

PACK 435 PRESS—OCTOBER 2008

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Tonight is: Raingutter Regatta Night!



Our annual Raingutter Regatta Race

takes place this evening, so boys, make sure you've got plenty of puff! (*Although, don't get too red in the face; often a gentle approach works best!*) Whatever the outcome, our main aim is to HAVE FUN!! Anchors away!!!



IMPORTANT:
Pack Annual
Dues:
\$30 per cub
Please ensure all dues
are paid in full tonight.
Thank you!

Cub Scout Resident Camp 2009

Camp registration fee: \$25/person Due TONIGHT!!!

It is time to start thinking about resident camp for *next* summer. Don't miss out on this great opportunity to spend some fun filled scouting time with your son. Resident camp is age appropriate from the Tiger scout all the way to Webelos!

The cost is \$120 per person. An **initial deposit of \$25** per person will be due to Pack Camp Coordinator, Michele Mullens, at **tonight's Pack Meeting**. This deposit is refundable through the end of January and will be subtracted from your total balance due. The balance due will be paid in installments at the end of January and March. However, you may pay the full amount at any time. **Should you not be able sign up tonight, please contact Michelle before November 3rd to confirm that you wish to attend.** muldezyg2@comcast.net or telephone 433-962

Good Turn for America

Den 2 Bear Cubs and their adults logged 14 service hours with their visit to Towsley Center on Thursday October 16. Pack 435 Bear Cubs visited Towsley Village, Chelsea, a facility for those living with alzheimers and dementia. Scouts entertained approximately 28 residents, their guests, and staff by conducting a flag ceremony, performing a skit, discussing safety requirements from their Scout handbooks, playing a "pumpkin roll" relay race game, and singing a rousing version of the theme from "SpongeBob Square Pants" with the help of a parent volunteer. Scouts closed the program by retiring the colors in a serious fashion that showed proper respect for the flag and their uniforms.

The Towsley residents responded well to the youthful, energetic presence of the boys. Most participated in saying the Pledge of Allegiance with us.

This was the first visit from Pack 435 Scouts in this pilot program that will allow each den to entertain the Towsley residents at least once between now and May 2009. Our hope is that this program will grow and be something in which the other two Chelsea Packs can participate.



Bear Cub Zack Handloser (r) at Camp Munhackle

Giving Thanks ...

As we enter November, we would like to offer our thanks to our NEW Volunteers:



Beth Timmerman - Sight Night
Bonnie Hartsuff & Dan Aldrich - Pack Skate
Advancement - Julia Trobaug
Karen Schop - moving to Treasurer position

...however, we need you too!

Parents help the pack run, and below are some of the upcoming events or positions that need volunteers. You can sign up tonight if you are interested in helping, or call Stacey Anttila on 433 9751:

1. New Pack Press Editor (to take over in January/Feb)
2. Blue & Gold Coordinator (Web I Parents)
3. Pinewood Derby Assistant (Tiger or Wolf Parents)
4. Camp Coordinators (1 from each den)

POPCORN – Last orders please!



please!

Here's one final opportunity for all scouts to get in those last few orders for popcorn. Susan Zale, our Popcorn Leader, has some signup sheets available for those boys wishing to sell this coming weekend at local stores such as Polly's and CVS. Boys who are planning to participate in these sales activities can wait till after the weekend to turn in their popcorn forms to their Den leaders (but must do so by Thursday November 6.) However, those scouts who are done selling **must turn in their order forms at tonight's pack meeting.** Also, all unsold popcorn should also be returned this evening if possible.

Thank you for all your efforts to sell our yummy popcorn!

More food...

Pancake Breakfast



to benefit Faith in Action

Sunday November 2nd

from 7:00 am to 12:00 noon

Chelsea Fairgrounds Service Center

\$6.00 per plate Family ticket for five or more:\$25.00

Children under 3 free - Donations accepted.

Menu:

Pancakes/Sausage/Muffin or fruit dessert & drink
or

Biscuits and Sausage Gravy/Muffin
or fruit dessert & drink

Oatmeal also available

Coffee/Tea/Cocoa/Breakfast drink/Milk

We will also have a Silent Auction with products from local merchants as well as a Wishing Well for donation and will be selling Scouts Honor Cards with a portion of the proceeds going to F.I.A.

Proceeds from this fundraiser to benefit Faith in Action's Holiday Family Baskets.

Questions, please contact Jack Long @ 734-417-9977

Thank you for your support!

This Month's Den Focus:

Wolves

Den Leader: Brent Martin

The Wolves are Having a Howling Good Time

The Wolf den has been having a great time over the past few months. By meeting once a month during the summer our cub scouts were able to complete many of the requirements on the trail to earning the Wolf badge. The boys have all been working hard with their parents as well to fulfill requirements that are best accomplished at home. As a result of this effort, every member to the Wolf den will be receiving their Wolf badge at the November Pack meeting!

On Sunday, October 26th, the den got together for a great Halloween party hosted by the Handlosers. All of the boys and several younger siblings dressed up in their costumes. We had two football players (U of M and Lions), Indiana Jones, a magician, a policeman, a ladybug, and a whole gaggle of Star Wars troopers! The boys really had a blast running through trails on the Handloser's ten acres while participating in a scary scavenger hunt. All of the scouts finished the hunt with a great collection of rats, bats, skeletons, skulls, bones, eyeballs and other ghoulish items.

On Monday, October 27th, the den is continuing in the Halloween theme by attending the Chelsea High Orchestra Halloween concert.

As the den leader, I am so pleased to see our boys enjoying scouting to such a high degree. I want everyone in our pack to know that there is absolutely no way that I could organize and execute all of the activities that our den is enjoying by myself. We have a super-involved group of parents that are making this happen. Even though we are no longer Tiger Cubs, requiring parental participation, our parents have chosen to stay involved and it is resulting in a rewarding and memorable experience for both, the boys and the parents. I cannot express strongly enough how great it is that our parents are eager to step-up and take responsibility for planning meetings and activities. As they say...many hands make for a lighter load. I would encourage all parents in the pack to explore opportunities to help make your sons' scouting experience even better...your boys will reap the benefits!

