



Cub Scout Pack 46

Minneapolis MN

NEWSLETTER

November 2018

UPDATE FROM THE CUBMASTER

Welcome back to another year of Scouting with Pack 46! We have grown (again!) this year. We welcomed 38 new scouts to the Pack! We are now 109 strong - largest in recorded history! That is a great reflection on our current families, and most importantly the leaders. We have new scouts at every rank - not just Lions and Tigers. We also welcomed our first girl this year, which I think is great!

We started the scouting season with our opening cookout. It was wonderful to catch up with families after the summer and see the scouts excited about being with their den again. Of course the surplus of desserts always helps the mood!

In October we continued our tradition of attending the Fall Day Camp at Phillippo Scout Reservation followed by the Pack overnighter. We try to improve the event each year. This year we introduced the Pack providing the meals. It worked great! Families had more time to talk with each other, scouts and siblings had time to play and create skits. The time around the fire performing skits and telling jokes was a highlight of the weekend for me. We had 85 diners for dinner, and 67 camped overnight!

In November we did a service project at St. Thomas. We filled 137 bags full of leaves! The Church was appreciative, and the scouts were proud of the great job they did. I am still amazed how many bags were filled.

It has been a great year so far, and we still have so much coming up - Feed My Starving Children; Pinewood Derby; nature hike; rocket build and launch; Cubs on the Ice; Polar Cubs; Blue and Gold banquet.

As always, please let me or any of the other leaders know if you have any questions or suggestions for the Pack. Thanks for being an active member!





NEWS FROM THE DENS

Dens 2 & 6 - Webelos II

Webelos II spent some time at Boy Scout Camp.



Den 1 – Webelos I

Den 1 started the year with an Art Explosion and a hike through origami sculptures at the MN Landscape Arboretum. Next, we discussed healthy eating and food safety working on the Cast Iron Chef adventure. Wrapping up the fall the Webelos learned how to “Leave No Trace,” the Outdoor Code and went for a hike, completing Webelos Walkabout.

This picture is Den 1 at the Nicollet Fire Station learning about safety and what paramedics do.

Den 5 – Webelos I

Den 5 first-year Webelos had a blast last month working the Cast Iron Chef adventure. Each Scout started by learning to successfully start a fire (in the rain no less!). From there the den broke into three groups to begin planning all aspects of their own cookout meals. Starting with a menu that included sides, mains, and desserts, they identified the ingredients, utensils, tools, and everything else for success. During the second week they put this into action by doing an awesome job prepping, cooking, and eating some awesome food with no parent help. Den 5 Scouts loved their grilled cheese, spaghetti, and veggie burger + bacon mains before ending the night with S'mores.





Dens 4 & 9 – Bears

The Bears took a hike in the Thomas Sadler Roberts Bird Sanctuary. They saw some beautiful fall trees, a few woodpeckers, and had a great time exploring some local wilderness!



Dens 8 & 11 – Tigers

Tiger Dens 8 and 11 went to the Southwest v Washburn JV volleyball game as part of the Games Tigers Play adventure.





2018 Wreath Sale



We broke pack records this year! With this success, the wreath fundraiser will continue to be our *only* fundraiser of the year. This allows us to continue the tradition of offering high quality programming throughout the year. Wreath selling always feels like it starts early, right after school begins. But the time goes quickly and orders were due early November. On November 17, all orders were delivered to our annual wreath distribution at St. Thomas Church. We had one snafu: some of the wreaths from our supplier were mislabeled – but our volunteers worked through the confusion and we were able to get all wreaths distributed. All scouts that sold five wreaths or more earned a 2018 wreath patch, and scouts that sold ten items earned a wallet with the Cub Scout emblem. Top den sellers and overall sellers also earned special prizes.

A big thanks to Jon who headed up and organized this year's wreath selling activity!

Fantastic Facts:

- We sold 1160 items
- 80% of the scouts participated
- 100% of Den 10 participated
- Den 7 sold over \$4000 of wreaths
- Third year in a row: Joe H. was our highest seller!



Pictures from Fall Day Camp and Leaf Pick-up Service Project





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