

# Troop 125

## Commack NY



### Background

Troop 125 is a chartered troop of the Boy Scouts of America, sponsored by the Commack United Methodist Church. The Troop was formed in 1969. Troop 125 is run by Scouts, notably the Senior Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leaders and Patrol Leaders. A Troop Committee, made up of parents, provides overall guidance and policy. The Troop has been very active over the years.

### Goals of the Troop

The purpose of the Troop is to enable boys to enjoy and benefit from the national Scouting program, as outlined in the Boy Scout Handbook. The major aims of the Scouting program are: growth in moral strength and character, participating in citizenship, and development of physical, mental, and emotional fitness. The Troop's goal is to encourage boys' development in leadership, responsibility, and public service through providing a variety of activities that are enjoyable.

### Meetings

The troop meets year round (except during designated weeks in July and August or when school is not in session) on Tuesday nights from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the Commack United Methodist Church located at 486 Townline Road, just north of Jericho Turnpike.

### Outings

Outings typically consist of at least one night of overnight camping either on or off Long Island. The outings are selected and planned by the scouts under the supervision and with aid from the adult leaders. Outings include a wide range of activities which are of interest to boys. Typical outings include hiking, camping, swimming, boating, cycling, sailing, repelling, skiing, waterskiing, challenge course, Camporee, summer camp, service projects, etc. On the average, there is a troop overnight outing once a month.

In addition, the troop typically has a "Big Trip" every spring and attends a one week Summer Camp. Recent spring trips have included the Freedom Trail in Boston and Washington DC. The troop typically attends summer camp at one of a number of off Long Island camps that is selected by the boys. This gives the boys a chance to have a variety of experiences offered at the different camps.

### Useful Facts and Information

Number of Scouts: Approximately 35

Number of Trained Leaders: 5 minimum (more are always welcome)

Annual Dues: \$65

Equipment Provided by Troop: Tents, stoves, lanterns, cooking equipment, specialty and group equipment

Equipment Required by Scouts: Sleeping bag, Pack (loaners available), eating utensils, warm clothes

Webelos Leaders and their Dens are always welcome at our Troop meetings.

Please contact our Scoutmaster, **Bob Kowalski** at **631-543-2794** with any questions or to make arrangements.

**Visit our website at [www.troop125ny.org](http://www.troop125ny.org)**