

To Guide and Influence through Character and Honesty



Cubmaster Corner

Welcome back scouts to another action packed year

We have just completed a very busy summer of fun Scout activities and have planned an equally busy fall season. We had 5 Summer activities in July and August including the Leesburg 4th of July parade, a historic hike through Downtown Leesburg, Bowling, a Frederick Keys game, and a tour of the National Zoo. In addition, many scouts attended Day Camp at Loudoun County Fairgrounds or Goshen Resident camp. In all, 29 scouts joined us for many of these scouting activities.

Let's make time for Scouts and Sports

We have many Scout, family, and community activities planned between now and year end. Our monthly pack meeting will continue to be the 2nd Monday of each month and has been moved to Cool Spring Elementary School. The family campout is scheduled for the weekend of October 7th. Our annual Popcorn sales fundraiser has already kicked off and concludes in mid-October. The Leesburg Halloween parade winds up October and November is our chance to give back to the community with our Scouting for Food drive. We hope that Cub Scouting will readily fit everyone's busy schedule between the numerous sports, school, and other extra-curricular activities. Additional information on many of these activities can be found in the newsletter.

Join Scouting Night is this week

We will be meeting this Wednesday at Cool Spring at 7PM to recruit new scouts for our pack. I encourage every scout to invite a friend or classmate to attend this information and registration meeting. Another great recruiting method is to invite your friend or classmate to your next den meeting.

We're always looking for a few good volunteers

I look forward to continuing for a second year as your Cubmaster. As always, we welcome the time and input of any parents, especially your time as a volunteer. Don't hesitate to ask your son's Den Leader if they would like some assistance at the next den meeting. Let me know how we can make this another exciting, stimulating, and fun scout year.

Cub Scouts is a family program designed for boys who are in the first grade through fifth (or 7, 8, 9 and 10 years of age). Cub Scout parents and leaders work together to achieve these ten purposes:

1. Character Development
2. Spiritual Growth
3. Good Citizenship
4. Sportsmanship and Fitness
5. Family Understanding
6. Respectful Relationships
7. Personal Achievement
8. Friendly Service
9. Fun and Adventure
10. Preparation for Boy Scouts

"Determine that the thing can and shall be done, and then we shall find the way."

— Abraham Lincoln

We're on the Web! See us at:
www.loudoun-net.com/pack958/

Yours in Scouting,

Steve Cloninger

Cubmaster

Join Scouting Night!

Scouts! You know how much fun scouting is. Now is the time to tell your friends!

If you have a friend that you think would enjoy scouting as much as you do, please invite him to one of the two Join Scouting Nights our pack will be holding. Your friends and their parents can come either **Wednesday, September 14**, or **Tuesday, September 27** to get information and register to join.

Both meetings will be held at **7:00 at Cool Spring**. If we can get enough new scouts to register, all members of our pack will receive a free pinewood derby kit!

If you would like further information regarding Join Scouting Night, please call **Jennifer Rivinius (703-777-7280)** or e-mail: riviniusj@aol.com.

From the Scouts...

"I went to day camp this summer. I learned about medieval times. We made shields and swords. I shot a BB gun and did archery. We became knights and I beat my opponent in jousting. I had fun with my friends."

— *Kevin Cloninger*

"Over the summer I went to Cub Scout camp where I learned how to shoot a BB gun. Every summer I look forward to Cub Scout camp. Then a month later I went to the Key's game. I went with my mom, brother, sister, and my next door neighbor. The Key's won 6 to 5. After that we went to the zoo. My favorite animal was the Sea lion. Well you Cub Scouts who missed it try to go next year."

— *Sean Doherty*

The Fall Popcorn Fundraiser Has Begun!

You should have received your popcorn sales order form and information in the mail. If you do not have one, or need an additional order form, either your Den Leader or myself will have extras. As soon as you have the order form and brochure, you can start selling.

Please follow the safety and selling rules in the brochure.

- Always Sell With Another Scout or Parent
- Never Enter Anyone's House
- Do Not Carry Large Amounts of Cash
- Do Not Sell After Dark Unless Accompanied by a Parent

Remember to wear your uniform, smile and introduce yourself and always remember to say thank you. Collect the money at the time of the order and ask that checks be made payable to Pack 958. Also remember to tell them that the popcorn will be delivered after November 8th.

Orders and the money you have collected are due to your Den Leader by October 17th.

This is our only fundraiser for the year, so please do your part to raise the funds needed to keep our scouting program strong and make our scouting year fun. Our pack earns 32% of the money raised through popcorn sales. The pack uses this money for all of the pins, patches, trophies and awards for the year. Another 41% goes to the scout council to fund camps and leadership training.

In addition to helping the pack, you will also earn prizes for selling popcorn. These prizes will be awarded either at the January Pack Meeting or the Blue and Gold banquet. If you sell even one item you will receive a patch. There are great prizes from Trails-End in the popcorn sales brochure for scouts that sell at least \$75 worth of popcorn.

For each full order form completed (25 lines) or \$350 in sales your name will be entered into a drawing to win a trip to Walt Disney World



for 4. If your sales reach \$1,500 you will earn in addition, a \$50 gift certificate that can be used toward products at Wal-Mart, Toys 'R US, Coleman Website, or the Games & Gadgets Website. For 25,00 in sales the scout will receive credit of 6% of sales toward a Scout Scholarship fund and will go to Goshen or day camp for free.

This year our pack will be offering an additional prize! Each scout that sells \$225 of popcorn will receive a \$15 gift certificate to Leesburg Hobby. We are hoping that each scout can sell at least \$100 worth of popcorn.

Have fun and be safe!!! If you have any questions, please contact Rhonda Doherty at (703) 669-6269 or email me at rhondadoherty@adelphia.net.