



# TROOP 390

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## Scoutmaster News

*Jim Horvath*

Again this year the Troop will adopt a Head Start Family and provide the child or children with a Christmas. See the details in the Head Start article on page 2. Troop 390 has done this for many years and the family is always very appreciative.

Backpacking is one of the core activities of Scouting. Nothing teaches a boy more responsibility and resourcefulness than being on the trail for a week or more with what is in their pack and their body. To prepare for a Philmont Trek in the summer of 2019, we are making our 2018 High Adventure High Knoll. High Knoll is in the mountain of Virginia. It is run like Philmont only on a much smaller scale. But it is very much a high adventure. We have to register for this in December, so we need commitments for those that wish to participate before the end of the year. Scouts must be age 12 ½ and 1<sup>st</sup> Class by June 23, 2018. Please see article below. I encourage all Scouts to participate!

## 2018 High Adventure:

### High Knoll Backpacking Trip

6/23/18 - 6/30/18 Cost: \$400.00

Next summer will be a backpacking trip. This is a great, fun Trek. It is our Troop requirement for those that wish to participate in our Philmont Trek in 2019. So, if you want to go to Philmont, you should be going on this trip! High Knoll mornings will be spent hiking and afternoons will be spent in camp doing activities such as Rock Climbing and Rappelling, Horseback riding, Black Powder Rifle Shooting and more.

Reserve your spot by paying a deposit of \$75.00 by 12/19/17. Monthly payments of \$75.00 are expected.

## Popcorn News

*Elise Nester & Robin Kuppusamy*

A huge thank you to all of our Scouts who sold popcorn this year! The Troop sold just over \$14,000 this year.

1 Scout (Tyler Kuchar) sold \$5000!  
5 Scouts (Robby Bechtel, Timmy Gallagher, Jackson Gamsby, Nick & Tyler Kuchar) earned a \$25 I-tunes gift card for selling over \$750 worth of product.  
10 Scouts (Robby Bechtel, Timmy Gallagher, Jackson Gamsby, Douglas Knott, Nick Kuchar, Tyler Kuchar, Hunter Kuppusamy, Joe McCarron, Frank Mularcik, Zach Spatz, & Michael Yarchek) sold over \$450 and earned a free camp weekend.

Scouts should have received a Popcorn Sales Summary which show how much each Scout sold and how much money went into their Troop account. If the Scout did not sell popcorn, or not enough popcorn (\$450), their Sales Summary will show how much money is owed to the Troop in lieu of popcorn sales.

Popcorn pick up is November 11th from 1-3pm at the Nester's home (440 Crystal Lake Rd, Akron).

Again, a big thank you to all of our families who supported the Troop through popcorn sales.

Popcorn Kernel - Elise Nester 330-730-8007  
Asst. Kernel - Robin Kuppusamy 330-665-2309

## Troop Website

*Elise Nester*

Check out our new, up to date website at:  
<http://www.bsatroop390.org>

There are lots of forms and information on the website.

## **Upcoming Campouts** *Ed Kuchar*

Nov 10-12 Camp Stambaugh (Canfield)  
Dec 1-3 Klondike Warmup Tuscazoar (Dover)  
Jan 19-21 Klondike (Camp Butler)  
Feb 17 Tobogganing (Strongsville)  
Mar 23-25 Scout Skills at Stigwandish (Madison)  
May 4-6 West Branch (backpacking/Ravenna)  
June 1-3 Dover Dam Days (backpacking/Tuscazoar)  
June 10-15 NYLT (Butler)  
June 23-30 High Knoll High Adventure  
July 8-30 Cub Scout Day Camp (Manatoc)  
July 15-21 Summer Camp (Manatoc)  
Aug 10-12 Bike & Canoe Trip (Massillon)  
Sep TBD Aviation MB at MAPS (Canton)  
Oct 19-21 Shooting sports (North Lawrence)  
Nov 9-11 Scout skills Ft Steuben (Steubenville)  
Nov 30-Dec 2 Klondike warm-up (Seven Ranges)

June 2019 Philmont High Adventure (New Mexico)  
July 22-Aug 2, 2019 World Jamboree (West Virginia)

## **Acme Cashback Program** *Cathy Savage*

Scouts should put their name on each receipt and turn them in at the troop meetings. Receipts with the date of August 10, 2017 thru Dec 30, 2017 are accepted. Any questions, contact Cathy @ 330-631-1852.

## **Important Dates to Remember**

11/18/17 Robbie Bechtel Eagle COH 3pm  
12/10/17 Troop Committee meeting 7pm  
12/19/17 Head Start Gift wrapping during meeting  
2/4/18 Scout Sunday at Faith Lutheran 10:00 – 1:00  
3/3/18 Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser 4:30 pm

## **Merit Badge Information**

**Astronomy** – Mr Kuppusamy will lead this

**Electricity** – will be held Nov 14, Nov 28, Dec 5, & Dec 12th

**Robotics, Programming, Electronics** – will begin in Jan. after electricity class is over. These three merit badges have much overlap and will require significant effort to complete.

## **Order of the Arrow Winter Banquet**

The banquet will be held 12/16//17 at 5pm at St. Thomas Easter Orthodox Church. Register & pay by 12/8 to get 2018 OA dues included in the \$35.00 banquet fee.

## **Head Start Gift Giving**

At the November 28 Troop Meeting Scouts will select tags identifying toys or clothes for a specific Head Start Child. The Scout is then to buy that item and bring the Gift and the Tag to the Troop Meeting December 19, where the Scouts will wrap the gifts. The tag will also list a food product or other item that the family can use.

Some of the items like winter coats, etc., are more expensive. Scouts wishing to select these items are required to call home to get permission to take that tag. Families are not required to participate.

## **Scouts Working on T-2-1** *Brent Bartlett*

Scouts working on Tenderfoot, Second Class, or First Class requirements should bring their scout handbook to EVERY scout meeting (and remember to take it home, too!) Mr. Bartlett must see the handbooks to record all completed requirements in Troop Master.

## **Newsletter Items**

To add items to the monthly newsletter, contact Paula at [bnpwood4@gmail.com](mailto:bnpwood4@gmail.com)