

## 2008-2009 TROOP

### CALENDAR



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

- September** 12-14: Little Pine Creek Campout
- October** 10-12: Seven Mountains Campout  
26: Nursing Home Visit  
30: Soup & Salad Dinner – T32 Bday
- November** 1: Scouting for Food Bag Drop-off  
1-2: Poe Paddy Campout  
8: Scouting for Food Bag Pick-up  
25: Pre-Advent Soup Supper - SCPC
- December** 5-7: Pittsburgh Trip (Honor Scouts)  
11: Youth Protection Video  
18: Court of Honor
- January** 9-11: Camp Karoondinha Campout  
24: Council Klondike Derby
- February** 6: Pizza & Movie Night  
20-22: Seven Mountains Campout  
26: Spaghetti Dinner
- March** 26: Court of Honor  
27-29: Camp Anderson Campout
- April** 5: JLT  
25: Council First Aid Meet
- May** 1-3: West Point Camporee  
15-17: JVC Council Camporee
- June** 6-7: Bastian Family Campout  
11: Court of Honor
- July** 26-Aug 1: Camp Freedom, Pitts.
- August** 13: Court of Honor

### TROOP MEETINGS

Thursdays, 7:30-8:30 PM  
State College Presbyterian Church  
132 W. Beaver Ave  
State College, PA

## HOW DO PARENTS HELP?

**Troop Committee**—The Troop Committee is the “board of directors” for the Troop. Committee responsibilities include the following:

- Selecting quality leaders for the troop.
- Arranging transportation for outings.
- Planning and assisting in fundraisers.
- Serving on boards of review and at courts of honor.
- Maintaining financial and advancement records.
- Arranging social functions.

**Assistant Scoutmasters**—the Assistant Scoutmasters assist the Scoutmaster with various troop responsibilities. Each patrol has an Assistant Scoutmaster assigned to help the Patrol Leader. Other assistants may be assigned specific responsibilities based on the needs of the troop.

**Merit Badge Counselors**—Scouts earn merit badges under the guidance of Merit Badge Counselors. Merit badge counseling is an excellent opportunity for a parent to share his or her knowledge and skills with their son and his fellow scouts.

## FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:

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90 Years of Scouting



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# BOY SCOUT TROOP 32

## STATE COLLEGE, PA

Continuously chartered since March 1914, **Troop 32** is the oldest Boy Scout troop in State College. Our 90 years of active scouting has helped us become the proud home of 142 Eagle Scouts.

Here's a little about Troop 32:

- **39 Registered Scouts** as of September 2008
- **41 Registered Leaders** including the **Scoutmaster** and **18 Assistant Scoutmasters**
- The Troop has an active **Troop committee with 22 members** to oversee and support our scouting program.
- Our Scouts contributed **379 hours to community service projects** in the past year.
- In 2007-08, our Scouts earned **51 rank advancements and 102 merit badges**.
- **Parental involvement** as merit badge counselors
- **High Adventure Activities** for older Scouts

## TROOP STRUCTURE

### Leadership

Troop 32 is a **Boy Led Troop**. This means that our young men themselves develop our troop's program and take responsibility for figuring out how they will achieve their goals. The **Senior Patrol Leader (SPL)** is elected by the other scouts to lead the troop.

Helping the SPL is the Assistant Senior Patrol Leader. Each patrol is led by a Patrol Leader who is elected by its members. There are other positions in the Troop where boys can gain valuable leadership experience such as Quartermaster, Scribe, and Den Chief.

The **Scoutmaster** and his assistants provide the necessary direction, coaching, and support to enable the boys in the troop to get the full measure of the Scouting program.

### Patrols

Troop 32 has the following three types of patrols:

**New Scout Patrol**—This is a special patrol for 11-year-old Scouts who have recently joined the troop and are together for the first year in the troop. An older, experienced Scout is assigned as a troop guide to help the new-Scout patrol through the challenges of troop membership.

**Regular Patrols**— These patrols are made up of Scouts who are well along in completing their First Class requirements. They have been around Scouting long enough to be comfortable with the patrol and troop operation and are well-versed in camping, cooking, and Scouting's other basic skills.

**Venture Patrol**— This patrol is made up of Scouts age 13 and older who have earned First Class. These Scouts have the maturity and experience to take part in more challenging high-adventure outings.

## TROOP ACTIVITIES

**Summer Camp**—Summer camp is the highlight of the Scouting year. Scouts often spend more time acquiring knowledge and skills during one week of Summer Camp than they do in the rest of the year. Activities at Summer Camp include: swimming, boating and canoeing, archery, rifle, nature, crafts, woodcraft, sports, and first aid.

**Troop Outings**—The Troop has an overnight outing almost every month. These are usually weekend camping trips, but also include our annual *Movie Night*, trips to museums and other historical/educational sites, Camporees, and the Council Klondike Derby.

**Service Projects**—Community service is a key component of the Scouting program. Every Scout and Leader is expected to participate in service projects. Past service projects have included clean-up days at our sponsor, *Scouting for Food*, and helping with Eagle projects.

**Honors Trip**—Once a year the Troop organizes this special trip to reward Scouts who have attained First Class rank and contributed at least 10 hours of community service in the previous year.

**High Adventure Activities**—Participating in a trek at the Philmont Scout Reservation or one of the other high adventure camps is the capstone of a Scout's time as a Boy Scout. These rigorous expeditions test a Scout's knowledge, skills, and physical ability to the utmost. High adventure activities are open to Scouts aged 14 and older who have earned the Star rank.

## WHAT WILL IT COST?

**Annual Dues**—Annual Troop dues are \$42. The dues include: national registration, insurance, and a subscription to *Boy's Life*.

**Additional Costs**—Scouts are expected to provide their personal uniform and gear and the actual cost of summer camp and other outings they attend.

**Fundraising**—Scouts in Troop 32 have many opportunities to earn money to help cover the costs of summer camp, outings, and equipment. Past Troop fundraisers include:

- *Trail's End Popcorn* sales
- Christmas wreath sales, and
- a refreshments stand at Arts Festival

All profit earned from a Scout's sales is deposited directly into his account and can be used for any Scout-related expenses.