



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA®

TROOP 20 / BOONSBORO MARYLAND SINCE 1927

Welcome to Troop 20

As the Scoutmaster for Troop 20, I would like to welcome you to our family. It is my personal goal to help each Scout achieve his own goals from their Scouting experience while having fun! I am honored, and humbled, to serve in the long line of Scoutmasters that have supported Troop 20 since 1927. This Troop is not possible without the generous support of the Boonsboro Lions Club, the Committee Members, Assistant Scoutmasters, and parents, who graciously give of their time, and resources, to support our Scouts.

Troop 20 is comprised of 35 Scouts, in four patrols, and is served by approximately 20 adult leaders. We meet at the Scout House in Shafer Park on Tuesday evenings from 7:00-8:30PM. Troop 20 is a boy-led troop emphasizing leadership, communication, and scouting skills.

Troop 20 takes pride in being an active troop, year round, with plenty of diverse activities, service, and opportunities for our Scouts to learn, test, and grow their scout skills. We regularly bike, hike, backpack, shoot, camp, and always have a great time! We currently offer Merit Badge Counselors within our own troop for over 80 merit badges.

Troop 20 uses a program called Scoutbook for all communications; permission slips, advancement tracking, and troop activities - such as advertising events in our calendar, and RSVP's. You will receive a welcome email from Scoutbook shortly after your Scout is registered. We also encourage signing up your Scout with their own email so they can receive newly listed troop events, emails, updates, and communicate with other Scouts and leaders. Following BSA Youth protection Guidelines, you and another adult leader will always be included on any electronic, or phone communication with your son.

Scouting dues are \$52 annually, and are pro-rated for those who join throughout the year. Along with the BSA application, we will request that you complete the BSA medical forms parts A, B, and C. These forms are required annually to ensure your Scout can participate in all of our activities, along with a copy of both sides of your insurance card and a photo release form. While every leader is required to take BSA Youth Protection Training, we also ask that our parents complete the training to make you familiar with the requirements. This helps our troop should you be a volunteer working with the scouts on any activity or event. The training is online, and can be completed in about 15 minutes.

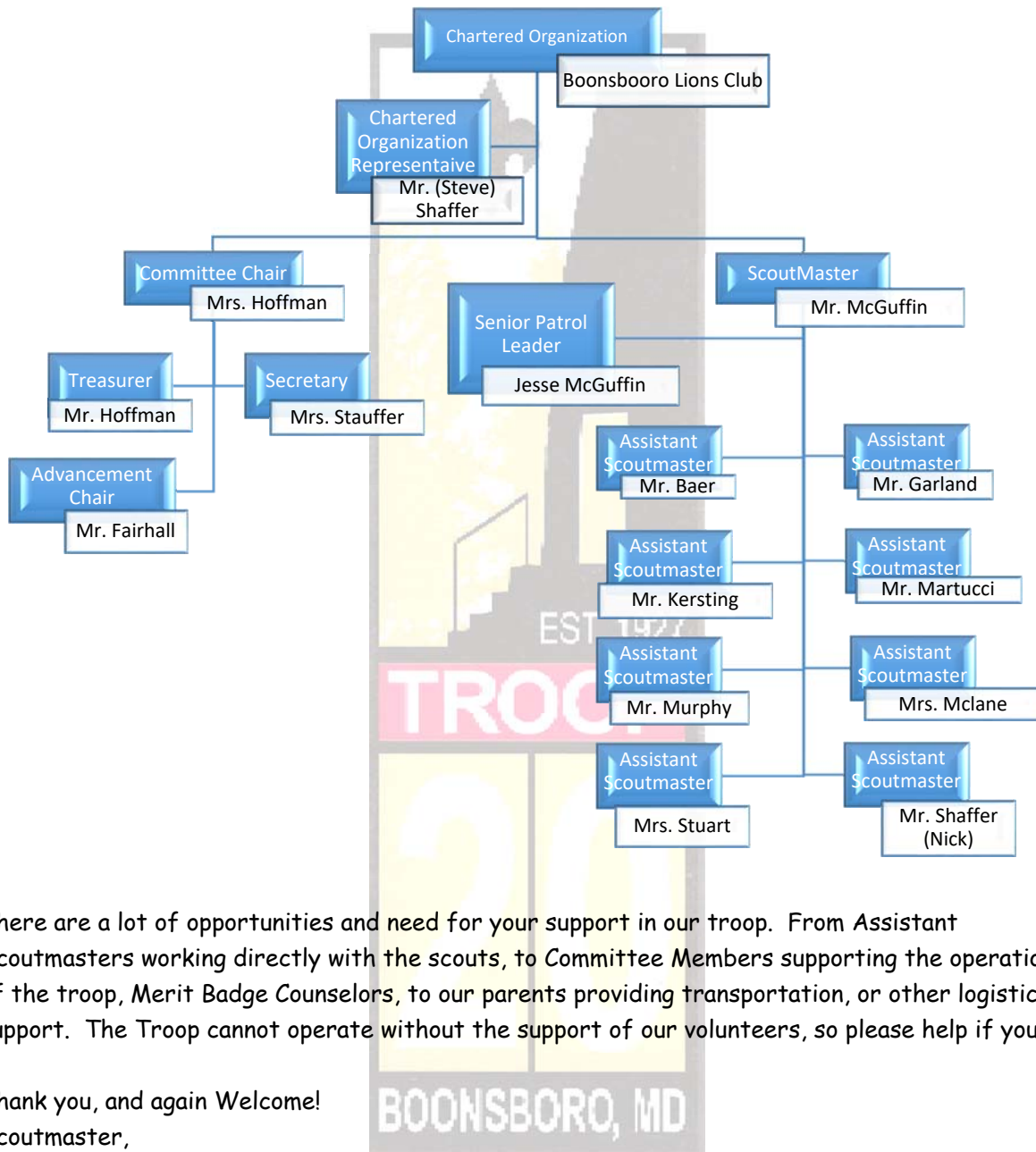




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Troop Structure



There are a lot of opportunities and need for your support in our troop. From Assistant Scoutmasters working directly with the scouts, to Committee Members supporting the operations of the troop, Merit Badge Counselors, to our parents providing transportation, or other logistics support. The Troop cannot operate without the support of our volunteers, so please help if you can.

Thank you, and again Welcome!
Scoutmaster,
John M. McGuffin





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New Scout/Scouter Check List:

- Complete & sign BSA Application.
- Complete BSA Medical Forms
 - Part A
 - Part B
 - Part C
- Provide a copy of your Insurance Card (both sides)
- Sign Photo Release form
- Pay Registration Fee
- Log into Scoutbook and update your information (after you receive an invite)
- Join us on Face Book
- Purchas a Boy Scout Uniform and Handbook

Scouters

- Complete Youth Protection & position specific Training

References:

Mason-Dixon Council: <http://www.mason-dixon-bsa.org/>

BAS Website: <https://my.scouting.org/>

Scoutbook: <https://www.scoutbook.com/>

ScoutLander: <https://www.scoutlander.com/publicsite/unithome.aspx?UID=17502>

Face Book Page: Boonsboro BSA troop 20 (guest only)

