Hello Scouts, Scouters, and Parents,

Our next Troop Meeting is Tomorrow (Monday, Aug 3) 7:00 - 8:30 pm at Valmont Bike Park-Boulder.

Meeting This Week:

Thank you to Mr. Taylor for filling in for me as Scoutmaster this week. Please meet him at the shelter off Valmont Rd at the Valmont Bike Park in Boulder. He will cover the first three requirements of the Cycling Merit Badge. Please bring your mountain bike, helmet, water bottle, mask and some tools to work on your bike.

Agenda for this Monday:

7:00 Sign in at the shelter off the parking lot on the South side of the Valmont Bike park in Boulder. When done with requirements, you will be able to ride for fun.

8:30 Please sign out BEFORE you leave.

Upcoming Troop Activities:

Aug 10 Back to School Swim Party at Sunset Pool

Aug 15 Gabriel M Eagle Project. Sign up in Troop Web Host.

Aug 21-23 Watersports Campout. Boyd Lake State Park

Sept 18-20 Shooting Sports Campout

Oct 2-4 Mountain Bike campout-Curt Gowdy State Park Wyoming

General Announcements:

PayPal is Now Available to make Troop 66 Account Payments! From Troop 66 Treasurer Scott Francis: Cash and check are still welcome.. If you have a Paypal account and transfer money from a bank account, you can transfer money to the scout account for no fee. If you use a credit card, you will be charged a fee of \$0.30 plus 2.9% of the value of the transaction. This fee is from Paypal, not the troop. After you submit money via Paypal, I will get an email notification and can send you this notification as a receipt. After I receive the notification, I will credit the scout account in Troop Web Host. This may not happen for several days after the transfer of money. The account is set up as Boy Scout Troop Sixty Six, but you may need to use my email address to find the account: 07consultingcolo@gmail.com

Fundraising Activities:

King Soopers Loyalty Card fundraiser is ongoing..... Please keep scanning your Sooper card when you buy groceries and gas. We earn 5% of these purchases if you link your King Sooper Card to our troop. As a reminder, please share this with your friends and family, this is how you link your card to Troop 66:

- Go to this link: http://www.kingsoopers..com/ communityrewards
- Sign in to your existing King Soopers loyalty account (if you've never set one up before you'll need to create one. We can help you do this at a Troop 66 meeting. Just bring in your King Sooper Card)
- In the upper left corner, there is a drop-down menu titled "Save" then select "King Soopers Community Rewards" from the Save drop-down menu
- Click on the words "Enroll Now" in the middle of the page
- In the "Find an Organization" field search for "Boy Scout Troop 66
 -Longmont, Colorado" or Organization "XR517" (which is our organization's code in the system)
- Click on the **Enroll button** within the box for our organization
- You will get confirmation that you successfully enrolled in the Community Rewards Program. That's it!
- Sign out of your account... (Troop 66 does NOT have access to this account or any personal information).
- Questions? Contact: Scott Francis, Troop 66 Treasurer, (720)
 936-1128 or 07consultingcolo@gmail.com

New Scout Parents Corner:

Hey Parents, feeling like you suddenly have all kinds of extra time on your hands?! If so, please complete the following to get your Scout transitioned into Troop 66:

Get logged in to TroopWebHost, our Scout and Adult Leaders financial account and advancement software program: You should have also received a link to set up your account in Troop Web Host (TWH)

https://www.troopwebhost.org/Troop66Longmont/Index.htm
Please log in, and set your own password. Also, please enter all of the contact information in all fields. TroopWebHost keeps the "bank account" for your Scout, his rank and merit badge advancement records, and this is where you sign up for our activities such as campouts and other activities. This software keeps track of attendance and other important information.

Please complete your BSA Transfer Applications which moves your Scout from Pack 673 to Troop 66: Here are the applications you will need to fill out. Please print it out and bring it to the meeting. I will need these in order to get your scouts' information transferred in the district and officially part of our unit.

Adult Application https://filestore..scouting.org/filestore/pdf/524-501.pdf

Youth Application https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/524-406.pdf

Fees that are due: You have already paid the \$60 BSA fees for the year so your credit for paying this is automatically transferred to our records. There is a \$25 Troop 66 annual dues that you will need to pay to our treasurer, Scott Francis, which gets you current for 2020 with the Troop. You can make payments to your account using PayPal. Mr. Francis has instructions for this in our weekly newsletter.

Medical Forms are needed for all activities including meetings, campouts, and Summer Camp. Please complete this ASAP and turn it into me at a meeting. For normal campouts and activities, the troop will need Medical form A and B. https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-001_AB.pdf

Troop Calendar:

For the current status of all upcoming meetings and troop activities, please reference our Troop Calendar on our Troop Website: https://bsa66.weebly..com/calendar..html

Yours in Scouting,

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