

PACK 262 NEWSLETTER

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"A Touch of Glaze"

Tonight our scouts will be able to show off their artistic talent and decorate their own pottery. This event is paid for by the Pack (one of the many thanks for the fund-raising efforts of popcorn sales).

PACK 262 POPCORN SALES

Thanks to all the scouts that made the Popcorn Sale successful. The money raised pays for programs, outings, and awards. Please hand in your checks made payable to 'Pack 262' tonight if you have not already done so. Arrangements will need to be made to pick up the popcorn sale items from Mike S's. house. Pick up will be on Friday, November 21st after 10:00am. Please call in advance to arrange pickup of your remaining popcorn sale items. Scouts who sold at church, please make arrangements to get popcorn to those customers. Meet at church to deliver if possible.

And our new Cubmaster is ...

Everyone please give many thanks to Tom K. who will be Pack 262's next Cubmaster. Tom will be inducted at February's Blue and Gold dinner.

Breakfast with Santa

Breakfast with Santa is Sunday, December 14, 2008. Scouts and parents please help set up, serve, and clean tables at this event between 9:00am-12:00pm. This counts toward Community Service for the Scouts.

THE SPIRIT STICK

The Spirit Stick is at every Pack Night, used as a symbol to energize our scout spirit. Each den will have an opportunity to take it to a den meeting and decorate the stick. Please remember to bring it back to the next Pack Night.

Tigers took the Spirit stick home in October. Webelos II will take the Spirit Stick home in December. Wolves will take the Spirit Stick home in January. Bears will take the Spirit Stick home in February. Webelos I will take the Spirit Stick home in March.

CHRISTMAS PARTY—December Pack Night

The Cub Scouts Christmas Party will celebrate with a "Birthday Party for Jesus". Please bring 2 dozen cookies to December Pack Night (12/11/08). One dozen will be shared at the party with snacks. The other dozen cookies will be shared with a local nursing home. We need a volunteer(s) to deliver the cookies. Please help if you can.

FOX RIVER DISTRICT CUB-O-REE 2009

Cub-O-Ree is a one-day (Saturday, January 24, 2009) event for all FOX RIVER Tiger, Wolf, Bear, and Webelos Cub Scouts. Cubs will participate in rank-appropriate activities led by Fox River District Boy Scout Troops, Venture Crews, and Explorer Posts. Cost for the one-day event is \$15/scout, \$5/leader. Registration deadline is December 1, 2008. For more information Go to: <http://www.pacbsa.org/documents/FR/FR09CubOReeCu%20ScoutFlyer.pdf>.

You Have Family Season Tickets to Pack Night!!

We want Pack Night to be fun for the whole family. Let's all play, laugh and learn together. Scouts, siblings, and parents mark your calendars PACK NIGHT IS FAMILY NIGHT. Please mark these dates on your calendar:

Pack Meeting Dates:

December 11, 2008 "Birthday Party for Jesus!"
January 8, 2009 "The Great Cake Challenge"
February 12, 2009 "American ABC's" (Arrow of Light)
Blue & Gold Dinner @ 6:00
March 12, 2009 "Pinewood Derby Weigh-In"
April 2, 2009 "A Camping We Will Go"
May 14, 2009 "When I Grow Up"

Other Important Dates:

December 14, 2008 Breakfast with Santa
January 24, 2009 Cub-O-Ree 2009
tbd Sledding @ Whitnall Park
March 14, 2009 10:00am Pinewood Derby Race
March 15, 2009 tbd pm Wave Soccer Game
tbd, 2009 Rocket Launch
April tbd, 2009 10:30am Scout Mass
May tbd, 2009 Webelos Cross Over Picnic with
Pack 26 and Troup 26
May 28, 2009 7:00pm Parent Planning Meeting
Sept 18-20, 2009 Swamp Fox

HELP!

We need parent help, only a few tasks remain. I have been grateful over the years for the many parents that have asked how they can help scouts and they take on responsibilities such as den leaders, outings and activity organizers. The work gets done, kids learn, have fun and we are able to have a great scouting program. Below I have listed immediate pack needs we have for this year They include both leadership positions as well as help with short term, simple things like planning outings and events. **Tonight, please talk to me and volunteer to do something on the list**, if you have questions just ask me. See the attached Parent Help page for all the people that are helping in various ways. Thank you, Mike M. Cubmaster.

3. Pack Round Table Representative: Attend the Potawatomi Council Round Table Meetings (typically the first Wednesday night of the month) and our Pack Committee Meetings (typically the first Thursday night of the month). Share valuable information back and forth. Meeting dates are on the pack calendar.

14. August Family Picnic: Plan and organize.

15. October Popcorn Fundraiser: Plan and organize.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ❖ We want to remind all of our Scouts that we will be following the Scout Dress Code this year. (Class A: Scout shirt and neckerchief/slide with school uniform blue pants or shorts.) Please wear the uniform to school on Pack and Den meeting days as well as at the meetings. You may wear our Pack 262 class B tee shirt at certain activities as designated by den leaders.
- ❖ **Pack Night Chair Set-Up / Take-down:** This year we are going to arrange chairs for Pack Night in a half circle arrangement allowing the scouts and kids to be closer to the action. To do this we will share set-up / take-down responsibilities among all the den families other than Tigers. We ask the set-up / take-down den families to arrive 15 minutes before Pack Night to move tables and set-up chairs

then after the meeting, rearrange the tables and chairs for the school lunch program.

- December: Bears
- January: Wolves
- February: Blue and Gold Dinner everyone help clean up
- March: Webelos I
- April: Bears
- May: Wolves

❖ **Trail Trekker Hikes** may be done by scouts with their family, den or pack. Scouts who complete the requirements for each hike receive a patch that may be displayed on their red vest. For more information go to our website www.scoutpack262.org and click on [Trail Trekker Hikes](#) on the left navigation bar.

❖ **Pray the Rosary Patch Series** may be done by scouts with their family or den. Scouts who complete the requirements receive a patch that may be displayed on their red vest. For more information go to our website www.scoutpack262.org and click on [Religious Awards](#) on the left navigation bar.

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"Birthday Party for Jesus"



Don't miss next month's Pack Night:
Thursday, December 11, 2008 @ 6:30pm

Please bring 2 dozen Christmas cookies to December Pack Night.



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