The Cub Scout Scoop

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Den 6 Trish Schaney (Mark Richardson)
Webelos I – Den 5 Norm Shockley (Todd Shafer)
Den 7 Michel Berenson
Bears – Den 4 Doug Perrin (Jack Chidester)
Wolves – Den 2 Carolyn Wilburn (Tim Ferguson)
Tigers - Den 1 Renee Owens (Michael Owens)

Welcome back to The Cub Scout Scoop!! Here you will find information about activities, meetings, and other miscellaneous news.

Saturday, Feb. 16th - Tech Fest

The 6th annual Miami Valley Tech Fest will be held at Sinclair Community College in the David Ponitz Center. This is an engineers and scientists week celebration for K-12. Family fun with Science, technology, engineering and math. You will experience interactive exhibits and exciting demonstrations (approx. 70 hands-on exhibits)
For more info: www.franklin-city.k12.oh.us/documents/techfest08.pdf or www.ascdayton.org/techfest2008

Thursday, Feb. 21st – Committee Meeting

What, you ask, is the committee meeting? This is where parents and leaders get together to discuss what activities the pack will do, plan campouts, discuss concerns and much more. All parents are welcome to come to one or all of our meetings. If you want to sit back and listen that's fine too. It starts at 7pm at Bethel Baptist Church. You, the parents, are what helps the pack grow. Hope to see you there!

Saturday, Feb 23rd - Blue and Gold Banquet

Our annual Blue and gold Banquet will be held at West Carrollton Church of the Nazarene (next to Russell) on Saturday, February 23rd at 4:00pm. This is an exciting time for the scouts because they receive their rank, eat some yummy food, and most of all we will be able to see our very own Webelos II cross over to become Boy Scouts. Please see attached form for more info. **Class A** shirts are required.

Happy Birthday to the following scouts:

Mark Howard – February 12th
Jarred Parsons – February 24th
Austin Kintons – February 26th
Connor Newman – February 27th

Miscellaneous:

New Check policy

All checks for Council or District events and popcorn **must** now be made to *MVCBSA.* This will include all campouts, resident camps, popcorn sales, Klondike, etc. All checks made for these events to the pack will be returned for proper payment.

Any checks the pack collects that are returned by the bank will have a $20 returned check fee. The payee will be notified either in person, phone or email that the check has been returned. If the pack is unable to reach the person or payment hasn't been received in two weeks then the scout's account will be frozen and a certified letter will go out. If there is still no response then a second letter will be sent notifying the payee that the matter has been turned over to the WC police Dept.

If the Pack receives two checks from the same person that are returned then they will be put on a cash only payment from that time on.

In addition to this policy we will be implementing a new one regarding the prompt payment of fundraiser money. Scout account percentages will be lowered if payment is not received on time.

In both cases all prizes will be held until full a payment is made.

The committee thanks all adults with their cooperation in this matter.

Cubmaster Minutes

A couple times a year we ask for parents and the boys to help those who are less fortunate, those who protect us and those who have lived long lives. During our Blue and Gold banquet, we will be asking for help making sure that our Wright Brothers District has the money to provide a place to camp, a program for the boys and money to provide camperships for Daycamp and Resident camps. Many of you don't know that our District receives nothing from the sale of popcorn. The units, council, and National receive all the profits. The district on average spends about $110 per boy. This amount covers the upkeep of Woodland Trails and Cricket holler and their rangers' pay and benefits. It also covers the salary and benefits for our District Executive (DE). Our DE, Marilyn, has the largest district in our council to handle. Our District is twice as large as any other district and in some case 4 times. One other major component is that our district covers is camperships. Many boys each year are unable to cover the full cost of going to camp. The district and council provide money so no one is turned away from a chance to attend one of the best camps in the nation (our Cub Resident camp at Woodland Trails was named #1 in2006.)
Now you ask how you can help. At the beginning of our Blue and Gold Banquet we will have a representative from the District come to explain the Friends Of Scouting campaign. This campaign is done throughout the district (and districts all over the nation) to help cover all the expenses listed above. They will be asking for donations. You do not have to have the money at that time. You can use a credit card and ask for it to be billed at some other time in the year. You can also make payments. Those who give a specific amount (last year was $110) will receive a special Council strip that your son (or yourself if you are a leader) to wear. If you are affiliated with certain businesses (a list will be provided) that match funds then please mark that on your envelope at that time. You may even work for a corporation that is willing to make a donation separate from yours. Please consider this over the next month. The boy you help may be one of our own!

Thank you,
Lisa

DEN'S CORNER

Webelos I – Den 3

Hello from Den 3. Congratulations to all my boys. You have worked hard this year to complete your Arrow of Light requirements. Hats off to Isaac Maze, Jared Winter, and Emmett Akins. We have a few more things lined up before the boys cross over. We will be meeting with another Boyscout den. Also Boonshoft is bringing a program to the school for us on wildlife wonders. Good luck to all the boys in whatever they choose to do. I will miss them all greatly. I enjoyed spending time with all the boys at summer camp.

Dianne

Webelos II - Den 5

The boys have been working hard on their Webelos Activity pin since Christmas Break. They have been working on Readyman, Family Member, Engineering, and the Communications Activity Pin requirements. We've learned about taking on our fair share of responsibilities in our respective families. Additionally, we've learned about different communication methods and even took a crack at deciphering a semaphore message. We also explored different kins of bridge designs and which nes are the strongest. The Boys will be going to Boonshoft Museum next month to work on their Science Activity Pin. They are also looking forward to attending the TechFest 2008 on Feb 16th at Sinclair Community College. Way to go boys for all your hard work!

Norm and Todd

Wolves – Den 2

Den 2 now has a new assistant Den Leader. Tim Ferguson (Casper's dad) has volunteered. I would like to really thank him for doing this. If any of the parents need help or have questions on something, you can now also go to Tim for this. I am asking all parents to review and work on any Achievements that need to be done. There are some that have to be completed at home. I need all books completed/signed and given to me on 12 February so I can send in all information to Renee, our advancement chairman. The wolves have really worked hard this year and every Tuesday they are ready to learn!! Thanks parents for bringing them every week.

Carolyn and Tim

Tigers – Den 1

Wow, how time flies! It seems like only yesterday that we had our first den meeting. All the boys have become more mature and responsible over the last five months.
We have almost completed Tiger Cub rank. The boys have also been working hard on electives, belt loops, and pin requirements. February will be filled with lots of fun and excitement for the boys. We will be visiting a radio station, going bowling and more.
We would also like to say thank you to the Adult Partners of the Tiger Cubs. Without you, Tiger cubs would not be possible!

We look forward to the many upcoming adventures with the boys!

Renee and Michael

Good luck to all the Webelos who will be crossing the bridge to become Boy Scouts! We are very proud of you for taking this important step in your life.