

**Scoutmasters News***Laura and Jim*

Laura, her husband Gabe, daughters Lilly and Gwen leave for El Paso Wednesday, July 21<sup>st</sup>. We hope everyone can stop by the Troop meeting after 7:30 this Tuesday to give her your best wishes. Laura is not yet done Scouting in Ohio. She and Elise Nester are Girl Scout Leaders also, and are taking eight of their Girl Scouts to Evansville, IN, Monday and Tuesday to pick-up the plastic wood bench materials made from bottle caps the girls collected to earn their Silver Award rank. The girls collected, cleaned and sorted over 350 lbs. of bottle caps.

Elise takes over as Scoutmaster of Troop 7390. She has been a very active Troop Committee Member since the Troop started 2 ½ years ago. In addition to being a Troop Committee Member and Popcorn Kernel for the Troops for 3+ years, and being a Girl Scout Leader, she is a Den Leader in Pack 3390. This probably only scratches the surface of her volunteerism! Plus she and her husband Mark have children Mark, Elizabeth and Joe in the Troop and son Charles in the Pack.

We are desperately in need of women that will camp to join us as Assistant Scoutmasters or Troop Committee Members. Elise can't do it all! We need a Leader or Committee Member at every Troop Meeting and one or more at every campout or activity that involves the girls.

Laura, Dale and I were at Muskingum Valley Council Summer Camp last week for a wonderful time with 27 Scouts and many inches of rain. For over half of the Scouts it was their 1<sup>st</sup> Summer Camp. Many probably had never experienced the regimen and weather of a Summer Camp. But all grew with the experience! And most loved it or will soon!

Unfortunately Keith Weber who went with us as a 4<sup>th</sup> Leader had to leave Monday and drive to Kentucky due to a family illness. We thank him and hope to have him join us in the future.

**Fall Popcorn Sale Time**

Elise Nester has been the Troop Popcorn Kernel for several years. With her stepping up to Scoutmaster, we need help with popcorn sales. Elise has reached out to people to help, but can use more.

Popcorn sales are a large part of the Troop's fundraising efforts. We share half of the profit with the Scouts that participate in the Popcorn Sale.

Elise will act as Kernel this year and show an Assistant Kernel the smooth processes she has created to make this a stress-free, but very important commitment to the troop.

Please contact Elise at [emnester1@gmail.com](mailto:emnester1@gmail.com) or 330.730.8007

**Thank You!**

We've received several donations recently and would like to offer our special thanks to Martha Mazak (Faith Lutheran), the Fairlawn VFW, and a special contribution from Brandon Lightle, Eagle Scout 2006.

**Upcoming Events**

8/6-8 – Bike Camp Canoe Campout

9/17-19 – Camp at Chicagami Metro Park with

Night visit to Geauga Astronomy Park

10/15-17 Camp Tusazor Campout

11/6 8am to Noon Adaptation, Inclusion & Diversity Training for leaders @ Manatoc

12/3-5 Dutch Oven Cooking Campout-Manatoc

1/7-9 Camp Stambaugh Campout

2/11-13 Soaring Eagle Klondike-Manatoc

## **Events in the planning:**

Wright Patterson Air Force Museum- TBD

Laurel Caverns - TBD

Backpacking – TBD

## **Hiking 2021**

We are in the planning stages for hikes to help scouts complete requirements for the Hiking merit badge. Dale Sroka is coordinating hikes that meet the various requirements. More details to come.

## **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!

## **2021 Sea Base High Adventure**

- Date is set for 8/6-11 for Key West Adventure.
- We have 9 scouts and 2 adults.
- Tim Gallagher and Ed Kuchar are the leaders.

## **Wrap Ups**

- NYLT: Gwen, Elizabeth and Olivia attended the week long Leadership Training Course in June.
- OA Ordeals: Olivia and Gwen have completed their Ordeals to become members of the Order of the Arrow and Elizabeth will do hers in August.
- Service Project at Faith Lutheran: Scouts spread 50 bags of mulch in 30 minutes at 2 meetings (100 bags total) and at 1 meeting they smoothed the mulch in 30 minutes. The scouts did a great job!

## **Troop Committee Meeting**

The next Committee Meeting will be held on August 8, 2021 and will be in person at Faith Lutheran Church.

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.**