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THE PACK RAG

A NEWSLETTER FOR CUB SCOUT PACK 168

APRIL 2009

Calendar:

April

- 2nd Roundtable, CPC, 7:00 p.m.
- 9th Leaders' Meeting, Good Sam, 7:30 p.m.
- 23rd *Arrow of Light*, Good Sam, 7:00 p.m.

May

- 7th Roundtable, CPC, 7:00
- 9th Clean Up Day, Good Sam, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.
- 14th Leaders' Meeting, Good Sam, 7:30 p.m.
- 16-17th Baker Near Wilderness Camp Out
- 28th *Raingutter Regatta*, Good Sam, 7:00 p.m.

ARROW OF LIGHT

April Pack Meeting

We will have a special event on April 23rd, as Boy Scout Troop 123 assists us in the Crossing Over Ceremonies. In addition, some Webelos II scouts have also earned the Arrow of Light award. As the highest award available in Cub Scouting, the Arrow of Light is the only Cub Scout award that may be displayed on the Boy Scouts of America uniform.

We will also be recognizing all Scouts who have achieved their new Badge of Rank since our March meeting. Come prepared to celebrate this special event!

April Duty Grid

Wolves	Setup and Flag Presentation
Wolves	Closing & Retire flags
<i>Please come early to help set up the bridge.</i>	

PLEASE HELP OUT WITH CLEAN-UP

Scouting for Food

The annual Scouting for Food (SFF) drive takes place on the morning of **Saturday, April 25th**.

SFF is an excellent community service activity for Scouts to help others who are less fortunate in an important charitable event. Pack 168 efforts to canvas, distribute and collect bags of food donations will be dropped off at a collection site and transported to the St. Louis Park Emergency Program (STEP) which is a local food shelf. Check out STEP at www.stepslp.org Sound like something you are willing and able to handle? **If you have any questions regarding SFF, please contact your son's Den Leader.**

And "Thank You" in advance to our Scouting For Food Leader, Greg Kuznecoff, for all his hard work in organizing this important annual event. Please thank Greg when you see him during the drive.

BAKER NEAR WILDERNESS CAMP

May 16th, 1:00 PM – May 17th, 12:00 PM

LET'S GO CAMPING!

Come join us and spend a memorable overnight camping experience at the beautiful Baker Near Wilderness Settlement which is located at 4001 Co. Rd. 24 in Maple Plain, Minnesota 55359; Telephone (763) 694-7856 or (763) 694-7724. We will be meet at our campsite at approximately 1:00 PM on Saturday with opening ceremonies to begin at 2:00 PM.

For \$60 (\$30 each per Dad and Scout), you and your son will be provided dinner on Saturday evening, s'mores around the campfire later that evening, and

breakfast on Sunday morning. Anticipated activities include Archery, Canoeing, Wilderness Skills, Compass Work, Survival Challenge, and a Night Hike!

To R.S.V.P. for this incredible Pack-wide camping experience, please contact Wolf Leader John Will at joanjohnwill@comcast.net. We've attached to this emailed Pack Rag the requisite health form to be completed as well as the park map.

Please come prepared to the April Pack Meeting with a fully completed health form and a check for the event. Final registrations for this Baker Near Wilderness Camp-Out will be accepted thru May 1st.



May 9th Pack Service Project

Good Sam Spring Cleanup – Sat. 9-11AM

Help say “Thanks” to Good Sam for allowing us to utilize their newly-remodeled building for meetings, etc., by participating in the annual clean up project. Be sure to bring your rakes, gloves, trash bags, etc.

The Scouts of Pack 168 and Pack 68 carry out this service project every May. Although it is a scout service project, we need to ensure adequate adult supervision. *This is not a drop-off event!* Plan to participate instead of dropping off your Scout. The work goes faster and is much more fun when there is a balance of kids and adults.

Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 9, 2009 to put your ‘Thank You’ to Good Sam in action!

The Blue & Gold Banquet

Thank you to all the volunteers who made the Blue and Gold Banquet so much fun. We especially need to acknowledge the efforts of Laurie and Gary Holmquist and Michelle Swanson for putting on a great event. All can agree the imagination the boys put into their cakes is certainly wonderful to see.

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As for the food pick up we meet at Utley Park at 9:00 on Saturday morning, April 25th. If possible, we ask for you to help your son by driving along with the boys as they walk down the sidewalks to see who left a bag filled with food at their front door. When they get the bags of food, they can put them in your trunk or door of a van. Everyone in the Pack will gather back at Utley Park at 11:00 so we can pack the food into a few large vehicles and drive it over to the STEP foodshelf in St Louis Park.

Please contact our Scouting For Food Leader Greg Kuznecoff at gregping@earthlink.net
THANKS!

PACK WEB

As a communications resource, the Pack has established its own website. You can find the Pack calendar, this Pack Rag and your individual den activities calendar at the website. Check it out at:

www.edinapack168.com

Please confirm with your Den Leader that he has your correct e-mail address since almost all of Edina Cub Scout Pack 168 information is shared via e-mail.

URGENT CALL FOR- Leadership in 2009/2010

We have several leadership positions that will be opening up next year in the fall of 2009. These positions include the following:

Assistant Cubmaster,

One (1) Co-Committee Chairs,

Popcorn Colonel, and

Its parents that make the difference in Scouting!
Contact Assistant Cubmaster Kevin if interested @
(952) 946-1542

Adult Leadership

The Leadership Roster for Edina Cub Scout Pack 168 of the 2009 – 2009 season is:

Tiger Den 1 – Michael Sebak

Tiger Den 2 – Ed Lutgen and Dan Kraft

Wolf Den 4 – Tony Pellegrin

Bear Den 7 – Richard Jensen, John Will, Barb Owens, Doug Seim

Webelos I – Mark Fuller, Jim Wohlford

Webelos II – Rich Lussky, Faysal Abraham

Cubmaster – Ryan Langsev

Asst. Cubmaster – Kevin Swanson

Co-Committee Chairs – Caroline Carlin, Kathleen Hokemeir-Seim

Treasurer – Tony Zeuli

Websitemaster – Dave Sandberg

Advancements – Jim Castle

Popcorn Colonel –

Scouting for Food – Greg Kuznecoff

Good Samaritan liaison – Caroline Carlin

Blue & Gold Dinner – Michelle Swanson

Rocket Day – Tony Zeuli

Ski Day Patrol Leader – Michael Dmowski

Pack Calendar Information:

Mark and Save these dates on your Calendars:

Pack Meetings:

Raingutter Regatta: May 28th

Other Activities:

Baker Near Wilderness Camp: May 16, 17

Scouting for Food: Apr 25th

Clean Up Day at Good Sam: May 9th