

Cub Scout Pack 567 Parents' Guide



Cub Scout Pack 567

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Welcome to Cub Scout Pack 567!

We are so glad you have chosen to be part of the world of Scouting. Scouting is a fun and rewarding experience that will benefit your son and your entire family. The experiences and knowledge he will gain from Scouting will help him for the rest of his life.

Cub Scout Pack 567 of Kenosha, Wisconsin has been chartered since the spring of 2007 by the Charles W. Nash Elementary School PTA. We are part of the Gateway district of the Southeast Wisconsin Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

We are a Quality Unit Pack and proud of our program and activities. Our program is a year round program that strives to achieve the goals, ideals, and purposes of the Boy Scouts of America. Our program provides activities for Cub Scouts, parent volunteers, and families.



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What is it all about?

What is Cub Scouting

As a parent, you want your son to grow up to be a self-reliant, dependable and caring individual. Scouting has these same goals in mind for him. Since 1930 we have been weaving lifetime values into fun and educational activities designed to assist parents in strengthening character, good citizenship, and physical fitness in youth. Scouting teaches family values ... We know that boys do not join Scouting just to get their character built. Boys join because it is fun.

SCOUTING IS FUN WITH A PURPOSE!

The purpose of Cub Scouting

Since 1930, the Boy Scouts of America has helped younger boys through Cub Scouting. It is a year-round family program designed for boys who are in the first grade through fifth grade (or 7, 8, 9, and 10 years of age). Parents, leaders, and organizations work together to achieve the purposes of Cub Scouting. Currently, Cub Scouting is the largest of the BSA's three membership divisions. (The others are Boy Scouting and Venturing.)

The 10 purposes of Cub Scouting are: Character Development, Spiritual Growth, Good Citizenship, Sportsmanship and Fitness, Family Understanding, Respectful Relationships, Personal Achievement, Friendly Service, Fun and Adventure, and Preparation for Boy Scouts.

Why join Cub Scouts?

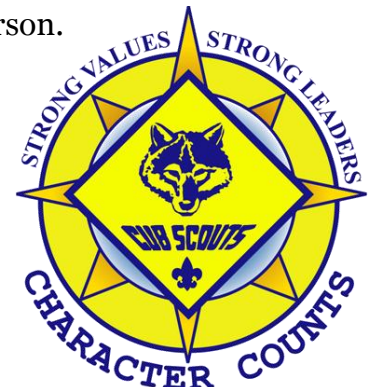
Parents of young boys face a lot of choices in after-school activities. Boys want to have fun, while parents want them to learn positive values and skills that will last a lifetime. If your boy is about to enter first through fifth grade, Cub Scouting may be exactly what you are both looking for. Here are some things to consider:

For every 100 boys who join Scouting, records indicate:

- ❖ Rarely will one be brought before the juvenile court system.
- ❖ 4 will become Eagle Scouts.
- ❖ 12 will have their first contact with a church and 1 will enter the clergy.
- ❖ 18 will develop a hobby that will last through their adult life.
- ❖ 8 will enter a vocation that was learned through the Scouting program.
- ❖ 1 will use his Scouting skills to save his own life.
- ❖ 1 will use his Scouting skills to save the life of another person.

And a recent nation-wide survey of high schools revealed:

- ❖ 85% of student council presidents were Scouts.
- ❖ 89% of senior class presidents were Scouts.
- ❖ 80% of junior class presidents were Scouts.
- ❖ 75% of school publication editors were Scouts.
- ❖ 71% of football captains were Scouts.



Scouts vs. Other Activities

There are a lot of choices for extra-curricular activities and many families already have signed up for baseball, soccer, basketball, etc. We want you to realize that our year-round Scouting program offers so much more than sports. Please consider joining Scouting too!

And consider that most kids in youth sports leave the sport behind as they grow older and the chances of making millions becoming a professional athlete are somewhat slim. Scouting, on the other hand, will teach skills that are important in life beyond their youth. Things as simple as knowing what kind of knot to tie down your load on your truck, or as important as how to perform CPR or rescue a drowning swimmer. A Scout might be exposed to a life long vocation or calling that he might not ever have encountered otherwise.

Also, in Scouting, every parent has an opportunity to participate in the program and be 'on the field' for their boys successes, rather than just sitting on the sidelines watching.

The Cub Scout program consists of many fun activities including sports, crafts, academics, and nature.

Cub Scouting ideals

Cub Scouting provides fun and excitement. In addition, the Cub Scout Promise, mottos, the Law of the Pack, the Cub Scout sign, handshake, and salute teach good citizenship and contribute to a boy's sense of belonging.

Cub Scout Promise

*I, (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.*

Cub Scout Motto

Do Your Best.

Tiger Cub Motto

Search, Discover, Share.

Law of the Pack

*The Cub Scout follows Akela.
The Cub Scout helps the pack go.
The pack helps the Cub Scout grow.
The Cub Scout gives goodwill.*



Who is Akela?

Adult leaders of Cub packs take the names of *The Jungle Book*'s main characters. The Cubs are taught that the *leader* is called Akela. Akela is the Den leader at Den meetings; The Cubmaster at Pack meetings; the teacher at school, or the parent at home.

Colors

The Cub Scouting colors are blue and gold. They have special meaning, which will help boys see beyond the fun of Cub Scouting to its ultimate goals.

- * The blue stands for truth and spirituality, steadfast loyalty, and the sky above.
- * The gold stands for warm sunlight, good cheer, and happiness.

How can you help?

Volunteers

Scouting operates through volunteer leadership. (All of the leaders in our Pack are parents and are not paid) Volunteer leaders are an example of Scouting's principle of service to others. Naturally, parents are the primary source of leaders in the Scouting program. You volunteer not only to serve Scouting, but also to help your son and his friends, and to have the chance to be a positive influence on the youth in your community. You can help as a leader or on the Pack Committee. Pack leadership is open to both men and women. (Mom's can be leaders too!)

Being a leader is fun, challenging and rewarding. Leaders find that their experiences help them to become better parents. The following are some of the many dividends that will enrich your life as you dedicate your time, talents and enthusiasm to Scouting:

- Fun and fellowship with other families, sharing your pride in the boys' accomplishments.
- The privilege of helping to enrich and strengthen families.
- A chance to help boys learn good citizenship and to help shape them into men who have strength of character and are sensitive to the needs of others.
- The opportunity to help make a difference in the lives of boys as they grow strong in mind and body.
- A code to live by which will set a worthwhile example for both boys and adults.
- The satisfaction of being a member of a worldwide movement, and pride in being publicly identified as part of this organization—wearing the Scouting uniform is a visible means of showing you believe in and stand up for the ideals and objectives of the Boy Scouts of America.

Do not worry if you do not have experience, the BSA provides excellent training program that not only helps volunteers with Scout activities but also training that can be used in everyday life. All Leaders and Scouters, as well as any interested parents are encouraged to complete Youth Protection Training. This training and others are available online at <http://olc.scouting.org>.



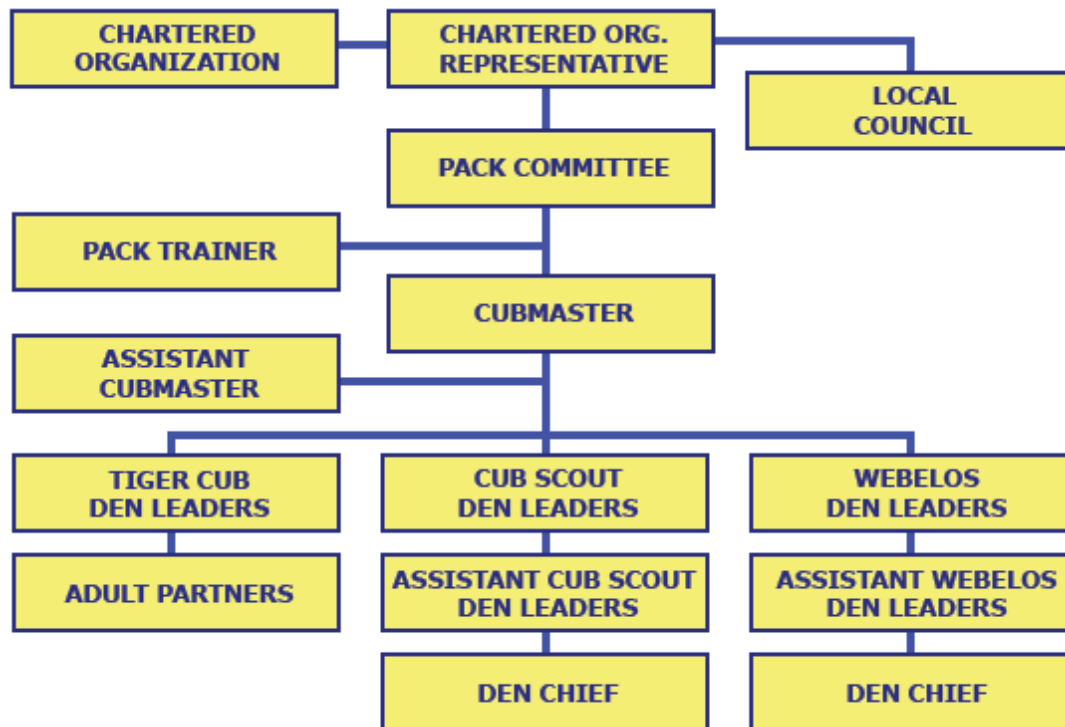
The role of parents

The role of parents within Pack 567 is to be supportive of the Pack's efforts and to provide the atmosphere Scouts need to learn and excel. Parents should try to:

1. Read their Scout's handbook, understand the purpose and methods of Scouting, and help their son complete the achievements in his book. His handbook is full of age-appropriate activities that you and your Scout will enjoy doing together.
2. Actively follow their Scout's progress and offer encouragement or a push when needed.
3. Show support to both the individual Scout and the Pack by attending all Pack meetings.
4. Assist, as requested, in all Pack fund-raisers and other such activities. All such assistance lowers the cost of the program we offer to the Scouts and, therefore, lowers each family's cash outlay for their Scout(s).
5. Be aware of the Pack program and annual calendar.



Pack Organization



The Chartered Organization

Every Cub Scout Pack, Boy Scout Troop, Varsity Scout Team, and Venturing Crew belongs to an organization with interests similar to those of the BSA. This organization, which might be a church, school, community organization, or group of interested citizens, receives a charter from the BSA to use the Scouting program. This chartered organization provides a suitable meeting place, adult leadership, supervision, and opportunities for a healthy Scouting life for the boys under its care.

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The Pack Committee

The Pack Committee is a group of adult volunteers who plan the Pack program and individual activities as well as managing such things as record keeping, finance, leadership recruitment, and registration. The Pack Committee meets monthly and meetings are open to any interested parent.

The Pack

The Pack is a group made up of several dens. The Pack includes not only the boys in those dens, but also their families, and their leaders. The Pack meets once a month with the Cub Scouts, leaders, parents and other family members attending. The Pack meeting is the climax of the month's den meetings and activities. It gives the dens something to look forward to and work toward. This is a chance to recognize the boys, their parents, and their leaders.

The Den

A Cub Scout Pack is divided into small groups of about eight boys called dens, who meet weekly under the direction of adult Den Leaders and, in some cases, Boy Scout Den Chiefs. The Den Leaders are trained parent volunteers.

The den allows boys to get to know each other better and engage in activities that would be difficult in a larger group. The den also provides leadership opportunities for the boys as they elect "denners" or help to teach each other.

Den meeting activities are planned around the monthly theme and include games, handicrafts, hikes and other outdoor fun. The Den may practice skits in preparation for the next Pack meeting or take part in simple ceremonies and songs. Sometimes work on advancement requirements is included, but most of that work is accomplished by the boys with their parents (see details on the Webelos rank for an exception). The Den Leaders may ask for special help occasionally from parents (helping with a meeting, sharing a special skill, or just providing a snack for the boys).

Den Chiefs

The Den Chief is an older Boy Scout selected by the Scoutmaster in cooperation with the Cubmaster. He may be of any age or rank, but he can be the greatest help if he is a former Cub Scout and if he is mature enough to assume this important responsibility. As a selected leader of younger boys, he has the opportunity to help them complete their Cub Scout or Webelos Scout advancement requirements and live up to Cub Scouting's ideals in their everyday lives.

The Den Chief is a member of a leadership team which also include the den leader, assistant den leader, and the denner. The den chief is already what every Cub Scout and Webelos Scout would like to be - a Boy Scout. As far as the younger boys are concerned, he is the person they would most like to follow, and that makes him a natural leader for them. By directing this natural leader wisely, we can influence the den of boys under his leadership.



Participation

Cub Scouts will be expected to attend Den and Pack activities:

1. Den meetings, held during the school year (Den Leaders and parents work out their schedule)
2. Pack Nights, usually held the last Tuesday of the month during the school year.
3. As many extra Pack activities as possible, usually one or two scheduled per month year-round.

Families

The whole family is encouraged to attend, sit with other parents, and participate in the activities. It is especially important for family members to attend when their Scout is receiving an award or advancement to affirm his hard work and doing his best.

Siblings "Scout Buddies"

We know that it may be difficult for parents to attend meetings without siblings. Remembering that the meeting is to help the boy learn and grow, we gladly welcome siblings when possible. **Please do not expect Den Leaders to babysit siblings.** Den Leaders plan crafts and activities to suit the Den members present. Please bring things for your other children to enjoy; we will do your best to include them in our activities where appropriate. Siblings will **NOT** be allowed without a parent/guardian.

Parents

Parents are expected to help run this program on the Den and Pack level. Our Pack is truly an all-volunteer organization. If every parent volunteers to lead, assist chair, co-chair, or coordinate then no one person has to bite off more than he or she can chew.

Attendance

Attendance will be taken at all scouting events, including Pack meetings. Please make sure you sign the attendance sheet or check in with the Den Leader. This is important for two reasons: (1) Credit the Scout for participation and (2) use attendance numbers to ensure we have enough supplies for our activities.

Inactive Membership

What makes someone inactive? A boy and his family may be considered inactive by action of the Pack Committee for one (1) of the following reasons:

1. Three (3) consecutive Den meetings absences and a reasonable explanation is not offered.
2. Obvious lack of interest on the part of the Scout and/or Parents.
3. Family absence at three (3) consecutive Pack meetings. Family attendance at monthly Pack meetings is an integral part of the Cub Scout experience. Failure to have family representation indicates a lack of interest on the part of the Scout and/or his parents.
4. Failure to pay Pack dues by the deadline date of October 31st.

Pack Nights

Scouts will be an active part in Pack Nights. Boys will learn flag ceremonies such as presenting and retiring the colors, develop a den cheer, tell jokes, and perform skits. Boys are expected to sit together as a Den at the meeting and to conduct themselves appropriately.



Advancement



Bobcat

The Bobcat rank is for all boys who join Cub Scouting. The requirements are the basic information that ALL Cub Scouts must learn. The Bobcat rank should be earned within 60 days of joining the Pack.

Tiger Cub

The Tiger Cub program is for first-grade (or age 7) boys and their adult partners. There are five Tiger Cub achievement areas. The Tiger Cub, working with his adult partner, completes 15 requirements within these areas to earn the Tiger Cub badge. These requirements consist of an exciting series of indoor and outdoor activities just right for a boy in the first grade.

Wolf

The Wolf program is for boys who have completed first grade (or are age 8). To earn the Wolf badge, a boy must pass 12 achievements involving simple physical and mental skills.

Bear

The Bear rank is for boys who have completed second grade (or are age 9). There are 24 Bear achievements in four categories. The Cub Scout must complete 12 of these to earn the Bear badge. These requirements are somewhat more difficult and challenging than those for Wolf rank.

Webelos

This program is for boys who have completed third grade (or are age 10). A boy may begin working on the Webelos badge as soon as he joins a Webelos den. This is the first step in his transition from the Webelos den to the Boy Scout troop. As he completes the requirements found in the Webelos Handbook, he will work on activity badges, attend meetings led by adults, and become familiar with the Boy Scout requirements— leading to the Arrow of Light Award.

The Uniform

The Scout uniform helps to achieve the objectives of Scouting. The uniform by itself cannot make a good Scout or a good Pack, but its use is known to improve both the Scout and the Pack because it is a visible symbol of Scouting and unity. Each scout is required to have and wear, within a reasonable amount of time after joining the Pack, the following uniform items:

Official or "Class A" Uniform:

- Blue¹ shirt with appropriate insignia and patches.
- Pack unit number (A single patch can be obtained from Pack)
- Cub Scout neckerchief (Tiger Cub=Orange, Wolf=Yellow, Bear=Blue, Webelos=Plaid)
(The neckerchief is provided by the Pack and does not need to be purchased)
- Neckerchief slide (can be purchased or **made** by Scout).
- Cub Scout Hat. (Den specific)
- Scout web belt and buckle. *(Optional, but there are awards that go on the belt)*
- Tennis shoes or hiking boots. Socks are required. (Does not have to be official socks)

Optional Activity or "Class B" Uniform:

(worn, as instructed by Pack leadership, when activities may cause damage to the "class A" uniform).

- Pack 567 T-Shirt (obtain from Pack).
- Cub Scout Hat. (Den specific)
- Tennis shoes or hiking boots. Socks are required. (Does not have to be official socks)

There is a proper way to wear uniforms and patches. See ***Wearing the uniform*** section of this guide or the Pack's website for more information. www.nashpack567.org



¹ Webelos wear the Tan Boy Scout shirt after earning the Webelos badge.

What do I need to get?

Official Blue/Tan² Cub Scout Uniform shirt.

(Most people get the short sleeve version)

Cub Scout Hat. Hats come in Tiger, Wolf, Bear, and Webelos styles.

Handbook (Tiger, Wolf, Bear, or Webelos)

The Handbook is provided by the Pack, there is no need to purchase one.

Neckerchief. (May also need a neckerchief slide, check with Den Leader)

A neckerchief is provided by the Pack, there is no need to purchase one.

Optional belt. This **is** optional but there are awards that will go on the belt.

Patches (see below)

Here are the patches that should be on the uniform:

Den Numeral: Den _____

Council Patch: We are the **Southeast Wisconsin Council.**

Pack Numbers: '5' '6' '7'

You can buy the numbers individually or you can purchase the numbers on a single patch available from the Pack.

World Crest: *The purple circle patch.*

All other patches and badges will be supplied by the Pack.

Optional Pack 567 T-Shirt. (For use when activities do not warrant the official uniform)

These can be purchased from the Pack for about \$9.00.

Where do the patches go?

The Pack Leaders and staff at the Scout Shops will be able to answer any questions you might have on where to put what badge. The Cub Scout Handbooks have guides for badge placement. There is also a "Uniform Inspection Sheet" that shows proper badge placement. You can also find information on the Pack's website: www.nashpack567.org

² The blue uniform is worn until the Scout earns his Webelos badge, then the Tan shirt is worn.

Why we wear the uniform

The Boy Scouts of America has always been a uniformed body. There are many reasons for this. One reason stands out above all the rest. We wear the uniform because it is a means of identifying ourselves openly with the principles to which we are committed—character development, citizenship training, and physical and mental fitness.

The fact that youth and adult members of Scouting wear a uniform does not mean that we are all alike. We come from different ethnic and racial backgrounds. We have our own religious beliefs and political views. We are each individuals with our own family traditions and loyalties. So the uniform is not intended to hide our individuality. But it is a way we give each other strength and support. It is a bond that ties us together in spite of our differences. It is a way of making visible our commitment to a belief in God, loyalty to country, and to helping other people.

The Scouting movement is built on positive values. As we wear the uniform, we are openly identifying ourselves with those values where everyone can see us. We stand together, not alone, in encouraging others to live by those same principles. Boys and adults alike should take pride in belonging to such a movement and wear the uniform as it is intended.



Wearing the uniform

The “Class A” uniform should be worn to all Pack and Den activities unless directed otherwise by your Den Leader or Cubmaster. If a Scout is unable to wear his “Class A” uniform for any reason, he should wear his “Class B” uniform. The “Class B” uniform is usually worn for pack events such as campouts and summer activities. Cub Scout uniforms build pride, loyalty and self-respect. The uniform should be worn at all Pack and Den events including meetings, outings and other activities. Boys will be told when it is acceptable to wear their “Class B” uniform. Scouts may wear either uniform (no hats) to school on selected days as a way to share their scouting experience with other boys who may be interested.

How to wear the neckerchief



1. Fold the long edge over several small flat folds to about 6 inches from the tip of the neckerchief. A tight fold prevents gathering around the neck and is more efficient than rolling or twirling.
2. Place around the neck over turned-under collar of uniform shirt. Or, wear under shirt collar if desired.
3. Draw neckerchief slide over ends and adjust to fit snugly. Let neckerchief ends hang loose.
4. The portion of the neckerchief showing below the back of the neck should measure no more than 6 inches.
5. A neckerchief slide (either purchased or made by the Scout) should be worn with the neckerchief. **Knotting the neckerchief is not acceptable.**

Where to get the uniform

You can purchase uniforms and scout supplies from any of the following locations:

Wisconsin

Boy Scout Council Center
(South East Wisconsin Council)
2319 Northwestern Ave
Racine, WI
(262) 632-1655

(See Map Below)

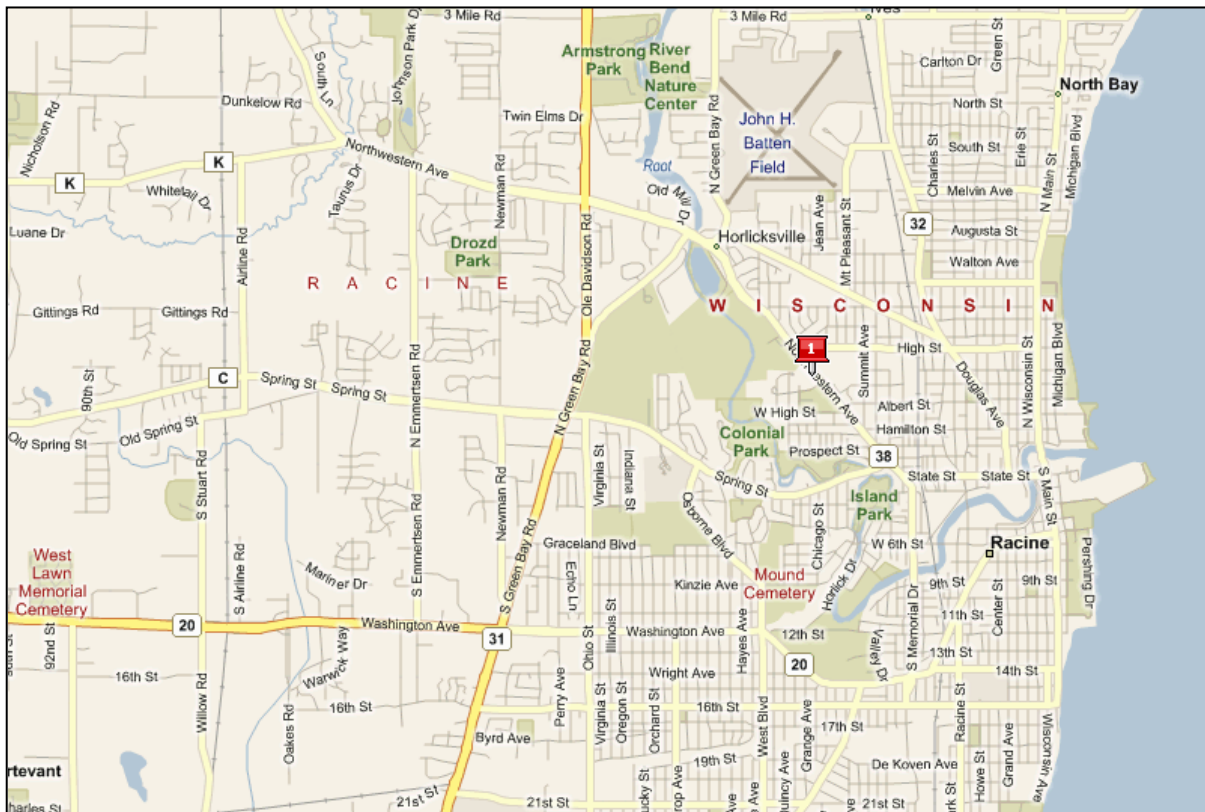
Jalensky's
5307 Green Bay Rd
Kenosha, WI
(262) 654-2260

Illinois

Boy Scout Council Center of Illinois
2745 Skokie Valley Rd
Highland Park, IL 60035
(847) 433-1813

You can also purchase online at www.scoutstuff.org

Note: If you buy from the Boy Scout Council Center or Online you will **not** be charged tax, Jalensky's will charge you tax.



Special Programs

The Pinewood Derby

The Pinewood Derby is one of the most popular and memorable programs in Cub Scouts. The Cub Scout and a Parent build a gravity powered race car out of wood. The Pack gathers together and everyone races their cars down a large race track.

The Blue and Gold Banquet

In 1933 "Cub Leaders' Round Table" suggested Parent / Cub dinners. Soon thereafter, Pack 1 of Michigan City started a tradition of pot-lucks where the dads were to bring utensils made of wood; whittled by the Cub with his dad. In the 1930s father / son 'bean dinners' and 'Cub family dinners' began to become commonplace. Finally, in 1943 the name "Blue and Gold Banquet" first appeared in BSA literature, and became synonymous with "celebrating the birthday of Scouting."

Today, the Blue and Gold banquet is one of the highlights of the program year. It brings together your Pack's families for a dinner and an evening of fun. The meal is important, but even more important is the warm, congenial atmosphere created as families enjoy each other's company.

Tiger Mania

Tiger Mania is a summer program exclusively for new Tiger Cubs with the Pack. There is a "Rain Gutter Regatta", a day out at Camp Oh-Da-Ko-Ta, and a fun mini-golf event. It is a chance for new Tiger Cubs in the Pack to start meeting new friends and learning about Cub Scouts.

Camping

Our Pack has a great camping program. We usually will go family camping as a Pack once or twice a year, in addition to the council sponsored camping.

Cub Scout Day Camp

(Camp Oh-Da-Ko-Ta) Cub Scout day camp is 4 days of outdoor fun and adventure designed for Cub Scouts who will be in grades 2 and 3 in the upcoming school year. A trained staff of youth and adults will guide the Cubs through new experiences including BB gun, archery, water activities, nature, fitness, and crafts.

Parent & Pal

(Camp Oh-Da-Ko-Ta) Parent & Pal is a weekend camping experience for Cub Scouts and their Mom or a female adult at Camp Oh-Da-Ko-Ta. The program is designed to take advantage of the camp's facilities and offers special activities not offered at Cub Scout Day Camp. This is a wonderful opportunity for a mom to spend quality time with her Cub Scout son.

Webelos Residence Camp

(Camp Oh-Da-Ko-Ta) Webelos residence camp is an introduction to overnight camping for boys who are Bear Cubs and will be going into the 4th grade in the upcoming school year. It is a 2 night, 3 day advancement based program. Pack 567 requires a parent or other adult to accompany a Scout on all overnight camping.

Webelos Long-Term Camp

(Robert S. Lyle Scout Reservation) Webelos long-term camp is a program designed for Webelos Scouts who have completed their first year. It is a 3 night, 4 day adventure packed program held at R.S. Lyle Scout Reservation. Pack 567 requires a parent or other adult to accompany a Scout on all overnight camping.

Pack 567 Hiking Club

The best way to experience the outdoors is step by step. You can do that by becoming a member of the Pack 567 Hiking Club. The Hiking Club combines the best elements of an expedition, a classroom, and a treasure hunt.

The Pack hiking club is open to all families of Pack 567. We will hike together on selected local trails. We will hike throughout the year in all types of weather and all types of terrain. Occasionally, we may offer more opportunities for larger hikes in Wisconsin and surrounding states.

Boys' Life



Boys' Life is a magazine for boys and adults. *Boys' Life* has interesting features on Scouting, sports, hobbies, magic, science, and U.S. history. There are also jokes, comics and short stories. There are special Tiger Cub and Cub Scouting editions. Many stories and articles in *Boys' Life* reflect the program themes of Cub Scouting and program features of Boy Scouting. A subscription to *Boys' Life* is included with Pack membership.

The mission of Boys' Life magazine is to entertain and educate America's youth and to open their eyes to the joyous world of reading. This is accomplished through a proven mix of news, nature, sports, history, fiction, science, comics, and Scouting.

Cub Bucks

Cub Bucks are a way for Scouts to earn Cub "Money" for camp-outs or other activities through participation and hard work. Each Scout will have an individual Cub Bucks account which will be monitored by the Cub Bucks Coordinator.

Each Scout can earn Cub Bucks for participating in Pack fundraising activities. Cub Bucks will be awarded for selling popcorn/wreaths. A Scout will earn Cub Bucks on all the profits of all sales greater than the minimum amount of \$165 dollars.



Parents can earn Cub Bucks for their Scouts by helping out with any Pack fundraisers. (i.e. Hotdog sales, concessions, helping handout popcorn/wreaths, etc.)

Cub Bucks can be used to pay Pack dues, camping fees, or other fees due to the Pack. Cub Bucks will remain with a Scout as long as he is a member of the Pack. If a Scout leaves the Pack for any reason no Cub Bucks will be retained.

Registration

Basic membership in the Pack for a full year, starting in September, is \$40. A reduced family rate for children in the same family is only \$30. The fees cover registration in the BSA, insurance, *Boys' Life* magazine, patches, awards, and supplies. For ease of accounting, membership fees are not prorated and are non-refundable.

Fundraising

Everyone hates fundraising, but we want to remind parents that fundraising has an important role in Scouting. Fundraising is the way that the community can support the Pack, and you'll find the members of our community are very supportive of our efforts.

Why we do fundraising

The Pack spends significantly more money per Scout than we collect in membership dues. The remainder of the cost is paid for through fundraising. Funds will also be used for special events like the Blue & Gold banquet and Pinewood Derby. Through fund raising activities, the cost to you is greatly reduced. If we did not do any fundraising, parents would have to pay for all the awards and supplies. (About \$160 per Scout per year)

Pack fundraising

Pack 567 believes that all boys have the right to be Cub Scouts. We further believe that the money should not be a deterrent. Although the costs associated with Cub Scouts are reasonable, there are situations where they could be a burden on a family. With this in mind we do fundraising to not only to fund Pack expenses but to allow your son to "pay his own way" in Cub Scouting.

The annual fall popcorn and wreath sale supports the National BSA, the Southeast Wisconsin Council and our Pack. All Cub Scouts in the Pack are expected to participate in this critical fundraiser. Each boy will be expected to sell a minimum of \$165 (\$215 total if two or more in a family) of popcorn/wreaths. For sales over the \$165 minimum, the Cub Scout will earn "Cub Bucks" on the profits. If families choose not to participate in fundraising or do not achieve the minimum sales amount, a minimum monetary donation of \$50 (per Scout) will be required. A spring popcorn sale is provided for families that could not participate in the fall fundraiser.

Special fundraising activities may be done during the year for special purposes. (i.e. Summer Camp, Pinewood Derby track, etc.)

Donations

Donations are always welcome. Certain donations are tax deductible. To make a donation to the Pack see the Pack Treasurer.

Friends of Scouting (FOS)

Friends of Scouting is the Southeast Wisconsin Council's annual fundraiser which is used towards individual Scout camping fees, maintaining the grounds of our camping facilities, putting on special events, supplying program materials, training our leaders, and providing Scouters with the necessary materials they need to actively participate in the BSA programs.

Frequently Asked Questions

We find many people asking the same questions. So, here are the answers to the most common questions we get about Cub Scout Pack 567. Of course, if you don't see an answer to your question, just email, call or ask at the information table.

1. *When and where are meetings held?*

Meetings are usually held on Tuesday nights at 6:30 p.m at Nash Elementary School. Some meetings could take place at a different time or location. Your Den Leader will inform you of proper times and locations.

2. *How early can I drop my boy off before the meeting? What if I'm busy and can't pick him up exactly when the meeting ends?*

Please understand we are all parents of Scouts. **We are NOT running a babysitting service!** (BSA doesn't stand for Baby Sitters of America) Meetings are NOT someplace where you can drop your children off for an hour or so while you run some errands. Scouting is a family program. You will be expected to stay at the meeting with your scout and help him out if you can in any way possible, along with the other parents, to make your scouts den run smoothly.

3. *Where do you get the Cub Scout leaders?*

The leadership of this Cub Scout Pack is made up of volunteer parents (like YOU!) who want to be involved in their son's growth and formative years. We are not paid to do this. We think enough of our boys and their friends that we want to provide the best possible opportunity for them to become upstanding citizens of their community. Each Den should have two leaders as well as a rotating parent assistant. Without den leadership, we cannot form new dens.

4. *So I have to pay \$90 for Cub Scouts?*

Only if you do NOT participate in fund raising. We estimate that it costs the Pack about \$160 per Scout, per year, to operate. We only charge \$40 per year in dues and make up the rest in fund raising. If you do not participate in fundraising, then we ask for an additional \$50 to make up some of the difference. All money goes to the Pack and back to the boys in the form of Registration, Awards, Handbooks, Neckerchiefs, Pinewood Derby Cars, Blue & Gold Banquet, Leader training, Pack events, and various snack items during the year.

5. *Is my son required to be at all the den and pack meetings?*

Of Course! When you join a group, your fellow Scouts begin to count on you being there. If you miss meetings, you miss out on opportunities to advance along with the others. Unless you are ill, we would hope for you to be at all your scout meetings. Please contact your Den Leader if your Scout will not be at a meeting.

Important Information

My Pack number is 567

My Den number is _____

My Council is Southeast Wisconsin Council

My District is Gateway

My Den Leader's name is _____

My Den Leader's phone number is _____

My Den Leader's email is _____

My Cubmaster's name is JOHN KIERNAN

My Cubmaster's phone number is (262) 925-8537

My Cubmaster's email address is Cubmaster@nashpack567.org

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