

Troops 7390 & 390



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Soaring Eagle District

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Scoutmasters News

Elise and Dale

Congratulations to our two newest Eagle Scouts: Sofia Rauschert and Ryan Ingersoll!

At the November Campout we had 1 AOL and 2 other girls interested in joining 7390. At our bowling meeting, we had 1 AOL boy from 3300 join us. Everyone had a great time at both events!

The December Campout was cancelled due to lack of participation. The Troop also needs 2 adult volunteers for each Troop and a registered female leader if the girls wish to camp.

There will be no Troop meeting on December 23, 2025.

In lieu of the December 30th Troop Meeting, Scouts will meet at Kendall Cliffs from 6-8 PM on December 30th, located next to Appalachian Outfitters in Peninsula, for a rock-climbing activity. The Troop will cover the entire cost of this event for all participants due to the success of popcorn sales. Please let Mrs. Nester or Mr. Sroka know if you are interested. More information will be forthcoming.

Head Start Tags:

Christmas is a time to think of those less fortunate than us. The Troop has participated in sponsoring a family and Head Start Tags for 25 years. Scouts pulled tags on November 18th.

Please bring the unwrapped gift/food item to the December 16th Troop meeting. The Scouts will wrap the gifts for delivery to the family. If you have any small and/or clothing boxes available, please bring them to the meeting.

Troop Reimbursement Form:

The Troop has a new form to submit for reimbursement. It can be found on the Troop Website:

https://www.bsatroop390.org/download/6110/?t_mstv=1757641260.

January 2026 Campout:

On the January 9-11 Campout, the Troop will be skiing at Holiday Valley and camping at Camp Merz. Skiing will on Saturday from 3:30 PM – 10 PM. Currently only 5 Scouts have expressed interest. We need registered adult leaders to travel with the ski group and adults in camp for Scouts not skiing. If any girls would like to attend, we will need a female leader. The Troop needs a commitment by December 16. Stay tuned for more information.

Popcorn Fundraiser:

Mr. Chalupsky is working on final popcorn sale numbers. He shared that the Troop ranked: 7th in the District, 14th in Council, and 1,548 Nationally! Scouts who did not sell \$450 in products will be expected to pay \$150 (or a prorated amount based on sales) to the Troop. Scouts will be contacted soon.

Thank you from the Rumpf Family:

Our scout family,

I want to extend my utmost gratitude for the help and prayers you offered for my family. We were really blindsided by Olivia's dad, Schuyler, having a heart attack. I was beyond touched by the outpouring of generosity. The meals from Mrs. Nester & Mrs. Mostoller were delicious. The most help came from all of you, and I will be forever grateful.

Scouts had been a huge blessing for Olivia and her time spent with all of you has helped shape her into the wonderful adult that she is. I am honored to have been part of this family.

I can never repay your kindness to us. Please keep me updated to anyway I can help the scouts in the future. May this holiday season bring you and your families many blessings that go into the New Year.

Merry Christmas to you all,

Tanya Rumpf

Other Merit Badge Opportunities:

- Communications Merit Badge - The next meeting for those working on Communications merit badge with the Troop will be Sunday, February 22, 2026, from 4-5 PM.
- Welding Merit Badge meetings are scheduled for January 20, 2026, and January 27, 2026.
- Astronomy Merit Badge is being offered at McKinley Museum on February 20th from 6 PM – 9 PM. Currently no Scouts have expressed any interest in going. The cost is \$20, Please let Mrs. Nester or Mr. Sroka know if they are interested.

High Knoll Trek 2026 High Adventure:

This is a week of backpacking in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia with activities like black powder rifle shooting and horseback riding in backcountry camps. In the past, the crew departed on Saturday afternoon and camped overnight in West Virginia on the way to High Knoll. The estimate for the adventure is \$650. The dates are July 5-11, 2026. Beginning in January, a \$100 monthly installment is due. Currently 13 Scouts (12 boys and 1 girl) and 4 adults are attending. Please notify Mrs. Nester or Mr. Sroka if you are interested in going on this Trek.

Acme Receipts Cash Back Time:

Troops 7390 & 390 are collecting Acme Receipts again this year through February 15, 2025. There is a \$2,000 minimum before we can submit receipts. So far, very little has been collected. Scouts can ask friends, relatives, and neighbors for their receipts, too. Acme reimburses 5% of the cash back value, which will go directly into the Scout's account. Please give the paper copies of receipts or text a picture of your receipt to Sarah Eckert at (330) 671-1052.

Unit Renewal by December 31, 2025:

- Unit Renewal opened as of 11/1/2025. Parents should have already begun seeing the reminder email. Upon logging into the renewal site, it will lump together the \$85 National Fee and the \$85 Troop Adventure Fee, plus a service fee. Everyone must be renewed by December 31st, or kids will be dropped automatically from the registrar.
- Families that have 3 or more registration renewals must complete a paper application to receive a family discount.

- Parents may request reimbursement of fees from their Scout's Account if the money is available.
- The Adult Member Renewal Fee is \$65, plus a service fee.

Troop Reminders:

- ✓ The next PLC Committee Meeting will be held on January 6, 2026, at 6 PM.
- ✓ The next Troop Committee Meeting will be held on January 11, 2026. All are welcome.

2025 Upcoming Events:

Dec 16 Head Start Wrapping
Dec 23 No Troop Meeting
Dec 30 Kendall Cliffs in Peninsula

2026 Upcoming Events:

Jan 9-11 Camp Mertz, Holiday Valley Ski Trip
Feb 8 Scout Sunday/COH
Feb 13-15 Klondike, Manatoc
Mar 7 Spaghetti Dinner
Mar 13-15 Manatoc, Forester Lodge
Apr 17-19 Ft. Steuben, Tippecanoe
May 1-3 Buffalo, NY
Jun ? TBD
Jun 7-12 NYLT, Stambaugh
Jul 19-25 Summer Camp, Manatoc, Concord
Aug 7-9 Cedar Point
Sept 11-13 Tuscazoar