



Boy Scout Troop

716

Sponsored by
St. Paul's United Methodist Church
Sykesville, MD 21784

Mission Statement

"The mission of Boy Scout Troop 716 of St. Paul's Sykesville is to develop future leaders of America, by providing leadership opportunities through Scouting. This will be accomplished by teaching and promoting the Scout Oath and Law, developing life skills through rank advancement, and providing a proud, supportive environment."

Philosophy: Troop 716 maintains a troop size of around 30 boys. We emphasize fun and operate with mixed age patrols. We also have a Junior Leader Corps or JLC for older Scouts who have the opportunity to participate in "higher adventure" activities.

Program: Troop 716 is completely boy led and has an active outdoor program. We typically have 10-12 weekend outings or activities per year as well as one week-long summer camp. Backpacking, canoeing, bike hikes, caving, rock climbing, mountain biking, skiing or snowboarding, white water rafting, and High Adventure camps are all part of our program. Occasionally, the Troop participates in yearly Camporees. These provide the opportunity for Troops from around the Carroll County District and Baltimore Council to get together and demonstrate their proficiency in learned Scouting skills. Troop 716's weekend camping trips normally run from Friday at 5 pm to Sunday. Additionally, community service is promoted with opportunities for our Scouts to earn community service hours and to serve our community in any number of other ways (Scouting for Food, clothing drives, Gatehouse Museum clean up, etc....). We understand boys have other commitments, and although we like boys to be present at every meeting and attend all the outings, we are flexible with attendance. Our Troop has one fundraiser for the year. We sell popcorn in September and October. We don't collect dues monthly, but ask for a onetime BSA registration, insurance, and activity fee of \$75 at re-charter time each year.

Meetings: Troop 716 meets at St. Paul's United Methodist Church in downtown Sykesville every Tuesday evening except the second Tuesday of each month from 7 pm to 8:30 pm.

Boys Interested in joining Boy Scout Troop 716 should contact

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