

Boy Scout Troop 270 – Frankfort, IL

Nov-2013

Guiding Principles / Keys to Success

Scouts

- Have fun!
- Monthly campouts
- Summer camp
- Personal growth

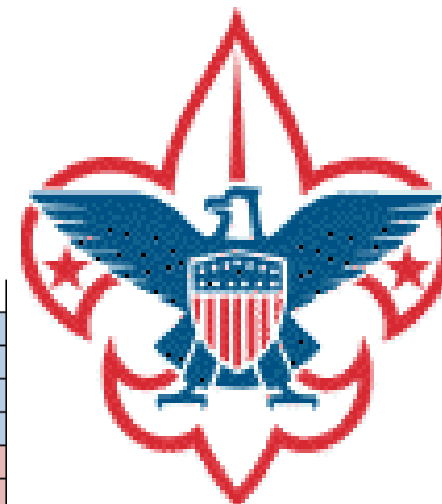
Parents

- Develop young men into leaders thru Scouting
- 100% Trained leadership
- Volunteer opportunities (if interested)

About Us

- Troop size: 43 scouts (Nov-2013)
- Eagle scouts: 92 and growing (as of Nov-2013)
- Founded in 1961, Sponsor: Frankfort Fire Protection District
- **Troop Meetings: Thursdays, 7 – 8:30pm**
Frankfort Fire Station #3 / Training Academy
24420 S. Lagrange Rd, Frankfort
- Contact: frankforttroop270@gmail.com
- Website: <http://www.frankforttroop270.org>

Grade	Count	Mix
12	5	12%
11	2	5%
10	2	5%
9	2	5%
8	14	33%
7	3	7%
6	15	35%
5	-	0%
TOTAL	43	100%



Troop Adult Leadership

Scoutmaster: Nick Pearson
Assistant SM: Al Fisher
Jim Hurley
David Hurst
Bill Jennrich
John Lumb
Chuck Rudy

Committee: Ken Chemers (chair)
Connie Piper (charter rep)
Karin Lezon (activities)
Sue Lynch (advancement)
John Dugan (treasurer)
Sue Jennrich (court of honor)
Kim Shehorn (merit badges)

Mark Kovar (equipment)
Jim O'Brien (service projects)
Paul Herbst (website)
Steve Malcolm (fundraiser)
Sheila Hurley (secretary)

Brief Overview of Troop 270

Typical Meeting Structure

6:50pm	Scouts Arrive
7:00pm	Opening - Flags, Announcements
7:15pm	Activities/Merit Badges
8:00pm	Game
8:25pm	Closing
8:30pm	Dismissal



Integration Plan for New Scouts (Year 1)

- Attendance*
 - Weekly troop meetings
 - Monthly campouts
- Join a Patrol*
 - Duties as assigned
 - Buddy system
- Rank advancements*
 - Scout: ~1 month
 - Tenderfoot: 3~6 months
 - Second Class: 6~9 months
 - First Class: 12~18 months
- Merit Badges*
 - According to rank requirements and interests

Comparison: Boy Scouts to Cub Scouts

- Boy Scouts (ages 11-17) ... Cub Scouts (ages 6-11)
- Boy-led with guidance ... leader/parent led
- Weekly troop meeting + Monthly campout + Summer Camp
- Patrols with mixed ages ... Dens with same grade
- Scouts assume leadership roles
- Adult leaders are coaches/mentors
- Broad and varied experiences
- Rank advancement is activity dependent, not age or time in rank

Opportunities for Parents of New Scouts

- Complete youth protection training
 - Scouting.org → Youth Protection Module
- Attend troop meetings
- Join a campout
- Teach merit badges
- Volunteer for a position
 - Committee roles (many to choose from)
 - Assistant Scoutmaster

Summer Camp

- An essential part of Boy Scouts
- Length: 1 week in late-July/Aug
- Location: Boy Scout camp TBD
- Approximate cost: \$280-350
- Commit to attend: November
- Deposit: January
- Full payment: May

Merit Badges

- Over 130+ available
- Broad range of topics
- Eagle required: 12
- Website: meritbadge.org

Fundraiser

- Fall Fest Parking lot
- Labor Day Weekend (Sat-Mon)
- Scout and Parent, 2-8 hour shifts

Eagle Scout Requirement

- Active member of troop
- Demonstration of Scout Oath and Law
- Leadership positions
- Achieved Life Scout rank
- Merit badges: 21 or more (12 required)
- Service project
- Letters of recommendation
- Eagle scout board of review