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Sportsmanship Reigns at Pack 435 Pinewood Derby

Chelsea-area Pack 435 Scouts competed in their annual Pinewood Derby race Saturday March 8, 2008, at the Chelsea Community Fairgrounds.

Like all official Scouting events, the derby began with the Pledge of Allegiance. A short, two-act skit followed in which thirteen Scouts and parents held up letters to spell **SPORTSMANSHIP** and recited qualities and actions that make us good sports during competition.

In Act II, Cubmaster Allen Cole and assistant cubmaster Gary Handloser tested the three-lane track in a mock race designed to provide a lively demonstration of unsportsmanlike conduct. Scouts were quick to point out that bragging, blaming the track for slower race times, pouting, and calling another Scout, "Loser!" were not nice ways for good sports to behave during competition.

"The boys usually do very well with the competition," said Cole, "but we like to remind them that the most important thing is to have fun and to feel a sense of accomplishment in having designed and engineered a racecar. A little drama always helps to instill those values. They definitely got the message. They were good sports, and we saw no tears, even from the youngest Scouts."

Abraham Cone, Christopher Schop, Reese Smith, and Jack Martin had the top four best race times and have the opportunity to advance to Huron Trails District Race of Champions on April 12 at Briarwood Ford in Saline.

Their secrets for designing fast cars? *"Hard work!"* said Cone, a Webelos Scout who placed first overall with the fastest time of 2.54 seconds in the final round. *"We spackled both sides and the top. I got the weight to exactly 5 ounces."*

**Well done to all our boys!
A good time was had by all!**

****IMPORTANT **Huron Trails District Race of Champions**

This is to take place on April 12th at Briarwood Ford in Saline – please notify your Den Leader by 3/28 if your Scout intends to participate. If not, 2nd and 3rd place boys are eligible to attend, and will be notified.



Left to Right: Tigers Nate Bergman, Parker Shaw, and Russell Timmerman watch their cars zoom toward the finish line.



Left to Right: Jack Martin, Reese Smith, Christopher Schop, and Abraham Cone, felt the thrill of victory as the top 4 overall Pack 435 finishers.

[See *The Chelsea Standard* for the full article and our website, \[www.chelseapack435.org\]\(http://www.chelseapack435.org\) for a breakdown of results.](#)

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Resident Camp News

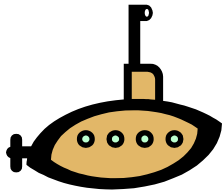
If you are attending Resident Camp at Munhacker please note that the **final installment of \$90 is due TONIGHT!!** Please give your final payment to Michelle Mullens, Camp Coordinator, who will be seated at the committee table this evening. Please note that after March 27, fees for late registrations go up to \$10 per participant.
Michele Mullens, Camp Coordinator
433-9626
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... or alternatively ...

Day Camp

June 23rd-25th
at the Tri-County Sportsman Club in Saline
If you are unable to attend Resident Camp this summer, make sure you try and attend Survivor Day Camp, where the boys can try out the following fun activities under expert supervision: *Water rockets, BB guns, archery, crafts and much more outdoor fun.*

USS Silversides SS-236 – registration begins tonight



Webelos and current Bears will be eligible to camp on the WWII submarine USS Silversides this coming October 18-19. Cost for this event is \$26 per camper (cub and parent/guardian) and will be due at the Pack Meeting on April 24, 2008. Any parents of Bears or Webelos interested in going should sign up this evening with Karen Schop at the Committee table (schop1@sbcglobal.net). Please contact Mark Peterson should you have any questions: mpgoblue@charter.net. There may be additional cost for food (approx. \$5.00/person due at the time of the trip. For more information visit the Silversides website: www.glnmm.org.

Help Feed a Family in Need

Each year, all Chelsea area scouting organizations participate with *Faith in Action* in the community service project called *Scouting for Food*. It's pretty simple, and if each scout does just a little (or a lot!), our efforts will really add up to make a huge difference for families right here in our area who need help.



Parents, this is a good opportunity to talk with your boys about how important it is for people to care about and take care of each other. Kids sometimes have a tough time understanding what it means to be in need. You might talk as a family about what it would be like to go to the pantry at dinner time and find empty shelves. *Scouting for Food* is a way to help a family just like yours who might be in that situation right now.



To participate, pass out tags in a designated area (to be determined) on April 12. Then collect donations in that same area on April 19. More details on this event and its logistics will be coming soon.

Tips to Make Scouting FUN!

Like most things, what you get from Scouting is directly proportional to what you put into it. Here are some ideas to make the most of your son's Scouting experience:

- Share your ideas and talents.
- Be enthusiastic about the activities your family does with your Scout.
- Lead by example!
- Teach through your actions.
- Celebrate heartily your son's achievements, as well as those of fellow Scouts.

Our Pack makes it easy to get involved. We follow the "many hands make light the work" philosophy, so no one parent ever "gets stuck" doing everything. Talk to your den leader or any committee member, listen for volunteer opportunities in our newsletter and meeting announcements, and most of all, sign up for stuff (after all, chances are you'll be there anyway!).

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Den Focus Den 4 - Tigers

Den Leader: Brent Martin

The Tiger den has been having a lot of fun and learning new things all of the time. One of our highlights this month was the Pinewood Derby. All of our boys had a great time building the cars with their parents and produced some fast, great looking cars. At the race Jack Martin finished first in the den (and fourth in the pack) followed by Parker Shaw and Nate Bergman. Every boy in the den won an award as Zach Handloser received a great plaque for best design and Russell Timmerman won best paint job!

The Tigers have done a great job working on their achievements. We only have one Go-See-It to complete this month and then

the entire den will be ready to advance at the April Pack meeting.

At our last den meeting we practiced marching and everyone is excited about presenting the colors at tonight's Pack meeting. The boys also had a blast building one-of-a-kind neckerchief slides at the last den meeting. Each boy used a razor saw to cut the wood and then everyone showed off their artistic talents by painting custom designs to finish off the neckerchief slides. All of the boys will be showing off their creations at tonight's Pack meeting.



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Scout Night with the Detroit Tigers

Tuesday, Aug. 12 7:00 pm

The Great Sauk Trail Council is proud to offer a Scout Night with the Detroit Tigers, Tuesday August 12th. The cost is \$22.00 per ticket. You can register by going to our council website www.gstcbsa.org and clicking on the event date on our council calendar. Once tickets have been purchased we will send them to you in the mail. Thus, the early registration deadline. **Space is limited to the first 150 participants.** **Registration is due by June 28th**, so don't delay. Seats are in section 329 and 330.

2008 Toledo Mudhens Scout Sleepover

Saturday, July 26, 2008

Game Starts 7:00p.m. - A Scout parade will start approximately 40 minutes prior to game.
Cost: \$17.00 total per person which includes the game ticket and sleepover ticket.

Come and watch a great baseball game, see fireworks and then pitch a tent on the outfield at the Toledo Mudhens Fifth Third Park. For more information see Michele Mullens tonight for a registration form, visit www.mudhens.com/scouts or call Michele at 433-9626. **Registration forms and payments are due to Karen Schop, 456 Antique Court, no later than Monday, April 7th.**

2007-08 PACK 435 CALENDAR

Please check with leader to confirm date, time, and location before the event.

3/20	TONIGHT'S PACK MEETING BUSINESS! Bears and Webelos Advancements Silversides Registration Final Camp Payments Due	North Creek Elem
4/12, 4/19	Scouting for Food (pack 476 organizes this year)	FIA (Chelsea)
4/24	Pack Mtg—Awards/Rank Advancement (Tigers, Wolves)	North Creek Elem
5/9-10	Mom and Me Overnight (Council) May 9-10	Camp Munhackle
5/17	Graduation/SWIM 4-7pm	Beach Middle
5/26	Memorial Day Parade (Allen Cole)	Downtown
6/23-25	District Day Camp (Survivor), 9-4 daily	TBD
Summer	Pack Open Swim (Beach, date TBA) Pack Picnic/Bike Ride (Hudson Mills, date TBA) Service Project: Adopt-a-Student Backpacks (FIA, date TBA) Resident Camp	TBD Camp Munhackle
8/25 Sat	Fair Parade (Gary Handloser)	Downtown parking lot to Fairgrounds

Den Leaders and Pack Committee meet monthly. Interested parents are welcome to attend these meetings—please contact Stacey Anttila at 433-9751 or slantila@chartermi.net for details. Dens and Scout families may participate in other events – see your den leader for more information.