

## Troop 404 Objectives, Adjusted for COVID Safety:

1. Continue to find safe ways to keep Scouts engaged & maintain Troop momentum.
2. Boy led - 75% Scout / 25% Adult.
3. Reliable leadership from elected Scouts.
4. Plan individual or group service projects.
5. Plan virtual or in-person meetings.
6. Plan individual or group Scout-related outdoor activities.
7. Individual Scout advancement.
8. Courts of Honor held 3 times a year.
9. Troop-guided merit badges.
10. Scout spirit (incentives & rewards).
11. Have fun!!



Troop Meeting at the Chapel Hills Mall  
April, 2021

## History of Troop 404

Scouts BSA Troop 404 was initially formed and chartered in April, 2004 (hence the number "404") by a small group of families. This family-oriented troop of eight has now grown into a unit with almost 40 boys across all Scout ranks.

Our registered leaders have many years of Scouting experience to assist Scouts in camping, hiking, rank advancement, merit badge work, and community service projects.



We meet Monday nights in northeast Colorado Springs or on Zoom.

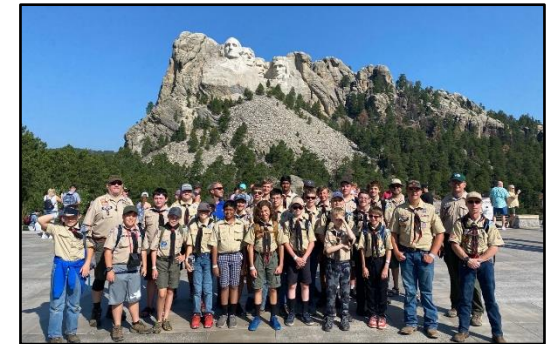
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## Adventure Awaits You!



Celebrating Scouting  
Since 2004



Medicine Mountain Scout Ranch  
Custer, South Dakota

July, 2021



## A Snapshot of 2020:

### **Before COVID-19:**

- Family Snowshoeing at The Craggs
- Glen Aspen Winter Campout
- Family Ski Day at Monarch Mountain
- Court of Honor
- Camp Card Sales
- 4 In-Person Webelos Bridging Ceremonies

### **After COVID-19 Lock-down:**

- Weekly Zoom Troop and Patrol Meetings
- Monthly Zoom Committee Meetings
- 1 Virtual Webelos Bridging Ceremony
- “Campouts in Your Own Backyard”
- More than 12 Merit Badge Workshops
- Florida Sea Base High Adventure Trip
- Virtual Boards of Review for Rank
- Virtual Courts of Honor
- National Youth Leadership Training
- 5 Eagle Scout Projects
- 3 Virtual Eagle Scout Board of Review
- 1 Virtual Eagle Scout Court of Honor
- Virtual Popcorn Sales
- Scrip Fundraiser



## **Planning for a Busy 2021:**

- *Webelos Bridging Ceremonies*
- *Florida Sea Base Scuba/Sailing High Adventure Trip, Florida Keys (postponed to 2022)*
- *Aviation Merit Badge, Wings over the Rockies*
- *Troop Mini-Golf Outing*
- *Spruce Mountain Hike*
- *National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT)*
- *Troop Leader Training*
- *2 Backpacking Trips*
- *Summer Camp at Medicine Mountain, SD*
- *Order of the Arrow Ordeal, Camp Alexander*
- *“Mountains 2 Meadows” group for older Scouts*
- *Ice Climbing at Camp Alexander*
- *Eagle Projects, Eagle Ceremonies*
- *Scrip, Camp Card, Popcorn Sales Fundraisers*



## **A Note from Our Committee Chair:**

Thank you for your interest in Scouts BSA Troop 404!



The COVID-19 pandemic of 2020 forced us to rethink our approach to Scouting. Although health and safety restrictions prevented most in-person activities, Troop 404 leaders and Scouts developed creative and flexible ways to stay engaged; earn rank and merit badges; and even earn the **National Outdoor Challenge** ribbon.

This unit award recognizes excellence in outdoor programming. Our “Camp in Your Own Backyard” weekends, extensive summer camp plans, emphasis on outdoors-related merit badges, high adventure trek to Florida Sea Base, and attendance at NYLT all contributed to our success. COVID didn’t keep 404 down!

2021 will bring its own challenges, but Troop 404 is ready to meet them. We invite your son to join us as we learn and put into action the Scout Oath, Law, and Motto.

*Adventure Awaits!*

*Karla McKechnie*

