

CUB SCOUT PACK 801



CUBMASTER'S

Column

Hello Pack 801!!

The Holidays are upon us! It is all too easy to get busy, rushed, and impatient this time of year. There are teacher gifts, pageants and recitals, and get togethers. I encourage you all to mark off a couple of blocks on your calendar to spend time with your family. Pick a couple of your favorite Christmas books, snuggle by the fireplace with hot cocoa, and share stories of holidays past. I know that our family is so thankful that this year is different than last year. The vaccine is widespread and we are mostly able to get together again with friends and loved ones.

We have some exciting events coming up soon, in particular the Pinewood Derby, that we are hoping to hold in person this year on January 22nd! All scouts should have received a car kit. If you need one, please let me know. If you and your family have never made a derby car, there are some great videos on YouTube to get you started. We also have some experts in the group, so please reach out! It is SO much fun to see all of the different designs that the kids come up with.

Happy Holidays, and Merry Christmas!

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Can you believe it?! Pack 801 back together in person at Olson Elementary! As a Pack we made over 30 cards for the elderly residents of Four Winds Manor. We dropped off the cards last week to help bring them holiday cheer. This was a fun service project completed during last month's Pack meeting.

Upcoming Pack Events

Tuesday, December 14: Pack Meeting 6:30pm, at Olson Elementary. Bring books in good condition for our Madison Reading Project book drive. See Pack email for the link to book donation guidelines. To get in the holiday spirit, come ready to share a favorite holiday memory or tradition with the Pack!

Tuesday, January 18: Pack Meeting and Pinewood Derby Car Weigh-In, 6:30pm, at Olson Elementary. Note: once your car is weighed it is considered submitted and will be held by the Pack until the Derby.

Saturday, January 22: Pack 801 Pinewood Derby, 9am, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 5701 Raymond Rd, Madison. Volunteers needed, please connect with Tim Conroy (Brennan's dad). Everyone is encouraged to cheer on their friends, good spirit is expected!

Friday, February 18: Blue and Gold Banquet, in the evening, at Good Shepherd Church. This is when we celebrate our oldest Scouts crossing over into Scouts of America. We also celebrate the birthday of Scouting in the U.S.



This month Tiger Hazel worked to complete her Tigers in the Wild Adventure with some help from her friends in the Lion Den. She now has her very own pack that holds her Six Essentials and can apply the Outdoor Code and Leave No Trace Principles when she spends time in nature! She also earned her Protect Yourself Rules elective. Do you know how to Shout, Run and Tell?

Lindsay Smith,
Tiger Den Leader



TIGER



THANK YOU to our Popcorn Kernel, Amy Byrnes for her many years of service, a lovely sense of humor and willingness to be covered in whipped cream!



The Wolf Den went for a nice hike at Governor Nelson State Park and completed its first two adventures.

They are looking forward to the holidays and getting together again soon.

Mike Duchek,
Wolf Den Leader



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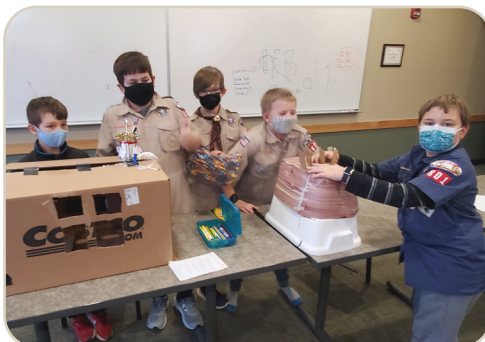
Den Updates

BEAR



The Bears had an amazing time working on their Forensics Adventure. They met at the Middleton Police Department (see *middle top*) where Detectives Tutaj and Anderson gave them a tour, taught them about types of finger prints and gave them hands-on experience lifting finger prints. They also got to meet a police officer who showcased all of the tactical gear they use. The Scouts really enjoyed learning about how officers work hard to keep us and our communities safe.

Mark Pingel, Bears Den Leader



ARROW of light



During our December pack meeting the Arrow of Light Scouts learned about the history of the United States flag and reviewed how we do a flag ceremony. We then learned about the patrol method done in Boy Scouts. We elected a patrol leader, created a patrol name, yell, emblem and flag (ask an AOL what our patrol name is).

Finally, the Scouts each showed off the household item we made out of a material other than wood. (*photo at left*)

Amy Byrnes,
Arrow of Light Den Leader