

Leonard A. Robertson

Leonard joined scouting when he was a boy growing up in Oak Cliff. He joined Troop 20 where his scoutmaster Mr. R. C. Steinman impressed upon him the need to help others. Mr. Steinman was one of those rare scoutmasters who worked directly with the boys and yet his working never seem to be work, it was always fun. Leonard was active in Troop 20 earning his eagle rank and the bronze palm. He was also active in the Order of the Arrow. While in Troop 20 he attended Camp Constantine, Camp Wisdom and Rancho Sawatch in Colorado.

Leonard returned to scouting when his youngest son Brian joined Cub Scouts at Withers Elementary school. As with all things, he was convinced that he would only have to spend one hour a week if he became an active leader in the Cub Scout pack. Unfortunately for him, the Pack Master and Den Leader had other plans. He became the assistant Den Leader and stayed involved in scouting from that point on.

When Brian went on to Boy Scouts and joined Troop 124, Leonard went with him as an active parent. The scoutmaster of the troop at that time was Dr. Walton and Leonard was given a crash course in camping, wilderness survival and other outdoor activities. It was at this time that Leonard got involved in leadership training attending Wood Badge and got involved at the district level as a trainer for adult leadership training (ALT).

When Dr. Walton decided to retire he asked Leonard to take his spot as the scoutmaster of the troop. Leonard agreed still believing that this would only take one hour a week. From that time forward the troop has provided Leonard the opportunity to attend Philmont twice, Packard once, a trip down the Snake River in Idaho, numerous summer camps in Arkansas, Oklahoma and in Texas. He also became proficient in canoeing, shooting a rifle, shooting a bow and driving a motorboat. It has also given him the opportunity to meet some of the finest young men in America along with their parents.

