

# Pack 144 Newsletter

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Website: (TBA)

## Website Status

As some of you may have noticed, the Pack website is currently non-existent. Our web host is good through next year, but the actual domain name expired November 6<sup>th</sup>, after 5 years of registration. I am working very feverishly to renew the domain name or get a new name up and running ASAP. I will email everybody as soon as something is ironed out. It will either be nvpack144.org or nvpack144.net. Stay tuned for further information.

If you have pictures from past events that you would like to post to the Picture section, please burn them to CD and give them to me.

If you have any ideas on how to improve the website, I would love to hear about them!

Email address until the website is back up:

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## Newsletter Editor Responsibilities

- create, print, and copy the Pack Newsletter for each Pack Meeting. I use WordPerfect software, which allows me to convert everything into PDF format right away, but you can also use Microsoft Publisher or Microsoft Word. Information is gathered from various sources including: Committee Meetings, Roundtable Meetings, the Minsi Trails website, *The Minsi Newsletter*, the North Valley District website, event leaders, etc. Total time each month: about 2-3 hrs.

## Looking Back...



We had over 20 Cub and Boy Scouts help collect 2,540 lbs. – a new record! Thank you to every scout and parent that could help. Thanks to ██████████ for delivering the food. ██████████

As usual with all Boy Scout events, the food was excellent! The staple of Boy Scouts Dutch Oven cooking was done, and included sloppy joe sandwiches, beef stew, taco bake, and a dessert – peach cobbler! Yummy. ██████████

**Troop 144 Invitational** - Troop 144's Invitational was held on November 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> after Scouting for Food at Camp Redtail, inside the Whitehall Parkway and we had 6 boys attend, along with 4 parents. We even had 2 parents and boys sleep over until Sunday morning. They helped cook and clean up and they were a tremendous help! During Saturday, the boys attended different Boy Scout stations (Cooking, Fire building, Knots, etc.), and ate a delicious lunch consisting of several different dutch oven meals – all of them VERY delicious! These events helped introduce the boys to what Boy Scouting is all about, and hopefully encourage them to cross-over into a Boy Scout Troop of their choosing.

## Webelos II Invitational

### Troop 8 Invitational -



It was a “fun” time. 4 Webelos II scouts attended. Unfortunately, it rained the entire day, but that didn't stop the

boys from having a good time. Games were played with the cub and boy scouts, including an “Amazing Race” style game that took them across Settler's Camp, following clues left at each location.

## Halloween Party

Thank you to everyone who helped plan last month's Halloween Party and run the games. The kids had a lot of fun and their costumes were really neat. Pictures have been posted to the Pack Website, once it is up and running again.

## HELP WANTED

Pack 144 is still recruiting for the Pack Newsletter Editor position. Please start thinking about how you can help run this wonderful Pack and keep it running strong!

**Newsletter Editor** - will be vacant after February, 2009.

**ONLY 3 MORE ISSUES WILL BE CREATED BY THE CURRENT EDITOR.**

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## Looking Ahead...

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### Popcorn Pickup

Please adhere to the following schedule for picking up your popcorn orders **TOMORROW** night:

Tigers - 7:30

Wolves - 7:45

Bears - 8:00

Webelos - 8:15

If you cannot be here at that time, please talk to your Den Leader.

### Save The Date #1 Hershey Bears Scout Night & Sleep Over 3/28-29/2009

The 4<sup>th</sup> annual Scout Night & Sleep Over will be **March 28-29, 2009**. This is an ACTION-PACKED event that the kids have TONS OF FUN at!! See the attached flier. Money will be due at the January Pack Meeting.

### Save The Date #2 Hershey Bears vs. Philadelphia Phantoms 4/10/2009

I am also promoting another hockey night for **Friday, April 10, 2009** when the Hershey Bears visit the Philadelphia Phantoms inside the history Philadelphia Spectrum. After this year, the Spectrum will no longer exist. Visit now before it is too late! There is also a very good chance that the Pack and the Troop will be the Color Guard for this game and seats are really cheap! More information will be in the December newsletter, and posted to the website once it becomes available.



### Den 7 News (Tigers)

The Tiger Den has been working on some arts and crafts to satisfy some of our electives since the last Pack Meeting.

### Den 8 News (Wolves)

We have had 2 denners so far— [redacted] and [redacted] (who is our current denner) and they did an excellent job! We also completed Achievements 1, 2, 3 and are finishing up 4. We have been working hard on our Bobcat requirements and are ready to earn the badge!!"

### Den 4 News (Bears)

(No news at this time.)

### Den 6 News (Webelos I)

Webelos Den 6 is continuing to work on their Boy Scout requirements. They have finished their Citizenship section and are now moving on to the Artist and Showman sections. Stay tuned for a den written skit in January.

### Den 1 News (Webelos II)

The boys were hard at work earning their Webelos badges, along with the Craftsman badge. We built wooden candy machines and the boys started to put together a pocket knife sheath last week.



### Website Updates

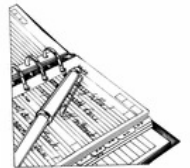
No updates at this time as I am really trying to get our website back up and running as quickly as

possible. It should be back up by tomorrow night. Thank you for your patience.

### Committee Meetings

All parents are invited to attend the Pack Committee Meetings. They are educational and fun, and they don't last too long. They are normally the first Tuesday of every month, 7 PM, and we meet at The Ballietsville Inn. Come on out!! (Please no children).

### Calendar of Events



#### November

- 21 Popcorn Pickup - see Pack Calendar on the website for pickup times per rank.
- 27 NO MEETINGS
- 27 HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

#### December

- 9 Committee Meeting - Ballietsville Inn - 7 PM
- 10 Leader Roundtable at LCCC - 7:30 PM
- 18 Christmas Party - 7 PM
- 25 NO MEETINGS
- 25 MERRY CHRISTMAS!