

Troop 870 New Scout Info

Annual Troop dues:

- \$60 per year per Scout / \$70 with Boys Life
 - \$24 National BSA Registration fee
 - \$36 Troop fee for awards, patches and other troop costs

Meet most Mondays from 7 – 8:15 PM at University Baptist Church:

- 1st Monday - First Class Emphasis (FCE)
- 2nd Monday - ScoutMaster Conferences (SMC)
- 3rd Monday - Boards of Review (BOR)
- 4th Monday - Patrol Leaders Council (PLC) and Merit Badge clean up

We camp most every month on typically the 3rd weekend. Typical camping cost is \$25 per scout (\$10 camping fee, \$15 food). Some activities will have extra costs.

All our Scout Masters are BSA Trained, and have over MANY years of Scouting experience both as Scouts and as Scout Leaders.

Boy led Troop (All troops are supposed to be)

“Natural” or traditional Patrols – Mix of experienced and new Scouts

Troop website (troop870wubc.com) and list server for reference and communication.

Used Scout uniform items offered at nominal fee when available

Scout items to buy:

- Scout shirt, pants, socks and belt; hat optional but we require a Scout hat be worn if your Scout wears a hat at meetings or campouts; he may want to talk to some Scouts about their hats (Troop has some used Scout uniform items available for a nominal fee)
- Sam Houston Area Council patch, World Crest patch, and patrol patch
- Scout Handbook

Troop 870 will provide:

- Green shoulder epaulets
- Neckerchief and slide
- "870" patch

Camping items (these do not have to be BSA except as noted):

- backpack - can use a school backpack for now, but will eventually need bigger,
- camping/hiking backpack depending upon age and rank
- canteen or Nalgeen bottle
- mess kit and silverware kit
- sleeping bag - can provide you with recommendations if needed
- tent - Troop does not supply tents; there is an excellent article called 'Weather Happens' on our website under the 'Guidelines' section regarding tents and other camping items
- pocket knife - cannot carry one until we train him and he earns the 'Totin Chip'; this must be a BSA Scout knife
- plastic footlocker for summer/fall long-term camps