

# 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: Kind. A Scout knows  
He treats others as he wants to be  
does not harm or kill any living



there is strenght in being gentle.  
treated. Without good reason, he  
thing.

## Patrol News



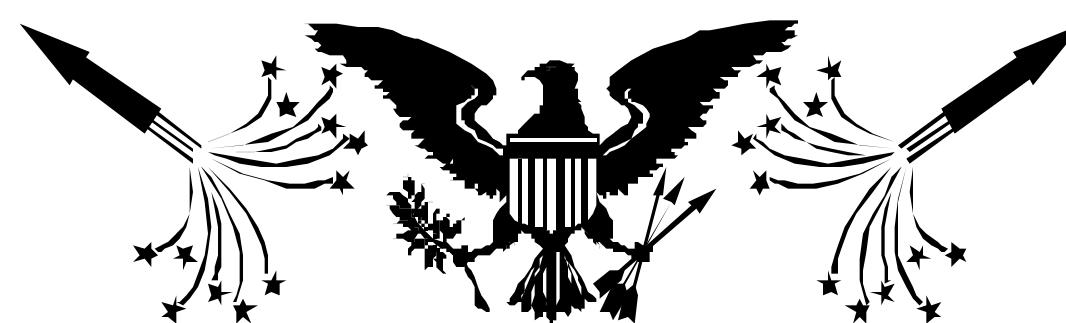
**SPL's**  
written by: Jacob E.

Two scouts went to Big Horn to learn to be better leaders. We are heading to summer camp with 7 scouts. All of us will be finishing many merit badges. A few of us have broken bones but they still show up. Spelunking is going to be near soon and I hope a lot of people go.



**Viking Patrol**  
written by: Shawn S.

We are looking forward to spelunking July 21<sup>st</sup>. We are also hoping a lot of people will come to the Second Wind Walk/Run. Jeremiah and Charlie almost have Eagle. Yay! We can't wait for summer camp.



**Lightning Patrol**  
written by: Austin W.

July 3<sup>rd</sup> is party time; it will be fun as always. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Wind Run is in September. Summer Camp is going to be outrageous! I think caving is going to be a blast. Boulder Lake is coming up and we are all very excited. Backpacking is always fun.



## Scoutmaster Minute

Hi everyone,  
Happy new Month

We just camp back from Summer Camp-wow it was fun and very beautiful up there. Everyone had fun and completed lots of merit badges. Please ask the scouts about all of their fun activities and stories, there were a lot of them.

I want to give my thanks to the adult leaders for helping out the troop on this event. Without Joanna Braun, Suzanne Swank, Bill Haas and Mark Edelen's help this week, this could not have happened. Steven –SPL and Dean – ASPL, did a GREAT JOB in performing their duties. They made everyone's week much nicer, including mine.

I also want to say a big thanks for the shirt, sweater and the great walking stick with your names on it-I will cherish these forever-thank you.

I want to share this Scout Master minute: It tells about a person that overcomes huge odds to do his best- just like all of you:

A Scout gives his best no matter what the situation. Sometimes it's not hard to do our best, but other times it seems as if everything is working against us. Some of us have personal difficulties or challenges, yet the goal is to still the same, to always do our best. The story of Michael J. Dowling illustrates that challenges may seem overwhelming, but you can always overcome them.

Michael J. Dowling was a young man of 14 when he fell off of the back of a wagon during a blizzard. By the time his parents found him, he was severely frostbitten. His right leg was amputated almost to the hip; his left leg above the knee; his right arm was amputated as was his left hand. It seems like Michael Dowling wouldn't have much of a future, but he was determined to get an education and be successful. He went to the board of county commissioners and told them that if they would educate him, he would pay back every penny. They agreed, and he received his education, then repaid the dept. He worked hard in his career and eventually become president of one of the largest banks in the city. Michael Dowling also married and had five children.

During World War I, Michael Dowling traveled to Europe to visit wounded American soldiers. On one occasion, he stayed in a large London hotel and gave a speech to some injured servicemen. As he stood on a balcony overlooking several hundred soldiers sitting in their wheelchairs, he started to tell them how fortunate they were. The fact that one had lost an eye, and another had lost an arm were no grounds for complaint. He continued talking this way, and within a few minutes the soldiers became angry and started to boo him. He then walked over to the stairway and

started down the stairs toward the lobby. Michael Dowling continued telling them how fortunate they were, and they continued to boo him. Partway down the stairs, he sat down and removed his artificial right leg. At this point the soldiers calmed down a little, but they still resented his remarks. Michael Dowling then took off his artificial left leg, and the hall quieted immediately. Next, he took off his right arm, and finally removed his left hand. The soldiers then understood how fortunate they were.

We have little control over the gifts life gives us. We have even less control over the challenges we each must face. However, we have complete control over our attitude and how we decide to handle the hardships we must endure.

For the scouts that went to the summer camp – you did your best!!

Scott E. Johnson, Scoutmaster  
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## Committee Chair Corner



Committee Corner  
written by: Barb Quartermass

Welcome home. I know that all of you had a really wonderful time at Ben Delatour.

The Scouts made a decision about the Craft Fair at Green Mountain. We will sell hotdogs, chili, soda, chips and sell BSA popcorn as well as make and sell small glass Christmas trees and blocks. We will have one of the "free" booths. Be thinking about what you want to do in 208- our summer trip will be to Roswell, New Mexico, so we have to start planning that now!

We have a G.O.A.T. book, so maybe we can go to some new places next summer for caving, backpacking, hiking 14'ers, what else? Think about where you want to go the summer of 2009.

The troop needs your help- remember that parents must pick up the scouts in the basement of the Church- we do not want the boys wandering around by themselves. There are safety reasons as well as liability concerns for the church.

Hope your summer is going really well.

Yours in Scouting,  
Barb Quartermass  
Call with questions or concerns  
720-299-1300 (cell) or 303-989-7654 (home)





## ASM



### Uniform Coordinator

written by: Suzanne Swank

Class B uniforms are available at all meetings or by calling or emailing Ms. Swank. 303-763-9146, or kukaloo3@aol.com.

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

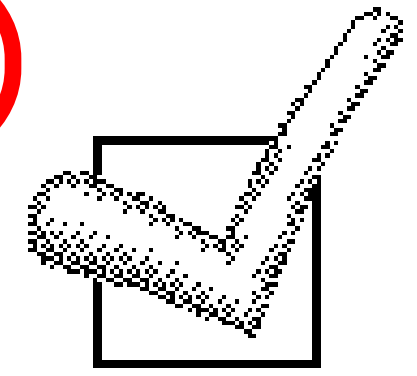
## Community News

### 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. or <http://www.sharecolorado.com>

## Calendar



### Dates to Remember

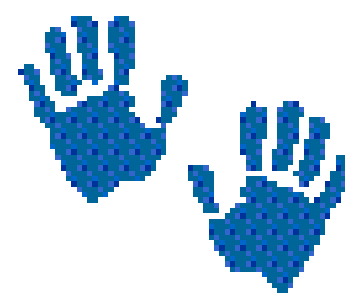
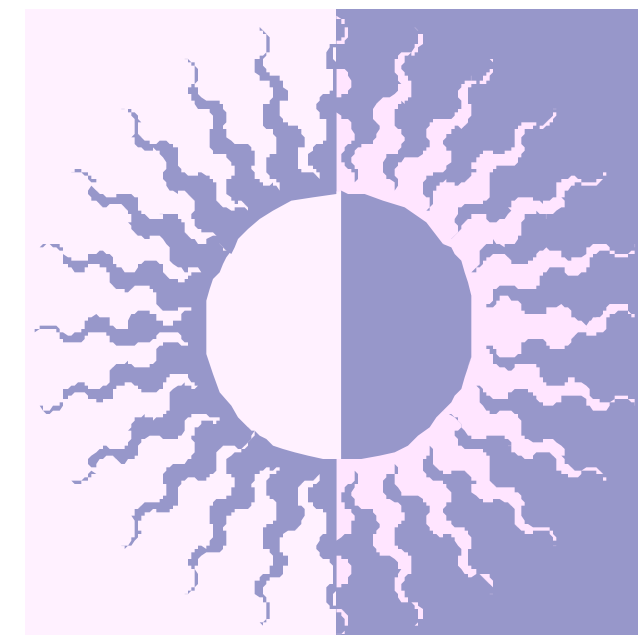
#### July

3rd	Troop Meeting
10th	Troop Meeting
14th-15th	Boulder Lake Backpacking
17th	Troop Meeting, PLC
21st	Caving
22nd	Committee Meeting, COH
24th	Troop Meeting
31st	Troop Meeting

#### August

2nd	Roudtable/OA
5th	Committee Meeting
7th	Troop Meeting, PLC
21st	Troop Meeting
24th-26th	Standley Lake Outing
28th	Troop Meeting

Check our website for the most current information.



## Announcements

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For Safety's sake:

PLEASE REMEMBER to come into the building when picking up your scout after the meeting. Thank you.

If you have any questions, concerns, comments or additions to make to this publication, please contact:

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