

# TROOP 87

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## SEPTEMBER 2017 NEWSLETTER



### SCOUTMASTER'S MINUTE

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Hello Troop 87,

First we have a decision on where we are going for our 2019 high adventure camp...drum roll please...Sea Base! We will soon need commitments on who is going as we will need to sign up at the beginning of next year. While high adventure camp will be a great experience, the trip is expensive. Scouts should take full advantage of our upcoming fundraising opportunities to help pay for the trip.

Speaking of Fundraising - it's popcorn time of the year! While I know there's some grumbling about selling popcorn, it really can be a great way for the scouts to put money into their scout account to pay for their scouting activities. We will have a bunch of other fundraisers coming up this fall including our annual pancake breakfast and hopefully getting a Christmas tree pickup fundraiser going.

This month we will hold our fall Court of Honor to recognize all the accomplishments of our scouts over the summer, there are lots to recognize! We will also be holding elections for our new scout leadership.

After election, we will have troop training for all of our new leaders and all other scouts who wish to attend. At the scouts' request, this year we are going to try it as a one-day training at CLP instead of incorporating it into several meetings.

Please look through the schedule for all the other upcoming activities. Fall camporee will be coming up at the end of this month. We have a Halloween movie night scheduled. Also, stay tuned as we have several Eagle Scout projects in the works, which I encourage all scouts to help out with!

Yours in Scouting,  
Matt Condell  
Scoutmaster, Troop 87

### UPCOMING SCHEDULE

(Schedule changes are indicated in **RED**)

#### **September 2017:**

09/10/17 (Sunday): Team Fort Collins Horsetooth Swim 7am

09/12/17 (Tuesday): Rank Advancement, Marching Practice, Review leadership positions

09/16/17 (Saturday): Neighborhood Popcorn Sales

09/19/17 (Tuesday): Elections/ Court of Honor

09/23/17 (Saturday): Patrol Leader Training at CLP Field

09/26/17 (Tuesday): Fall Camporee Prep

09/29-10/01 (Fri-Sun): Fall Camporee

**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  
Dutch Oven Cook-off

10/10/17 (Tuesday): Personal Fitness Part II

10/17/17 (Tuesday): **Movie Night – Halloween Themed Movie**

10/24/17 (Tuesday): **Help at Haunted House at Jack Nicol?**

10/31/17 (Tuesday): No Meeting

<tbd> **Corn Maze or Halloween Activity**  
<tbd> **Troop/Pack Camping Trip**

**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  
**Personal Management Merit Badge**

11/14/17 (Tuesday): **Personal Management Merit Badge**

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

11/28/17 (Tuesday): **“DnD Night”**

<tbd> **Veteran’s Day Ceremony at Veteran’s Plaza**  
<tbd> **Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser**

**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**

**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.*

**September 2017 Committee Meeting Notes – 09/05/2017**

**In attendance:** Cindy Tunney, Caroline, Ariella Wells, Doug Birlingmair, Ryann Hodge, Bob Grimmer, Charles Yung

**August Meeting Minutes** – Motion to approve minutes for August 2017: Doug Birlingmair. Seconded by Mr. Yung.

**Xmas tree fundraiser** – Mr. Birlingmair is going to try to get this fundraiser together for this winter. Have not done this fundraiser before. Envelope attached to tree when set outside for donations.

**Court of Honor** October 2017 – Cole Yung has volunteered to be master of ceremonies. Flag, announcements, elections (week before will have gone over what all jobs entail), rank advancement, award, merit badges and then food. Bring potluck desert for the event. Cole asked if committee meeting would approve. Ryann Hodge made motion to approve. Bob Grimmer seconded the motion. Voted by unanimous vote to approve.

**Josh B. Eagle scout presentation** – project is making water bowls for the WOLF sanctuary. Water bowls they currently use are exposed to elements so get frozen during the winter. Rained in and over flowed, they will freeze to the ground and they can't refill it. You have to refill them within the cage. Some of the wolves are less tame than others, only a few people are able to fill the current bowls. If bowls are refillable from outside of fence, will allow them to open the trap door, open it and slide it. Much easier for volunteers and more benefit to the sanctuary. Structure Josh would like to build would have roof over it. They currently just have buckets and wolves can just tear them apart.

Suggestion from Mr. Yung use hose or pvc and wrap it out through the fence without the trapdoor, depending on what the client wants. Also, suggestion of solar panel with cartridge heater in water.

Looking at lining them up against the fence and then filling them from the outside. There is a hole that will be cut in the fence so bucket can be pulled out and filled.

Building materials: \$191 (but should be less) per box. 17 pens. All full of wolves. 30 plus wolves out there. Need to figure out how much will cost per and decide how many to definitively build. Josh says he is thinking around 3-5 bowls. Needs to figure out how much time he expects each one to take. Determine how many scouts he thinks he will need.

Josh is planning on putting anti-rust paint on the metal. Mr. Yung made Josh aware of the recycle building through the community where he could possibly pick up paint.

Roof is going to have shingles on it. Mr. Yung has roll of leftover shingles from Chances project that he said Josh could have.

Plan is to build them down here and then go up to the sanctuary and install them.

Mr. Grimmer suggested Josh ask them for a layout of the facility.

Soliciting donation ideas: construction company he worked with that did some framing is one possibility but other than that he is not sure yet who he plans on asking.

Mr. Grimmer suggested Josh to talk with owners about moving wolves out of pens that kids will be working in.

Needs to discuss with the sanctuary about who will be cutting the holes in their fence and installing his water bowls and/or how they envision what they think the bowls should look like.

Next step to get sign offs from here and then his beneficiary and then Mr. Noon. They just changed the eagle project form. A separate form if doing any fundraising – same people just different form.

Should put into 3 ring binder with tabs. And identify attachments in the write up. Reference tabs in the write up.

Caroline motions to approve Josh's project. Unanimous vote to approve his project. Needs to get more details though, Quantity, More details on his worksheets.

**High Adventure Trip:** Scouts voted on Sea Base (Florida) for 2019 trip.

**Fundraiser:** Grossed over \$400. Scouts earned \$27 to \$60 depending on how long they worked.

**Andrew Dorsch:** Mr. Grimmer got request from Andrew Dorsch if he could be reimbursed for some scouting related items. Some of it was from Eagle project and some of it was for some climbing gear and hiking gear. Money spent on June 16 and July 21. Mr. Birlingmair motioned to approve reimbursing Mr. Dorsch. Mr. Yung seconded motion. Unanimous vote to approve this project.

Inactive scout's funds, can these funds go over to troop funds? 5 scouts total over \$430. Ryann going to reach out and ask if they are still interested in scouting. If not, will transfer over to troop funds.

**Popcorn:** Troop goal of \$1776 gross sales assuming 6 scouts are selling. Real obtainable goal. What are the benefits if we get it? We get percentage points. If we make our goal, we get 1% in addition to what we would normally get. If we buy popcorn early get 1% more out of the sales. This year supposedly boys get

33% of the sale. If we sell it as a group after the fact, goes into troop funds. If boys are selling individually will go into their scout account. Troop get the bonuses can use at scout store, camporee. Begins 9/9. Ends 10/14. Final orders due 10/25. Money due 12/5. Will have popcorn in our hands this Saturday. Cindy got 5 cases. If choose to just take orders, will get popcorn 11/11. Bring everything to the court of honor and see what the kids will sell. Find neighborhood and do door to door together. Blitz a neighborhood. Mr. Birlingmair has a good neighborhood for sales: 09/16 group popcorn selling 9 to 11:30 am.

**Costs for High Adventure trip:**

Florida Sea Base \$1278 to \$1700 range

Sign-ups open in January 2018. Scouts must be 13 and have finished or be finishing 8<sup>th</sup> grade the year they attend the camp. Ryann to email link to parents about the camp with newsletter (accessible [here](#)). 2019 brochure is not available yet.

Mr. Grimmer motioned to adjourn. Mr. Birlingmair seconded motion. Everyone voted in favor.

**Next Meeting date:** October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017