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Pack 151 News

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Blue & Gold Dinner

What is a Blue and Gold Banquet?

A blue and gold banquet is a birthday dinner for the Cub Scouting program, held during February, the anniversary month of the Boy Scouts of America, which was organized in February 1910.

Our Blue & Gold dinner will be held on Saturday, February 23 from 5 – 8pm (ish) at the American Legions Hall in Antioch. The theme is Chinese New Year

During this time, we will hold our annual Father/Son Cake Bake Auction. If your Scout does not have a "father figure" please notify your den leader, they can help you find someone who can help bake the cake with your son.

Please see the attached flyer in regards to the Blue and Gold Dinner.

Tickets will be on sale starting February 5th thru

February 14th. Please purchase these tickets in advance so we can get a better head count for the food. You can purchase these tickets from your Den Leader.

District Campfire

This year's Black Diamond District Campfire will be held on Friday, Feb 1st at 7pm. It will be held at the Contra Costa Fair Grounds.

This is a rain-or-shine event, so please dress warmly. Yes, this is a place where you need to wear your Class A uniform.

Every unit should bring a skit or song to

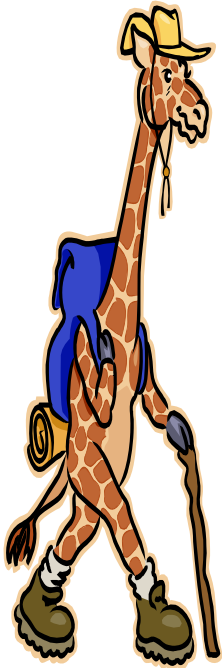
present during the evening's entertainment. There will also be a flag retirement ceremony, which is an experience to watch.

Please bring a chair to sit in as well as a blanket to keep warm.

There will be hot chocolate and goodies to purchase while there.

See you then!!!!





Camping & Hiking with Pack 450

Pack 450 has invited us to go camping & hiking with them on Friday, February 8 thru Saturday, February 9 at the Boy Scout Camp (Camp Herms) in El Cerrito.

We understand camping in February might be a little cold for you and your family, so if you opt to hike only, that is ok. Just remember to dress accordingly and pack

accordingly.

Friday night dinner – you are on your own. Pack 151 is in charge of making breakfast. If you plan on hiking only, please show up and have breakfast with us. Breakfast will start at 8:30am.

This hike will start at Camp Herms. We will hike to the Tildon Nature Area; take an hour lunch break, then

hike back. The hike itself will take approximately 3 ½ hours round trip. The final 1/3 mile of the hike is all **UPHILL** and can be a little tough.

Cubmaster Corner

Well... Christmas is over, school is back in session and once again Pack 151 is starting the year with lots of activities. Most of them you will find elsewhere in the newsletter. Just a few that I am really looking forward to is the Blue & Gold, our super fantastic Pinewood Derby, and our first camping trip of the year!!!

We will have a chance to strut our stuff and do a little camping and hiking with Pack 450 from John Muir. This is the pack that Steve Loyd is from. (He was one of our honored guest inspectors). This campout/hike will be a

short one; Friday night to Saturday. The Hike itself is a little bit of a challenge even for your Cubmaster who found himself taking several rest stops on the final hill. So come prepared!!

Blue & Gold is Feb 23rd so get out the baking pans and show mom how good of a Baker you can be.

My favorite the Pinewood Derby is in March. Once again it is time to help clean the garage so that you have a place to work on your car and see who is going to burn up the track this year. Personally I think that my car will be

the fastest ever!!!.

Don't forget to check your e-mails and the website for updates on our activities.

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Looking forward to next month,

Cubmaster Dave



Webelos Project

The Webelos are going to work on a long-term project. Next winter they will give a gift to everyone at the homeless shelter. It will consist of a "beanie" cap filled with toiletries. The Webelos could use your help finding the toiletries to fill the caps.

In the next year, whenever you are traveling, any extra little bars of soap that you find in your hotel rooms would be greatly appreciated. We can also use the small bottles of shampoo, conditioner,

toothpaste, toothbrushes or anything like that you may run across.

If you are shopping and towards the end of the winter season, find the stocking caps on sale (around \$1 each), please let Michelle Shinn or Carol Hosmer know so we can get those for next year.

Thank you for your assistance in this project.



Webelos I – Den 3

Happy New Year, Webelos! Let's start the year good. We are already off to a good start. Our leader is Mike and our assistant leader/cubmaster is Dave.

During Christmas break, we were working on our traveler pin. Most of us got it. We are now working on our Citizen pin.

Some of us went to see the Harlem Globetrotters. The game was fun, and some of the scouts got to buy basketballs, and one of us got some of the

Globetrotters autographs on the basketball. Next we have Monster Jam. After that we have the blue and gold. Or should I say black and red because it is a Chinese New Year theme. I can't wait to make my cake with my dad. Also coming up is our pinewood derby.

By: Sean Shinn





Tigers – Den 6

The Tiger Cubs continue to progress towards their Bobcat Badge with 5 out of the 8 requirements completed. They are showing such enthusiasm in what they learn.

The Tiger Cubs worked on building and painting a race car and picture

frames.

With the Campfire coming up, it will be excited to see the Tiger Cubs putting on their first skit in front of others and having fun.

Tino
Tiger Cub Den Leader

Wolf – Den 5



Wolf Den 5 has been practicing a tennis ball drop game, working on our Den's PIT STOP RACER... Best of All we constructed and ATE our Bananamobiles....

Our Den Chief Bryce completed Den Chief Training and Den

Leader Kenn attended Leadership Training workshops at this years POW WOW session.

This is part of the ongoing Training Programs our Cub Scouts deserve.

HAPPY NEW YEAR !!

Bear – Den 4



We have handed out our first beads to Dominick, Gabe, and Christian.

Congratulations guys! We hope to be handing out some soon to the rest of the den.

Dominick and Fernando went to the basketball game at DVHS. It was a

lot of fun. We missed the rest of you!

We have completed two achievements with many more to come. See ya next month!

The Roaring Bears



Pinewood Derby Rules

1. All cars must pass inspection to qualify for the race. The inspection points are as follows:
 - a. The car must have been made during the current year (the year in which the derby is held).
 - b. The width of the car shall not exceed 2¾ inches.
 - c. The length of the car shall not exceed 7 inches and shall not be modified.
 - d. The weight of the car shall not exceed 5 ounces.
 - e. Axels, wheels, and body wood shall be as provided in the BSA kit. Only official BSA wheels are acceptable.
 - f. Wheel bearings, washers, and bushings are prohibited.
 - g. The car shall not ride on any kind or type of springs.
 - h. Any details added must be within length, width, and weight limits.
 - i. The car must be freewheeling, with no starting devices.
 - j. No loose materials of any kind (such as lead shot) are allowed in the car.
 - k. The official number must be clearly marked or visible on both sides of the car.
2. Once cars have passed inspection, they will be confiscated so no tampering will be done to the car.
3. Cars will be brought to race day and placed on car display blocks. Racers will not be allowed to pick up cars until time designated.
4. Each heat will be announced. Time will be allowed 10 minutes before each division race in order to prep your car.
5. Once the heat starts, an Official will pick up the racing car and place it on the track. The racers are then allowed to sit at the finish line to watch their cars.
6. The car whose nose is over the finish line first is the winner. Place spotters will select the first-, second- and third-place winners.
7. If a car leaves the track, runs out of its lane, interferes with another car, loses an axel, etc., the heat will be rerun. The racer will have 5 minutes in order to correct his car. If the same car gets into trouble on the second run, the contestant is disqualified and automatically loses that race. If, on the second run, another car is interfered with, the heat will be run a third time but without the disqualified car.
8. When the results of each heat are recorded, the drivers will leave the finish area and an Official will take the cars to the display blocks.
9. Awards will be given at the end of all heats.

Pinewood Derby

Racers are you ready?!?

This year's Pinewood Derby will be on Saturday, March 8 from 10 – 2pm at the American Legion's Hall.

We would like to thank Michelle Shinn's co-worker Mark Hannan for

donating the cars to Pack 151 scouts.

Weigh-ins will be held on Thursday, March 6 from 6:30 – 8pm at the Legions Hall. Your car will be confiscated at that time once it becomes official.

If you have any questions, please let Asst Cubmaster John Taylor or Cubmaster Dave know.

Lunch and snacks will be served at a reasonable price.



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Scout Sunday

The Boy Scouts of America designates the Sunday that falls before February 8 (Scouting Anniversary Day) as Scout Sunday, which is the primary date to recognize the contributions of young people and adults to Scouting.

Please check with your church if you can wear your uniform during this day.



Birthdays

Happy Birthday to you...
Happy Birthday to you...
Happy Birthday to:

Noah Westberry

January 29

Happy Birthday to you!!!!



We can't be great without your support...

The next parent meeting will be held on Sunday, February 10, 2008 from 6 – 7pm at Aladino's Pizza (corner of Hillcrest Ave and Sunset Lane) in Antioch. Please try to

stop by and help us decide where to spend our energy with your scout.



NUMBER #1 SCOUT OF THE MONTH