



welcome

Troop One was established in 1916. The Troop was the first Boy Scout troop west of the Mississippi. Only a handful of troops have been operating as long as Troop One.

The troop membership consists of 50-70 scouts and over 100 parents and alumni.

Troop One works hard to provide the best scouting experience available. Our activities include:

- Weekly troop meetings where boys learn scouting skills
- Monthly weekend outings
- A week-long summer camp at Troop One's Camp Cody, high in the Sierra Nevada

In these activities, scouts learn the skills needed to advance along the trail to the Eagle Scout rank.

Troop One is a boy-run troop. The older scouts lead meetings and outings and help the new boys learn scouting skills.

Adult Leadership and oversight are provided by scoutmasters and parents. One of the strengths of Troop One is that we draw on a wide circle of committed and trained adult volunteers to plan our camps and programs and to teach scouting skills.



TROOP one

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HOW TO join

Boys wishing to join must attend three Troop meetings. A parent must attend at least one Troop Committee meeting. Be sure to talk to the Recruitment Chair, so your attendance will be recorded.

Fill in a BSA Scout Application and a BSA Adult Application. One adult must complete the online *Youth Protection Training* (good for two years), *This Is Scouting*, and *Fast Start: Boy Scouting* located online at myscouting.org and provide a copy of the certificate for each of them with the Application. Get your uniform, bring in your fee, and we'll schedule your investiture in Troop One and welcome your parent to the Troop Committee.

eligibility

Boys must be 11 years of age, or 10½ and have completed the fifth grade. This age requirement is waived for boys who have completed the Arrow of Light in Cub Scouts.

Scouts must be under 18 years of age.

After joining, scouts are expected to attend at least one Troop meeting a month and go on one in every three of the monthly outings.

fees

Every year, the scout and adult must re-register (Recharter) with fees due in early October. Currently, the annual fee for one scout and one adult committee member is \$110.

Expenses for the monthly weekend outings are usually \$10–20 for gas and admissions, plus about \$10–15 for food.



TROOP committee

The Troop Committee consists of parents and other adult volunteers. Committee members plan fundraisers, arrange transportation, manage the Troop's budget and paperwork, and teach merit badge classes.

Support of the Troop's activities by parents is essential. At least one parent of each scout must register as a Scout parent and attend committee meetings regularly. All parents are encouraged to help run the Troop.

uniform

Troop One scouts wear the following items:

- Short-sleeved BSA shirt
- Green shoulder loops and purple World Crest
- Official BSA shorts / pants
- BSA socks

Troop One provides every new scout with a Troop neckerchief, a Troop patch, and a patrol patch. Troop One does not wear the council patch, a troop number patch, or the BSA hat.

At the Camp Cody summer camp, scouts will make a belt for their uniform. Most scouts like to make their own neckerchief slide.

Each scout must have a copy of BSA's Boy Scout Handbook, to record advancements and learn about scouting.

Uniforms are sold at River City Scout Shop (916) 649-1800 and online. Used shorts and shirts are available from Troop One's uniform bank.

meetings

Troop One meets at the First United Methodist Church at 21st and J Street. Meetings are on Mondays, 7:00–8:30pm.

Troop Committee meetings are usually at 7:00 at the Church on the first Monday of each month.

Each month we have a weekend outing, where we enjoy camping and other outdoor activities. Recent outings included a campout at a civil war reenactment, and a snow camp, where scouts built and slept in snow caves.

Every 3–6 months, we hold a Court of Honor instead of one of the Troop meetings. At the Court of Honor, scouts are presented with rank and merit badges, and other awards they have earned.

Troop meetings are held from the first Monday in August until the third Monday in June. Camp Cody is the last full week of July.

questions

Attend a Troop meeting and speak to a Troop Committee member. Visit our web site at www.troop-1.com, or contact

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