

Boy Scout Troop 109

Meets: Mondays 7 – 8:15 p.m.
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Welcome to Troop 109!

I am glad you decided to visit us as you take the next - or first, step in your Scouting career. This is a very exciting time for you and your parents as you try new activities and make new friends. Boy Scout Troop 109 would like to add to that experience by taking you on a variety of outdoor adventures - showing you places in Arizona and beyond that you might not otherwise experience, and helping you learn both outdoor and life skills that will stay with you far beyond your Boy Scout journey. Making friends is a huge part of Scouting. I've seen boys from different schools and backgrounds become best friends while in Troop 109 as they learn to trust and count on one another. And I know you will experience this too!

Troop 109 has been helping boys grow and develop into fine young men for almost 40 years. We have more than 100 Eagle Scouts! In fact, some of those Eagle Scouts from the 1980s now have sons in our troop. I believe this is a testament to the strength of our Scout community.

A few of the most notable things we did this past year include:

- Traveled to the Channel Islands off the California Coast
- Mountain biking at White Tank Regional Park
- A week-long summer camp at Mataguay in San Diego County
- Survival camping at Gash Flats
- Our annual service project at Palace Station - one of the few remaining stagecoach stations dating back to the earliest settlements in Arizona. We've been doing this for more than 35 years. In fact, President Ronald Reagan spoke at an awards ceremony where Troop 109 was presented with a national award for its work.

This year the troop returns to Camp Geronimo and older Scouts will backpack to Chicago Basin in Colorado. There is a lot to learn and see in this world and Scouting and Troop 109 is a way to feed your sense of adventure.

Are you ready?

We know you have many commitments and opportunities. We hope you will fit Scouting into your busy lives and consider joining Troop 109.

See you on the trail!

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Troop 109 is the premiere magnet Boy Scout Troop serving Scottsdale and Phoenix for more than 35 years. We emphasize our outdoor program, community service, leadership and life skills. We are known for an extensive outdoor program including monthly outings, summer camps and High Adventure programs. If you and your son love getting outdoors, Troop 109 is for you!

Mission: Troop 109 exists to develop the character, leadership, personal responsibility and outdoor life skills of our young men as well as provide unique opportunities for parents to spend quality time with their children. This is accomplished by letting the Troop operate as a boy-led organization backed by careful and thorough adult supervision to ensure safety and a quality experience.

Outings: Troop 109 has an unrivaled outdoors program. Every month our Scouts and parents get to enjoy the great outdoors on a one or two-night outing. Normally, three outings a year are backpacking with the remainder base camps (car camping). Scouts cook by patrol on base camp outings. Adults enjoy meals cooked in our traveling kitchen.

High Adventure Outings – Each year senior scouts meeting advancement criteria may participate in eight to twelve-day High Adventure program (usually in July). These challenging and popular adventure excursions build character, leadership, teamwork skills and outdoor survival skills. Recent High Adventure destinations include: Philmont (NM), Packard High Adventure Base (CO), Yellowstone National Park (WY) and Yosemite National Park (CA).

Palace Station – Palace Station, located in the Bradshaw Mountains South of Prescott, is one of the few remaining stage coach stops from the 1800s and is designated as a U.S. Historical Site. For more than 35 years, Troop 109 has dedicated its September outing to restoring, maintaining and preserving Palace Station and the surrounding forest. The Troop's partnership with the U.S. Forest Service has earned it national recognition and commendation, including a trip to the White House!

Weekly Meetings – Troop 109 meets year-around on most Monday evenings. Meetings feature skills instruction, guest speakers, competitions and games.

Advancement - Troop 109 follows the program created by the Boy Scouts of America. Our programs are designed to mentor new Scouts through the advancement process. Each new scout patrol is assigned at least one adult Assistant Scoutmaster and a senior Scout to serve as Troop Guide. We offer a special First Class First Year award to encourage them on their journey to Eagle Scout.

Adult Leadership - Troop 109 benefits from a deep roster of more than 20 dedicated adult leaders. Their active involvement is vital to the quality and continued success of the program. To maintain the standard of excellence set for the past 38 years, we encourage new parents to get involved!



Fees and Supplies

	Annual	Due Upon Joining
<u>Troop Costs</u>		
Troop Dues	\$160	\$80
Camp Deposit - First come first serve*	365	150
Troop 109 Hat	10	10
Troop 109 Shirt	10	10
Troop 109 Badge	5	5
Troop 109 Neckerchief		Free
<u>Total</u>		\$255
<u>Scout Store Costs</u>		
Boy Scout Handbook + cover		\$15-28
Boy Scout Uniform shirts, pants, socks, belt		\$90-115

Planning for your camping gear (Prices Vary)

Tent
 Backpack
 Sleeping Bag
 Sleeping Pad
 Mess Kit
 First Aid Kit

* This summer the boys will be heading to Camp Geronimo north of Payson for summer scout camp. This is an amazing opportunity to become a team and we encourage all Scouts to attend. The deadline for registration is very tight – so please pay your deposit as soon as possible. This price includes a custom t-shirt. Ask Scoutmaster Moseley about fundraising opportunities in February!