



# Pack 85 Newsletter

## November/December 2013

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### November Pack Meeting: Song and Skit Night

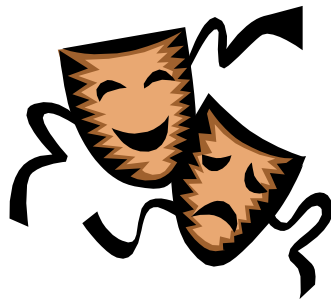
Tuesday, November 19 6:30 p.m. Prairie Gym

Since you can't put a price on quality entertainment, we obviously won't be charging for this show. **Please join Pack 85 for a free, one-night only entertainment**

**extravaganza as our Scouts and Leaders sing and joke their way into your hearts.** Please remember that even the most outgoing class clown might be a bit shy getting up in front of a group this size; so please keep talking to a minimum and applause to the max for every group!

**Scout awards, popcorn prizes and Pinewood Derby cars are also on the night's program,** so don't let your Scout leave empty handed. If you can't attend the meeting, please make arrangements with your Den leader to get your Popcorn Prizes and Pinewood Derby supplies.

Our popcorn fundraiser wouldn't be complete without giving our **top-selling Scouts an opportunity to express their gratitude** toward the leaders and parents who supported them throughout



the sale. And nothing says "Thank You" like presenting someone with a face full of whipped cream! So "stick" around for all the fun, and

make sure you visit our registration table to **sign-up your Scout and family for our December Pack gathering at Country Springs** and learn about other important upcoming events.



**LOOKING AHEAD...**Because we will not be taking sign-ups or \$\$ during the Dec. 2 gathering at Country Springs, please be sure to stop by the sign-up table during this event for information and to register for these upcoming events:

- Blue and Gold Signup
- Country Springs (Dec. 2) **\$\$ Due**
- Cub-O-Ree (Jan.11) **\$\$ Due**
- Winter Camp (Jan 3-5) **\$\$ Due**

#### 2013-14 CALENDAR



##### November

- 19 **Pack Meeting – Song and Skit Night**, 6:30 p.m. Prairie Gym  
*Country Springs Signup and \$\$ Due*  
*Winter Camp Signup and \$\$ Due*  
*Cub O Ree \$\$ Due*  
*River Rats Money Due*  
*Blue and Gold Signup*

##### December

- 2 **Pack Gathering @ Country Springs** 4 - 8 p.m.  
*No sign-ups or \$\$ will be collected*
- 4 **Roundtable Flag Ceremony** St. John Neumann's @ 6:45p
- 12 **Market Day** 5-6 p.m.
- 14 **Salvation Army Bell Ringing @ Pick 'N Save East**, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (see den schedule on next page)

##### January

- 3-5 **Winter Camp**
- 11 **District Cub-O-Ree @ Mukwonago High School**, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- 16 **Pinewood Derby weigh-in @ Prairie**, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- 21 **Pack Meeting – Pinewood Derby**, 6:30 p.m. Prairie Gym.  
*Blue and Gold \$\$ Due*  
*Winter Camp \$\$ Due*
- 19 **Market Day** 5-6 p.m.

If you have questions or are interested in joining Pack 85, please contact:

**Cubmaster:**  
Bill W

**Committee Chair:**  
Jessica M

**Email the webmaster:**  
p85site@gmail.com

# Splash with the Pack

The tradition continues as our Pack families gather at **Country Springs Water Park on Monday, December 2, from 4 - 8 p.m.** to celebrate "A Job Well Done!" on our Pack Fundraiser.

Admission for scouts, leaders and family members is \$9.50 per swimmer and \$5.00 for non swimmers. **Registration and payment is due at the November 19<sup>th</sup> Pack meeting.** A **signup sheet for you to print and bring to the November meeting is lower in this newsletter**

**Reminder:** Because all tickets must be purchased in advance, the Pack will still expect payment from Scouts and family members who signup using Scout Account funds but then do not attend. Final numbers will be turned in Nov 25<sup>th</sup>.

Anyone canceling after that point will still be expected to pay for their tickets. This is a Pack sponsored event. As such, we ask that families follow BSA guidelines and refrain from the use of alcohol or tobacco products. Thank you!



## SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING



Our annual holiday bell ringing campaign to help the Salvation Army will be **at Pick 'n Save East** on Sunset (the old Pick 'n Save).

If you cannot ring the bell during your Den's time slot, please join another Den so you can share in the experience of Pack 85's annual service project. What a wonderful way to show the boys how to help those who are less fortunate than we are.

**Because we are fundraising for the Salvation Army, Scouts are not permitted to wear official Uniform shirts. Please wear Pack 85 T-shirts instead.**

There will be song sheets for caroling and extra bells. Families are encouraged to bring bells from home if they have any.

**What:** Ringing the Salvation Army Bell.

**Where:** Pick'n Save East on Sunset

**When:** Saturday, December 14 from 9 a.m.- 3 p.m.

**Who:** The Den assignments are as follows:

- 9-10 a.m. - Den 8
- 10-11 a.m. - Den 2
- 11-Noon - Den 7
- Noon - 1 p.m. Den 5
- 1-2 p.m. - Den 4
- 2-3 p.m. - Den 6

## *T-Shirts and T-Shirt Orders*

The t-shirts and sweatshirts are in. Our new Tigers will receive their Pack t-shirts at the November Pack meeting and if you ordered any Pack t-shirts or sweatshirts you will get them at the November 19<sup>th</sup> meeting as well.

## POPCORN DISCOUNTS

The Pack has excess chocolate variety popcorn for sale. The sale price is \$12 per tin and it will be available at the November Pack meeting. We will accept cash or a check made out to Pack 85. If you bring cash please bring the exact amount. I cannot guarantee that we will be able to make change.

## Pinewood Derby

It's time once again to bring out the saw and sandpaper as our Scouts start their creations for our Annual Pinewood Derby. **We will be passing out the car kits at the November 19 pack meeting.** If you are not able to attend, please contact your Den leader to get your materials ASAP.

### **Important dates to remember:**

**Weigh-in:** Thursday Jan 16, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

**Race Day:** Tuesday, January 21, 6:30 p.m.



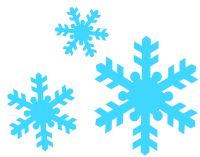
## **Cub-O-Ree-minder**

### **What is Cub-O-Ree?**

The Onatah District Boy Scout Troops, Venture Crews and Explorer Posts will host a **Cub-O-Ree on Saturday, Jan 11th, 2012 from 8 a.m.- 3:30 p.m. at Mukwonago High School.** This is a one-day event for all Onatah Tiger, Wolf, Bear, and Webelos Cub Scouts, where they will participate in rank-appropriate activities.

Bag lunch required. Parent attendance is optional but Tigers must have an adult partner with them. I will see those of you that signed up at Cub O Ree.

## **Join the Fun!**



## 2012 *Winter* *Camp Weekend*

**Winter Camp is January 3-5 at Camp Long Lake** located 1 hour and 25 minutes away in the Northern Kettle Moraine State Forest.

All Scouts are invited to accompany a parent on this **overnight cabin camping event.** The cost is **\$25 per person.** The cost of this event has also been known to go down depending on the number of people attending. Activities for the weekend are limited only by the weather and our imaginations! Watch for further details in the next few weeks.



**Questions?** Contact Michael K or Jamie P.

**Please note:** Accommodations for women are limited to 8 spaces but we may be able to rearrange the cabin rooms. This camp fills on a first come first served basis. We will begin taking signup and payments at the November 19th Pack meeting.

**Important Note:** A Winter Camp interest list was started at the September Pack meeting. We had it saved electronically however the file got corrupted. We rebuilt the list from the paper signup sheet. If you have already signed up for Winter Camp please stop by the table at the Pack meeting and verify your signup.

# December Pack Gathering

## 4 - 8 p.m. Monday, December 2

### at Country Springs!



On **Monday, December 2**, we will make our annual trek to Country Springs for some wet and wild fun for the kids and, we hope, some relaxation for our hard-working, supportive parents. **We may begin arriving at 4 p.m. and can stay to play until close at 8 p.m.**

**Cost:** Everyone attending, including Scouts, registered leaders and additional family members can purchase swimming passes for **\$9.50 per person**. Children UNDER 2 will be free. There is also a **"Dry Land" pass for \$5**.

#### Reminders:

- **All tickets must be purchased in advance.**
- Although this is not an official Pack meeting, it is still a Pack sponsored event. As such, we ask that families follow BSA guidelines and **refrain from the use of alcohol or tobacco products.**

Anyone planning to attend must complete this registration form and turn it in with payment by the **November 19<sup>th</sup> Pack Meeting**. If you are unable to attend the November Pack Meeting (or have any questions), please contact Michael Kastern to make alternate registration arrangements.

**Please note that Country Springs will be open to the public that night as well. With that in mind, the Pack cannot be responsible for the safety of your child. Therefore, we are requiring that each Scout be accompanied by a responsible adult age 18 or older during this entire event.**

*Country Springs is located at 2810 Golf Road, Waukesha, WI 53187. For questions about the Water Park, call (262) 547-0201 or check out [www.countryspringshotel.com](http://www.countryspringshotel.com).*

**Detach bottom portion and turn in at November 15<sup>th</sup> Pack meeting!**

**YES! We will be attending the December 2 Pack Gathering at Country Springs.**

Scout(s) Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Responsible Adult Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Number attending x \$9.50 per person: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Number of "Dry Land" Passes x \$5.00 per person: \_\_\_\_\_

Attached is a check/cash in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ and/or Amount from Scout Account of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is to be used to pay for the above event. **(Make checks payable to Pack 85)**

I understand that I am responsible for the safety of my child/children during this Pack event. I also understand that there must be a responsible adult age 18 or older in attendance the entire night with my Scout and any other children in attendance. If I am unable to attend, the adult listed above will be responsible for my child/children's safety.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



## Volunteers Needed

The Pack Committee is in need of people to step up and help out. We currently have FIVE open positions. Looking even further out, as of February 2015 there will be an additional TWO, potentially THREE, open positions.

The current open positions are: **Secretary, Assistant Cubmaster, Assistant Committee Chair, Newsletter Coordinator, and Website Coordinator.**

Opening up in 2015 will be **Cubmaster, Treasurer, and possibly Pack Trainer.**

*The Pack cannot function without people in these spots.* The largest need is currently at the Secretary position. Any of these positions would require a **maximum of two to three hours of your time per month.**

If you are interested in volunteering for one of these positions please see any adult wearing a uniform at the November Pack meeting or contact us directly using our information on the Pack roster.

By volunteering NOW you have the advantage of working with the committee as a unit or the people that currently hold those positions to learn the ins and outs of that role.

Again the Pack cannot function without you. We ask everyone to **invest your time in your son's Scouting experience** and to volunteer.