



Pack 831 Notes & News

Frontier District

Tigers, Cubs, and Webelos

August/Sept 2010

Fall Round Up & Renewal

All scouts are invited to attend our Fall Round Up Nights on Sunday, Sept. 12th from 6-8. We are asking all current scouts to wear Class A's and to bring two dozen cookies. All leaders are asked to let Bridget know how you can help out.

New scouts can sign up for scouting at the Carnegie Elementary Open House on Thursday, Thurs. Sept. 23, 6-8 p.m. if they miss the Round Up Night. Have a friend join and earn a special new recruiter patch. All current scouts are asked to PLEASE WEAR YOUR CLASS A's to the Carnegie Elem. Open House and the Round Up Night.

There will be something for everyone to help with at the Round Up.

Remember your \$25 renewal is due Sept. 12th and Class B Tee's can be ordered.

Invite your friends to join us. Show them how much fun scouts can be!

Rain Gutter Regatta

Oct. 10th we will hold our annual Rain Gutter Regatta. Event will be held at the VanDorn/Wilcox "Estate". All supplies will be provided.

Rules will be distributed with the boats. No power tools will be permitted. Boys are permitted to bring stickers, spray paint or markers that they would like to use to decorate the boats. They should be prepared to share any items they bring. Krylon brand paint is the recommended paint.



Boat assembly will begin at 4:00, followed by dinner, and then the race. Everyone is asked to bring a side, dessert or snack to share.

Cubs Kick off Another Ideal Year of Scouting!

Pack 831 one planning meetings this summer to set the schedule and finalize details for the 2010-2011 year of scouting.

Leaders and Parents have put together a great year of programming for the Cubs. Each month will have one outing or major event, along with regular den meetings. Based on the Popcorn Sale, the schedule will be finalized in November.

Our current projected cost for each boy is \$150. This can be raised by hitting the individual popcorn goal of \$400 in sales per boy.

Working together we can make a great year for the boys and families of our pack.

HELP WANTED

We have several new boys who will be earning their bobcat early in the year. I make vests for the boys to put all of their patches on. I would like help in September cutting out a bunch of vests so I can sew them in time for the Pack Meeting in Sept. Please let me know if you are available on Sept. 9th from 9-11 a.m. to help out. I just need people to help cut out the vests. No sewing experience is needed. Sewing volunteers needed too.



Class B HOODIES!!!

This year we are going to offer a royal blue Class B tee shirt and a hoodie. Class B shirts are ordered one time per year. In order to meet the minimums we can only order once. If you would like any extra t-shirts or to order a Pack hoodie sweatshirt for your son or family, please let me know right away.



These are great for all outdoor events, as well as for siblings who will be attending outings. It's nice to have everyone looking like they are part of the group.

Tee -shirts cost \$6 for youth S-L, and adult S-XL, larger sizes are available at an additional cost. Hoodies will be embroidered and will be great for camping. Price is \$25. New orders will be placed based on number of orders.

Popcorn Incentives

Fill it Up! Award—Fill one order form with orders and you'll get a special **corn hat**, a patch and certificate from Trails End.

Go to the SHOOTEREE!!! Spend a day at Camp Guyasuta using your blaster, shooting bbs, archery, slingshots and more! Oct. 16th.

Pay Your Way by selling **\$400** in popcorn to waive your 2nd registration payment in January. Save \$25.

\$600 will earn a Crossbow Marshmallow Blaster

\$1500 will get a bonus \$50 gift card to Coleman or Wal-Mart.

\$2500 will earn 6% of his gross sales toward a college scholarship.

Parent Meeting

All parents are asked to attend a **very important parent meeting** on **Oct. 10th**, at the regatta. We will be explain the committee needs for the year and finalize the plans for the upcoming activities.

This meeting will be held at the Raingutter Regatta during free racing. Please plan to attend. We will also answer any questions new parents might have as they are making their way along the cub path.

CURRENT SCOUT RENEWAL

All current scouts should attend the Round Up night on Sept. 12th to renew their membership. Cost is \$25/boy to renew. If you have your book, be sure to mention it and save \$5 on your membership. Please remember to wear your CLASS A to the Open House. Parents Class B's please.

HELP WANTED

We need lots of help with our annual membership drive. Our Round Ups will be held on Sept. 12th and Sept. 23rd. Please come help us! We need help with registration, uniforms, and dens. We also need help with cookies.

Renew Your Membership

Anyone who still needs to renew their Cub Membership, can do so BEFORE the pack meeting on Sept. 19th. Please remember, you must have a current membership to participate in the Raingutter Regatta or to receive any awards at the Pack Meeting. If you are having any trouble renewing your membership, please just let Bridget know and she'll work out something with you. Thank you.

Show & Sell Program Options!

This year we will be offering a special chance to earn extra money for camp and to boost your popcorn sales numbers. We will have popcorn in Sept. & Oct. to sell at Walmart and Giant Eagle on to help boost our Pack popcorn numbers. More details in popcorn info.

Hickory Apple Festival Oct. 2 & 3

Mt. Pleasant Township Volunteer Fire Company will host the 27th annual Hickory Apple Festival October 2nd - 3rd, 2010. The Mt. Pleasant Township Volunteer Fire Company is located approximately 25 miles southwest of Pittsburgh in Washington County.

There is fun for everyone in the family: two days of great live music, exceptional arts and crafts, and lots of activities for kids and adults. Look for antique machines and vehicles, cornmeal grinding, chainsaw sculpting, spinning, weaving, quilting, pie eating, apple bobbing, a moonwalk, a baby farm animal petting zoo, face and hair painting, clowns, balloon animals, a boy scout encampment, and much more.

Don't forget the delicious homemade food, apple pies, dumplings, apple crisp, fresh apples, cider, caramel and candy apples, apple butter, apple syrup, apple pizza, and other apple items.

For more information go to <http://www.hickoryapplefest.com/>

Council Shoot-o-ree

All boys who sell at least one item of popcorn will be able to attend a very special event at Camp Guyasuta. Boys will receive their own mallowblaster toy with \$600 in sales. All boys



are invited to attend a day of shooting sports. BBs, Archery, Slingshot, mallowblasters and more! Mark the date: Oct. 16, more details to come soon.

Mom's Night Out

We will be trying to have a Mom's Night Out program again this year. Anyone interested in coordinating this monthly outing, should let Bridget know. This is a great chance to get to know some of the other moms in scouts.

Alcosan Open House

Saturday, September 18th from 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Alcosan will be holding their annual Open House. This is a very big event and a great chance to see exactly what this company does.

This is a great event for the boys. Hands-on Science Activities, bus tours of the 56 acre wastewater treatment facility, exhibits, games, food and special guest appearances. All of this is FREE and open to the public. This will count for requirements in each level and promises to be a great family outing.

Due to the size of this event, we will not do it as a group, but we do encourage everyone, if you are able, to check it out and let us know that you went so you will receive credit.

PAY YOUR WAY TO CAMP!

Another popcorn incentive this year, is that if you fill 2 sheets you can earn a voucher for \$50 off ANY camp in the Council. This means you can earn \$50 toward day camp or overnight camp at Heritage. This is an AWESOME deal! Day camp has been at \$60 for the early-bird rate for the past 2-3

years. Imagine going to camp for only \$10! Imagine going for FREE!?! For all boys who fill 2 sheets the pack will pay the extra \$10 for day camp so your son can have a great week for FREE!



Popcorn Blitz

This year we will NOT be holding Popcorn Blitz's. We will offer Show & Sells for boys who want to boost their sales. Anyone looking for tips on selling or help with their door to door presentations is encouraged to call Ms. Bridget for suggestions for improvement or a shadowing opportunity.

2009-2010 Year in Review

We had a great year this year. Here are just some of the things we did this past year.

- Earned National Summertime Pack Award for 2009
- Had Family Swim Event at Scott Pool
- Fall Round Up brought us 8 new boys
- Popcorn Kick Off at Pack Meeting
- Had a cold, wet, but very fun Fall Shooteree Day at Guyasuta
- Popcorn Sale—maintained pack record \$20K!!!!
- Eight leaders attended University of Scouting
- Had a great Rain Gutter Regatta
- Bear Den made wooden treasure boxes
- Wolf Den made bird houses
- Webelos I Den made wind chimes and helped make the Pinewood plaques
- Webelos II Den made toolboxes from start to finish
- Christmas Party at St. John's
- Held several Pinewood Derby Clinics
- Held our 2nd Parent Pinewood Derby
- Pinewood Derby—26 boys raced great cars
- Earned National Quality Unit award for 2010
- Cake Bake—27 amazing cake entries
- Tigers completed great scrapbooks of their first year in scouts
- Blue & Gold Banquet—catered awards banquet for 120 people
- 98% of our boys completed rank achievements and were promoted.
- Scouting for Food collected over 150 boxes of food
- Our Pack WON the District Cubmobile Race 2nd year! 3 rebuilt cars and 5 teams.
- Spring Day at Camp Guyasuta
- Memorial Day Parade
- 28 boys and many dedicated parents attended Day Camp for 3 days in June
- 26 people camped at Camp Guyasuta in July
- Planned our year in August with a nice crew of parents and kids at Dr. Marshall's
- Had a Swim Day at Scott Pool

WOW!

What a great Pack Review!

We have added another great year to our pack history. Thank you to everyone who has helped us on our journey. We are looking forward to continued success for our boys and our Pack.

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Fall Fun Dates

September

9/12 Fall Round Up & Renewal 6:00-8
9/19 Pack Meeting 6-8
9/22 Carnegie Open House 6-8 pm
9/26 Den Meeting 6-7:30

October

10/3 Den Meeting
10/10 Rain Gutter Regatta 4-7 p.m.
10/16 Shoot-o-ree at Guyasuta 10 a.m
10/17 possible den meeting 6 p.m
10/24 Pack Meeting 6-8 pm

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