



Boy Scout Troop 392 serves boys ages 11 through 17 (or prior Cub Scouts age 10 who have earned the Arrow of Light). We offer the opportunity for boys to grow and become responsible members of the community. We offer fun and adventure by keeping the "outing" in Scouting. We camp all year (yes including the winter months) and we attend Summer Camp every summer.

We are traditional Boy Scout Troop, meaning it is truly a boy led program. The leaders and adults serve to guide the youth. The older Scouts serve as the example for the younger boys. The youth leadership does much of the planning and organizing. We feel this allows the boys many decision-making opportunities that so many youth today are not accustomed to or faced with. We have many younger boys so this is a work in progress

When We Meet

Troop 392 meets every Tuesday night at the First Presbyterian Church on Hwy 50 in Garner. Meetings are from 7pm to 8:30pm and are held upstairs on the same floor as the sanctuary. The 4th Tuesday of the month is reserved for a patrol leader conference. Meetings are held all year long. Sometimes meetings are held at alternate locations but this is always announced at the prior meeting and we usually send an email reminder before the meeting. We also camp or have some type of outing traditionally once per month. The troop calendar is available on the website (octroop392.org).

The Patrol Method

The patrol method is one of the basic "Methods of Scouting". The boys are grouped together into patrols comprised of roughly 6 to 8 boys that work together as a team. The boys select a name for their patrol and elect a

patrol leader. The patrol leader appoints an assistant as well as other positions within the patrol such as "patrol scribe" and "patrol quartermaster".

Patrol leaders report to the Troop's Senior Patrol Leader who is elected by all the members of the Troop in a general election. There are a number of Troop leadership positions the boys may hold.

This year we are having a “new scout patrol” of the boys just starting boy scouts. The troop has appointed a Troop Guide that will act as a leader and mentor to help the new scouts through the early challenges of troop membership. He provides direction, coaching, and support. They will still do all the things a regular patrol does including electing a patrol leader.

Troop leaders:

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SUGGESTED CHECKLIST FOR OVERNIGHT CAMPING

(this is a list to help you consider all equipment ideas; take only what you need. It is also not an exhaustive list—other things may be needed as well)

Bedding, Shelter and Setup

- Sleeping bag, pillow
- Tent, poles, stakes, ropes, stake mallet
- Ground cover, foot print for tent or tarp
- Rain fly
- Sleeping pad

Clothing (weather appropriate)

Cap or hat

Swimsuit if needed

At least one full change of clothing (socks and underwear too)

Extra socks

Extra pair of shoes or boots

Rain gear (poncho or raincoat/suit)

Utility Items

Boy scout handbook, pen, paper

Flashlight, batteries

Lantern

Insect repellent and sun block

Folding chair

Ropes

Pocket knife (if they have the totin' chip)

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Watch

Soap, shampoo, toothpaste and toothbrush

Towel and washcloth

Toilet paper

Personal first aid kit

Cup, knife, fork, spoon, plate, bowl (often together in a mess kit)

Water bottle or canteen

Footlocker to keep it all in (many of the boys have plastic ones they bring to all the campouts)

Personal Interest

Nature guidebooks, binoculars, camera, film, fishing equipment, balls, cards, games, Bible, things that will add to your experience (No electronics or video games)