

# TROOP 87

## NOVEMBER 2014 NEWSLETTER

### SCOUTMASTER'S MINUTE



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Hey Scouters

We are quickly heading into the holiday season and our Troop will be really busy. We have some really fun things planned again and we hope that you all can attend. We have our Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser coming up this coming Sunday from 8:30AM to 1:00PM at the Elks Lodge on Mulberry. Make sure to bring all unused tickets and money for the sold tickets to the Scout meeting this week. We need to understand the numbers to let the Lodge know what to expect. Make sure to volunteer for the event, because it will aid the Boundary Waters trip and Summer Scout Camp.

Remember that we have an Eagle Project work day on Saturday November 22<sup>nd</sup> to build Wood Duck Boxes, and we will be cutting Christmas Trees Saturday November 29<sup>th</sup> for our annual Christmas Tree sale on December 6<sup>th</sup>. We need to make sure we have Scouts available for all the upcoming volunteering and fundraising.

Keep in mind we are still working on the Citizenship of the Nation merit badge over the next couple of meetings. Make sure to bring you worksheets and complete your homework from last week. If you have any questions please contact Sean Dougherty.

Finally be thinking of what cool Scouting gifts we can bring to the Troop 87 Christmas Party at the Elks Lodge Tuesday December 9<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:30. The gift for the exchange should be around \$15 and it will be a potluck, snacks and desserts. We will have a sign up for the food and fun real soon. Make sure to do a good turn daily and make sure to get your Holiday Spirit on....

Yours in Scouting,  
Scott Addington  
Scoutmaster Troop 87

# UPCOMING SCHEDULE

(Schedule changes are indicated in RED)

## November 2014:

- 11/4/14 (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  
Committee Meeting – all parents encouraged to attend  
Citizenship in the Nation MB I  
NTier payment #3 due \$200
- 11/11/14 (Tuesday) Citizenship in the Nation MB II  
**Popcorn will be distributed**
- 11/16/14 (Sunday) Pancake Breakfast 9:30-Noon at the Elks Lodge; Volunteer 8:30–1 pm
- 11/18/14 (Tuesday) Personal Management MB part 2
- 11/22/14 (Sat) Dylan Addington Eagle Project at Yung's house (meet at 8am, project is 9-3pm)**
- 11/25/14 (Tuesday) No Meeting (Thanksgiving)
- 11/29 (Sat) Christmas Tree Cutting

## December 2014:

- 12/2/14 (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  
Committee Meeting – all parents encouraged to attend  
Rank Advancement  
Popcorn money due
- 12/6/14 (Sat) Christmas Tree Sales 7:30am at the Church parking lot  
[also Trailer Repair/Planning by Adults]
- 12/9/14 (Tuesday) Holiday Party at the Elks Lodge at 6:30-8:30 pm;  
Bring an appetizer or dessert to share; drinks provided by Troop  
Gift exchange (real gifts valued at \$10-\$15)  
Also FOS will be distributed  
Colorado Gives Day [charge your FOS donation with no credit card fees]
- 12/16/14 (Tuesday) **Away meeting at Fort Fun**
- 12/23/14 (Tuesday) No meeting  
12/30/14 (Tuesday) No meeting

## **January 2015:**

- 1/3/15 (Saturday) Merit Badge University I  
[merit badge books not provided this year; bring your own books (BYOB)]
- 1/6/15 (Tuesday) Troop 87 PLC Meeting  
Laporte Pizza, 5:30 PM (EARLY START FOR 2015 CALENDAR PLANNING)  
***All Patrol Leaders should attend***
- Troop 87 Scout Meeting  
Laporte Presbyterian Church, 7:00-8:30pm  
Committee Meeting – all parents encouraged to attend  
MBU homework & Merit Badge completions
- 1/10/15 (Saturday) Merit Badge University II
- 1/13/15 (Tuesday) **Personal Management MB part 3**
- 1/20/15 (Tuesday) **Personal Management MB part 4**
- 1/27/15 (Tuesday) **Cold weather prep for Klondike**
- 1/30 – 2/1 (Fri-Sun) **Klondike winter camping at Gould, CO**

## **Troop Events 2014/2015**

May - Elks Memorial Day Events: Veterans Plaza, Flag Retirement Ceremony

Aug - Open Water Swim Fundraiser

Nov - Tree Cutting

Dec - Tree Sale

Feb 2015 NTier payment #4 due (airline + shuttle service)

May 2015 NTier payment #5 due (airline + shuttle service)

## **Fundraising Chairs**

1. Popcorn – Cindy Tunney
2. Jax – Cindy Tunney
3. Elk's Lodge – Scott Addington
4. Fort Collins Nursery – Bev Addington and Lori Discoe
5. Christmas Trees – Cutting: Scott Addington; Sale: Bev Addington
6. Patrol Boxes – Scott Addington

# TROOP COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES



**Dawn Dorsch, Committee Chair**  
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Minutes by: Pat Knebel

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.*

**November 4, 2014**

## Approve minutes from previous meeting

### Committee Reports:

#### A. Finance:

##### Balances:

Troop Total        \$5,738.07  
Scout account    \$2,638.61  
Troop account    \$3,099.46 (\$302 per scout) because of balances due to Boundary Waters  
Two scouts are in arrears.

Kim talked to Chuck and Matt about Boundary Waters balances and transportation costs in Minnesota

#### B. Fundraising:

- King Soopers Card
  - See Sean if you want a store card to help fund your Scout's account
- Popcorn
  - Popcorn pickup is Saturday morning 11/8/14
  - Popcorn will be distributed at the scout meeting on 11/11/14 (or contact Cindy directly)
  - Money is due 12/6/14
- Tree Cutting/Tree Sale
  - Tree cutting Nov 29
  - Tree sale Dec 6

#### C. Web Master; Re-Charter; Journey to Excellence; FOS; Eagle Coordinator; New Scout Registration; High Adventure 2015; Lawn Mowing; Elk's Lodge

- Recharter: Dawn will be reaching out to all Scouts to confirm continuing with the Troop for next year and then proceeding with the online recharter process. Due on 12/12/14
- Journey to Excellence: Dawn will work with Matt to complete in November
- Volunteer Hours: Dawn will complete in November
- FOS: Update from Kim
  - Our goal this year is \$1348, based on 18 scouts.
  - You are able to donate through Colorado Gives and just write that on your pledge card. This can be done ahead of time.
- 2015 High Adventure Camp Update:
  - Payment schedule \$200 due on Nov 4, Feb 3, 2015, May 5, 2015 plus additional travel expenses
  - Leaders (4) – Doug, Sean, Matt, Chuck
  - Scouts (9) – Andrew D, Holden M, Max C, Cole B, Chance B, Josh B, Van D, Evan T, Blake R

#### New Business:

- Youth Protection Training is required for all Registered Adults and Merit Badge counselors
- Fundraising Forms for Pancake Breakfast and Tree Sale

- Bev will fill out form for Pancake breakfast. The appropriate form can be found on the council webpage under “Forms”
- Pancake Breakfast Planning
  - Dawn put announcements in Tavelli Thursday notes, Laporte Presbyterian Church
  - Dawn will email the scout alumni
  - The Addingtons have been hanging flyers at CLP and mid-town and northern businesses
  - Everybody in the troop is encouraged to hang flyers at schools, work, businesses, etc
- Tree Cutting and Sales Planning
  - Our tree collection location at Beaver Meadows has a diminishing supply of good trees and our sales have been declining
  - Scott suggests we might want to set a limit of about 20 trees this year
  - Dawn will send email asking for volunteers for tree cutting.
  - Scott will contact Gary Weixelman at Beaver Meadows
  - Kim will contact the North Forty to place an ad after getting the okay from Scott A.
  - A Scout needing communication merit badge could create a new flyer. Cody will create a new flyer for the troop. The Addingtons will send the old flyer to Cody at [cmulrooney1234@gmail.com](mailto:cmulrooney1234@gmail.com). Cody will hang flyers in some of the stores in town.
  - Does anybody in the troop know somebody who has acreage and would be willing to let the troop cut trees for minimal or no fees???
- Trailer repairs and equipment replacement
  - The quartermaster (Mark Acker) has a list of things that need to be fixed in the trailer (eg. lanterns). He will need to contact the committee chair to get approval for funds.
  - Kim will help/coach the quartermaster as needed.
- Additional New Business

**Updates/Information:**

- For Troop T-shirts see The Quartermaster; Troop Numeral “87” patches (\$2.00 each) see Dawn
- 2015 High Adventure: July 12-18 at Northern Tier, Minnesota