

## Troop 889: Who What When Where or Why

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### Who We Are

Troop 889 is a home for active scouts who desire to help implement a “boy run” program. Only scouts that agree with our Troop Philosophy should pursue joining. We believe every boy and his family that wants to be in the scouting program should have the opportunity.

### What We Do

Our Troop will be an active supporter of Christ Church United Methodist. We will support activities supported by the Church. We will be present in uniform on Scout Sunday. We will perform Good Turns as needed by our charter organization.

Our Troop will support the development of the individual boys through our Boy Scout program.

Our Adult and Boy Scout Leaders will support the Troop by quality leadership and planning, keeping finances in order. Adult and Boy Scout Leaders will continue to obtain further training for the advancement of our Scouting program.

Our Troop will support the George Strake District and be present at District activities, such as Webelos Woods in the fall and the Spring Camporee.

Our Troop will support the Sam Houston Area Council in its activities and will be present at the Scout Fair, Division Jamboree and will use and camp at their extended camping facilities when possible. Individuals from our Troop also voluntarily support the Council's Campership program by purchasing shoulder patches each year. Funds from the sale of these patches go directly toward camping fees for Scouts that would otherwise be unable to attend a council summer camp.

## When Do We Do It

The Troop has several meetings (check the [Troop Calendar](#) for the latest) that take place at various times throughout the month and year. They include:

- Troop Meetings
- Troop meetings are on Monday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 PM at the charter organization building.
  
- Patrol Leaders' Council (PLC) Meetings
- Generally, on the Monday night after each campout there will be a meeting of youth leaders in lieu of a full Troop meeting. From 7:00 to 8:00 PM
  
- Patrol Meetings
- Each Patrol will be given the opportunity to meet for a short time at most Troop Meetings. This time will vary slightly at each meeting and will be determined by the Senior Patrol Leader's agenda. In addition, the Patrol should hold at least one and preferably two meetings/activities outside of the troop meeting each month.
  
- Committee Meetings
- Committee meetings are usually held on the first Wednesday of each month from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM at CCUM.
  
- Scoutmaster Corps Meetings
- Scoutmaster Corps meetings will be held monthly. After the PLC on Tuesday evening 7:30 to 9:00 pm

## Where Do We Do It

Meetings take place at the Christ Church United Methodist unless otherwise noted.

Campouts go to a variety of locations. In the past, these have included:

Bastrop State Park  
Huntsville State Park  
Camp Dimora  
Lost Maples State Park  
Palmetto State Park  
Aransas Wildlife Refuge  
Chain O Lakes  
Lake Stubblefield Recreation Area  
Goodrich Jones State Forest  
Jesse Jones Park  
Mercer Arboretum  
Lake Somerville State Park

Hiking trails we have traveled include:

Sam Houston Trail  
San Jacinto Battlefield Hike  
Lone Star Hiking Trail  
Lake Somerville Hike

## Why We Do It

The purpose of the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) is to provide for boys an effective program designed to build desirable qualities of character, to train in the responsibilities of participating citizenship and leadership, and to develop in them personal fitness, thus to help in the development of American citizens who:

- Are physically, mentally, and emotionally fit.
- Have a high degree of self-reliance as evidenced in such qualities as initiative, courage, and resourcefulness.
- Have personal and stable values firmly based on religious concepts.
- Have a desire and the skills to help others.
- Understand the principles of the American social, economic, and governmental systems.
- Are knowledgeable about and take pride in the American heritage and understand

America's role in the world.

- Have a keen respect for the basic rights of all people.
- Are prepared to fulfill the varied responsibilities of participating in the giving of leadership to American society and the forums of the world.