

COPTIC SCOUTS NEWSLETTER

GETTING THE SCOOP WITH OUR TROOP

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COPTIC SCOUTS HISTORY: PAST, PRESENT, FUTURE

In 2010, Mina Hanna founded Coptic Scouts in Saint Mark's Coptic Orthodox Church. It started with a small group and slowly worked up to joining Boy Scouts of America under Troop 287. Sadly, in 2016, Mina had to move. He ensured the legacy of the Coptic Scouts was not to remain in Jersey City. With God's Grace, about nine months ago, Troop 231 was formed at St. Philopateer's Coptic Orthodox Church in Richardson, Texas. It is the first Coptic Scout troop in Texas. There are thirteen members who are split into two patrols. The troop is still small, but shows, great potential and eagerness to learn. They have already began achieving the rank of Scout, the second rank. The Westside Scout team, including Mina Hanna, have created a Scouts curriculum that combines Scouts with God. The only goal of creating this curriculum is for universal use within all Coptic Orthodox churches, and the development of Troop 231 is a step in the right direction. Recently, a church in Canada has asked for the use of the curriculum, in effort to create a Scout troop within their church. May God bless our lives and continue to work wonders.



St. Philopateer's Coptic Orthodox Church



Troop 231

-Martin Soliman

WHAT IS COPTIC SCOUTS?

Scouts is the biggest club that St. Mark offers throughout the year. In Scouts, you have the opportunity to rank up to the highest rank: Eagle Scout which is highly recognized and respected in America. If you join scouts, you should expect to learn about nature and how it relates to God. These lessons prepare every Scout for what is to come in the future, the trips! In Scouts, there are many activities that the scouts participate in, like Rock climbing and a scout favorite: white water rafting. Other trips include archery and hiking. At the end of the summer, we hold our scouts annual camping trip at William H. Pouch Boy Scout Camp in Staten Island. This is where all of the tools learned throughout the summer are applied and the yearly gift is given.

-Elaria Abdy

COURT OF HONORS

When you think of the Court of Honor the first thing that pops up in your head is the food: Chicken and Macaroni Bechamel. The rank is always the second thought. Don't worry -- you're not the only one that thinks about the food! The Court of Honors is something that the Scouts look forward to. It is the day where all of our hard work pays off. In Boy Scouts of America, the Court of Honor is a formal troop ceremony annually held, once a year. This is when Scouts and their families come together to receive rank advancements, merit badges, and other awards. This year's ceremony is will occur on the third Saturday of June (June 15, 2019). We hope you all join us, not only for the food, but for support. See you there!

-Peter Samer

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

The Tenderfoots built and customized their own birdhouses during a Scouts meeting.

Pending the Fathers approval, they will hang them up outside of the church for the birds.

-Jolina Hanna





PLANTING THE TREES

On September 22, 2018, just two days before the Papal Visit of His Holiness Pope Tawadros II, our Coptic Scouts planted two trees to be blessed by him. With our care, we hope that the trees will continue to prosper as we hope Coptic Scouts will as well.

Sept. 22, 2018



Apr. 13, 2019

-Barsina Abdy



ATTENTION: RECRUITMENT



Recruiting Scouts:

- Permission slip sign and hand in
- Fee of \$20
- Meetings every Wednesday 6:30-8:30
- 4th-5th grade: cub scouts
- 6th and up: scouts
- Any other rank, you earn from exams taken

Breakdown of the Summer:

- Scouts Recruiting
- Courts of Honors where children are given their new ranks
- Rock Climbing Trip
- Hiking Trip
- 2 Camping Trips
- White Water Rafting Trip



-Mariam Saad

GUESS WHO: SCOUTS EDITION

Match the servant to the description.

A. Mina Hanna B. Basant Tawfik C. Morks Estafanous D. Karl Girgis



E. Veronica Sorial



F. Abanoub Kerolous



G. Yulianna Sorial



H. Euphemia Hana



I. Peter Saad



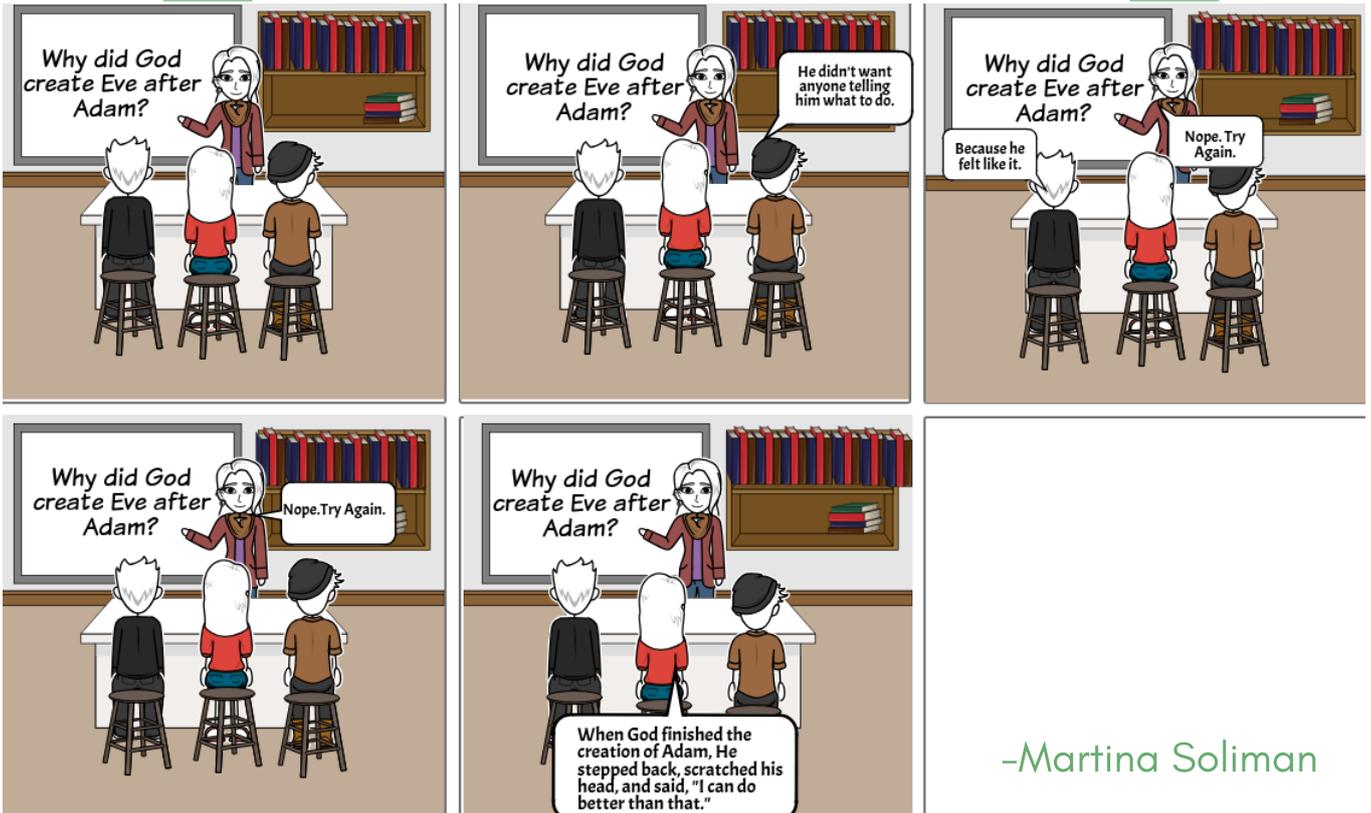
J. Marina Bastawrous



1. This servant is the head scout leader and is known for his height.
2. This servant teaches the scouts and is really tall.
3. This servant currently not serving in St. Mark's anymore but he started scouts in our church.
4. This servant teaches the tenderfoots and has a heavy beard.
5. This servant teaches the cub scouts and is every kid's favorite servant.
6. This servant teaches the second class and you will usually see her pulling a kid's hair or ears.
7. This servant serves with the scouts and has really long hair.
8. This servant is new to the service and serves with the cub scouts. She spells her last name weird.
9. This servant is also new but serves with the advanced cub scouts. Her name is not Julianna.
10. He is another new servant and serves with the scouts. You might mistake him for a freshman.

-Elizabeth Hanna

COMIC STRIP



WORD SEARCH

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T	N	L	P	R	K	B	O	X	C	O	D	E	S	SCOUT LAW
A	E	S	O	I	T	G	P	F	G	F	O	F	T	TRUSTED
G	O	C	R	Y	T	I	T	O	N	S	A	R	E	LOYAL
C	A	C	G	O	A	S	I	L	D	L	R	I	N	KIND
H	W	O	C	S	U	L	C	T	N	C	G	E	D	FRIENDLY
U	D	O	D	I	A	T	S	R	I	F	H	N	E	SCOUT OATH
O	L	O	U	A	L	K	C	T	K	R	I	D	R	FIRST AID
P	H	T	A	O	T	U	O	C	S	C	K	L	F	CAMPING
N	A	G	O	L	S	T	U	O	C	S	I	Y	O	HIKING
D	E	T	S	U	R	T	T	P	S	A	N	K	O	ST MARK
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-Kermena Shenouda

A CLIMB THROUGH TIME

2014



2015



A CLIMB THROUGH TIME PT.2

2016



2017



2018

-Karen Iskander

