

Hello Scouts, Scouters, and Parents,

*[Please arrive **BEFORE** 7pm. Many scouts are arriving late and it disrupting flags and announcements..]*

Our next Troop Meeting is Tomorrow (Monday, April 8) 7- 8:30 pm at First Congregational United Church of Christ, located at the corner of 9th Ave and Francis, Longmont, CO 80501.

Meeting This Week:

Summer Camp Merit Badges choices DUE tomorrow, April 8. Mrs. Martinez sent out an email earlier this week. There will be printed forms and program guides at the meeting. Please see me or Mrs. Martinez if you have any questions.

Personal Management Merit Badge Class. Please bring your orange folder and green check-off sheet. Requirement 8 homework due tomorrow. We will discuss it in class.

Agenda for this Monday:

- 6:00 Patrol Leader Council (PLC) in classroom adjacent to Fellowship Hall
- 6:45 **Service Patrol (Spartans) arrive at 6:45** to setup flags, tables, and chairs.
- 7:00 Opening Flag Ceremony- **Spartan Patrol (Class A uniforms)**
- 7:10 Announcements
- 7:15 Meal planning for Camporee
- 7:25 Personal Management MB class meet in the chapel. Rank advancement and helping new scouts for those not in the MB class.
- 8:10 Games
- 8:30 Cleanup: All Hands on Deck

Upcoming Troop Activities:

Camporee is Scheduled for April 12-14. I will be out of town for this campout. Mr. Taylor and Ms. Tiare Bedell will be leading the event for us. Thank you for stepping up. Those going to the Camporee will need to plan for meals tomorrow night.

Wednesday, 10 Scoutmaster Position-Specific (SMS) Training provides Scoutmasters and Assistants (SMs and ASMs) with the basic information and tools they need to lead successful Scout BSA troops. Completing both SMS and IOLS along with Youth Protection qualifies SMs and ASMs as “trained” for their position. Date/Time: Wednesday, April 10 from 6:30 – 9:00 pm. Both sessions must be completed. Location: Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, 71st and Lookout Rd, Boulder. Registration: Cost: \$5.00. Register at the Council Service Center.

April 20, 2019 Spring MBU at the University of Colorado. Registration is closed. I should receive your class schedule this week.. I will email it when I receive it.

Monday, April 22. \$135 Summer Camp payment due.

Monday, April 22. \$330 Northern Tier payment due.

Monday, April 29. No Meeting. School is Out

General Announcements:

Summer Camp 2019 Registration is still Open:Troop 66 will be attending Summer Camp at Peaceful Valley Camp Cris Dobbins just east of Colorado Springs on **June 23-29, 2019**. Please turn in the check and registration form to Mrs. Martinez or Mr. Francis.

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

Troop Web Host: Our Troop Advancement and Accounting Software. We subscribe to a web-based Troop management software that helps our Troop Leaders, parents and Scouts access and manage our advancement records, financials and communications. **Please log in and update your information, especially your email address, and check out all of the features.** If you need to receive login credentials, please email Mr. Foss at foss@airmail.net. Please make sure you are using and up-to-speed on this web based management software so we can streamline the activity management and workload on our adult leaders.

Fundraising Activities:

Reloadable King Soopers Cards: **This program is improving.** More details to come from Mr. Francis.

Troop Calendar:

For 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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