

PACK 262 NEWSLETTER

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"Birthday Party for Jesus"

Hope you enjoy tonight's Christmas party! All Scout families were asked to bring in two dozen cookies. Half will be shared among those at tonight's meeting. The other dozen will be taken over to be shared with a local nursing home.

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. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet tonight.

"THE GREAT CAKE CHALLENGE"

Each family please bring at least one baked good item to January Pack Night (01/8/09) when we will have our annual "Great Cake Challenge" silent auction. Please buy a cake and all proceeds will go to the "Friends of Scouting" program. See www.scoutpack262.org pictures page for photos and cake ideas from past years.

PACK RECHARTER

January Pack Night (01/8/09): **Pack and Council fees are due.** We will have scout registration forms for parents to fill out. Registration and dues for our pack go from January to January. The dues for each scout are \$10 for Council Fees and \$10 for Pack fees. If you are interested in receiving BOYS LIFE, it is an additional \$12.

Sledding at Whitnall Park

- Saturday, January 31, 2009; 11:00am

When was the last time your breath was taken away because you're going so fast, and your face was renewed with fresh air and cold snow at the same time? Well, it's time for the Pack 262 annual sledding event, which will be held at Whitnall Park on Saturday, January 31 starting at 11:00 AM. We will start with sledding on our own sleds right away, and then rent several

toboggans at noon. The hill is part of the Winter Sports Area, just north of Ross Lodge on 6750 S 92nd St in Greendale. A PDF map is available on the homepage at www.worldofwood.com. Bring your entire family for a good time. Hot chocolate and snacks will be provided.

BLUE AND GOLD DINNER

February Pack Night (02/12/08) we will have our Blue and Gold Dinner. **Pack Night will start at 6:00pm.** The evening will include a catered dinner, Arrow of Light Ceremony and the induction of our new Cubmaster Tom K. Check your calendars to make sure you can attend. Scouts bring your families and please invite your grandparents as well. There will be sign up sheets at January's Pack Night to get the number of people that will attend this event so that the appropriate arrangements can be made.

Pinewood Derby

Tonight scouts will receive their Pinewood Derby cars. Cars for the Sportsman Division are also available for \$4.00 each.

- The 2009 Official Rules will be e-mailed to you and also be available at www.scoutpack262.org on the left navigation bar. There are also other links on this web page.
- Weigh-in: March Pack Night; March 12, 2009
- Race Day: March 14, 2009, 10:00am
- Questions: Contact the Pinewood Derby Chairman, Greg I.

Religious Medal Booklets

Religious booklets for earning Religious Medals will be distributed tonight. The Scouts must complete their activity books with their family by March 12, 2009 (March Pack Night), in order to receive their Light of Christ or Parvuli Dei medal. All scouts completing a religious booklet need to be present for March Pack Night in order for Father Dick to interview as part of earning their Religious Medal. Medals will be presented at scout mass in spring; date is to be announced.

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.
Wolfs 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.

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:

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
January 31, 2009 Sledding @ Whitnall Park
March 14, 2009 10:00am Pinewood Derby Race
March 15, 2009 tbd pm Wave Soccer Game
April tbd, 2009 10:30am Scout Mass
May tbd, 2009 Webelos Cross Over Picnic with
Pack 26 and Troup 26
tbd, 2009 Rocket Launch
May 28, 2009 7:00pm Parent Planning Meeting
Sept 18-20, 2009 Swamp Fox

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

- ❖ **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.

"The Great Cake Challenge"



Don't miss next month's Pack Night:
Thursday, January 8, 2009 @ 6:30pm

Please bring your cake for the "Great Cake Challenge" Cake Auction.



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