
TROOP 629 NEWS **June 2018**

This newsletter is intended for Troop 629 Scouts and their families.

Up and Coming:

- ❖ Eagle Scout Court of Honor - Connor Schoenl, 6/16, 6pm
- ❖ Woodruff Scout Camp Drop-off, 6/17 **use written directions
- ❖ No Troop Meeting, 6/18

All newsletters, pictures and up-to-date information are at www.troop629.org
IF YOU ARE NOT RECEIVING THE NEWLETTER OR OTHER TROOP COMMUNICATIONS,
PLEASE EMAIL: Kathryn Cline, Troop 629 Communications Chair at k.cline@earthlink.net

CHECK OUT THE TROOP WEBSITE TO SEE WHAT TROOP 629 HAS BEEN UP TO THIS SPRING AND SUMMER!

www.troop629.org



Scoutmaster Minute by Fran Gillis

Getting started with advancement first by completing the "New Scout" requirements is the backbone of a Scout's trail to Eagle. While we allow Scouts to move ahead at their own pace, it's important to get at least the jump off early on. All Scouts should have at least "Scout" rank by now.

Important info - Summer Camp!!!



- ❖ If anyone hasn't paid for summer camp in full (\$350), **PLEASE** bring a checkbook with you to summer camp when you drop off your son at Woodruff on Sunday so you can make payment to Troop 629 at that time.
- ❖ If you need to know how much you may still owe for summer camp, please email our Troop Treasurers and request your balance prior to camp: kitostenson@yahoo.com
- ❖ Do not use GPS for directions, but instead use the written directions provided [here](#). You may also access these directions by following the Summer Camp links from the Troop web site.

Be sure to arrive no later than 12:20!!

Scout Handshake

SCOUT – TENDERFOOT – SECOND CLASS – FIRST CLASS – STAR – LIFE – EAGLE



Scout – Alex Kohlman, Sam Randel

Tenderfoot – Michael Alston, Alex Kholman

First Class – none

Second Class – Aryan Malhotra, Sasanka Poliseti

Star – Garrett Hundt, Jaron Pearson

Life – none

Eagle – none

Congratulations on achieving your next rank!

****** ALL Troop 629 Scouts should have achieved Scout Rank by now.

A great way to achieve the next rank is to look at the requirements, make a plan, then do it!

****** Summer is a GREAT time to work on advancement! Don't forget to ask for a blue card BEFORE starting on any Merit Badge (cards will be provided for MB's started at camp). And when you come home from camp, go ahead and FINISH what you started!

The next Troop Court of Honor will be in August... which will be here before you know it!



News you can use...

****** Our summer meetings are held on Mount Pisgah's South Campus in the Family Life Center (upstairs gym) near the soccer field and playground. There is a traffic light to assist entry and exit from both Nesbit Ferry and Old Alabama Road

****** Welcome to all of our New Scouts and Crossovers! We are glad you have chosen to join Troop 629. Please let us know how we can help you navigate your way. If you're not new and you see a new Scout or their family, please introduce yourself and welcome them to Troop 629!



****** Summer Troop meetings provide the opportunity for Scouts to be very active and enjoy having fun together. Remember that the adventure doesn't stop for summer, but we do observe national holidays, so be sure to check the Troop calendar so you are in the know!



FOR ALL ADULT VOLUNTEERS:

The BSA has changed their Youth Protection Training (YPT) for all registered adults. If you are a registered adult volunteer with our Troop and took your YPT prior to February 1, 2018 – even if your current YPT has not yet expired – you are **REQUIRED** to take the new YPT **BEFORE** September 30th.

If you have any questions, please contact Mary Beth Bierbaum, Troop 629 Committee Chair, via email: marybeth@bierbaum.com.

Interested in helping?

Please see Troop Committee Chair Mary Beth Bierbaum at our weekly meeting or contact her via email at MaryBeth@bierbaum.com to see where you might be able to pitch in!

Volunteers <http://www.troop629.org/about/committee.htm>

We have several volunteers “aging out” with their Scouts or transitioning roles and need help with the following positions: Newsletter/Communications, Medical Records, Friends of Scouting, Scouting for Food, Health/Safety, Scout Sunday, District News. If you would like to get involved, we will find just the right place for you! Descriptions are online. Please contact Mary Beth Bierbaum at MaryBeth@bierbaum.com.

Did you know? <http://www.troop629.org/calendar/index.htm>

The calendar has been posted for the rest of the year. Take a look ahead to see which adventures you don't want to miss! There's something out there for everyone! Have an idea? Let your PLC know!

Advancement <http://www.troop629.org/advancement/index.htm>

By now, everyone should be working from the updated handbook. Please see Mrs. Narayana if you do not have one or if you have any questions about how this affects you and your rank.

RSVP for ACTIVITIES <http://www.troop629.org/events/index.htm>

We ask that you please submit your RSVP form for Troop activities 2 Mondays prior to the event. That gives us about 10 days to finalize the details with a solid number of participants. We would like to give everyone as much notice as possible when planning and arranging for adult volunteers, drivers, and paying deposits.

High Adventure <http://www.troop629.org/Adventure/index.htm>

Did you know that we start planning these over a year in advance? That's what it takes to secure a spot for our Troop to participate in Sea Base, Northern Tier, Philmont, Summit or the new Cavalcade. Adults are needed for High Adventure too, and special training is required and well worth the fun!

Life to Eagle <http://www.troop629.org/advancement/lifetoeagle.htm>

Check the Troop web site to see where you are in the process. Mrs. Narayana has updated everyone's records. Please be sure to follow the directions for the Eagle advancement process; it will help you be sure to get everything done on time.



Den Chiefs

Looking for a leadership position? A great way to serve and have some fun in the process is to be a Den Chief for a local Cub Scout Den. See Mr. Calvert, or email him at stouf29@yahoo.com



Merit Badge Counselors

Please remember to update your YPT training. We want to be sure we observe all Youth Protection rules at all times with all of our Adult Leaders and Scouts. See Mr. Gillis with any questions.

Looking ahead...

**FULL UPDATED Calendar on the troop web site www.troop629.org



JUNE 2018

Saturday-Friday, June 17 **Eagle Scout Court of Honor**-Connor Schoenl, 6pm
Sunday-Saturday, June 17-23 **SUMMER Camp** at Woodruff Scout Reservation
Monday, June 18 **NO TROOP MEETING** (Summer Camp)
Thursday, June 21 **District RoundTable**
Monday, June 25 **Troop Meeting South Campus**

JULY 2018

Sunday, July 1 **Mount Pisgah Color Guard**
Monday, July 2 **No Meeting** (July 4th holiday)
Sunday, July 8 **Troop Committee S-147 North Campus**
Monday, July 9 **Troop Meeting North Campus**
Tuesday, July 10 **6PM MB Help Night NORTH basement**
Thursday, July 12 **PLC North Campus S214 (7-8)**
Monday, July 16 **Board of Review, Troop Meeting North Campus**
Saturday, July 21 **Lake Lanier Outing**
Sunday, July 22-Saturday, July 28 **Northern Tier High Adventure Trip**
Monday, July 23 **Troop Meeting North Campus**
Thursday, July 26 **Car plant Outing and Tour (?)**
Monday, July 30 **Troop Meeting North Campus**

AUGUST 2018

Wednesday, August 1 **Pop Corn kick off**
Monday, August 6 **First Day of school, Troop Meeting North Campus**
Thursday, August 9 **PLC North Campus S214 (7-8)**
Sunday, August 12 **Troop Committee Meeting, S-147 North Campus**
Monday, August 13 **Troop Meeting North Campus**
Tuesday, August 14 **6PM MB Help Night NORTH basement**
Wednesday, August 15 **ASM Meeting**
Thursday, August 16 **District RT**
Saturday-Sunday, August 18-19 **White Water Rafting**
Monday, August 20, **Board of Review, Troop Meeting North Campus**
Monday, August 27 **Troop COH, Troop Meeting North Campus**

Don't forget that the FULL updated calendar through next summer is available on the Troop web site.