

# TROOP 87

## MARCH 2017 NEWSLETTER

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### SCOUTMASTER'S MINUTE



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Hello Troop 87,

With March here, we're entering a fun and busy season with a lot of camping and a bunch of away meetings! We will start with celebrating the accomplishments of our scouts at our quarterly Court of Honor and elections of our new leadership. We'll round out March with a camping trip at BDSR and a trip to see the Pterosaurs at the Fort Collins Museum of Discovery.

I would like to ensure that all the scouts are receiving copies of this newsletter and other troop communications. Scouts should be guiding their own scouting program and part of that is keeping themselves informed. Parents, please make sure you are sharing these communications with your scouts. I'd also like to encourage all the scouts to add their emails to our email list so they can get the communications directly. If your scout isn't on our email list and isn't receiving these communications, please send me their email address and I'll get them added to the list.

Yours in Scouting,  
Matt Condell  
Scoutmaster, Troop 87

### 2017 FRIENDS OF SCOUTING

If you have not already contributed, please consider supporting the Troop and Council by donating or pledging towards our 2017 Friends of Scouting (FOS) goal. FOS giving provides the budgetary support for numerous improvements to the Council's properties, expansion of Scouting programs, and increases the chance that every young person in our community will benefit from the impact of Scouting. If our Troop meets our 2017 goal, we are provided with recognitions and good standing in the Council, to include free rank emblems, badges, and awards. In order to achieve our goal, funds or pledges must be submitted no later than March 31st. A copy of the 2017 FOS brochure is attached to this newsletter; please print and complete page 8 of this newsletter and return it to a committee member at the next meeting. Feel free to contact Bob Grimmer at [rgrimmer@mac.com](mailto:rgrimmer@mac.com) with any questions.

### SUMMER CAMP registration deadlines are coming up!

**March 15** is the deadline for the early-bird discount and registrations received after May 1<sup>st</sup> are subject to a \$25 late fee on top of the registration fee:

**Early bird prices: \$270/scout, \$100/adult**

**Full price: \$295/scout, \$125/adult**

Contact Bob Grimmer for your scout's account balance.

# UPCOMING SCHEDULE

(Schedule changes are indicated in RED)

## Troop 87 Calendar for 2017

### March 2017:

- 03/07/17 (Tuesday): Flag Ceremony at the Elk's Club 6:00 (participants only)  
Blue Cards due for Court of Honor; Position Review for Elections  
Position Speeches  
Committee Meeting for parents during the normal troop meeting
- 03/14/17 (Tuesday): No Meeting – Spring Break
- 03/21/17 (Tuesday): Elections/Court of Honor  
**Friends of Scouting Update**  
Please bring a snack to share with the troop  
Campout Prep
- 03/24-26/17 BDSR Cabin Camping
- 03/28 (Tues) OR 3/30 (Thurs): Fort Collins Museum of Discovery away meeting at **6pm**

### April 2017:

- 04/04/17 (Tuesday): Rank Advancements – **2019 High Adventure Camp Presentation**  
Patrol Leader Council (PLC) meets at 6:00 pm Laporte Pizza  
Committee meeting for parents during the normal troop meeting
- 04/11/17 (Tuesday): Bowling at North College Chippers – **starting at 6:30 pm**
- 04/18/17 (Tuesday): Troop 87 Campout Prep
- 04/21 - 23(Fri-Sun): Troop 87 Campout with Webelos
- 04/25/17 (Tuesday): Troop 87 Campout Clean up
- <td> Fort Collins Nursery Fundraiser

### May 2017:

- 05/02/17 (Tuesday): Patrol Leader Council (PLC) meets at 6:00 pm Laporte Pizza  
Committee meeting for parents during the normal troop meeting  
Outdoor Game Night/Track Running
- 05/09/17 (Tuesday): Swimming Merit Badge at EPIC at 6:30 (Summer Camp Swim Tests)
- 05/16/17 (Tuesday): Personal Fitness Merit Badge
- 05/18/17 (Tuesday): Volunteers to help with setup for Veterans Plaza Memorial (adults)
- 05/23/17 (Tuesday): Rock Wall Climbing at Miramont at 6:30
- 05/28/17 (Sunday): Veterans Plaza Memorial Day Ceremony  
**Additional help will be needed from scouts to read the names of fallen soldiers throughout the weekend.**

**June 2017:**

06/06/17 (Tuesday): Blue Cards Due  
Patrol Leader Council (PLC) meets at 6:00 pm Laporte Pizza  
Committee meeting for parents during the normal troop meeting

06/20/17 (Tuesday): Court of Honor  
Summer Camp Health Forms Due  
Please bring a snack to share with the troop

06/27/17 (Tuesday): Summer Camp Prep  
Health forms due

<tbd> Camping Trip

**July 2017:**

07/04/17 (Tuesday): No Meeting – Independence Day

07/06/17 (Thursday): Summer Camp Prep and final planning, if needed

07/09-15 (Sun – Sat): Summer Camp at Medicine Mountain in South Dakota

<tbd> White Water Rafting

**August 2017:**

08/01/17 (Tuesday): Patrol Leader Council (PLC) meets at 6:00 pm Laporte Pizza  
Committee meeting for parents during the normal troop meeting

<tbd> Team Fort Collins Horsetooth Swim

<tbd> Popcorn Kick Off

**September 2017:**

09/05/17 (Tuesday): Patrol Leader Council (PLC) meets at 6:00 pm Laporte Pizza  
Committee meeting for parents during the normal troop meeting

<tbd> Fort Collins Nursery Fundraiser

<tbd> Fall Camporee

<tbd> Elections/ Court of Honor

<tbd> Patrol Leader Training

**October 2017:**

10/03/17 (Tuesday): Patrol Leader Council (PLC) meets at 6:00 pm Laporte Pizza  
Committee meeting for parents during the normal troop meeting

<tbd> Corn Maze or Halloween Activity

<tbd> Troop/Pack Camping Trip

<tbd> Patrol Leader Training

**November 2017:**

11/7/17 (Tuesday): Patrol Leader Council (PLC) meets at 6:00 pm Laporte Pizza  
Committee meeting for parents during the normal troop meeting

11/21/17 (Tuesday): No Meeting – Thanksgiving Break

<tbd> Veteran's Day Ceremony at Veteran's Plaza

<tbd> Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser

<tbd> Patrol Leader Training

**December 2017:**

12/05/17 (Tuesday): Patrol Leader Council (PLC) meets at 6:00 pm Laporte Pizza  
Committee meeting for parents during the normal troop meeting

12/26/17 (Tuesday): No Meeting – Christmas Break

<tbd> Court of Honor/ Holiday Party at the Elks Lodge  
<tbd> Tree pick up Fundraiser  
<tbd> Patrol Leader Training

**TROOP COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES**



**Carolyn Coleman, Committee Chair**  
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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.*

**February Meeting – 03/07/2017**

**In Attendance:** Ariella Wells, Carolyn Coleman, Cindy Tunney, Ryann Hodge, Bob Grimmer (5 adults)

**Summer Camp:** If registered by March 15, \$270 per scout after that is \$295 per scout. After May 1<sup>st</sup>, is \$25 late fee per scout. \$100 for adults paid in full by March 15, if under 10 scouts 1 adult free. Over 10 scouts going, get 2 adults for free. Split discount across for adults. For early bird deadlines need to be paid in full. No scholarships are available due to the fact this is not an in-council camp.

**King Soopers:** Buy your gift card for KS if you don't have one, yet. 5% refund back off of your purchases. This can go to help towards summer camp costs or other scout costs. Good for gas, RX, groceries. If you would like to know your account balance for your scout currently, please contact Bob. You can email to find out what the current status is for your account.

**Fundraiser:** Camp Cards were \$5 each. Could be a great teacher gift, thank-you's, etc. \$2.50 goes back to your scout account. If they sell enough cards, this could help pay for scout's camp. They can sell these at booths. We are in need of someone to be in charge of handling this fundraiser. The troop may get pats on the back for participating in the council sale. Good fundraiser 50/50 as far as cost. Council did not assign us a goal for these. Helps with the annual evaluation for Journey to Excellence. Training is the end of February on how to do this. You don't lose anything. Get a bundle of 50 cards. Take back what you didn't sell and give \$ for those that did sell. Deadline is usually in May for turn in of money. Cards are good for a year. Few coupons on it only good for a few months. 9-11 Poudre REA building for the training. Sale runs for March 1 to May 1.

**Should we take credit cards?** Carolyn will look for information and bring info for meeting next month.

**Friends of Scouting:** They still do not have the 2017 information posted on the website. They are due April 1<sup>st</sup>. Usually our troop is done at the Christmas party. This is the first year that we are not done at the Xmas party. Making our goal means free rank and merit badge patches. Our goal is \$1500. We have \$350 to date. Someone should be contacting our alumni as well. They usually donate a fair amount of money. We usually have cards for people that tend to donate regularly. Bob will contact Kim Yung to see if he can get a list of the alumni. This needs to make its way out into the newsletter as well.

**Next Meeting date:** March 7, 2017 (?)





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# Friends of Scouting

LONGS PEAK COUNCIL



ADVENTURE | RESPONSIBILITY | LEADERSHIP | SUCCESS



## ADVENTURE

Outdoor adventures help prepare youth for a productive lifestyle later in life.

**6,500** youth in the Longs Peak Council participate in a camping experience.





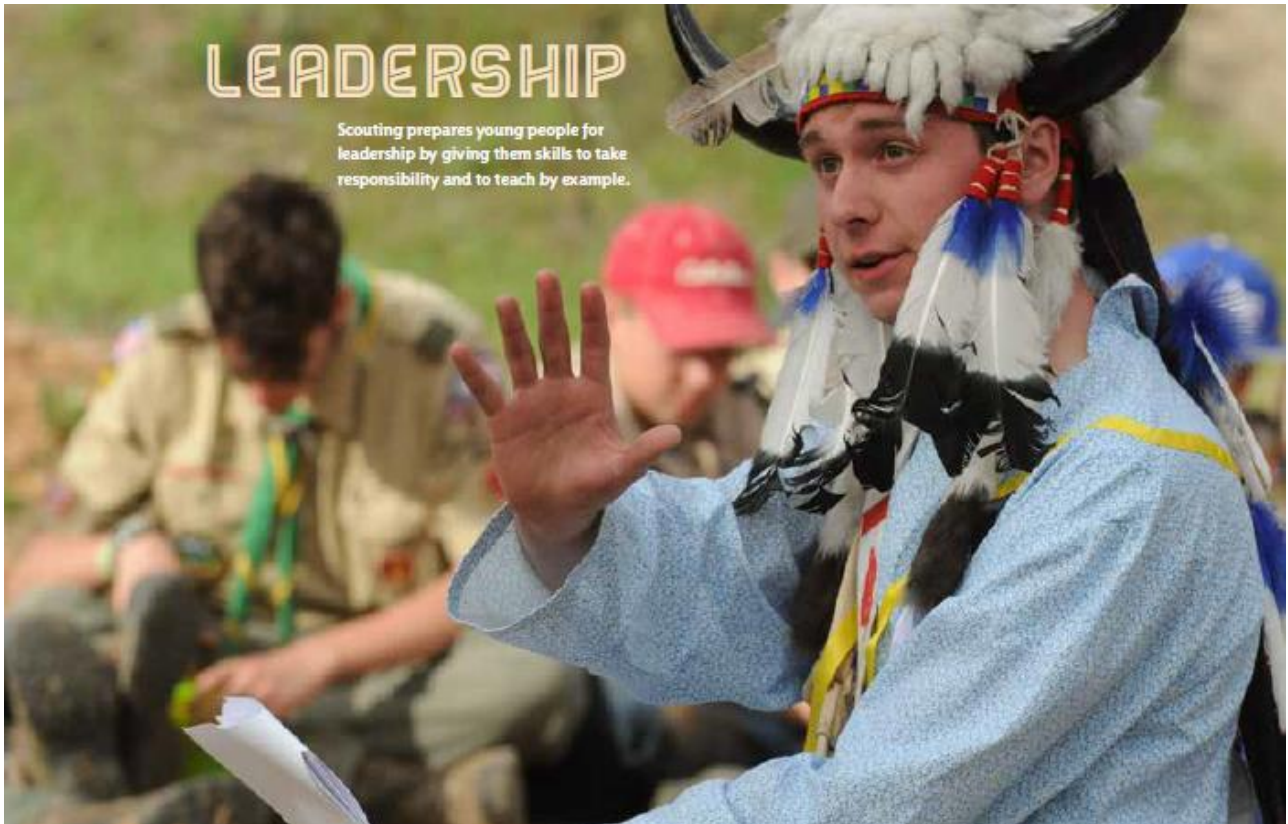


## Responsibility

Scouts in the Longs Peak Council give **97,000+** hours of volunteer service every year to their communities – a value of more than **\$2 million** based on the national volunteer value of \$23.07.



**36,000 +**  
pounds of food collected for local  
food banks in the annual  
**Scouting for Food**  
campaign



## LEADERSHIP

Scouting prepares young people for leadership by giving them skills to take responsibility and to teach by example.





# Success

Scouting builds positive character and provides young people a foundation they can stand on to embrace opportunity, overcome obstacles, and make new discoveries.\*

\*Tufts University Study



200+

The number of boys in the Longs Peak Council each year who reach Scouting's highest rank Eagle Scout



# HOW YOU CAN HELP

It Costs  
**\$280**

Per Year Per Youth  
to deliver programs to prepare young people for life.\*

### How we are funded



- Friends of Scouting/Special Events/Foundations 35%
- Camping/Activities 30%
- Product Sales 19%
- Supply Sales 4%
- Endowment 8%
- United Way 3%
- Other Revenue 1%

### How we invest in youth



- Program Services 89%
- Fundraising 8%
- Administration 3%



Receive this limited edition council shoulder patch, twelfth in the series of Scout Law patches, with your gift of \$100 or more.

Receive this limited edition coin with your gift of \$280 or more.



The council's projected annual budget is \$2.8 million for 10,000 youth, which equals \$280 per year, per youth.



## LONGS PEAK COUNCIL, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA | 2017 Friends of Scouting

I am associated with:  Pack  Troop  Crew  Number \_\_\_\_\_

Community Campaign \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_  I am an Eagle Scout

Address \_\_\_\_\_  I am a Scout Alumni

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**ANNUAL PLEDGE** (must be paid by December 15, 2017)

\$100  \$280 (1 year for 1 Scout)  \$500  \$1,000  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**SUSTAINING DONOR PLEDGE**

If you have a strong belief in the value of Scouting and are committed to seeing it succeed, please become a sustaining donor.

I will commit to support the Longs Peak Council \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per year

For  2 Years  3 Years  4 Years  5 Years

**MY EMPLOYER WILL MATCH MY GIFT**

Employer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please have your employer contact Longs Peak Council, PO Box 1166, Greeley, CO 80632-1166

Please send me information about leaving Scouting in my will

No recognition gift, please use 100% of my contribution to support Scouting

**PAYMENT METHOD** (select one)

Text to Give LPCBSA to 41444

Cash

Check made payable to Longs Peak Council

Credit Card (online at [LoveScouting.org](http://LoveScouting.org))  Visa  MasterCard  Discover

Card # \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to make payments

Monthly  Quarterly

Semi-Annually  Annually

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Expires	Payment Start Date	Payment Amount	Security Code	Number of Payments

**Electronic Funds Transfer**

Authorization Agreement for ACH Payments (I/We) do hereby authorize Longs Peak Council, Inc., Boy Scouts of America, hereinafter named the COMPANY, to initiate recurring (debit or credit) entries to (my/our) checking/savings account as indicated and named below as the depository financial institution, hereinafter named FINANCIAL INSTITUTION. (I/We) acknowledge that the origination of ACH transactions to (my/our) account must comply with the provisions of U.S. law. I am duly authorized check signer on the financial institution account identified below, and authorize all of the above as evidenced by my signature below.

Financial Institution \_\_\_\_\_ Branch \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Routing #	Payment Start Date	Payment Amount	Account #	Number of Payments

This authorization is to remain in full force and effect until the COMPANY has received written notification from me (or either of us) of its termination in such manner as to afford the COMPANY and FINANCIAL INSTITUTION a reasonable opportunity to act on it.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

I AGREE TO PAY ABOVE AMOUNT ACCORDING TO CARD ISSUER AGREEMENT AND THE ABOVE AUTHORIZATION

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**LIVE UNITED**

**Scouting is the premier character development program for boys in kindergarten through age 20.**

**In the Longs Peak Council our:**  
**Vision** is to prepare today's youth for future success.  
**Mission** is to develop character, integrity, and leadership in youth through quality programs, outdoor experiences, and service to community.

The Longs Peak Council serves over 10,000 young men and women in northern Colorado, southern Wyoming and western Nebraska.