
Pack 1601 Newsletter– March 2009 Edition



From our Cubmaster

Cub Scouts and families of Pack 1601

HAPPY SAINT PATRICK'S DAY!!!

Can you believe we're already 2/3 through the year?! Last weekend was the Cub Run Rec Center swimming, which saw a number of families out there having serious fun. Of course, the little present a kid left in the fun pool allowed everyone to take an unscheduled one hour break ;-). However, the main pool was still open so everyone headed over to the shallow end or were doing cannon balls off the diving board! A big thanks to our beloved Keir Froberg for setting it up!

This weekend is the Fun Fair at Lees Corner School, where we help the school out in their annual fund raiser. We set up the Raingutter Regatta and try to keep the floor dry. We will be in Pod 5 (back, right). Your den leaders should be getting with you for scheduled times. Scouts should wear their regular blue shirt uniforms.

Ice hockey is next Friday with the Caps – who are having an absolutely phenomenal year! There is nothing more enjoyable than watching them shoot those baskets with unbelievable skill, all the while kicking field goals just for the fun of it – great entertainment! Make sure you wear your pack T-shirts. Thanks Mr. Larry Conner for setting this all up.

Finally, the following weekend is the conservation clean-up of the school. We need everyone to participate and bring all manner of gardening tools. Mr. Tom Legg is our pack coordinator. A big thanks to our PTA executive officer Mr. Gary Stumpf for supporting our efforts by getting us required supplies. It is a great activity the boys can be proud of while beautifying the school.

Kirk Jester
Cubmaster, Pack 1601

Upcoming Events 2008

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
March 21	Fun Fair
March 27	Caps Game Family Outing
March 28	School Conservation (1:00-3:30)
April 21	Next Pack meeting

Cub Run Rec Center Pack Swim What a wild and wet time we had. Quite a few of our Pack families came out to enjoy the indoor swim at Cub Run on Saturday. The boys had a great time. This has been a favorite pack activity for the last several years and is a nice summer type event during cooler weather.

Our Next Pack Meeting Our next Pack meeting will be April 21, 7pm, Lees Corner Cafeteria. Hope to see you there! Scouts need to be in their regular uniform shirts.

A Note from our Training Coordinator:
The following is a note from our Pack 1601 Training Coordinator Mohamad Thahir.

If you are involved in any kind of leadership position (den leader, assistant leader, committee member, etc.), it is absolute necessity that you take some training like Youth Protection Training, New Leader Essentials, etc. These training do not take much time and can be taken at the leisure of a laptop and internet connection.

What Makes A Leader:

Cub Scout and Webelos Leaders are considered trained when they have completed New Leader Essentials, the Cub Scout Leader Specific training for their position and Youth Protection training. Webelos leaders are also encouraged to attend their appropriate outdoors course.

Scoutmasters and assistant Scoutmasters are considered trained when they have completed New Leader Essentials, Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training, and Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills.

Troop committee members are considered trained when they have completed New Leader Essentials and the Troop Committee Challenge as their Leader Specific training.

Here is a link to the training site:

http://www.boyscoutsnac.org/openrosters/view_homepage.asp?orgkey=1934

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Good leaders make the scouting run smoothly. Please invest some time.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Mohamad Thahir at thahirm@yahoo.com.

Den Happenings

Den 1: Wolves: The wolves had a climb and swim outing at Claude Moore Recreation center. A big thanks to Noah's dad, Sky, for making the arrangements. The Wolves first tackled the climbing wall then made a bee-line for the pool. Dean's dad, Mike, made an excellent human water jungle gym for the boys in the pool.

This month the Wolves have been working on cooking and eating. Ryan's dad, Steve, led a den meeting where the boys learned the basics of the food pyramid and some pointers on good nutrition. After some safety tips about the kitchen, the boys lined up to make a healthy lunch of whole wheat sandwich wraps, fruit, and vegetables. The boys also got to try an easy to make pasta dish and were given a take home food pyramid worksheet to assist in completing the Cooking and Eating task in a healthy manner.



Wolves and several Webelos swimming at Claude Moore Rec Center.



Wolves leaning about healthy eating habits and cooking. Led by Ryan's dad, Steve.



Wolves: Ryan, Iain, and Jonathan ready to rock climb.

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Den 5: Webelos:



Webelos leaning about electricity and how to make a circuit, assisted by Jeff's dad, David.



Webelos receiving more fun information on electricity from Munis's dad, Mohamad.

Upcoming Events

Please mark your calendar for the following events.

Lees Corner Fun Fair is on March 21 from 11:00 until 3:00 at Lees Corner Elementary. The school has again asked the Cub Scouts to set up and run the Rain Gutter for the Rain Gutter Regatta races. We will need several Scouts and their parents to volunteer to man the station. Please contact Keir Froberg at

mickbfroberg@yahoo.com if you can help out. The boys love to help at this event and others get to see how much fun it is being a Cub Scout.

Caps Game Family Outing Wow the tickets for the Caps Game Family Outing have already sold out. This is such a fun event no wonder. Information for ticket holders: the game starts at 7:00pm and if you're taking the metro you will need to leave by 5:00pm to ensure arrival for the start of the game.

Please let Larry Connor know if you have any questions at lconnor@mapl.net.

School Conservation is planned for March 28 starting at 1:00 until 3:30. The den with the greatest percentage of participation gets Cubby. This is a pack activity, so mark your calendars and come on out to join in as we gather at the school to do weeding, planting, mulching, and some general sprucing up of the grounds for our annual school service project. If you have any tools such as wheel barrows, shovels, rakes, brooms, pruning clippers/shears, spades, pitch forks, gloves, etc to help with the landscaping and cleaning up, please consider bringing them. With a lot of folks helping out, it will not take too long. If you have any questions contact Tom Legg 703 901 9663.

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Affiliation: Pack 1601 is chartered by the Lees Corner Elementary School PTA. Our Charter Organization Executive Officer is PTA President, Gary Stumpf. We truly appreciate the support of the Lees Corner PTA and Lees Corner Principal, Clay Sande.

For all this information and more see our Pack Web site www.pack1601.org.

Any questions about our web site or for additions please email our webmaster Kurt Gustafson at kgustafson2@gmail.com

What has your Den been up to? Show and Tell by sending your pictures and comments for the next Newsletter to Betsy: elizabeth_legg@yahoo.com

