



Parent Guide for Scouts BSA Troop 72

For almost 70 years, Troop 72 has helped to guide young men along the path towards leadership and personal success along the Boy Scout Trail.

Below is some information to assist you and your son as he joins Scouts BSA Troop 72:

- **Troop Focus:** Troop 72 is centered on a broad, boy-run troop program with adult supervision in the background. Adult leaders assist the boys as they create their annual activities calendar, earn rank advancements, merit badges, learn leadership skills, and have fun!
- **Weekly Troop Meetings:** Troop 72 meets every Monday evening from 7:00-8:30 PM at the Camp Spirit Scout House, 1817 Mulberry Road, Fogelsville, PA 18051.
- **Troop size:** Troop 72 has a roster of 36 Scouts, with over 20 active adult leaders.
- **Code of Conduct:** Troop 72 expects Scouts to use the Scout Oath and Law as their Code of Conduct. More details are in the Troop 72 Policies Guide that is handed out when the boys join.
- **Rank Advancement:** Troop 72 provides many opportunities for rank advancements, but at the speed and motivation of each individual Scout. Troop 72 has produced 143 Eagle Scouts.
- **Troop Adult/Parent Leadership:** Troop 72 is a boy-run troop with adult support in the background. Troop 72 takes great pride in the experience of our adult leadership. The quality of the program and the safety of our Scouts demands high-quality adult leaders.
- **Communications:** Troop 72 has an excellent website and a private Facebook Group Page. Weekly emails are sent out to all Scouts, parents, and leaders regarding upcoming troop meetings and events.

➤ **Activities Offered:**

- **Outdoor Program** – Consists of age/skill related outings or campouts each month, such as camping, backpacking, hiking, cycling, and high adventure outings. Troop 72 also attends a week-long resident summer camp each year. For 2024, summer camp will be at Camp Forestburg, NY from July 21-27, 2024.
- **Service Program** – A variety of service opportunities throughout the year include Game Lands Cleanup, Camp Spirit Workdays, Scouting for Food, Wreaths across America, and Christmas Caroling.
- **Fundraising Opportunities** – These typically include BSA popcorn sales and Giant/Weis gift cards. Scouts receive a percentage of the profits generated, recorded in their own personal Scout Account.

➤ **Fees:**

- Monthly dues are \$10.
- Camping events are priced separately.

➤ **Uniform:**

- **Class A** uniform shirt (Scouts BSA khaki shirt and olive pants) for Troop meetings, Board of Review, Scoutmaster Conference and other Scouting activities.
- **Class B** Troop 72 tee shirts are worn in the summer.

➤ **Book:**

The Scouts BSA Handbook for Boys is used and available for purchase at the Minsi Trails Council Scout Shop.



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