

Cub Scouts Pack 775

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Committee Meeting October 7, 2005

Present: Bruce (Cub master), Chuck (Asst Cub master/Den 13), Dale (Treasurer), Scott (Webmaster), Karin (Advancement Chair/Den 11), Vicki (Sec'y/Den 12), Gary (Den 7), Kendall (Dens 6 & 14), Aleta (Den 12), Jeff (Den 5), Matt (Den 8), Nicole (Den 6), Monica (Den 6), Doug (Den 13), Terry (Den 15), Shawn (Den 4).

Announcements: Bruce

Tom Harrison has agreed to serve in the position of Committee Chair

Introductions were completed for all leaders and committee members as we welcomed our new Den leaders.

The new Pinewood Derby track was received. The timer will be shipped Monday and should be received shortly.

Finance Report: Dale

We currently have a balance of \$1,552.

A donation in the amount of \$300.98 was received in support of the new Pinewood Derby track.

The Scout Shop has a current balance of \$316.

The 75th Anniversary patches for the Pack are on order (cost was \$240)

Roundtable: Bruce

Roundtable had their popcorn kickoff. Our Popcorn Kernel, Jackie, was out of town. Bruce served as alternate and attended the kick off which in turn earned our Pack an additional 5% bonus from our sales.

Training for new leaders will be available on Saturday, December 3. New Leader Essentials and Position Specific Training will be given to provide a complete

training opportunity. More information will be forthcoming regarding the place and time.

University of Scouting will be held November 12. Registration is through November 3. Six courses will be available. Bear leaders will have an opportunity to complete Webelos training in preparation for next year. Baloo training will be available in addition to outdoor leadership training.

Past Events

We had approximately 30 participants at the **Fall Festival Parade**. Balloons were a little difficult to handle however a few were released. We have not received any responses from the notes attached to the balloons. There were limited pictures taken due to the rain. They will be posted to our web page.

ACTION ITEM: Bruce will check on holsters to aid the boys in carrying our flags in future events.

Tigerama also had rain but some of the events already included water. It was reported that the scouts had a lot of fun. Four from Den 7 were in attendance.

Planned Events

Scouting For Food – Donated items should be dropped off at the Goddard Community Center between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Dan, our Charter Rep, will also be at the Center. Tom and Scott did a great job posting maps and Den assignments on our web page.

ACTION ITEM: Keep track of the boys in your Den who participated in the Scouting For Food project.

Hayrack Ride – Pumpkin Junction has a combined hayride and pumpkin patch. The cost is \$5 per child. The date is October 23 at 2:00 p.m. Don't forget to have the boys wear their Scout uniform.

Blue and Gold – Location will be St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. The theme will be shared at the Pack Meeting. We still plan to have the Scouts make their place settings, centerpieces, banners, etc. Food will be catered. Menu options currently include fried chicken, chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, corn, and soda. The flag ceremony will be completed by Den 6.

Popcorn News – Monday, November 7 at 7:00 p.m. we will have our popcorn kick off. We will begin selling popcorn Wednesday, November 9 at 12:01 a.m. The popcorn will be picked up December 9. Last year we sold about \$27,000 in popcorn. Our goal is to increase our sales by 15% for a total of \$32,000. Don't forget that 10% of our sales funds camp activities. \$856 was spent on prizes for boys who sold \$500 or more last year.

Den 5 will perform the flag ceremony

There were two options discussed for the sale: 1) Scouts receive a prize and the Pack gets 30% with the option of two 5% bonuses. 2) Scouts don't receive a prize but the Pack gets 40% plus the two 5% bonus opportunities. The difference is about \$3,000 which the Pack could use to provide gifts for the boys.

Many boys had full camperships last year based on their sales.

Show & Sell – The actual order is due the 22nd of October. We can pick up the popcorn on November 4 at 5:00 p.m. Statistics show that more sales can be made if the popcorn is available at the time of the sale. We do have access to a trailer for the popcorn.

New Incentive – As you fill up an order sheet, you can turn it in and weekly drawings will be made at the Council for prizes. More information will follow. Complete information will be available at the kick off. Payments will be due December 29. Each Den contact will collect and balance the sales for the Den and turn everything in on the 29th.

As mentioned, the new derby track has been received. It is made of aluminum and has a very smooth track for precision. It has up to date timing mechanisms and is laser driven. We are expecting 300-400 participants on October 29th at the 2005 White Buffalo Pinewood Derby. This derby is for all new fall 2005 Cub Scouts and will run from 9am to 5pm at the Davis-Moore Chevrolet on West Kellogg. Groups will be formed in timeslots. Pack 775 is supporting this function and needs parents to sign up to cover the event in one hour slots. We are looking for people to run the concession, bring cookies & brownies for sale, and run the track. We need approximately 6 people per hour. Trophies and medals will be given to the first three winners and next seven winners respectively.

ACTION ITEM: Dens need to sign up to cover an hour slot. Please get with Chuck to reserve your slot.

ACTION ITEM: Parents wanting to donate to the track with a cash donation (not to exceed \$25) can get in touch with Dale. Checks should be made payable to Pack 775. Please write “track” in the memo of the check.

General Information:

Tom and Scott did a great job posting maps and Den assignments on the web page for the Scouting For Food drive.

The October Pack Meeting will be moved to October 24th instead of the 31st to accommodate Halloween activities. We need to continue to provide community services. We will be accepting donations of one can item or \$1 at the door to the meeting. All donations will be given to a local food kitchen. Den 15 has volunteered to serve as greeters at the door and accept the donations. We will be making a slight change to the opening ceremony. The Flag Ceremony will include the Pledge of Allegiance, Scout Sign, and the Scout Oath. The raffle should include about 10-15 items.

ACTION ITEM: Please let us know if your Den is interested in performing a skit at one of the Pack Meetings. This also helps to earn some of the achievements.

The November Pack Meeting will be moved to the 21st of November to accommodate Thanksgiving.

We would like to include additional presentations to our Pack Meetings similar to the once Jason Albertson completed for Pet Care Month.

ACTION ITEM: Please find out if you have any parents who would be interested in doing a presentation based on their job, hobbies, or interests. If so, please share this information with Bruce or Chuck.

Scott has made a lot of updates to our Web Page. He has identified the various Dens and has listed the days and times for their Den meetings. Training information is also on the Web Page.

The Christmas party is currently being planned. Kim is in charge of the planning and has identified six 10-minute stops. Some of them include a visit with Santa, Blue & Gold, opportunities to help others, and we may adopt a family. More information will follow at a later date.

Bruce will meet with the Lions, our Charter Organization, on October 20 to introduce himself and to encourage more involvement. He hopes to open communications and promote a more active relationship.

ACTION ITEM: Awards are due to Karin by October 10th for the October presentation.

ACTION ITEM: We should try to complete our ranks by February 17th so the boys can receive their advancements at the Blue and Gold.

A scholarship fund was considered and accepted by vote. This will offer a Scouting opportunity to boys with financial difficulties. It was decided that the funds received in the raffle would support these financial needs (dues, uniforms, camp, etc.). Families interested in receiving information or consideration should contact Tom Harrison, Committee Chairperson.

New Handbooks, neckerchiefs, and slides will be available for purchase at the January Pack Meeting. This will help to eliminate the problems we encountered last year when the Council did not have enough inventory.

Any thoughts, idea, concerns you have should be brought forward to your Den leader, any committee member or Bruce and Chuck as Cub master and Asst. Cub Master.