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Scout of the Month

When Jimmy Heard a younger Scout (one that he recruited) was going to quit this year due to some issues with other boys in his den, he decided he couldn't let that happen. He offered to start attending his den meetings with him to make him feel comfortable. Both boys have been enjoying the mentoring and I think Jimmy has been a help to the younger boy's den leader when he is there. Jimmy hopes to be a Den Chief in a couple of years and this is great practice for him.

Special Recognition

November Birthdays

Trace	11/01
Jacob	11/06
Dylan	11/14
Nathan	11/14



While going door to door for the pack fund-raiser, Webelos Scout Matt and his mother stopped outside a stranger's house where a woman with a pre-k boy and a little two year old girl was inside the garage playing. While the woman was looking at the booklet, the little girl decided the driveway looked more exciting than the garage and wandered down toward the street. Neither of the adults saw the little girl leave the garage. Matt, however, was paying close attention to everything around him and noticed that the little girl was about to step into the busy street. He acted quickly and prevented her from getting hurt. After getting the adults attention, the girl's mom was able to bring her back up to the house. Matt acted very responsible by making sure the little girl stayed safe and demonstrated what being a good scout means.

Scout Promise

I, scouts name,
Promise to do my best
To do my duty to God
And my country,
To help other people,
and
To obey the Law of the
Pack



One afternoon when Scouts of Den 8 and their families were enjoying learning about horses at the Lake Winnebago stables Gabriel got thirsty and asked if he could go home and get a drink. Since he lived close by he was told he could run home and get the drink. Gabriel on his own initiative decided to bring back water for everybody in the Den since he knew other Scouts were thirsty too. Gabriel packed a bag with water bottles and got his mom to drive him back to the stables with the water. I heard many appreciative comments about Gabriel's actions from thirsty cowboys and their parents.

Midland Train Overnight

Pack 262, with the efforts of Doug and Denise Hays, was able to enjoy an overnight on the Midland Railway. The Pack arrived on a misty Thursday night received a train safety briefing from Doug and took a 30 minute ride on the Midland Express to its Camp Ground. When the pack arrived it was able to enjoy an outstanding camp dinner prepared by Todd Finley (who's name got changed from "baby" to mighty cook fire flame maker). After dinner the pack was able to sit around a campfire singing songs and performing skits. After letting dinner settle, the boys were able to make Banana boats, cinnamon apples, and roast marshmallows for dessert. After more songs and enjoying the campfire warmth and a little rain/snow mix lights out was at 11 PM. With the exception of a flight of Black Hawks flying over around 1 AM and a group of coyotes making a lot of noise around 2 AM it was a perfect night for outside sleeping. In the morning the boys enjoyed a breakfast of camp pancakes and water bottle hot chocolate and to top it off a snow flurry. After breakfast the boys learned a lot about Train Engines and how they work and then performed some service work by doing a 'Leave No Trace' sweep of the Camp Grounds.

Thank you to the following Cub and Boy Scouts for going out early and helping with the set up. Erik Hays, Doug Hays, Todd Finley, Joey Ledford (Boy Scout), Jon Ledford, Austin Finley, Travis Houston (Eagle Scout) and Kevin Ledford. Thanks again to all of the parents that helped with clean up and making the overnight a fun time for the boys....Scout On

Pack Hay Ride

First a HUGE thank you to Scott Dryer for hosting this event for us...On Oct 30th the Pack was able to enjoy a most outstanding evening weather wise and fun wise with its haunted hay ride. When the pack arrived we were able to handle the business of advancements and introducing two new Den Chiefs for the pack. After that the fun began with the Hay Ride on haunted grounds (why anyone would want to live on grounds that have ghost, goblins and crazy people with chain saws is beyond me).

A mystery of life question was answered that night as well. "Just how many scout folks does it take to make popcorn?" The answer to that is five. That's right with the challenge of making Dutch oven Popcorn for the first time in front of them Ben Lalk (Pack Commissioner) Lynn Houston (Scout Master) Todd Finley (Pack Recruiter) Travis Houston (Eagle Scout) and John York (Eagle Scout) all decided that the popcorn that did not seem to want to pop was NOT going to win and with a meeting of the minds (goofy and troubled as they may be) soon had bags full of pretty darn tasty popcorn that the scouts were able to enjoy with chocolate chips, marshmallows and cinnamon sugar toppings. Needless to say there was NONE left.

A huge shout out to Cherie Finley (Committee Chair) for baking banana bread from leftovers from the train camp. Mark Nelson as always was the Pack music Entertainment. After the Pack all got to ride on the Haunted Trail and have their fill of the evenings snacks, the 2nd year Webelos treated the Pack to a Flag retirement. For this Assistant Cub Master it was a mix of good times and a little of sad ones as well. This was the last Pack outdoor activity that Den 5 and Cub Master Todd Brough will be attending as part of the Pack. To recap what I brought up at the opening announcements, the Pack being stuck with me next year is completely the fault of Todd. If it was not for him strong arming me into being a Den leader four years ago you would not have to put up with me at all so again IT'S ALL TODD'S FAULT....Scout On

CALLING ALL WOLF CUBS

Bear camp draw is approaching fast. What is Bear camp draw you ask? It is when the new Bears of the packs choose the weekend during the summer in which to have a blast at Camp Naish. It is usually a Friday/Saturday or Sunday/Monday. And yes, it's an over-nighter. If you have a preference as to which weekend we attempt to draw, please contact Cathy Bruton at 537-9725 or manitou90@sbcglobal.net From previous dens experiences, it has been learned that the earlier in the summer we go, the better the weather. I will let everyone know after the draw in early January which weekend we'll be going. Early registration fees will be due by February 1st. Please see http://hoac-bsa.org/CMP_CS_Bear_Camp.cfm for more information.

Greenery Fundraiser

The selling part of the pack greenery fundraiser is behind us. A great big thank you goes to all that participated. We have had an outstanding year. It is now time to start planning for deliveries. Your orders will arrive the week of November 24th. Your den leader will contact you when the merchandise is ready to pick up in the church gym. Please be sure to pick your items up the day you are called. Also, we need volunteers to help unload the truck when it arrives during the day and to sort the merchandise by scout. Please contact Laura Connell at 769-2322 if you can help.

Committee Corner

Hello Fellow Scout Parents, Leaders, and Cub Scouts:

I hope everyone is enjoying the start of our Cub Scouting year. We have already had a lot of fun events, and there is a lot more to come.

Thank you to everyone who helped make this years fundraiser a huge success!

The Midland Train Camp Out was a success. Word is that it was cold !! Thank you to Midland Railway & Doug and Denice Hays for having the Cub Scouts.

October's Hayride went really well. Pack 262 really appreciates Scott Dryer and family for donating their time and land to make this happen for the scouts. Thanks to Chad Goeringer and Roberts Dairy for the milk supplied as a refreshment.

We have a lot of fun and exciting events coming up in the future with Pack Meetings. While we are thinking about future events, I wanted everyone to know about Summer Camps. Information was sent out about prices and deadlines for these to be paid by. More information will follow soon. One option that we have new this year, will be making payments starting with the November pack meeting. This should help get all of the Scouts to camps this summer. We realize that this can be quite an expense to pay for several camps or several scouts. If you would like to set up a payment schedule, please contact Kevin Bye, Treasurer @ 816-537-9100, or Cherie Finley, Committee Chair @ 816-537-8837. Please remember, that NO SCOUT WILL BE TURNED AWAY for financial reasons. You must talk to either Kevin or myself to receive consideration for a camper ship.

Thank you to all of our Leaders who have attended training. Leaders, if you would like to get some training that is available, and you need financial help, please see Cherie Finley or Kevin Bye.

Hope to see all of you at the Rain Gutter Regatta.

Upcoming Dates/Events

November 9 th	Singing at Bass Pro, 4:30 pm (need to be there at 4:15pm)
November 20 th	Pack Meeting - Rain Gutter Regatta 7pm & R.E.D. Team Presentation 6:30pm
November 24 th	Wreaths to be delivered at Aldersgate United Methodist Church (Volunteers needed)
December 4 th	Leaders Meeting at 7:00 pm at Aldersgate United Methodist Church
December 11 th	Pack Meeting - Bake Sale/Chili Cook off 6:30pm