



*Boy Scouts of America*

## **Troop 24**

*St. James*

*White Oak*



### **Why Boy Scouts?**

Scouting is without question the extra-curricular activity of choice for young men. Unlike other youth organizations, the Boy Scouts of America affords every member the chance to learn leadership skills. In sports only a few boys get the chance to call the shots. No matter how many qualified players, there's only one starting quarterback. Scouting's emphasis on citizenship and conservation also adds to its uniqueness. Finally, the activities of Scouting naturally lend themselves to life-long interests and hobbies. Hiking, swimming, cycling, stamp collecting, and astronomy all have a tremendous carry-over value into adult life. Only a tiny fraction of youth baseball, basketball, and football players will ever make it to the ranks of the pros.

### **The Troop 24 Advantage**

In Troop 24 we pride ourselves on putting together a top-notch, year-round, boy-run program. Under the guidance of 10 adult advisors, the Troop's junior leaders plan and execute a program that showcases all that Scouting has to offer. From tubing in the Great Smoky Mountains, to cave exploring in Rockcastle County, Kentucky, to laser tag and putt-putt outings, our Senior Patrol Leaders work together with the Patrol Leaders under them to plan and execute our ambitious schedule. We also offer special activities for our older boys like backpacking expeditions to Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico.

### **38 Years of History**

Since 1967, Troop 24 has seen 29 Eagle Scouts among its ranks, with several of our current senior scouts striving to reach this pinnacle. Many of these Eagle Scouts and their families remain in contact with the Troop long after they have turned 18 and moved on to other interests.

Through the efforts of current and previous adult advisors, Troop 24 has assembled a vast array of equipment. In 1995 we completed a fund-raising campaign to replace our bus with a newer model, allowing us to safely transport our scouts to many locations other Troops could never dream of visiting due to logistical limitations. Our large cabin tents allow us to sleep as many as 4 dozen comfortably when on an outing.

### **Internet Scouting Resources**

Boy Scouts of America  
<http://www.scouting.org/>  
Troop 24  
<http://www.cincytroop24.org>  
High Adventure  
<http://www.philmont.com>



**If you are interested in finding out more about St. James Boy Scout Troop 24 please contact Scoutmaster Gerry Berger at 923-4352.**