

Hello Scouts, Scouters, and Parents,

This week we will have an in-person meeting in the Fellowship Hall at First Congregational United Church of Christ located on the corner of 9th Ave. and Francis St. Our meeting will be from 7:00-8:30 pm. Please arrive BEFORE 7:00 so we can start the meeting on time.

Communication MB Class Tomorrow 5/2: We will meet for 20 minutes to go over skits and to finalize preparations. Also, Mrs. Martinez will be making Blue Cards for all scouts who turn in their Yellow sign-off sheet.

Rank Advancement and Merit Badges-This meeting will focus on rank advancement and completing any merit badges. The Court of Honor is Monday, May 10, 2021.

Uniform inspection. I will have patrol leaders doing a uniform inspection so we can look our best for the Court of Honor on May 10, 2021.

AGENDA

7:00 **Flags Spartan Patrol. Please arrive by 6:45** to set up so we can start at 7:00. Class A Field Uniforms. *(Please DO NOT wear a coat over your uniform or a non-BSA hat during the flag ceremony.)*

7:10 **Announcements**

7:15 **Communication Merit Badge- Final Planning of upcoming CoH**

7:15 **Rank Advancement or Merit badge work**

8:00 **Games**

8:30 **Closing Flags, Clean up. Please help sanitize the tables and put chairs away.**

COVID INFORMATION FOR OUR IN-PERSON MEETINGS:

I wanted to let all of the parents know that as a school teacher, I completed both vaccine shots about a month ago. Also, Kristy just received her second vaccine shot.

In Boulder County, we are at Code Blue for Covid Restrictions. We want to give the boys some opportunities to interact with each other while being COVID safe and abiding by all Boulder County restrictions and guidance. We will keep the doors and windows open for good airflow and ventilation. Please remember we are still following these requirements:

1. Indoor group numbers limited to less than 50.
2. Face Masks required
3. 6' Social distancing
4. Use Hand sanitizer.
5. Masks are no longer required in the outdoors as long as we maintain 6' social distancing

Please do not come to our meeting if you are feeling under the weather at all: that includes headaches, a fever, a snuffle, a cough, a sore throat, etc. We need to be VERY careful to protect our Scouts, adult leaders, and families of Scouts.

UPCOMING TROOP ACTIVITIES:

May 10 **Spring Court of Honor**

May 17 **Resume Outdoor meetings at Faith Community Church on Ute Highway**

May 22-23 **St. Vrain State Park Campout. Important for new Scouts and other Scouts wanting to sign off on rank or merit badge requirements. Please sign up in TWH ASAP. **We need a Parent Volunteer who can be the Champion for this Campout.** (The date had to be moved in order to get the group campsite.)**

May 22 **Hike**

May 31 **NO MEETING- Memorial Day**

June 5 **Swimming Merit Badge/ Summer Camp Swim Check-Details emailed later.**

June 6 **Zach F. Eagle Project**

- June 13** **Mike P. Eagle Project**
- June 26-27** **All Troop Backpacking Trip**
- July 4-10** **Traditional Summer Camp at Buffalo Bill Scout Camp near
Yellowstone National Park**
- July 9-11** **High Adventure Crew Backpacking Campout**
- July 25-31** **High Adventure (Age 14+) Backpacking Trek in Yellowstone National
Park**
- Aug. 14-15** **TBA Campout to be planned by PLC**

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 Soopers Card to our troop.

1. · Go to this link: <http://www.kingsoopers.com/communityrewards>
2. · 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)
3. · 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
4. · Click on the words "**Enroll Now**" in the middle of the page

5. · 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)
6. · Click on the **Enroll button** within the box for our organization
7. · You will get confirmation that you successfully enrolled in the Community Rewards Program. **That’s it!**
8. · 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

TROOP CALENDAR:

For the current status of all upcoming meetings and troop activities, please go to our Troop Calendar on the bottom of the homepage of our Troop Website: <https://bsa66.weebly.com/>

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Yours in Scouting,

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