

History of Pack and Troop 9045/7045

Boy Scouts:

Troop 45 was started on Sept 26, 1920 chartered to St. Luke's School for one year with 23 Scouts. The school was at Victoria and Portland. Reverend W. J. Harrington signed the initial charter and Walter Spriggs was the first Scoutmaster. They then rechartered in 1923 by St. Luke's Church from 1923-1934. In 1934 St. Luke's PTA chartered the Troop until 1949. In 1949 the chartering organization became the St. Luke's Parent and Teacher Association and Men's Club and the troop dropped in February of 1951 because of lack of leadership and interest. It looked like St. Luke's was building a new school at that time and wanted the Men's Club to take the lead. A meeting was held with St. Luke's Church and Men's Club and the next record of the unit is in 1959 when it was chartered by the St. Lukes Home and School Association located at 1079 Summit Ave. St. Lukes Catholic Church became the chartering partner in 1970 and in 2009 the name was changed to St. Thomas More. In November of 2021 Troop 7045 a linked Girl troop was started by St. Thomas More with 5 girls. Troop 7045 in one year has grown to 10 girls currently in the troop.

Cub Scouts:

Pack 45 was founded in December 1947 and chartered to St. Luke's Church and School which was located at 880 Portland Ave and was signed by Asst Pastor Louis Kellar. The Pack met at St. Luke's School on Fridays at 7:30pm and the first Cubmaster was Francis Hill and there were 28 founding youth. There are no other historical records of the Pack until 1966 when it was chartered by the St. Luke's Home School Association. In 1970 St. Lukes Catholic Church became the chartering partner and in 2009 the name was changed to St. Thomas More.