

# TROOP 895

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## Welcome to our new home

*Bruce Kile*

*Troop 895 Committee Chairman*

I am very pleased to announce we have a new chartering organization partner with the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany at 421 Custer Road in Richardson. As you recall from the spring, the troop committee decided in April to look for a new chartering organization after our longtime chartering organization Waterview Church of Christ decided to severely limit us on space we can use. This limitation of space resulting in us no longer being able to effectively hold troop meetings.

After talking to various potential chartering organizations and visiting Episcopal Church of the Epiphany, it quickly became apparent at what a great partner they would be with Troop 895. Father Bill Cavanaugh, the priest at the church, is an ex-scout and ex-cubmaster and very excited about the opportunity for his church. All of the requests we have asked for with space to meet and other needs have been met with enthusiasm. Furthermore, we already have several scouts from the church who are already members of Troop 895. Our troop leadership is very excited to have a great partnership with the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany. They are as enthusiastic about the opportunity as we are. The Troop 895

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## And the year begins!

*J Cross-Kennedy*

*Just a parent*

### Hello Scouters-

Welcome to another year of school and Boy Scouts. We have moved to our new digs and have a great year planned. We started the first meeting with celebratory cupcakes provided by Cheryl Hauber (mom of Scout Jonathon Hauber and wife of Brian, an adult leader). Lucky dogs, they get to eat cupcakes like this all the time!



*Yummy yummy yummy.*

We will have a **General Parents Meeting** on Monday, 9/12 at 7:15. Please try to attend. An agenda was emailed and we will try to have notes for our next newsletter. We will continue to have our **Committee Meetings** the Wednesday before all campouts. The first is Wed., 9/14. We are also keeping last year's tradition of **MONEY MONDAYS**. The Monday before a campout, scouts provide the money for food to their grub master. Normally it is around \$12 for a scout/ \$15 for adults.

committee formally voted Wednesday night August 17 to make the chartering organization move to the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany. I would like to thank those individuals who have suggested organizations, visited and made calls in this process.

What this means is we will begin having our meetings at the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany instead of Waterview Church of Christ. The location at 421 Custer Road is about 2 blocks south of the Richardson Library on Custer. The distance from our previous location at Waterview church is about 2 miles. Another great thing will be the green spaces at the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany which will allow us to have great activities outside on the grass which we did not have at Waterview.

Episcopal Church of the Epiphany  
421 Custer Road  
Richardson.

**LINK TO MAP**

<http://www.epiphany-richardson.org/about/map.asp>

**GO TO THE WEBSITE**

<http://www.t895.org>

We are attempting to keep our Troop web site as up to date as possible. It would greatly help if it was actually used. Please provide feedback as to what you would like to see on the site to Jamie Kennedy at [jkennedy007@tx.rr.com](mailto:jkennedy007@tx.rr.com) along with any mistakes you see! Along with the web site, we have an Adult Facebook Group and Scout Facebook Group that you can join. (If I knew how to put the links to go to the sites I would!)



The website front page

**Important EMAILS sent so far -**

Email is an important way to stay abreast of what is happening in Troop 895. This month the following emails were sent. Some of the attachments listed below will NOT be posted to the web site due to confidentiality issues. If you did not get one of these, or if you are not our e-mailing list, please notify John Meeks. He is in charge of the LISTSERV (the master list of email addresses for the troop).

**1) CALENDAR FOR THE 2011-2012 School Year. (8/27)**

The calendar has been set, but please allow a little wiggle room for the 2012 events as these might change a bit. This is posted to the web site.

<http://www.t895.org/calendar.html>

**2) Troop Organizational Chart (9/9)**

This tells all the adults and what their job is for the troop. There are a lot of open slots – help us if you can! This might be posted on the web site if the leadership gives the OK.

**3) Contact list for Scouts and Adults (9/4)**

This includes both email addresses and telephone numbers with addresses. The adult list also cross references their position in the troop along with their spouse. The Scout list provides the parents names. This will not be posted on the web site.

**4) Popcorn Sales Information (9/9)**

Jay Maxwell is our Popcorn Kernel this year. Sales will start soon. Attached were pictures from the US Troops that we donated popcorn to last year. It was nice to see our US Armed Forces enjoying what the boys provided.

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*Got something to share? Send the write-up to [JKennedy007@tx.rr.com](mailto:JKennedy007@tx.rr.com) for the October newsletter.*

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## TO HELP WITH PLANNING

Below are the upcoming Troop Campouts so that you can make your plans in advance. The campouts for 2012 are set and will be in future newsletters.

## CALENDAR OF CAMPOUTS FOR 2011

### SEPTEMBER

PLACE - LAKE CYPRESS

TIME -16<sup>TH</sup>-18<sup>TH</sup>

Aquatics Campout

### OCTOBER

PLACE - DINOSAUR VALLEY STATE PARK

TIME - 28<sup>TH</sup>-30<sup>TH</sup>

Backpacking/Climbing Campout.

### NOVEMBER

PLACE - MURPHY RANCH

TIME 18<sup>TH</sup> - 20<sup>TH</sup>

Kaboom Campout

### DECEMBER

PLACE - CLEMENTS SCOUT RANCH (NEAR ATHENS)

TIME 27<sup>TH</sup>- 31<sup>ST</sup>

Winter Camp.

## OTHER EVENTS TO PLAN

### TAKE DOWN FLAGS

TUESDAY, SEPT. 13<sup>TH</sup> AT 7PM

### COURT OF HONOR

SEPTEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup>

GET YOUR MERIT BADGES EARNED OVER SUMMER

### THE COMMUNITY GARDEN

SEPTEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>

HELP CLEAN UP AT THE CHURCH FOR SERVICE HOURS

### OAK LEAF TRAINING

CAMP CHEROKEE

OCTOBER 14-16

THE FIRST STEP IN LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR SCOUTS

FOR FIRST CLASS SCOUTS AND ABOVE

### MURPHY RANCH CLEAN UP

NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>

EARN SERVICE HOURS

*Scoutmaster Brian Waters with Troop 895 Senior Patrol Leader David Bailey.*



### WE NEED SOME WRITE-UP FROM THE SUMMER CAMPS.

THIS SUMMER WE HAD THREE DIFFERENT CAMPING ADVENTURES. TWO WERE IN COLORADO - A REGULAR CAMP AND A HIGH ADVENTURE CAMP. SOME NEW SCOUTS WENT TO CAMP KONSTANTIN AT THE END OF THE MONTH. ASIDE FROM PHIL McEWEN SAYING IT WAS BEST SLEEP HE HAS EVER HAD ON A CAMPOUT (FOR THE CO TRIP), LITTLE IS KNOWN. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SUBMIT AN ARTICLE OF WHAT HAPPENED OVER THE SUMMER, PLEASE SEND IT WITH PICTURES TO JAMIE KENNEDY.

*Here is one picture we have from the Texas Camp.*

