

# TROOP TRAILS

*Scouting at its Finest*

<http://www.troop448.org>

Green Mountain Presbyterian Church, corner of Mississippi and Alamada; Tuesday evenings, 7:00 pm

A Scout is: Trustworthy: A Scout he keeps his promises. People can



tells the truth. He is honest, and depend on him.

## Patrol News



### SPL's

written by: SPL's

In December, everyone had fun at the lock-in, and hopefully had a good holiday season.

This January, we will be doing exciting new merit badges such as: Snow Sports, Medicine and Communications.

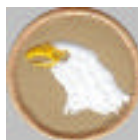
We are also looking forward to totally rad outings like Winter Sports and lasertag.



### Dragon Patrol:

written by: Entire Patrol

We had a great time at the lock-in. It was very fun and lots of people showed up, however we were one tv short. We are looking forward to the Klondike Derby day trip, and the outings that will happen in the new year of 2004. We have fun here.



### Jackals

written by: Alan

We're finally back! It was fun over Christmas Break, and everyone had a good time. The Lock-in after the Court-of-Honor was a blast! We all had fun staying up all night and playing games.





## Scoutmaster Minute

Dear Troop

This is a new year, a lot of people make New Year's Resolutions, well, I found the following that I want to share.

Well, Scouts, did you make any New Year's Resolutions? I hope some of you resolved to bring up your grades in school and be more helpful around the house. I'm sure your parents would be delighted with those resolutions.

In Scouting, we make a resolution almost every time we meet. Each time we repeat the Scout Oath or Law, we're resolving to do our best to do our duty and to make ourselves the best citizens we can be. I'm inclined to think that resolving to follow the Scout Oath and Law are the most important resolutions you can make – now and in the time to come. The Oath and Law cover almost everything that makes a good man and a good citizen. So, I think, as we start the New Year, we ought to repeat the Oath and Law and think about what we're saying.

Scott E. Johnson, Scoutmaster  
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## Program

written by: Mary Ann Pettit

Reminder:

During January and February the Scouts will be working on three new merit badges.

Communications with Mr. Packer, medicine with Mrs. Montgomery and Snow Sports with Mr. Jones and Mr. Leger.

Scouts, please let Mrs. Pettit know which merit badges you will be working on so she can inform the merit badge counselors. This helps with their planning.



## Committee

written by: Russ Mann  
**Changing of the Guard**

Randy Leger has now completed his term as Committee Chair. Randy has served in this position for 2 plus years and has done an exemplary job. He will now pursue other functions within the Troop,

As Troop 448's Chartered Organization Rep, I am very pleased to announce that Kim Huffman has accepted my appointment to serve the next 2-year term as Committee Chair.

We have all seen Kim's leadership skills in action in leading both Scouts and adults. Kim's dedication to the principals of Scouting can be seen in his son, Mike.

Please join me in welcoming and supporting Kim in his new role as Committee Chair.

Russ Mann



## ASM

Uniform Coordinator

written by: Susan Michelle

If you need an item of clothing from our Class B uniform list please give me a call and I will bring you that item the next Scout meeting.

Thank you, Susan 720-962-0622

Sweatshirts	S,M,L	\$22.00	XL,XXL	\$25.00
T-shirts	S,M,L,XL	\$12.50	XXL	\$13.50
448 Caps		\$16.50		
Replacement scarves				
	regular	\$8.50		
	Embroidery	\$17.50		

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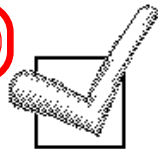
written by: Cindi Stuckey

### Laser Tag Activity

Mark your calendars for an afternoon of laser tag at Laser Quest on Saturday, January 31st. This is the same place we played at in 2002; a lot of the scouts really enjoyed it and expressed interest in returning there. The cost of playing three games will be \$19.50 UNLESS we have at least 30 participants, in which case the price drops to \$14.50. This is definitely a family event; parents, siblings, and friends are invited. I will have permission slips available at the Scout meetings commencing January 13th.

Cindi Stuckey  
Activities Coordinator

## Calendar



### Dates to Remember

#### January

- 20<sup>th</sup> Troop Meeting
- 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> Klondike Derby
- 27<sup>th</sup> Troop Meetings
- 31<sup>th</sup> Laser Tag

#### February

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Troop meeting
- 5<sup>th</sup> Roundtable/OA
- 7<sup>th</sup> OA Banquet
- 8<sup>th</sup> Scout Sunday, Committee meeting
- 10<sup>th</sup> Troop meeting & PLC
- 17<sup>th</sup> Troop meeting
- 21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> Snow Caving
- 24<sup>th</sup> Troop meeting

Check our website for the most current information.



## Announcements

### Parents:

For Safety's sake:  
PLEASE REMEMBER to come into the building when picking up your scout after the meeting. Thank you.



## Fundraising

Hi everyone! Hope everyone had a great Christmas and New Year's! I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for participating in all the fundraisers we held last year, including the newspaper recycling, aluminum can recycling, ink jet and laser jet cartridges, pancake breakfast, and the selling of the glass Christmas trees at the craft fair. Since Mrs. Johnson has worked it out with the high school for us to collect their newspapers, this has really bumped up our newspaper recycling! As of January 15<sup>th</sup> we have earned \$336.00! Yeah! I would also at this time like to thank Mark Edelman for donating his time and glass for the making and selling of the glass Christmas trees. We made over \$200 for the troop!

One note on the newspaper collection from the high school. For several months now, there have only been two families collecting the newspapers from the school, the Benigars and the Johnsons. I have tried asking for volunteers, but since no one has volunteered, then I will start a sign-up sheet starting, Tuesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>. Please sign up!

Our next aluminum can recycling date is scheduled for the first Saturday in April, April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Since there seems to be scheduling conflicts for everyone to meet at the church that day, we will try a different approach. Starting two weeks before the recycling date, we will have all patrols bring their cans to the church. A few adult volunteers will then take the cans on recycling day. I feel this new way of recycling will be easier for everyone.

Thanks again!  
**Karen Benigar**  
**Fundraising Coordinator**  
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## Community News

### S.H.A.R.E. Colorado:

A WIN- WIN SITUATION!!

Parents get good food cheaper than in the stores, and scouts can get community service hours. Please contact Scott or Codi Johnson for more information.