

Pack 436 News

June 2021



FROM OUR COMMITTEE CHAIR: It has been quite a year! A different one than normal, but we were able to have a lot of fun events at the Den and Pack level, and I look forward to a return to normalcy next year with more large Pack gatherings to see everyone's smiling faces at once! For the new families that joined us this year, in addition to your Den activities, we will hold monthly pack meetings to play games, do some STEM projects, and hold award ceremonies for the Scouts. We'll be able to once again hold our LEGO derby and Blue & Gold Banquet, and we'll add in a rocket launch again, as the Scouts had a lot of fun with that this year. I'm excited that we will be able to get together as a Pack for the first time on June 16th for our Court of Honor and look forward to seeing everyone! That will be the last regular Cub Scout event for the year, but stay tuned for summer opportunities as the world opens up more. I'm hopeful that the Frederick Keys will have Scout night once again this year and I'll forward other opportunities along. See you soon! – Howie

COURT OF HONOR: We will hold an in-person Court of Honor to celebrate the achievement of the Scouts over the past year and advance to their next Ranks. Due to the lifting of County restrictions, we will be able to meet as a Pack for the first time this year! Please bring your Scout in their button down (Field Uniform) to Aberdeen Park near the pavilion at 7:25 p.m. on Wednesday, June 16, 2021. Lions can wear their Blue Lion T-shirts or their Red Pack T-shirt. We'll start promptly at 7:30.

Council policy is for everyone to continue wearing masks at Scouting events, so please bring your masks. If that changes between now and the 16th, we'll send out an update.

DISTRICT PINWOOD DERBY: The winners of our Pack Pinewood Derby had the opportunity to participate in the District Pinewood Derby, and boy, did we have some fast cars! Congratulations to **Easton Richards** for 3rd Place Overall in the Districts and **Sebastian Liacouras** for taking 4th overall! Sebastian also won the Tiger Rank, Easton won the Wolf Rank, **Zachary Liacouras** took 4th in the Bears, **Grant Kuehn** took 6th for the Webelos, and **Xander Liacouras** took 3rd in the AoL's. Great job, Scouts! Awesome performance by Pack 436!!

SUMMER CAMPS: There are several options for Scout Camp this summer that are great fun for Scouts and adults.

Overnight Camps: The Pack participates in a long weekend camp at Camp Snyder for the Scouts entering Tiger, Wolf, Bear (1st, 2nd, 3rd grades). This year we are going the weekend of **June 25-27**. There are 5 Scouts registered so far. Email Howie (committeechair@pack436.com) to join in the fun!

There is a weeklong camp at Goshen for Webelos (rising 4th and 5th grades); our Pack is considering going for the week of **June 27 – July 3**. At least one Scout has expressed interest, and it's not too late!

If you want to take advantage of this great opportunity, please let Howie know at committeechair@pack436.com.

Day Camp: There is also an option for a day camp in Germantown at the Bretton Woods Recreation Center in Germantown. This camp offers swimming along with archery, BB's, sling shots, STEM station, scout skills, and so much more! Our District dates for that camp are June 21-24. Please email Howie at committeechair@pack436.com if you'd like your Scout to participate in the day camp.

Day camps are for registered Cub Scouts entering the 1st-5th grades the following school year. Those entering the 1st grade must be accompanied by an 'adult partner' during their participation.

VOLUNTEER NEEDS: Thank you to **Ari Leifman** for stepping into the Communications role. He will be taking over the Pack Newsletter beginning in September. Also thank you to **Nick Spurling**, who has agreed to become the Pack treasurer.

There are still many volunteer openings for next fall because families have aged out of the Pack. Please seriously consider how you can assist next year so that these events can continue/return for our Scouts. The Pack is entirely volunteer-run, and depends on you to plan and oversee these fun programs! Remember that you are part of the team and never operate alone or without support from the Committee Chair and Cubmaster.

Needs for next year:

- Pinewood Derby Coordinator(s) (oversee practice and the event, run the computer software that tracks the races)
- Hiking Coordinator (pick locations/dates for the fall and spring hikes)
- T-shirt Coordinator (in the fall, select a few designs, organize a vote, order & distribute shirts)
- Camping Coordinator (pick locations/dates for the fall and spring camp outs and reserve campsites)
- Blue and Gold Banquet volunteers (plan food and entertainment for this annual February celebration).

If you are interested in any of these positions, please email Howie at committeechair@pack436.com

THANKS FOR A GREAT YEAR – HAVE A FABULOUS SUMMER, EVERYONE!