

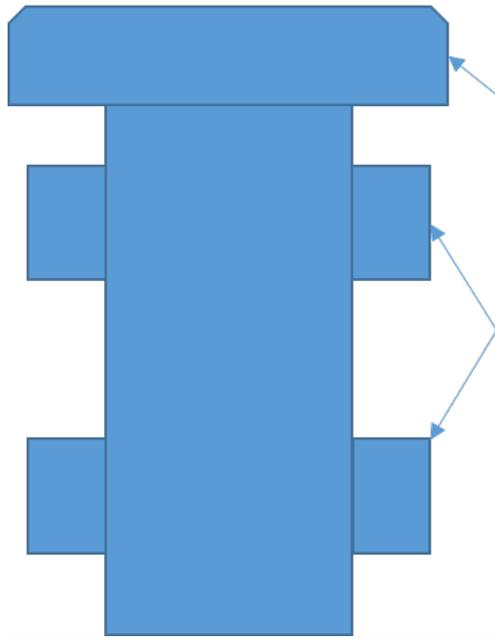
# Pack 436 News

January 2019

**Welcome to 2019!** Hope everyone had a great holiday season.

**January Pack Meeting** – The next Pack meeting will be Wednesday, January 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:15PM. January's pack meeting will include the second running of the wildly popular Lego Derby! This year, the cubs will be asked to make their cars prior to the meeting with Legos that you almost certainly have at home. If you don't have Legos, please contact Howie Draisen at [hdraisen@hometown.com](mailto:hdraisen@hometown.com) to setup a time to build your car at the Draisen household. The only rules are the cars can't be bigger than 3 inches wide by 6 inches long by 2 inches tall and they must carry 8 quarters as cargo. It is also recommended to incorporate a fender in front of the wheels that is wider than the wheel base. An illustration of this is:

Top Down View



The Tiger Den is in charge of set-up. The Webelos Den will be doing the opening and closing ceremonies, and the Bear Den will have clean-up.

**Care Package Update** – Thanks again to everyone who contributed items to put in the care packages that the boys filled at the December Pack meeting. They have been delivered to wounded warriors in recovery and rehabilitation at the Walter Reed Medical Center, and we know that your generosity is very much appreciated.

**Blue & Gold Banquet** - The annual Blue and Gold Banquet is scheduled for Saturday, February 2, 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Quince Orchard HS cafeteria [*note the different location* – we're a big Pack these days!]. The Bears have opening flags, so please arrive by 5:45.

The Blue and Gold Committee has a fun-filled and exciting evening of food and entertainment planned. We are asking all families to RSVP (yes OR no), so our organizers are not left wondering if people just forgot when they're actually not coming. Forms can be returned with payment to Carolyn Silvey at 14513 Omaha Ct – please return your form or register online by January 18. We are offering an electronic payment option this year through PayPal ([pack436cubscout@gmail.com](mailto:pack436cubscout@gmail.com); please mark as “Sending to Friends & Family”). All Scouts and siblings are free; we're asking adults to pay a \$10/person fee to help offset our costs. All of this information with details is on the flyer, and people can contact Carolyn Silvey ([csilvey@comcast.net](mailto:csilvey@comcast.net)) with questions.

The invitation/RSVP form for this year's Banquet is attached.

**February - no Pack meeting** – There will be no Pack meeting in February. We'll be back on schedule in March, with the Pinewood Derby, and the Pack meeting on our usual 3rd Wednesday (March 15<sup>th</sup>). We will however, have a parents & leaders midyear check-in and planning meeting February 20<sup>th</sup>, 7:30-9:00 pm at JLES (cafeteria – same location as our usual Pack meeting).

**Pinewood Derby** – The annual Pinewood Derby is scheduled for Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 8 am-12 noon at JLES (cafeteria / multi-purpose room). In addition to the Den and Pack competition, we will have an “open” division, for siblings to compete. The car kits (one per scout) will be distributed at the January Pack meeting, so get your sandpaper, paints and brushes ready! Stand by for more details in next month's newsletter.

We are also looking for a few more adults to help with the race - please see our SignUpGenius page (<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050545A5A96-cubscout4>).

**Parent Volunteers** - Thanks to all the parents who have signed up for volunteer roles; if you haven't done so please do, and let Eric ([committeechair@pack436.com](mailto:committeechair@pack436.com)) know if you have an idea but don't see anything that looks like it will fit the bill, or if you have any questions about what's involved. You can find the link at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050545A5A96-cubscout4>. In particular, we're looking for people to fill a couple positions:

- Webmaster
- We also need a few more parents to run our Pinewood Derby – a highlight of the year for the boys.

If you have questions, or 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 at [committeechair@pack436.com](mailto:committeechair@pack436.com).

**Spring Family Campout** – A brief heads-up that our spring campout site is booked – we'll be going back to Washington Monument State Park on May 4-5. More information to come as the date approaches.

**Summer Camp** –

Camp Snyder (current Wolves & Tigers): For the younger boys (current Wolves and Tigers), Camp Snyder, located near Haymarket, VA, has weekend programs in the summer that are a great introduction to camping for the boys. We will register as a Pack and available dates are July 5-7, July 12-14, July 26-28 (a STEM weekend) or August 2-4.

Camp starts 9 am Friday morning and ends 9 am Sunday. They have platform tents for us and we eat in the dining hall. The 2-night trip is designed to introduce Cub Scouts to week-long Boy Scout summer

camps on their own at an older age. It is for registered Cub Scouts only, no friends or siblings, and a parent or guardian is necessary (only one parent needed for multiple scouts in a family). There's more information at the camp's website:

<http://www.ncacbsa.org/outdoors/camp-william-b-snyder/summer-programs/>

Pricing for the weekend is \$235 for Scouts and \$75 for adults. The Wolf & Tiger den leadership will be working on planning, so stay tuned.

Goshen / Camp PMI (current Webelos & Bears): For the older Scouts (current Bears and Webelos), we're looking at the Goshen Scout Reservation's Camp PMI, about 3.5 hours away, past Harrisonburg, VA, and probably the week of July 21-27. We'll need at least 3 parents there at all times, and one or two more would be ideal, but you wouldn't have to stay the full week.

Prices for the week start at \$375 for Scouts and \$225 for adults (which can be split between 2 if each stays half the week) if paid by April 12; prices increase closer to the camp dates. Contact Eric ([evictor@att.net](mailto:evictor@att.net)) if you have any questions, and we'll get working on registration shortly. The council also has information at <https://www.gotogoshen.org/camps-programs/camp-pmi/>