# Troop 291 Facts



Troop 291 has produced 114 Eagle Scouts to date with several more in progress



### **Our Mission Statement**

Boy Scout Troop 291 prepares boys to become ethical young men by teaching and applying the Boy Scout Oath which is "A scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent."

We exist to serve boys by instilling values, preparing them to make ethical choices over their lifetime and enabling them to achieve their full potential. Scouting is a game with a purpose. The goal is to have fun while learning new skills. We accomplish this by working toward three aims - *Participating Citizenship; Moral Strength and Character; and Development of Physical, Mental and Emotional Fitness*.

- Chartered November 1965 by First United Methodist of Plano (Corner of Spring Creek Parkway & Parker in East Plano)
- ➤ Boy led troop with 53 registered scouts, 16+ Assistant Scout Masters and 16+ Committee Members.
- Patrol/Troop meetings Monday evenings, 7:00P 8:30P at First United Methodist Church in the Youth Loft
- ➤ **Monthly** camping program (most within 4 hours of Plano)
- Merit Badge Classes
- Summer Camp (both in and out of Texas)
- High Adventure Camps (Philmont Scout Ranch, Sea Base, Northern Tier Canoe Base)
- Adult Participation Fathers and Mothers welcome as Assistant Scout Masters, Committee Members, Merit Badge Counselors and Drivers
- Troop Fees Annual dues of \$65 (covers most monthly campouts and activities) + BSA re-charter fee
- Fundraising Garage Sale, Plano Balloon Festival Parking, Popcorn Sales, Mulch Sales, Camp Cards
- Scout Master Jay Brooks, (214) 444-4520, scoutmaster@troop291plano.org
- Committee Chair Guy Saenger, (214) 336-0000, committe.chair@troop291plano.org
- Troop Website <a href="http://www.troop291plano.org">http://www.troop291plano.org</a>



Troop at summer camp in Tennessee

# Come Camping with Us!



# November - Shooting Sports at Slippery Falls Scout Ranch

This is the troops favorite camp site. Activities include fishing, boulder climbing, rifle and shotgun shooting and a Thanksgiving feast to remember.

# January- Astronomy at 3RF Observatory

Join us to view the planets, moons and stars in the best viewing location in Texas. Led by our own astrophysicist, Dr. Anderson. Includes lots of hands on activities and work on the Astronomy Merit Badge.





### February- Spelunking (Caving)

Come join us at another favorite troop campout. Find out the difference between a stalactite and a stalagmite. See some cool stuff, take awesome pictures, and explore what Mother Earth has hidden away.

### Other Activities

Water Sports Zip Lining Rock Climbing
Rockets Camporee Orienteering
Canoe Races Komen Race Toys for Tots
Aviation MB Hiking So much more ...





