



Cub Scout Pack 46

Minneapolis MN

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UPDATE FROM THE CUBMASTER

Thanks to all of Pack 46 for a GREAT Scouting season. Pack 46 grew by over fifty Scouts this year and was able to keep its great energy. As a group we launched rockets, went camping, packed enough meals to feed 130 kids in Haiti for a year, raced wooden cars, played on a frozen Lake Harriet, took multiple hikes, ate s'mores and more! Individual Dens went to sports games, toured police and fire stations and supermarkets, packed care packages for Puerto Rico, made things from wood, learned knife safety, internet safety and how to have fun making up their own games. It was a packed year, and I hope that you and your family had as much fun as mine did.

All of this was possible due to the families involved with our Pack, but a **HUGE** thank you needs to be given to the den leaders. These are the moms and dads that make scouting work and ensure that the Scouts have a great time, and learn something at each meeting! Most of our leaders are multi-year leaders who continue to give back to the Pack. I believe that is one of the best signs of a healthy Pack!

While the "official" Scouting season might be wrapping up, Pack 46 always likes to exceed expectations. In that regard, we are happy to announce that for the first time a while, Pack 46 is going to earn the *Summertime Pack Award* from the BSA by holding Pack events in each month of the summer. These will be informal gatherings to get together and **fish, bike**, and listen to **MUSIC** at the Lake Harriett bandshell. Keep an eye out for the dates, and we hope you can join us! Scouts that make it to all three events earn a pin that can be worn on their uniform.

Pack 46 has a record number of campers at Cub Scout Camp on June 15th. We have **fifty-one** folks signed up to have a great 2+ days at Stearns Scout Camp outside of St. Cloud. There are a few spots left if you are able to join us. It is a really fun way to spend the weekend!

If I don't see you at camp or a summer activity, I look forward to seeing you next September when we start the new year - and our first with girls officially as part of our Pack! And, as always, please let me know if you have any suggestions for the Pack, or are able to help volunteer in any capacity.

-Nigel



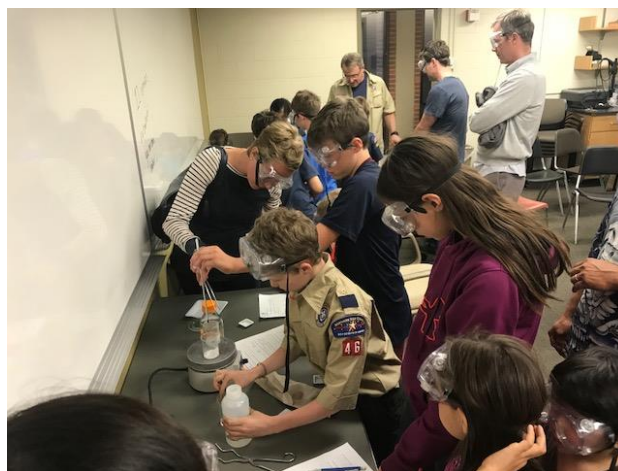
NEWS FROM THE DENS

Den 1 - Bears

Den 1 had a great year of Scouting, from camping tips to touring the Edina Police Department! We learned about the American flag and knife safety. We built Rube Goldberg machines, exploding stick bombs, Pinewood derby cars, and ice fishing poles. The boys shared about famous Americans, fish of Minnesota, and tried to make the Den laugh with tongue twisters and jokes. Hope to see you all back next year for Webelo adventures; Cast Iron Chef, a trip to the ER, adventures in Science, Art Explosion, and more.

Dens 2 and 6 – Webelos

Dens 2 and 6 have been busy completing their Webelos requirements. While working on our first aid skills, we welcomed a U.S. Air Force Pararescueman to our den meeting to share his experiences as a first responder. He talked to us about the rigorous training he has had to complete to provide him with the skills needed to save lives, as well as his dedication to put his own life at risk to help others. We also toured a chemistry lab at the U of M campus where we got to see a laser lab and observe some hands-on demonstrations. We even got to conduct our own chemistry experiment where we clad copper pennies with a zinc coating.





Den 3 – Tigers

The Den 3 Tigers explored new frontiers including learning about secret codes, new languages, magic, and different types of theater. This exploration culminated in a Variety Show for friends and family that showcased skits, tricks, jokes, riddles, code cracking, and sign language demonstrations. Den 3 has many young performers in the group!

The Tigers capped off our year by learning about bicycle safety and proper riding tips. We indulged in a bike ride on the Kenilworth Trail followed by a cool ice cream treat to refuel.

The Den 3 Tigers worked hard this year, made new friends, learned a lot, and had tons of fun!



Den 5 – Bears



Den 5 Bears rocketed through the rest of their awesome adventures as they are stoked to start the fall off as Webelos!

Our last major adventure was Baloo the Builder. We started with an evening learning and testing out all kinds of hand tools, even completing a station all about tool safety. At the

end of that meeting the Scouts voted on the two projects they'd finally build. The winners were a beautiful stained oak display to hold their Tiger, Wolf, and Bear belt loops and a fun ping pong launcher. They learned how to measure, mark wood, drill, connect without glue using nails, screws, and wood dowels.





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