

# TROOP 87

## JULY 2011 NEWSLETTER

### SCOUTMASTER'S MINUTE



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Summer camp is here!! It will surely be different splitting the troop between two summer camps this year. I think both groups will have a fun and exciting time.

We have added a few things to the schedule and made some changes so be sure to check out the new schedule. Our biggest change is that for August we will be going backpacking the weekend of 19-21 August. We are looking at possible trails up in the Rawah Wilderness for this trip. It should be challenging but not too difficult for the younger Scouts.

On a few trips this year we have had difficulty getting enough adults. Remember we need good adult participation to keep our program going. Outdoor activities are central to the Scouting experience and we have to have enough adults to make the trips go. We have a few adults who go on most trips, but we can't rely on them for every trip. Parents, look through the troop schedule and see if you can go on an upcoming outdoor event. This doesn't have to be just the dads. We always have fun and the adults eat pretty well.

Troop elections are also coming up in August. We need new Scouts to take over as SPL, ASPL and Patrol Leaders. Scouts, start thinking about that now.

At the last PLC I was told the Scouts would like to go to Medicine Mountain in South Dakota for summer camp next year. I'll start working on that this fall. We need to think about the activities we want for our free Wednesday. Get you preferences to your Patrol Leaders or the SPL, or just email them to me.

Finally, Josh Schoenig completed his Eagle Leadership Project. Congratulations to Josh and thanks to all the Scouts who helped get it done.

**BE PREPARED** for a great summer camp

Dave Rowe  
Scoutmaster Troop 87

# UPCOMING SCHEDULE

(Schedule changes are indicated in RED)

## July 2011:

July 9-17 (Sat-Sun) High-adventure camp (Boundary Waters canoe trip)

July 10-16 (Sun-Sat) Summer camp at Camp Laramie Peaks

7/12/11 (Tuesday) **No Troop 87 Scout meeting**

7/19/11 (Tuesday) Troop 87 Scout Meeting  
Laporte Presbyterian Church, 7:00-8:30pm  
**Committee meeting**  
Prep for climbing (knots and skill training)

7/23/11 (Sat) Cowboy Days at Jax

7/26/11 (Tuesday) Troop 87 Scout Meeting  
Away Meeting at **6pm**  
Inner Strength Rock Gym, 3713 South Mason Street

## August 2011: **Merit Badge Completions**

8/2/11 (Tuesday) Troop 87 PLC Meeting  
Laporte Pizza, 6:00 PM  
**All Patrol Leaders should attend**

Troop 87 Scout Meeting  
Laporte Presbyterian Church, 7:00-8:30pm  
Court of Honor

8/9/11 (Tuesday) Troop 87 Scout Meeting  
Laporte Presbyterian Church, 7:00-8:30pm  
**Elections**  
Early prep for backpacking trip

8/16/11 (Tuesday) Troop 87 Scout Meeting  
Laporte Presbyterian Church, 7:00-8:30pm  
Prep for backpacking trip

8/19-8/21 (Fri-Sun) **Camping / Backpacking Trip**

8/23/11 (Tuesday) Troop 87 Scout Meeting  
Laporte Presbyterian Church, 7:00-8:30pm  
**Cleanup after backpacking trip**  
**Rank Advancement**

8/30/11 (Tuesday) Troop 87 Scout Meeting  
Laporte Presbyterian Church, 7:00-8:30pm  
Finish Personal Fitness Merit Badge

**September 2011: Swimming**

- 9/6/11 (Tuesday) Troop 87 PLC Meeting  
Laporte Pizza, 6:00 PM  
***All Patrol Leaders should attend***
- Troop 87 Scout Meeting  
Laporte Presbyterian Church, 7:00-8:30pm  
Prep for swimming merit badge
- 9/13/11 (Tuesday) Troop 87 Scout Meeting  
Away Meeting at **6pm**  
EPIC Center
- 9/20/11 (Tuesday) Troop 87 Scout Meeting  
Laporte Presbyterian Church, 7:00-8:30pm  
Prep for Fall Camporee
- 9/23-9/25 (Fri-Sun) Fall Camporee
- 9/27/11 (Tuesday) Troop 87 Scout Meeting  
Laporte Presbyterian Church, 7:00-8:30pm  
Cleanup after Camporee

**October 2011: Rock Climbing**

- 10/4/11 (Tuesday) Troop 87 PLC Meeting  
Laporte Pizza, 6:00 PM  
***All Patrol Leaders should attend***
- Troop 87 Scout Meeting  
Laporte Presbyterian Church, 7:00-8:30pm
- 10/14-10/16 (Fri-Sun) Rock Climbing and Camping at Vedauwoo
- 10/25/11 (Tuesday) Troop 87 Scout Meeting  
Away Meeting - Corn Maze

**November 2011: Personal Management**

- 11/1/11 (Tuesday) Troop 87 PLC Meeting  
Laporte Pizza, 6:00 PM  
***All Patrol Leaders should attend***
- Troop 87 Scout Meeting  
Laporte Presbyterian Church, 7:00-8:30pm
- 11/22/11 (Tuesday) No Troop 87 Meeting – Thanksgiving
- 11/26 (Saturday) Christmas Tree Cutting

**December 2011:**

12/3/11 (Sat) Christmas Tree Sale

12/6/11 (Tuesday) Troop 87 PLC Meeting  
Laporte Pizza, 6:00 PM  
***All Patrol Leaders should attend***

Troop 87 Scout Meeting  
Laporte Presbyterian Church, 7:00-8:30pm

12/27/11 (Tuesday) No Troop 87 Meeting - Christmas

**Other events in 2011**

December Snow Shoeing at Hewlett Gulch  
December Court of Honor  
December Troop Christmas Party

# TROOP COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES



**Dawn Dorsch, Committee Chair**  
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Minutes by: Diane Clark

Committee Meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month during the Scout meeting. All parents should strive to attend, as this is a great opportunity to participate in the Troop and keep abreast of Troop plans and activities. *Please join us for our next Committee Meeting: Tuesday, July 19, 2011.*

Minutes from 2 October, 2012 Troop 87 committee meeting

- I. Minutes of previous meeting approved by voice vote.
  - A. Finance: Treasurer reported balances as follows:
    - a. Entire account = 3033.92
    - b. Troop account = 1761.05
    - c. Scout accounts = 1272.87
  - B. Popcorn; Orders have been turned in.
  - C. Ms. Dorsch asked that the Eagle coordinating committee meet off-line to discuss the new policy.
- II. Discussion of how to handle scout arrears, particularly for inactive / "eagled out" scouts. Pat Knebel moved to catch up arrears rather than change policy; Kim Dawson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- III. Old business;
  - a. Under old business, summer camp was narrowed down to BDSR or Laramie Peaks. Scouts to vote with decision TBA next week.
  - b. The Eagle Scout plaque project is still ongoing, and seems to be stalled waiting for volunteer to obtain a complete list of past Eagles.
  - c. Tree cutting is scheduled for 24 November in Beaver Meadows; Scott Addington to coordinate.
  - d. Glenn updated the committee regarding the schedule for October & November;  
9<sup>th</sup> October – rank advancement, cleanup  
16<sup>th</sup> – Computer merit badge, part I  
13<sup>th</sup> Gray Rock hike  
23<sup>rd</sup> – Computer merit badge, part II  
30<sup>th</sup> – Corn maze  
6 November – PLC, rank advancement  
13 – Dutch oven cook-off  
20 – board game night  
24<sup>th</sup> – tree cutting  
27 – Tree sale preparation
  - e. December, 18<sup>th</sup> possibly Christmas party at Elks Lodge  
15 Dec – ski day outing

- IV. Leadership positions; discussion included job descriptions, participation requirements, communication re: absences, assistant scout master to mentor incoming Patrol Leaders. Patrol leaders to select and mentor Assistant Patrol Leaders.

Elks Lodge made a \$500.00 donation to the troop.