

Pack 436 News

October 2015

October Pack Meeting - The next Pack Meeting will be on Wednesday, October 21st. The meeting will start promptly at 7:15PM. Please arrive EARLY so we can start on time. ALL SCOUTS should be in FULL UNIFORM. We ask that scouts sit with their assigned Den, and that parents/siblings sit in the chairs on the side. The Webelos II have set up, so please plan to arrive by 7 PM. The Webelos I will be performing the opening and closing ceremonies. The Tigers have cleanup, so plan on sticking around about five minutes after the meeting.

Dues - Pack dues for the 2014-2015 year are \$75 for Wolves, Bears, and Webelos and \$55 for Tiger Cubs. Please make checks payable to "Pack 436" and give them to your Scout's Den Leader ASAP. **We must have any new Scouts registered before going on the campout so they're covered by insurance.** (We also need a completed application form for the new Scouts - contact Eric at committeechair@pack436.com if you need one.) Anyone who cannot afford the dues but would like to continue Scouting can contact committeechair@pack436.com to discuss financial aid.

Parent volunteers - Thank you to all of our parents who have signed up for volunteer roles for the Pack. For those who haven't yet had a chance to sign up, you can find the link at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050545a5a96-cubscout1>. Thanks in particular to several people who have signed up recently:

- Gina Negrin: Tiger Den Leader, Blue & Gold
- Lauren Lunenfeld: Tiger Asst Den Leader, T-shirts
- Paul & Rosemary DeRose: Pinewood Derby
- Steve Meyer: Scouting for Food, Asst Popcorn Kernel
- Doug Bell: Hiking
- Tonya Meyer: room reservations

We're still looking to fill some important slots, notably:

- Pinewood Derby (additional organizers)
- Camping coordinator
- Raingutter Regatta (to assist Admiral Sievers)

Finally, I'll note that some of our key leaders are going to be with us for the last time this year, as their sons are aging out. As a result, we'll have a number of positions we'll need to fill next year, so this year could be a great time to take an assisting role to learn the ropes:

- Cubmaster
- Treasurer
- Webmaster

If you're interested in doing something that doesn't appear there, or if you see something you want to help with that is full, please contact Eric Victory at committeechair@pack436.com.

Fall Family Camping - Fall Family Camping will be October 3-4 (Sat-Sun) at Little Bennett State Park in Clarksburg. Please sign up at our link - for both attendance and a few things to share for the Saturday dinner: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050545a5a96-pack2> . The cost is \$20/family if you are staying overnight to camp , or \$10/family if you're staying Saturday only. Checks are preferred, payable to Pack 436 - please drop them with Eric Victory (14713 Keeneland Circle) or bring them with you to the campout. We will be sharing sites (2 families per site - there's PLENTY of room!). See below for more info on the campout (from the info email sent out earlier).

Popcorn Sales - Popcorn Sales - Scouts should have received a popcorn order form. If you have not received one, the form can be downloaded from the NCAC website at [NCAC - Support Scouting - Popcorn](#) (or Chris Steele has them in a box out front of his house). This is our ONLY fundraiser for the year, and not only supports our Pack but also less fortunate families who want to join scouting but cannot afford to do so. Individual popcorn sale forms are due back to Chris Steele **by November 2**; drop in the box at Chris's house - 12605 War Admiral Way. Questions can be addressed to Chris Steele, the Popcorn Commander, at popcornkernel@pack436.com. Thanks to all of those who helped sell popcorn at Giant on September 26 - we had a great day.

Recruiting!! We're still looking for Bears and Wolves, so please pass the word around to any of your friends or neighbors with 2nd or 3rd grade boys who might be considering Scouts. Your Scout can earn a Recruiter patch if he signs up a new Scout.

Pack Hike - here's the info for our fall Pack hike - all our Scouts are welcome, as are siblings:

- Meeting Time: Sunday, October 18th at 1:00 PM sharp
- Meeting Place: Riffle Ford Road at Seneca Creek (lowest part of Riffle Ford Road)
- Hike Route: Greenway and Long Draught Trails to Clopper Lake and Seneca Creek State Park's playground and then back
- Hike Distance: Total just under 4 miles, fairly flat

Be sure to bring water and any snacks you may want. If you have any questions, you can contact Doug Bell at webmaster@pack436.com.

Pack 436 T-Shirts - Pack 436 will be ordering pack T-shirts for all registered scouts (who have paid their annual dues). In addition, siblings and parents will have the opportunity to purchase additional shirts with the same colors and logos as the scout T-shirts. One T-shirt per scout will be covered by the pack. The order form will be coming shortly. Please complete this and give it to your Den Leader- and no later than the Pack meeting on October 16. Include a check made out to "Pack 436" to cover any shirts beyond the one scout T-shirt (price will be indicated in the order form). For additional information, see the order form or contact Lauren Lunenfeld at tshirts@pack436.com.

Scouting for Food - The annual Scouting for Food (food drive) will be held November 7th (bag drop off) and November 14th (bag pick up). This is done as a Den, and your Den Leader will be getting more information in the next few weeks. This is a great opportunity for the scouts to participate in a service activity to assist those in need. We look forward to a record collection this year. You can also contact Steve Meyer at scoutingforfood@pack436.com.

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Additional Camping Information

- Where: Little Bennett Campground, 23705 Frederick Rd., Clarksburg (355 just north of the intersection with MD-121). For those familiar with the park, we'll be staying in the E Ring campsites.
- When: Saturday-Sunday October 3-4. The campground allows us to arrive as early as 12 noon; most people tend to arrive starting around 2 pm. For those who arrive in the early/mid afternoon, we'll try to do a hike around the park. On Sunday morning, we need to be checked out by 11 am.
- Cost: \$20 if you're staying overnight, \$10 if staying only for Saturday afternoon dinner. Checks *highly* preferred (to preserve the dwindling sanity of our Committee Chair and Treasurer...) - please make out to "Pack 436". You can drop them at Eric's house - 14713 Keeneland Circle - or bring them with you to the campout.
- Signup info: please go to our SignUpGenius link to indicate if you're attending, and also to sign up to bring something to share for dinner Saturday night:
www.SignUpGenius.com/go/8050545A5A96-pack2
- What to bring: key things to bring with you:
 - Tent
 - Sleeping bags
 - Change of clothing - including something warm if temps drop
 - Toiletries
 - Flashlight and/or headlamp
 - For meals:
 - A main dish for yourself for dinner
 - A side dish to share (please sign up at the link)
 - Utensils and dishes
 - Breakfast

We look forward to seeing everyone there! If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact [Eric](#), [Gerard](#), or your Scout's den leader.