicles!

WE ARE LOOKING FOR PHOTOS FROM THE 4TH OF JULY PARADE, CUB CAMP, PHILMONT, RED RIVER GORGE, BIKE-CAMP-CANOE, AND SUMMER CAMP. IF YOU HAVE ANY, PLEASE EMAIL TO <u>DEB</u> <u>FORSTER</u>! Or TEXT to her at 330-285-7069

Troop Committee Needs Members

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 New Member Coordinator & Popcorn Kernel. Please consider joining us.

New Member Coordinator Duties: Serves as welcoming ambassador for the Troop and works with the Troop committee in developing and implementing the Unit Membership Plan. Time: 1-2 hrs/mo.

Popcorn Kernal Duties: Coordinates the popcorn fundraiser August through November. Attends August rollout meeting, hands out popcorn order forms to scouts, sets up popcorn show & sells at local stores, orders & distributes popcorn to scouts, & distributes prizes to scouts.

Court of Honor October 8, 2019

Scouts should arrive at 7pm.

Parents to arrive at 7:30 pm for the ceremony. Moms please wear your Scout's Advancement Ribbon(s). All Parents are encouraged to attend.

Families, please bring cookies to share.