

Issue 83

Scoutmasters News

Great Trail Council

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Soaring Eagle District

March 11, 2021

Upcoming Events

- 3/19-21 Campout at Manatoc
- 4/17 Visit to Medici Art Museum
- 4/30-5/2 Campout at Butler
- 5/15 Spaghetti Dinner
- 6/4-6 Campout at Stambaugh
- 7/18-24 Manatoc Summer Camp

Events in the planning:

Wright Patterson Air Force Museum- TBD Laurel Caverns - TBD Astronomy Campout – TBD Bike-Camp-Canoe – August 2021

Troop Elections March 16

Senior Patrol Leaders and Patrol Leaders will be elected on 3/16, including those for the new scout patrols.

National Youth Leadership Training

Known as NYLT, we are excited to announce that we have a number of scouts being provided the opportunity to attend this year. Included are Douglas, Tyler, Lucca, Alex, Gwen, Elizabeth and Olivia. It is scheduled for June 13-18

Hiking and Biking 2021

We are in the planning stages for more hikes and bike rides in 2021. Keep an eye out for updates and your hiking shoes ready!

Adult Leader Outdoor Training

There is an adult Leader Outdoor training scheduled 4/30-5/1 at Camp Manatoc. This is one of two required Leader Trainings for Scoutmasters and Asst. Scoutmasters. We hope some parents will consider joining us in leadership.

The days are getting longer and warmer! Daylight savings time starts this coming Sunday! That is good for Scouting among other things. We have Campouts scheduled monthly through Summer Camp in July. Our hopes are that Covid restrictions on our ability to camp at other than Scout Council Camps in Ohio will soon be relaxed. Our weekly emails try to keep everyone updated on activities as they near. However, we are always happy to provide more information anytime, just email Laura <u>laurakay54@gmail.com</u> or Jim jhorvath99@aol.com or both.

We hope all our Scouts will Camp with us March 19-21 at Camp Manatoc, We have Basswood and Birchbark cabins, each with an Adirondack and tent camping area. This will provide adequate facilities for social distancing. We need additional adults to camp with us.

Preparation for Summer Camp at Camp Manatoc will be an important focus starting now. Troops 390 and 7390 are reserved for July 18-24. Scouts will need a Scouts BSA Medical Parts ABC. Part C requires a physical by a medical professional. We will send the Permission slip and Medical form in email next week. The Earlybird fee is \$295 and must be paid to the Troop by May 11. The fee from May 11 to July 8 is \$315. After July 8 the fee is \$330. Summer Camp is a great opportunity for Scouts to have fun, work toward rank advancement and merit badges. We hope every Scout will join us at Summer Camp this year.



To our new scouts crossing over!

A big welcome to our 15 new scouts crossing over and 1 new Scout joining! We are very excited to have you join troops 7390 & 390!

2021 Sea Base High Adventure

Details regarding the Sea Base High Adventure for Summer 2021.

- Date is set for 8/6-11 for Key West Adventure.
- We have 8 scouts and 2 adults. There is room for one more Scout!
- Tim Gallagher and Ed Kuchar are the leaders.

In-Person Troop Meetings Continue

We were excited to announce in last month's newsletter that could return to in-person meetings at Faith Lutheran starting February 2. The Scouts have been excited to be present and working in Patrol Groups for Social Distancing. We look forward to continuing in-person meetings! **Masks are required.**

In addition to our new district name of "Soaring Eagle" – Boy's Life is now named Scout Life. Keep an eye out for your next issue!

A new Eagle required merit badge

As a reminder, a new Diversity/Equity/Inclusion Merit Badge is in the process of being developed. This Merit Badge will be required for all Eagle Rank advancements in 2021following the release of requirements. It is not known when it will be released.

Eagle Service Project Update

Mark Nester has submitted his plans for building a dugout at one of the ball fields at Fort Island School to the City of Fairlawn and Summit County. More to come!

Wrap Ups

Scout Sunday: A very nice letter written by Mr. Horvath was read at the service to respect social distancing this year in lieu of our attendance at the service.

Klondike: It was a cold day but we had a great turnout of 15 scouts. Everyone had fun!

Sled Riding: 12 scouts and siblings total had a great time on Hawkins Hill – great to try something different!

Medici Art Museum Visit

The BSA art exhibit at Medici Art Museum in Warren, OH, is a wonderful collection Scout related art by Norman Rockwell, Walt Disney and other artists. We want to see this exhibit in conjunction with Scouting Heritage merit badge and also because the collection may be sold due to the law suits against the BSA. More information coming.

Spaghetti Dinner

The annual **Spaghetti Dinner** is scheduled for 5/15/2021 for in-person and take-out dining.

Tara Mostoller and Paula Young are the Spaghetti Dinner Committee Co-Chairs this year.

We will have online ticket purchasing this year through out website with pre-payment available via Venmo, in addition to traditional ticket sales. We will share links and more details soon.

This is our biggest fundraiser of the year. All scouts should participate!

Our next meeting is scheduled for Thursday 3/11/2021 via Zoom. We can use the help of all parents in this planning process. Please contact Paula at mspyoung@zoho.com or 330.208.3926 to get involved!

Troop Committee Meeting

The next Committee Meeting will be held on March 28, 2021 and will be virtual, via a zoom link. You don't need to be on a committee to attend – ALL ARE WELCOME! We are looking for more parent involvement to ensure the success of the Troops.

