

Wolf Scout Parent Information

Welcome

Welcome to the 2008-2009 Scouting year! I hope you had a great summer. Charlie and I have been working hard to build a program that will get all the boys their badge and four arrow points by the end of the year. We think we're all going to have a lot of fun and learn a lot, but we're going to need some help. That's where you come in!

First off, the Wolf den meeting format is a bit different from that of the Tiger meetings. Primarily, there is no requirement for the parent to attend the meeting with their scout. That is definitely not to say that we don't want you to be at the meeting. If you do come to the meeting, however, we would love for you to participate in the activities with the boys. In fact, we'd like for you to work directly with boys other than your own son. The theory, I'm told, is that they tend to listen better to parents that aren't their own. I know my son does!!!

Next, we have a couple of opportunities for parents (dads OR moms) to help organize and run a den meeting or activity at a den meeting. At this time, I have the need for the following activities:

1. In December, we need to start working on a short skit that we can perform at a pack meeting in the late winter or early spring.
2. In January, we're going to learn about tools, how to use them, tool safety, and help organizing the building of a bird house or other wood working project.
3. In February, we're going to write, design props, costumes and scenery for, and act out a short play.

If you have talents in any of these areas, or have interest in helping us to organize these activities, please contact Charlie or myself.

Last, in order to meet the somewhat aggressive program that we've designed, we will be assigning "homework" for you to do with your scout each month. We've tried to keep it manageable, but it is just not possible for us to perform all of the required activities in the short time we meet each month.

Again, if you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact Charlie or myself at the contact information below.

First Den Meeting

As I've previously e-mailed you, our first den meeting is going to be next week, Tuesday, September 9th at the DuBois house. The meeting will start at 6:00 and will go until about 7:15. Directions are attached to this e-mail. The agenda will be as follows:

1. Opening flag ceremony, Pledge of Allegiance

2. Achievement 2 work:
 - a. Discussing the Pledge and what it means
 - b. The Flag, caring for it, and displaying it
 - c. Different Flag Ceremonies
 - d. Wisconsin State Flag
 - e. Flag Folding
3. Achievement 1 work:
 - a. Wolf Scout obstacle course
 - b. Other Feats of Skill
4. Bobcat Review
5. Closing Flag Ceremony, Cub Scout Promise

Before the next meeting, please work on the following with your scout:

1. Complete achievement 8, Cooking and Eating
2. If you are a new scout, go over the Bobcat requirements
3. Review parent sections of the Wolf Manual
4. Review personal safety rules with your scout.

Den Meeting Schedule

As of right now, we are planning on the following meeting dates and times.

- * September 9, 2008 - 6:00 - 7:30 (DuBois House)
- * October 14, 2008 - 4:00 - 5:30 (Grady House or TBA)
- * November 11, 2008 - 6:00 - 7:30 (St. Brunos School Gym)
- * December 9, 2008 - 6:00 - 7:00 (St. Brunos School Gym)
- * January 13, 2009 - TBA
- * February 10, 2009 - TBA
- * March 10, 2009 - TBA
- * April 14, 2009 - TBA
- * May 12, 2009 - TBA

All times and locations may change. If they do, I will make sure I contact you as soon as possible.

Pack Schedule

Pack meetings are scheduled for the third Wednesday of each month. All meetings go from 6:30 to 8:00 and are held at St. Bruno's School Gym unless otherwise noted.

- * September 17, 2008
- * October 15, 2008 (Lapham Peak)
- * November 19, 2008
- * December 17, 2008
- * January 25, 2009 - 12:00 - 3:00 - Pinewood Derby (Dousman Community Center)

- * February 18, 2008 - Cake Bake
- * March 22, 2009 - Blue and Gold banquet
- * April 22, 2009
- * May 20, 2009

Again, if any of these change, I will make sure I let you know as soon as I find out.

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I will send out contact information for the remaining families after the first pack meeting.

We look forward to seeing you at the first den and pack meetings!

Brandon