

## Boy Scouts vs. Cub Scouts...

Boy Scouts teaches boys leadership skills, educates and presents the opportunities to learn new interests. Boy Scouts differs from Cub Scouts in the following ways:

- **Patrols**—Boy Scouts are organized by Patrols. This is similar to a Cub Scout Den, but Patrols generally have kids of varying ages and skill levels. The boys name their patrols and design the patch that you see on their uniform. Ask a Boy Scout which patrol he is in!
- **Boy Led**—Boy Scouts are supposed to be in charge of troop meetings, the patrols and the troop. Adult Scoutmasters exist to guide & educate, but not dictate the direction of the troop.
- **Camping**—Teaches responsibility and life skills. This is why Boy Scouts camp more often than Cub Scouts.
- **Merit Badges**—Boy Scouts learn skills through the Merit Badges they earn. Some are required for Rank Advancement, but the Scout chooses which merit badges he will work on and sets his own pace. In Cub Scouts, the Den Leader chooses what the boys will work on.
- **Age Requirements**—Boys must be 11 & have completed 5th grade or have completed the Cub Scout Arrow of Light.

## What You Can Expect From Troop 16...

1. **Adventure.** We believe that a Boy Scout troop should always provide fun and interesting experiences.
2. **Adult Participation.** While it is not required, the boys of Troop 16 are only successful because of the parental involvement.
3. **A Larger Troop.** Yes, Troop 16 is a larger troop. With 40 years of experience, we know that this helps the troop to provide the support and resources needed to succeed.
4. **Friends.** Your son will make new friends from all over Parker. We have boys from Chaparral, Legend and Ponderosa.



## Boy Led...

Boy Scouts is supposed to be boy led. Troop 16 is boy led where some troops in Parker may not be. The Boy Leadership team of Troop 16 meets once a month to decide what will take place during troop meetings. At our bi-annual planning meetings, our boys choose where they want to camp (including summer camp) and what the purpose of each campout will be. Our troop meetings are led by the boys and guided by adults. This promotes very important leadership skills in an ever-changing world.

## You are Invited...

To come to any troop meeting to check us out. On **Tuesday, November 3rd, 2014** we will have a Webelos Night. Webelos are also invited to join us for the Adventure Race at Peaceful Valley — **Saturday, November 14th, 2015** where Webelos are invited to join us for the day to compete in the Adventure Race and camp with us Saturday night if they choose. For more information about the Adventure Race and Troop 16, visit our website which is one the most detailed of Parker's Boy Scout troops. Adventure begins here!



## PARKER'S HIGH ADVENTURE TROOP

**Meetings:** Tuesday 7:00 to 8:30pm.  
**Location:** Parker United Methodist Church  
11805 South Pine Drive  
Parker Colorado  
**Scoutmaster:** *Sonya Lipman*—303.903.5926  
**Web:** [www.bsa16.org](http://www.bsa16.org)

## Welcome to Adventure!



*What do you seek?*

What do you want from the Boy Scouts? Do you seek Adventure? Knowledge? Life skills? New challenges? Or, do you just want to have some fun? We like to have fun and we specialize in Adventure! Some of the adventures are very challenging, but anything worth doing shouldn't be easy.

There are many troops in Parker and before joining a troop, you should compare them to see which troop fits you best. For 40 years Troop 16 has helped over 100 Boys earn the rank of Eagle Scout. Maybe we can help you too!

Take a look inside at what we have to offer!

## Boy Scout Troop 16



**PARKER'S HIGH ADVENTURE TROOP**



## Survivorman Challenge...

Troop 16 is home to the BSA's only Survivorman Challenge and is endorsed by The Survivorman, Les Stroud. Our boys start from a mock crash situation (plane crash, car crash etc.) and must use orienteering skills to navigate the wilderness and complete BSA skills challenges along the way.



First Year Patrols work on skills needed toward earning their First Class rank while competing against other Troop 16

First Year patrols. After a day of adventure, the First Year Patrols return to basecamp for the night.

After the first year, our "Survivor" teams compete against the other Troop 16 patrols to complete skill challenges in areas like First Aid, Communications, Cooking, and Wilderness Survival. The "Survivors" must find materials to build a shelter and in order to eat during the Survivorman Challenge, teams must demonstrate how to find food in the wilderness like identifying edible plants or making traps & snares. The boys demonstrate fire-making skills in order to cook the food that they win. During the challenge, the Civil Air Patrol flies over our course, conducting training exercises to find the "Survivors" with their cadets. Our boys do this and more to gain points to win the Survivorman Challenge. You won't find this with any other troop!



Survivorman

## Adventure Race...

Each November, our boys compete in a life-sized adventure game..



This year we are mixing it up and have created the Amazing Race Edition. Each Patrol/Team competes to be the first to visit required "countries" from the Wild West to mount Kilimanjaro. Over a dozen challenges await the teams from sports challenges to

Scouting skills. The first team to cross the finish line is not necessarily the winner of this game! **This event is open to Webelos too!** Webelos will spend the day with an older Troop 16 scout who acts as a Sherpa helping Webelos compete in the Adventure Race to win a candy treat.

## Summer Camps...



Sailing at Melita Island, Montana

The boys in Troop 16 choose which Summer Camp to go to. Our previous summer camps have been in Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, Utah and South Dakota. Our summer camp for 2017 will be Melita Island in Montana!. Ask us about our plans!



## Camping...

With the exception of December, Troop 16 offers a campout at least once per month all year round. Boys are not required to attend all campouts, so this helps Scouts choose campouts which interest them. After camping several times with us, the boys have learned the skills necessary for Winter camping. In January & February, boys can learn snow survival skills like building quinzee snow shelters, ice climbing and outdoor survival in extreme conditions. This is done with knowledgeable adults in a controlled environment.

## High Adventure Program...

For our Scouts that have earned their First Class rank and are at least 13 years old, we offer quarterly Mini-High Adventures like backpacking, mountain biking, canoe trips and scuba.

## Want More...

Have you ever wanted to build a catapult, a bridge or a tower? Climb a 14'er or go whitewater rafting? Would you like to learn



canoeing and watercraft skills? Troop 16 does all of this and more. We go where others only dream and lesser troops are afraid. We do the things that

other troops can't. We are High Adventure!

