



# Troop 418

Helpful tips to help you get  
the most from your Scouting experience...

March 2015

# REMEMBER WHAT SCOUTING IS ABOUT.

- **The mission of the Boy Scouts of America** is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.
- **Troop 418** offers a balanced scouting program, that is **centered around having fun!**
  - Strongly oriented toward outdoor activities, rank advancement, and personal development, **while balancing all of these activities with school, sports, and family.**
  - Outdoor adventure and weekly meeting activities are **coordinated to achieve merit badges and rank advancement.**
  - In keeping with the spirit and values of the Boy Scouts of America, we embrace the philosophy of ***a boy-led program.***
  - **With the support and encouragement of parents,** the boys are given the tools to be self-sufficient, responsible, and empowered as leaders.
  - We strive to instill the principles and values expressed in **the Scout Oath, Scout Law, Scout Motto and the Outdoor Code.**

# BE A PART OF THE TROOP. **PART 1**

- Why do we have Patrols?
- What are the names of the Patrols of T418? Who are the Patrol Leaders? What is their role?

HYDRO TURTLES	THUNDER	DARK PHOENIX	FOUR EAGLES	ATOMIC WOLVES	THE BUFFALO
Jeremy Koebel, PL Seth Berridge, APL	Matthew Rex, PL Sean Louk, APL	Andrew Campbell, PL Karson Davidson, APL	Spencer Scythes, PL Josh Balogh, APL	Seth Walczak, PL Alex Balogh, APL	Trajan Allison, PL Eric Litterer, APL

- Do you know your Senior Patrol Leader? Assistant Senior Patrol Leaders? What are their roles?

SR. PATROL LEADER (SPL)	ASST. SR. PATROL LEADER (ASPL)
Ethan Hopping	Alex Thackery

- What are the other leadership positions? Who is currently in them? What are their roles?

QUARTERMASTER	HISTORIAN	LIBRARIAN	WEBMASTER	DEN CHIEF	TROOP GUIDES
Sean Louk		Jeremy Koebel	Kumar Ankit	Mark Brown	Mitchell Slaughter Dylan Louk Nathan Hampton

# BE A PART OF THE TROOP. PART 2

- What is the difference between an Adult/Parent Volunteer and an Adult Trained Leader?
- Who is the Scoutmaster? Assistant Scoutmaster? What are their roles? How do they get support?

Scoutmaster	Assistant Scoutmaster
Don Morris	John Louk

- What is the Troop Committee? Who is on it? What are their roles?

<b>CHAIR</b> Matt Morbitt	<b>SECRETARY</b> Jerry Freewalt	<b>OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES</b> Chris Thackery	<b>JOURNEY TO EXCELLENCE</b> Tim Schlotterer	<b>RANK ADVANCEMENT</b> Patrick Hopping	
<b>QUARTERMASTER</b> John Louk	<b>FUNDRAISING</b> Kara Allison	<b>WEBSITE</b> Poonami Kumar	<b>ADULT TRAINING</b> Matt Gatsch	<b>MERIT BADGE</b> Matt Morbitt	<b>TREASURER</b> Kevin Balogh

# BE IN THE KNOW.

- What information is available and where to get it?



**ScoutTrack**  
*Scouttrack.com*

- Troop Roster & Leaders – Scouts & Adults
- Scout Merit Badge / Advancement
- Contact Information (Address, Phone, Email)
- Calendar of Events

**Troop418.com**  
*Various Links*

- Simon Kenton Council
- ScoutTrack
- Buckeye District
- Troop Photos
- Nagatamen NYLT



**BSA Manual**

- Outline of Rank Advancement Requirements
- Individual Completion Record – Rank Advancement Requirements, Merit Badge Completion, Service Hours, etc.

**Troop Committee**

- Rank Advancement Status
- Merit Badge Counselors
- Dues and Fees

- What can you do to make sure you know what is going on?

## SCOUTS

- Attend Troop events.
- Take notes of events, activities, etc.
- Use your BSA Manual to keep records & set goals.
- Keep your parents “in the know”.

## PARENTS

- Attend Committee meetings.
- Ask son about Monday night meetings.
- Check in with Troop leaders.

# BE PREPARED.

- Rank Advancement
- Merit Badges
- Scout Master Conference
- Board of Review
- Court of Honor
- Activities / Events

- ✓ Dress Requirements.
- ✓ Review and prepare what is needed.
- ✓ Be on time.
- ✓ Know your responsibilities.
- ✓ Take notes.
- ✓ Leave no trace.

## Scout Law

A Scout is:

Trustworthy.....Loyal.....Helpful  
Friendly.....Courteous.....Kind  
Obedient.....Cheerful.....Thrifty  
Brave.....Clean.....Reverent

# BE AWARE.

## March

- 9 Court of Honor
- 13 Pack 814 Crossover
- 14 Philmont Hike
- 14 District Dinner
- 15 Camp Friedlander Pre-Camp Dinner
- 16 Troop Meeting – CPR
- 23 No Troop Meeting (Spring Break)
- 30 Troop Meeting – Life to Eagle w/Dale Karweik

## April

- 2 District Roundtable
- 6 Troop Meeting and Committee Meeting
- 12 Philmont Hike
- 13, 20, 27 Troop Meeting
- 10-12 District Training: NYLT
- 24-26 Camporee

## May

- 2 Philmont Spaghetti Dinner Fund Raiser
- 4 Troop Meeting and Committee Meeting
- 4 Patrol Leaders Council (PLC) Meeting
- 9 Buckeye District – Merit Badge Super Saturday
- 11 Troop Meeting
- 18 Court of Honor / Last Meeting
- 25 No Meeting – Memorial Day

## June

- 1 Committee Meeting (last meeting of school year)
- 7 – 20 Buckeye District NYLT
- 13 Summer Camp Preparation Meeting
- 6/28–7/4 Summer Campout – Camp Friedlander, Cincinnati, Ohio

## July

- 22 – 8/1 Philmont High Adventure

# BE INVOLVED.

- Be active!

## SCOUTS

- Patrol Activities and Leadership
- Troop Guide
- Troop Activities and Leadership
- National Youth Leadership Training
- Service
- Order of the Arrow

## PARENT VOLUNTEERS

- Troop Committee – Attend, Support or Chair
- Activities – Research, Plan &/or Chaperone
- Provide Transportation
- Merit Badge Counselors
- Board of Reviews

## TRAINED ADULT LEADERS

- “2 Deep” Requirements
- We need Adult Leaders!!
- Training Requirements – Youth Protection, Hazardous Weather, Water, Life Saving, etc.
- BSA Leadership Training – T418 Scholarships



**BE INVOLVED.**

**Date in April**

## **T418 3 -5 Year Planning Session**

- *Set Vision and Objectives*
- *Review Guiding Principles*
- *Outline Activities*
- *Address Volunteer & Adult Leader Needs*
- *Set Action Plans*



# QUESTIONS?

