

PACK LEADERS UPDATE – DECEMBER 2007

Notes from the leaders meeting and upcoming events.



1. TREASURER'S REPORT

The popcorn sale was very successful again this year, resulting in a very healthy account balance. The current balance is \$26,798.42. There are approximately \$2,000 in outstanding expenses that still need to be reimbursed from the Washington, DC trip and other activities. We will be discussing what program enhancements and additional support this can be used for over the next few months. Please be sure to congratulate all the Cub Scouts for a job well done on the popcorn sale.

2. ANNUAL DUES

The annual pack dues of \$25.00 per scout are due. ***Please be sure that all returning scouts in your den pay their dues by the January Pack Meeting.*** We will be re-chartering the Pack in February and need the dues paid in full in order to re-register each boy.

3. PINEWOOD DERBY WORKSHOPS

Saturday and Sunday, January 5 & 6, 12:00 to 4:00 PM, American Legion (downstairs).

Bring your car kit and your ideas. We'll have tools and experts to help you design, cut, shape and sand your car. You'll even be able to check it on the official race scale. Refreshments will be available. Bill Tackett, Tim Connolly, Jeff Marshall and Dirk Zinkweg have agreed to help host the workshops.

If you would like to help with the workshops, please contact Rob Sheneman.

4. PINEWOOD DERBY

PRE-REGISTRATION: Saturday, January 26th - 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm, American Legion Post
We also hope to be setting up the track and decorations on Saturday afternoon.

DERBY DAY: Sunday, January 27th

Race Day Registration: 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Start Times:

- Tiger Cubs: 12:00 am
- Wolf Cubs: 1:30 noon
- Bear Cubs: 3:30 pm
- Webelos Scouts: 4:30 pm

Pre-registering on Saturday afternoon makes Derby Day more enjoyable.

Good Luck!

REFRESHMENTS:

Refreshments, like hamburgers, hotdogs, snacks and drinks, will be available at a nominal cost throughout the Derby. Each den is expected to donate refreshments according to the following schedule:

- Drinks (small bottles of water, juice boxes, etc.):
Den 1, Den 8, Den 11, Den 15
- Snacks (individual bags of chips, pretzels, goldfish, etc.):
Den 2, Den 6, Den 9, Den 12
- Desserts (brownies, cookies, etc. in small bags - ***no cupcakes, please – they're too messy.***):
Den 4, Den 7, Den 10, Den 14

If you have questions, please contact Donna Rounsaville.

VOLUNTEERS: The following leaders have volunteered to help with the Derby.

Pre-Registration: Rob Sheneman, Barb Lippert, Scott Nicol (we still need 2 or 3 more helpers)

Set Up: Rob Sheneman, Scott Nicol Tim Connelly (we still need 2 or 3 more helpers)

Race Day Registration: (still need volunteers)

Race Officials: Bill Tackett, Mike Redlich, Andy Rosengardn, Anthony Primiani, Tim Connolly, Bill Tackett, Scott Nicol and Deb Reed

Prizes & Awards: Kathy Connelly

Cleanup: (we still need volunteers)

Refreshments: Donna Rounsaville, Diane Sutera, Beth Spearman, Steph Powley

5. SCOUT WEEK:

Scout Sunday is February 3rd and Scout Sabbath is February 9th. Please encourage your Scouts to wear their uniforms to worship services and ask if there are opportunities to help with worship on that day. Also, please encourage your boys to wear their uniforms to school during the week of February 3rd.



6. WINTER CABIN CAMPOUT - February 15-17

Camp No-Be-Bo-Sco, Blairstown, NJ.

Robert Smith is helping to plan out winter campout. Registration forms, leader information, a schedule and winter clothing suggestions will be posted in the Document section of the pack website soon. We have two cabins (space of up to 40 people) with heat and electricity reserved for Friday and Saturday nights. The theme is "Survivor Man." Registrations are due by February 1st.

7. BLUE & GOLD BANQUET - February 24th

This year's Blue & Gold Banquet will be at the Holiday Inn in Clinton. Doors open at 3:30 and the program will begin promptly at 4:00. **Reservation forms are available on the "Documents" tab of the pack website.** Reservations and payments are due to Sharyn Hankins by January 27th.

8. DEN WEB PAGES

Each den has space available on the pack website for meeting plans and information updates. If you have information you'd like to have posted on your page, please contact our volunteer Webmaster, Mike Redlich (mike@redlich.net) or Rob Sheneman (rsheneman@princeton.edu).

CLOSING THOUGHTS

It was wonderful to have Doug Niece back at our Pack Meeting on December 6th. I'm sure you'll join me in praying for his continued recovery and for his transition from the Hunterdon Care Center back to his home. Please keep Doug in your prayers.

I wish you and every member of the Pack 61 family a happy, peaceful and blessed holiday season. **I look forward to seeing you at the next leader meeting on January 10, 2008.**

Yours in Scouting,
Rob Sheneman