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Pack 101 Newsletter SEPTEMBER 2023

Hello Pack 101 Families,

I hope everyone is enjoying the start of the school year! Remember that with the new school year, we also kick off a new scout year. Your cub scout's grade-level den meetings will resume this month following Kickoff. Watch for communication coming from your den leader regarding den-specific information and schedules. Please try to reach out to others who might enjoy being in Cub Scouts (especially incoming Kindergartners), so they can get involved right away with Sign-up Nights and Kickoff in September.

Handbooks for your scout's next level of scouting will be distributed at Kickoff, as well as the Save-the-Dates for 2023-24 pack events (see attached). You'll also receive this year's flyer and order forms for the Wreath Sale. Time flies, and completed order forms will be due back before you know it! If you have gently used spiral bound handbooks from prior years, please bring them to Kickoff as we are trying to use resources wisely by passing these forward each year.

** Parents of younger cub scouts are encouraged to get involved to keep the pack going strong. Please come out to the committee meeting on September 11th if you can. Your participation and insight are very appreciated!*

Cub Pack 101 has a facebook account, which we encourage you to check out, like and share.
Search for us on Facebook Groups: @cubpack101kutztown

Please see the attached Save-the-Dates list, updated monthly, for upcoming pack events.

Have a great day,
Lea Macfarlane (Pack Parent Communicator)

FROM THE CUBMASTER:

Parents -

More than ever our kids need scouting. There are plenty of sports and other activities out there that can teach fitness, sportsmanship, commitment to a team, etc... It's not that these are not important, they are, but they are only a fraction of the entire package of what is important to teach our kids to make them well rounded, civic-minded leaders that will take our community, nation and world into the coming decades. The challenges and problems we face are not confined by the rules of sports. They are complex and multifaceted. We need citizens who are prepared to evaluate these problems and apply themselves toward solutions that are mindful of what is best for others, our community, nation and mankind.

It may be hard to see all this from where we stand raising 5-10 year olds. But soon enough they will be leaving our houses and no longer under our watchful eye. Cub Scouting and Scouting run year long for this purpose. You can't instill the morals and values that become a way of life in just a 3 month season. Think about this as we are continually writing the next quarter's program for the pack.

What can we change and make it better?

What do we need to do more of?

How can we be good stewards of our pack families' time?

How do we lay the foundation for hard working, smart, dedicated men and women who remain committed to helping their fellow man?

Every parent in this pack has a voice and also an obligation to help us to continually improve.

What is your next idea for our pack?

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SEPTEMBER DATES:

Thur., Sept. 7 ~ Wear Class B to School

Please have your cub scout wear their green Class B shirt to school on Thursday, 9/7/23, before our recruitment event which is happening at the KES cafeteria later that day. Invite a friend to come to Sign-Up Night!

Thur., Sept. 7 ~ Sign-Up Night #1 (KES)

New Scout Sign-Up Night #1 is on Thursday 9/7/23, from 6:00 – 7:00 pm, in the cafeteria of Kutztown Elementary School. This is

an Open House for interested families to come check us out and get more info. We'd like to have a few pack parents and cub scouts attend our New Scout Sign-Up Nights to answer questions from prospective new joins and help them to feel welcome. Please have scouts in attendance wear their green Class B shirts.

Mon., Sept. 11 ~ Committee Meeting

This month our committee meeting is on Monday, 9/11/23, starting at 6:30 pm, at the Ziegler home, 126 Alex Ct, Kutztown. Pack parents/guardians are always welcome to join us or email your ideas to a committee member in advance.

Wed., Sept. 13 ~ Sign-Up Night #2 (Library)

On Wednesday 9/13/23, from 5:00 – 6:00 pm, we'll hold our New Scout Sign-Up Night #2 at the Kutztown Community Library. This is a chance for families who missed the first Sign-Up Night to check out Pack 101 and get registered.

Sat., Sept. 16 ~ Kickoff Event / K-9 Demo

Our Kickoff for the 2023-24 Cub Scout Year is on Saturday 9/16/23, from 4:00 – 5:00 pm, at Kutztown Community Park, in the Pomone Pavilion (near the senior boys baseball field). There will be a demonstration provided by the Berks County Sheriff K-9 Unit and a brief ceremony to welcome new scouts to the pack, followed by popsicles. Please have scouts wear their green Class B (or blue Lion) shirts. Bring lawn chairs to sit on outside for the K-9 demo. We hope to see you all there to welcome new Pack 101 families and kick off a fun new year!

Sat., Sept. 23 ~ Cub Scout STEM U

Hawk Mountain Council is holding a STEM U event for Cub Scouts (Wolf, Bear & Webelos) on Saturday, 9/23/23, from 8:00 am - 4:00 pm, at HMSR (402 Blue Mtn Rd, Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972). This event is not open to Lions or Tigers. It is a council-sponsored and run event (not being coordinated through Pack 101). If your scout is interested, please check out the link below and register online on an individual basis. If a number of scouts plan to attend, coordination among that group may be possible. Online registration closes on 9/20/23.

Scouts will learn about STEM-related topics, earn two different Nova Awards (123 Go and Science Everywhere) and explore Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation during the event. The cost is \$25/cub scout and \$5/adult which includes lunch for both, and a patch for youth.

See link for more info: <https://scoutingevent.com/528-cubsteamu#>

LOOKING AHEAD:

October

- * **10/8** (Sun) 3:45 – 4:45 PM, Pack Service Project @ St John's Lutheran Church (dress for yardwork)
- * **10/8** (Sun) 5 PM – 7 PM, Pack Parent Hangout/Kids Movie+Pizza Night @Trinity Church -Class B
- * **10/13** (Fri) Pack Spirit Day- Wear Class B (or Lion) shirt to School -Class B
- * **10/15** (Sun) 2 – 4:30 PM, Fall Foliage Hike @ Bear Rocks (Bake Oven Knob parking lot) -Class B
- * **10/16** (Mon) 6:30 PM, Pack Committee Meeting @ TBD Location
- * **10/21** (Sat) 8 AM – 4 PM, Cub Adventure Day "Pre-Olympic Games" @ HMSR (Reg. closes 10/19)
- * **10/28** (Sat) 3 PM – 5 PM, Halloween Costume Party & Hayrides @ the Hoffman's Farm
- * **10/29** (Sun) 7 AM – 11 AM, Camp Edmar Fundraiser Breakfast @ Camp Edmar

Ways to Sign up for REMIND messages from Cub Pack 101:

- 1) for text alerts - text @dcg6hc to 81010
 - 2) for emails - send blank email to dcg6hc@mail.remind.com
 - 3) for mobile app - download Remind app, create new account, '+' to join a class, enter class code: dcg6hc
- * Reply @LEAVE to unsubscribe from REMIND app messages from Cub Pack 101

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