

SCOUTMASTER'S MINUTE

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Hello Troop 87,

We're in the home stretch of 2018! There's a lot coming up between now and the end of the year (as well as early 2019).

Our annual pancake breakfast is on November 10. This is a great fundraiser for the scouts and for the troop. There is no cost to us as the Elk's Lodge provides the food for free. The scouts just need to sell tickets. It's a great opportunity to pay for scout activities.

Tuesday, December 11 will be our annual holiday party! This will be at the Elk's Lodge and include our December Court of Honor. We will also have our annual gift exchange. If your scout would like to participate, please bring a gift in the \$10-\$15 dollar range.

Looking a bit further out, Merit Badge University is coming up January 5 & 12. MBU is a district-organized event that offers a wide range of merit badges the scouts can earn, including some Eagle required badges. It's a fun event and the district brings in experts to teach the merit badges. Signups will be available soon. More information when I get it.

We also have lots of great activities coming up over the next couple of months including Archery at Jax, visiting the Fort Collins Emergency Operations Center, and more welding merit badge.

As we approach Thanksgiving, I like to take time to reflect on how lucky I am to be able to work with such a great group of scouts, their families, and all our adult leaders. I am grateful to have you all in the troop.

I wish you and your families a Happy Thanksgiving.

Yours in Scouting,

Matt Condell Scoutmaster, Troop 87

Just a Reminder

Sea Base Payment Due January 15, 2019 \$396

UPCOMING!!!

November 6 : Archery at Jax (**JACK** to plan this!)

Sunday November 10 : pancake breakfast fundraiser

November 13 : Emergency prep. Part 2 - away meeting

November 20 : NO MEETING

November 27 : Welding part 2 with Mr. Hodge ****453b Industrial Avenue, Fort Collins 80524****

December 4 :

December 11: Holiday party at **Elks Lodge** ****bring a white elephant gift worth no more than \$10 to \$15****

December 18 : rock climbing at miramont North (**KACE** to plan this!)

December 25 : NO MEETING

January 1 : NO MEETING

Saturday January 5 : Merit Badge University @ FRCC

 XMAS tree pick up (fundraiser!) 9 am to 5 pm

January 8 : MBU work day

Saturday January 12 : Merit Badge University part 2 @ FRCC

January 15 : cold weather talk

January 18/19 - snow sports??? (PLC needs to research. Maybe snowy range)

January 22 : Ice skating (**JACK** to plan!)

January 29 : Klondike prep

Feb 1 to 3 : Klondike

Mar 8 to 10: cabin camping

May 3 to 5 : spring camporee

May 10 to 12: top shots camping trip

NOVEMBER 2018 COMMITTEE MEETING 10/30/2018

In attendance : Ryann Hodge, Ariella Wells, Bob Grimmer, Doug Birlingmair, Sara Young

Meeting convened at 7:10 pm

MBU registration opens in the next couple of weeks. Need to have a leader register everyone and do it soon after registration opens as it fills up fast.

BOB will call landfill re: xmas tree drop off

DOUG will call city and Higginmins recycle about Xmas treet drop off.

Mr. Grimmer made motion to approve last months minutes. Ryann Hodge seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Eliyahu J. presented calendar for next couple of months.

POPCORN SALES UPDATE : boys sold \$2700 in popcorn. We made \$882.76 in commission. Boys beat the goal that council set for the troop. 33% of sales is what was earned off in person sales. 50% of sales is commission on online sales. Only 2 boys sold popcorn online.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST :

Ariella will send out copy of flier to the alumni of troop 87 via email. Ariella will check that there is an event set up on troop 87 facebook page directly so everyone on there gets invited specifically. Ariella will

see if long's peak council will post on their facebook page as well. Will need to bring flags and bases day of event. BOB will grab these on his way over.

XMAS TREE FUNDRAISER

Ryann will print envelopes. 12/4 boys can do envelopes at the meeting. Put rubber bands and punch holes in them. Need to figure out date for canvassing neighborhood. Pick 3 neighborhoods to do pickups at.

Ryann has 2 trailers, Bob has 1 trailer, the Yung family has 1 trailer they said we could borrow

TREASURER REPORT:

\$3010.25 is total amount in troop account

\$1576.02 in scout accounts

\$1434.23 is troop amount in account

Just deposited King soopers and popcorn money. Popcorn money has not yet been distributed into scout accounts.

\$210 in sales done on the square for popcorn sales over the 2 dates of sales.

SEA BASE:

Tim Murphy had expressed interest in going. BOB will talk to him on Friday to see if he wants to commit.

If Tim Murphy goes, then Josh Hodge will go.

If Tim Murphy is a no go, then BOB will mention at the next round table to see if any scouts would be interested.

ADVANCEMENT REPORT:

Joshs 18th bday is November 7. He got signature on his eagle application tonight and will be mailing that in. His Eagle project is completed now. Waiting on some letters to come in.

Saige almost to 1st class - needs a parent board of review.

Eliyahu has eagle application mailed in. He is just waiting on letter from teacher to get sent in and then he can schedule his board of review with Mr Noon.

SHIRTS AND PATCHES :

Nothing done yet. BOB will email Kim Yung about patches to see if can get file. Need to bring in t-shirt so boys can vote if they want to keep same design and then what kind of t-shirt they want to get.

2019 RECHARTERING :

Due December 6, 2018. Emails go out next week. Not showing our corrected form. Ryann will check in to see if they have been updated.

PUBLIC FACEBOOK PAGE:

Should we have our facebook page go public so we can have a public presence? Do we want to keep closed group or start a new group? Do we need a photo release from everyone boys and adults?
Moderators?

Any interest in an Instagram account? Do we want to target boys or adults or both?

ARIELLA will check into some of the facebook stuff.

TROOP GOOGLE CALENDAR:

ARIELLA will get this set up. Need to add a few other folks to have access to be able to edit or update.

Ideally a boy would keep it up to date.

We do not have a webmaster currently. Need to see if any boy has an interest in this position. They could update the google calendar as stuff changes or gets added.

12/4 next committee meeting date.

Mr. Grimmer motion to adjourn/Mr. Birlingmair seconded. Approved.

8:11 pm meeting adjourned.

NEW!!!

We are working on getting our website updated a little bit! We will be having some photo releases for families to sign! Hopefully those will go out in the next couple of weeks! We also have a new Facebook like page! This one is our "public" face the one that can be looked up and hopefully help new families to find us! Please DO give it a like!