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❖ December Newsletter ❖

WORDS FROM OUR CUBMASTER

Greetings Pack!

December is here once again. We have our first snowfall already and the cold seems to want to stay. Looking at the calendar it's hard to believe we have these last days of 2007 and need to prepare for 2008 already.

This theme for December is Celebrations Around The World. In our Pack alone we celebrate during this time of year for many different reasons and in many different ways. Our Pack meeting on MONDAY, December 17th we will "celebrate" these differences.

In our home we celebrate Christmas. The month is full of many wonderful and magical things for our family. We are busy decorating the house, planning how our time will be spent with family and friends, working on our Christmas cards, shopping for loved ones, preparing for cookie baking, and celebrating the birthdays of family members and Jesus.

As a family, a Den, and even a Pack, let's share our customs and traditions with each other so we can learn how similar and how different each of us celebrate.

From my family to yours, Merry Christmas!

Yours in Scouting,

John Kiernan

"I will honor Christmas in my heart, and try to keep it all year." -- Ebenezer Scrooge



You make our Pack GREAT!

Your Pack needs you!

Our *Blue and Gold Banquet* (page 7) is in February and our *Pinewood Derby* (page 8) is in March. These events are months away but it takes time and people to plan and to make them memorable and fun. Watch your e-mails for information on when and where these planning committees are meeting. Please consider volunteering to help make wonderful memories for your son and the other Pack 567 Scouts.

DECEMBER NOTEWORTHY DATES

DEC 17
December Pack
Meeting!

DEC 18
Nash Students
Holiday Music
Program

DEC 24-JAN 1
NO SCHOOL!

December Pack Night Meeting



Make a note that this is a MONDAY evening. The date changed because the Nash students have a holiday music program on Tuesday, December 18.

December is marked by days of celebration and observance for many cultures and faiths around the world. Christmas, Chanukah, Ramadan, Rohatsu, Yule and Kwanzaa all occur this month. Let's share with the Pack our many different customs and traditions. We will be able to compare how others celebrate and see how similar and different each of our celebrations are.

Summer Camp

Make sure you think about summer camp. See page 9 Before you know it we will need to get our reservations and deposits into the District Office.

The Scouts have the opportunity to sell our Pack Yardsticks for \$5 each and make \$1.50 for camp. Now would be a great time to ask family and friends if they would like to purchase one or more from you. They make GREAT gifts. page 10

Candy-For-Camp will be coming soon too...



Cub Corner

May 2007 Issue of *Boys' Life*

Enter the **20th annual Boys' Life reading contest** now!



SAY 'YES' TO READING

Write a one-page report titled "The Best Book I Read This Year". There are great prizes for the winners and free patches to all who enter.



Details in the May 2007 Issue of *Boys' Life*, the November Pack 567 Newsletter, and on the *Boys' Life* website www.boyslife.org

Hurry, entries must be postmarked by December 31, 2007!

LEAVE NO TRACE FRONTCOUNTRY GUIDELINES

As more people use parks and recreation facilities, LEAVE NO TRACE® guidelines become even more important for outdoor visitors.

Leave No Trace is a plan that helps people to be more concerned about their environment and to help them protect it for future generations. Leave No Trace applies in a backyard or local park (frontcountry) as much as it does in the wilderness (backcountry).

We should practice Leave No Trace in our attitude and actions--wherever we go. Understanding nature strengthens our respect toward the environment. One person with thoughtless behavior or one shortcut on a trail can spoil the outdoor experience for others.

Help protect the environment by remembering that while you are there, you are a visitor. When you visit the outdoors, take special care of the area. Leave everything just as you find it.

Hiking and camping without a trace are signs of a considerate outdoorsman who cares for the environment. Travel lightly on the land. *Continued on Page 4*

Cub Scouting's Leave No Trace Awareness Award

1. Discuss with your leader or parent/guardian the importance of the Leave No Trace frontcountry guidelines.
2. On three separate outings, practice the frontcountry guidelines of Leave No Trace.
3. Boys in a Tiger Cub den complete the activities for Achievement 5, Let's Go Outdoors; boys in a Wolf den complete Requirement 7, Your Living World; boys in a Bear den complete Requirement 12, Family Outdoor Adventures; boys in a Webelos den earn the Outdoorsman activity badge.
4. Participate in a Leave No Trace-related service project.
5. Promise to practice the Leave No Trace frontcountry guidelines by signing the Cub Scout Leave No Trace Pledge.
6. Draw a poster to illustrate the Leave No Trace frontcountry guidelines and display it at a pack meeting.



LEAVE NO TRACE FRONTCOUNTRY GUIDELINES



Plan Ahead

Watch for hazards and follow all the rules of the park or outdoor facility. Remember proper clothing, sunscreen, hats, first aid kits, and plenty of drinking water. Use the buddy system. Make sure you carry your family's name, phone number, and address.

Stick to Trails

Stay on marked trails whenever possible. Short-cutting trails causes the soil to wear away or to be packed, which eventually kills trees and other vegetation. Trampled wildflowers and vegetation take years to recover. Stick to trails!

Manage Your Pet

Managing your pet will keep people, dogs, livestock, and wildlife from feeling threatened. Make sure your pet is on a leash or controlled at all times. Do not let your pet approach or chase

wildlife. When animals are chased or disturbed, they change eating patterns and use more energy that may result in poor health or death.

Take care of your pet's waste. Take a small shovel or scoop and a pick-up bag to pick up your pet's waste— wherever it's left. Place the waste bags in a trash can for disposal.

Leave What you Find

When visiting any outdoor area, try to leave it the same as you find it. The less impact we each make, the longer we will enjoy what we have. Even picking flowers denies others the opportunity to see them and reduces seeds, which means fewer plants next year.

Use established restrooms. Graffiti and vandalism have no place anywhere, and they spoil the experience for others. Leave

your mark by doing an approved conservation project.

Respect Other Visitors

Expect to meet other visitors. Be courteous and make room for others. Control your speed when biking or running. Pass with care and let others know before you pass. Avoid disturbing others by making noise or playing loud music.

Respect "No Trespassing" signs. If property boundaries are unclear, do not enter the area.

Trash your Trash

Make sure all trash is put in a bag or trash receptacle. Trash is unsightly and ruins everyone's outdoor experience. Your trash can kill wildlife. Even materials, such as orange peels, apple cores and food scraps, take years to break down and may attract unwanted pests that could become a problem.

Want to do more? Take the Pledge!

You can take the pledge to practice the Leave No Trace frontcountry guidelines wherever you go. Just review the guidelines and promise to practice them in your frontcountry outings.

Cub Scout Leave No Trace Pledge

I promise to practice the Leave No Trace frontcountry guidelines wherever I go:

1. Plan ahead.
2. Stick to trails.
3. Manage your pet.
4. Leave what you find.
5. Respect other visitors.
6. Trash your trash.

What do I do with all these Patches?

Our Scouts sure work hard and earn a lot of patches. Do you enjoy sewing them on? * If you do, great! If you don't, here are a few places in town that will sew them on for you. Use the patch placement guide on our website www.nashpack.org ; pin them in place, then call to make sure the price hasn't changed and how long your Scout will be without his uniform.

**Are you interested in making some extra money? Would you like to sew on other Scout's Patches? Come to the Information Table and let's talk!*

Martino's
7513 41st Ave (by Sears)
262-694-7858
\$2.39 per patch
about 6-10 business days

Miceli Bros Tailor Shop
2311 52nd St.
262-658-3400
\$1.50 per patch
about 2 week turnaround time

What about all the other patches that don't go on the uniform? Some suggestions are: make a letterman's jacket, attach to a patch blanket or a Scout vest, or create a patch board or scrapbook. Share your ideas with the rest of the Pack at one of our Meetings, bring it to the Information Table for others to see!



Pack 567 Giving back to others

Pack 567 is continuing to collect various items. These items can be brought to your Den meetings or the Information table at our Pack Night Meetings. For more information on any of these collections, please contact: michelle@nashpack567.org

PACK COLLECTIONS

Bags and Bears
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Cub Scout Uniforms

Your donations are tax deductible

Bags and Bears

Clean out your closets and check your basement. You may find new or slightly used bags, duffle bags, suitcases, backpacks, and stuffed animals that no longer are being used by your family. There is someone who can use them.

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Cub Scout Uniforms

We are collecting Cub Scout uniforms that are no longer being used or are just too small. If you or someone you know has a Cub Scout uniform that is no longer being worn, please consider donating it to a Cub Scout that would be proud to wear it. Also, monetary donations will be used to buy uniforms. (Your donation is tax deductible)

Please contact me if you have any questions or have a uniform you would like to donate.

John Kiernan, Cubmaster

Donations

Cash is also acceptable for any of our Pack collections.



Pack 567 Bags and Bears for new Beginnings



Cub Scout Pack 567 has chosen to help Women and Children's Horizons by collecting and donating new/ slightly used backpacks, suitcases, and duffle bags for victims to carry their belongs in as they work towards healing and new beginnings.

We are also collecting new/slightly loved stuffed animals to be distributed to the children who may have had to leave their toys behind.

Women and Children's Horizons, Inc.
Providing help for domestic and sexual violence victims



WCH History

Women and Children's Horizons was established in 1976 and is the oldest incorporated shelter in Wisconsin. The foundation for Women and Children's was set in April, 1976 when a Kenosha Vista supervisor became disturbed by statistics which showed the undeniable seriousness of domestic violence against women. Together with twenty two other women and men, the group set up WCH's first 24 hour crisis line.

With only one public service announcement, the response to the crisis line was staggering, fielding 50 calls within a 24 hour period. Recognizing the strong community need, the group legally incorporated Women's Horizons, (later renamed Women and Children's Horizons) in October 1976. Today WCH is a well respected agency in the Kenosha community and has broadened its mission and extended services well beyond the 24 hour crisis line.

WCH Services

Women and Children's Horizons provides a 24 hour crisis line and shelter, children's services, hospital advocacy, domestic and sexual victim advocacy, transitional living, legal advocacy, group support and a certified batterers' treatment program for both men and women. WCH also provides a food pantry, clothing closet and household goods storeroom. Many programs are offered in Spanish and English.

Questions:

Why bags?

Most victims leave without any personal belongings. The bags will provide a way to carry clothing, food, toiletries, etc. as they begin to heal.

Why the bears?

Children usually leave without any of their own personal belongings, including toys. A new soft friend may be a comfort to them.

Bags and Bears
for new beginnings



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Mission Statement

The mission of Women and Children's Horizons, Inc. is to provide support, education, training, and healing to victims of sexual and domestic violence/abuse.

BLUE AND GOLD BANQUET



The purpose of the Blue and Gold Banquet is to commemorate the organization of the Boy Scouts of America in 1910 and to celebrate the birthday of Scouting.

The term "Blue and Gold" is the name of the banquet because those are the official colors of the Cub Scout organization.

***Blue** represents truth and loyalty, and **gold** represents good cheer, happiness, and helping others.*

We need YOUR help to make our Blue and Gold Banquet the best it can be!

If you have any questions, or are interested in being on the committee, please contact Jen Hedrick the committee chair.

THE PLANNING HAS BEGUN!

Contact Jen Hedrick if you are able to help with this event.

Jen Hedrick Committee Chair (262) 331-4514 or dale@nashpack.org

PINEWOOD DERBY



The purpose of the Pinewood Derby is to help the Cub Scout build a team relationship with their parent or helper, experience the sense of accomplishment and the excitement of competition, learn Win/Lose good sportsmanship, and to have fun. The model cars are made of wood to specified dimensions, created, carved, assembled, and decorated by Cub Scouts under the guidance of the parents or helpers. The cars are gravity powered and run down a special track.

**Watch your e-mail
for the first
planning committee
meeting!**

Like all successful events, it requires planning and preparation, but the payoff in fun and strengthening family relationships has been proven over the years. By following a plan and distributing responsibility among several Cub Scout parents and leaders, we can plan and achieve a successful Pinewood Derby.

If you have any questions, or are interested in being the committee chair, being on the committee, or helping out, please contact John Kiernan at 262-925-8537 or john@nashpack567.org.

THE PLANNING WILL BEGIN SOON!
*Contact our Cubmaster if you are interested in
helping with this event.*

(OPEN Position) Committee Chair

2008 Summer Camp Fees

MOM & ME

For all Cub Scouts & Mom(s)

Come camp with a Mom or guardian (Over the age of 18). Spend a weekend participating in arts and craft activities, swimming, nature programs and water activities! All participants are responsible for their own transportation. (Friday-Sunday) **July 18-20, 2008**

CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP

For boys in the 1st & 2nd grades in the 2007/2008 school year (Tiger Cubs & Wolves)

Cub Scout Day Camp is four days of outdoor fun and adventure designed for Tiger & Wolf Scouts at Camp OhDaKoTa. Cub Scouts are bused from a central pick-up point to and from camp. A trained staff of youth and adults will guide the Scouts through new experiences for the Cub Scouts including BB gun, archery, water activities, nature, sports and crafts. (Monday-Thursday) **July 7-11, 2008**

WEBELOS 1 (WEBELOS RESIDENT)

For boys in the 3rd grade in the 2007/2008 school year (Bears)

Webelos Resident Camp is an introduction to overnight unit camping for boys who are currently Bears. It is a three day, two night, advancement based program held at Camp OhDaKoTa. All participants are responsible for their own transportation. A parent/gurardian is required to overnight camp. (Friday-Sunday) **July 11-13, 2008**

WEBELOS 2 (WEBELOS LONG TERM)

For boys in the 4th grade in the 2007/2008 school year (Webelos)

Webelos Long Term is an introduction to Long Term Boy Scout Camp for boys who are presently Webelos. It is a four day, three night advancement based program held at Robert S. Lyle Scout Reservation located in Elcho, Wisconsin (just north of Antigo). All participants are responsible for their own transportation. (Saturday-Tuesday) **June 28-July 1, 2008**

Scout Discount Fee

- Full discounted payment is received per Scout by February 15, 2008
- \$50 of this payment is considered a "deposit"
- Deposits are nonrefundable, however, transferrable to a replacement Scout attending the SAME PROGRAM
- Health information forms filed for Cub Scout Day Camp, Webelos Resident and Mom & Me
- Health information forms requiring physicals must be on file at least three weeks prior to camp (Webelos Resident)

Camp	Scout Disc Fee	Adult Disc Fee
Mom & Me	\$55	\$25
Cub Scout Day Camp	\$90	\$12 per day
Webelos 1 (Webelos Resident)	\$85	\$30
Webelos 2 (Webelos Long Term)	\$95	\$40

Full Fee

- Missed all deadline dates, full fees apply (adults and Scouts)
- Adults intending to attend camp must notify Council three (3) weeks prior to camp
- All health information forms must be on file at least three weeks prior to camp

Camp	Scout Full Fee	Adult Full Fee
Mom & Me	\$80	\$35
Cub Scout Day Camp	\$115	\$20 per day
Webelos 1 (Webelos Resident)	\$110	\$40
Webelos 2 (Webelos Long Term)	\$130	\$50



4' YARDSTICKS

The Pack has Yardsticks for Sale!

The cost is only \$5! These aren't the normal 3' sticks, we added an extra foot on for *FREE!*

(Metric is also on one side)



These make GREAT gifts. They are great to have around the house for school projects and crafts.

They have other uses too: they can be used to get cars from underneath the stove, you can put a sock on one end to get that spider web that is up on the ceiling ... the uses are endless.

As a Scout in Pack 567 you are able to buy / sell these wonderful Yardsticks.

**Any Yardsticks that a Scout sells
in the months of
November and December,
all profits will go towards
that Scouts Summer Camp!**

**You will earn \$1.50 per Yardstick
for Summer Camp!**