Who we are

Beginning on February 1, 2019, the Boy Scouts of America allowed Scouts BSA Troops (previously known as "Boy Scout Troops") to be formed for girls* . These Troops are separate from "Troops for boys", though often share some leadership. Girls take part in the same Scout program and the same activities the boys have been doing for over 100 years. Troops for Boys and Girls may be loosely affiliated, but meet separately and are independent of each other.

Troop 333 was founded during the summer of 2019 for girls ages 11-17 in the Hamilton, Michigan area. Consisting of five girls initially, the Troop encourages all girls interested in outdoors, leadership, and traditional "Scout skills" to check us out!

Troop 333, along with brother Troop 33 and Cub Scout Pack 3033 are charted by the Hamilton Lions Club. The three organizations together serve boys and girls from K-12th grade.

* **NOTE:** There is no affiliation with the Girl Scouts of America. This is Scouts for Girls, not Girl Scouts.

Uniform

Each Scout will need the following uniform pieces (cost is roughly $50 new). They can be purchased at a local Scout store (Walker or Kalamazoo), Cobblestone Hobbies in Holland, or online at scoutstuff.org . (Note: sometimes gently used uniform shirts can be obtained for $5-$10. Please ask if you would like one.)

- Scouts BSA uniform shirt
- Michigan Crossroads Council shoulder patch
- World Crest Emblem
- Troop numerals: "333"
- Scouts BSA forest green shoulder loops
- Neckerchief slide (purchased or homemade)

Optional:

- Scouts BSA pants (or forest green pants)
- Scouts BSA belt
- Scouts BSA socks
- Scouts BSA merit badge sash (recommended once Scout starts earning badges)

Leadership

Scouts BSA Troops are "Scout led", meaning that patrols are created of 5-8 Scouts that work together and with the rest of the Troop to plan and execute meetings, patrol events and Troop events. Lead by a Senior Patrol leader, meetings are planned and run by the Scouts with adult assistance when needed.

When can a girl join? ANYTIME!

Costs for 2020-2021

Registration from present day thru Dec 31, 2020

$11/month to BSA + $25 new Scout one time fee + $30 dues (covers neckerchief, book and patrol patch) = up to $99 (new "year" starts Jan 1, so $126 will be due the first of December for 2021 calendar year)

** Checks to be made to "Troop 33" with memo line containing"Troop 333" **

Note: If financing is an issue, please let us know. We can help!