

# Cub Scout Pack

## 926



## Family Information Packet

*Welcome!*

### PURPOSE OF SCOUTING

**Mission** of Scouting is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Scout Law

**Aims** of scouting achieve this mission by:

- character development



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- leadership development ● citizenship training ● personal fitness.

**Methods** of Scouting to achieve the aims:

1. Scouting Ideals
2. Patrols/Dens
3. Outdoors
4. Advancement
5. Personal Growth
6. Adult Association
7. Leadership Development
8. Uniform

**Who:** scouting is for girls and boys

- **CUB SCOUTS:** Boys and Girls, ages 5 through 11, or in kindergarten through fifth grade.
- **SCOUTS America:** (*formally Boy Scouts*) is for middle/high school. 11 to 17 years of age or have completed the fifth grade and are at least 10 years old.

**BSA's Commitment to Safety**

In Scouting, we will not compromise the safety of our youth, volunteers, and employees. Safety is a value that must be taught and reinforced at every opportunity. We are all responsible and must hold each other accountable to provide a safe environment for all participants by utilizing:

- Mandatory youth protection training.
- Criminal background checks.
- Banning one-on-one adult and youth interactions.
- Mandatory reporting of suspected abuse to law enforcement.
- A volunteer screening database.



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We are committed to injury and illness prevention by integrating safety measures in our handbooks, literature, and training materials including the **Guide to Safe Scouting**. We expect leaders to use the four points of SAFE when delivering the program. SAFE Scouting measures include:

- Youth are **Supervised** by qualified and trustworthy adults who set the example for safety.
- Activities are **Assessed** for risks.
- Pre-requisite **Fitness** and skill levels are confirmed before participation.
- Appropriate **Equipment** is utilized, and environmental conditions are monitored.

When incidents do occur, we expect a timely, clear, and complete incident report. We are committed to the prevention of future occurrences

### *Important Terms to Know*

### **Additional Resources and References**

- At the top of every pack email, you will find links to the following
- [Yearly Calendar](#) [WhatsApp](#) - [Scoutbook](#) - [WebSite](#) - [Council](#) - [Facebook](#) - [GoogleGroup](#) - [GoogleDrive](#)

#### ● HOW TO REGISTER

- Pack 926 - [Website](#)
  - [Sato Cub Scouts Application](#) (Sponsored by Lions Club)
  - ~\$150: per year in national dues
  - All costs are prorated for the remaining months in the year
  - If registered after September, you will have to pay both next year and the remaining 3 months
  - Pack will ask for ~\$100 in Nov for our operation - this cost will be less depending on how well the fundraiser goes
- Scout Book: [www.scoutbook.com](http://www.scoutbook.com)



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- You will receive invite for access once we have your completed application
- Calendar, directory / contact info for parents, and email service
- Enter achievements done at home or with the family to receive recognition
- Sunset Trail District; part of Cascade Pacific Council
  - New to Scouting: <https://www.cpcbsa.org/newmember>
- Additional fun events offered by Cascade Pacific Council: [www.cpcbsa.org](http://www.cpcbsa.org)
- Subscribe to their newsletters for scouting activities
  - Training: [www.My.scouting.org](http://www.My.scouting.org)

**DEN:** A group of Cub Scouts of the same rank that meet on a regular basis. Pack 926 Dens meet between 1 to 2 days a month depending on the den requirements.

**PACK:** A group of dens that meet usually once a month.

**CUBMASTER:** The VOLUNTEER ADULT responsible for the planning of the Pack meeting and the Master of Ceremonies at all Pack events.

**ASSISTANT CUBMASTER:** The VOLUNTEER ADULT responsible for assisting in planning of the Pack meetings and assisting the Cubmaster at the Pack meetings and other pack events.

**PACK COMMITTEE:** The VOLUNTEER GROUP of adults assigned various duties to formulate and conduct a well-rounded, exciting scouting program.

**PACK COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON:** The VOLUNTEER ADULT responsible for all aspects of the Pack operations and the person who is in charge of the Pack Committee.

**EVENT CHAIRPERSON:** Any VOLUNTEER ADULT responsible for coordinating, planning and organizing a particular pack event.



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**PACK TREASURER:** The VOLUNTEER ADULT responsible for all aspects of the Pack finances.

**PACK CHARTER ORGANIZATION:** A religious, civic, fraternal, educational or other group that has applied for and received a charter to operate a Scouting unit.

**PACK CHARTER ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVE:** The VOLUNTEER ADULT responsible for maintaining a healthy relationship between the pack and its Charter organization.

**DISTRICT:** A geographical administrative unit of a council. Pack 926 is a member of the Pacific Trail District.







**COUNCIL:** A charter body of representatives from organizations operating Scouting units and members at large responsible for Scouting in a designated geographical area.

**DEN CHIEF:** A middle-school or high-school aged scout from Scouting BSA, who is appointed by his/her BSA Troop and the Cub Scout Pack to assist the leaders of a Cub Scout den with den activities. Typically, Den Chiefs have been Cub Scouts in the same Pack as the Den they assist.



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**DEN LEADERS and ASSISTANT DEN LEADERS:** The VOLUNTEER ADULTS responsible for conducting den meetings. Pack Dens are:

	<b>Lions</b> Kindergarteners	Lead by parents - share responsibilities Coordinator: <a href="mailto:SatoScouts926+lions@gmail.com">SatoScouts926+lions@gmail.com</a>
	<b>Tigers</b> 1st graders	Lead by parents - share responsibilities Coordinator: <a href="mailto:SatoScouts926+tigers@gmail.com">SatoScouts926+tigers@gmail.com</a>
	<b>Wolves</b> 2nd graders	Leader: <a href="mailto:SatoScouts926+wolfs@gmail.com">SatoScouts926+wolfs@gmail.com</a>
	<b>Bears</b> 3rd graders	Leader: <a href="mailto:SatoScouts926+bears@gmail.com">SatoScouts926+bears@gmail.com</a>
	<b>Webelos 1</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> graders	Leader: <a href="mailto:SatoScouts926+web@gmail.com">SatoScouts926+web@gmail.com</a>
	<b>Arrow of Light</b> (Webelos 2) 5th graders	Leader: <a href="mailto:SatoScouts926+aol@gmail.com">SatoScouts926+aol@gmail.com</a>

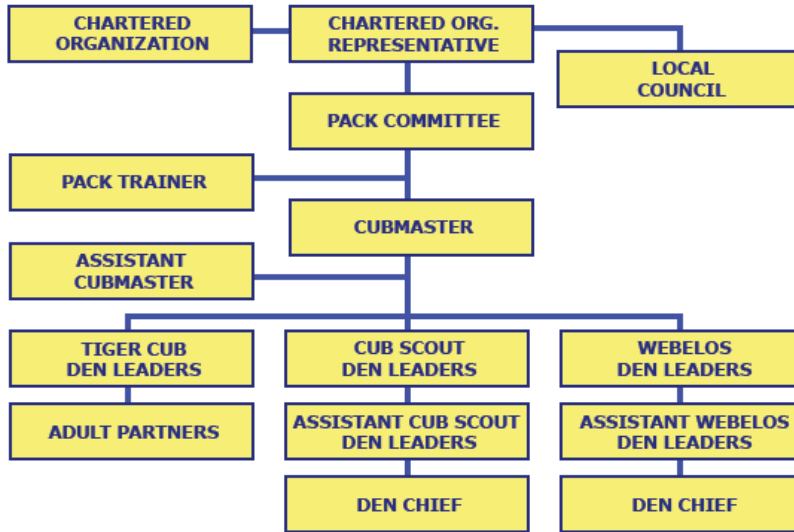
**AKELA:** A term of endearment given to any parent, leader, or role model who does their best to help make the pack go. (In “The Jungle Book” by Rudyard Kipling, AKELA is the leader of the wolf pack who adopts and raises Mowgli, a human boy who he finds lost in the jungle.)

**PARENTS:** THE PEOPLE THAT HELP MAKE IT ALL COME TOGETHER.



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## Pack Organization



Pack 467 & 926 is part of the Cascade Pacific Council:

Pacific Trail District  
Cascade Pacific Council  
2145 SW Naito Parkway  
Portland, Oregon 97201

PHONE:(503) 226-3423

FAX:(503) 225-5733

info@cpcbsa.org

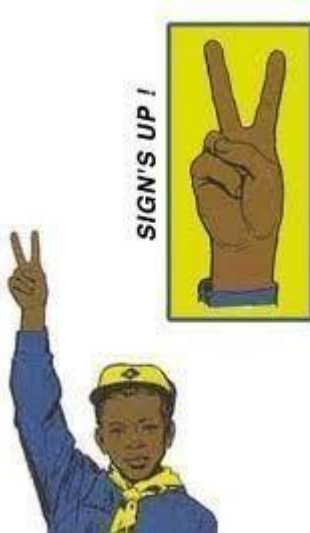
Packs can be contacted:

Contact us at [SatoScouts926+cub@gmail.com](mailto:SatoScouts926+cub@gmail.com)



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## WHAT DOES “The Sign is up.” MEAN?



This is a question some of you may have asked yourself. When the Cub Scout sign, (the index and middle finger of the right hand), is raised above the head as shown, all meeting attendees should quiet down and give their attention to the speaker.

The sign represents a wolf’s ears, perked up and listening attentively. If you see a leader put his/her “sign up” you should promptly state, “The sign is up.”, put up the sign yourself and remain quiet to set the example for others to follow. Our leaders greatly appreciate your help and cooperation.



## *Pack Policy*

### Joining



A Cub Scout Application form must be completed in order to join. Youth who are eligible to join Cub Scouts are:

- All scouts begin by earning this badge –
- 5 years old or in kindergarten –
- 6 years old or in the first grade –
- 7 years old or in the second grade –
- 8 years old or in the third grade –
- 9 years old or in the fourth grade –
- 10 years old or in the fifth grade –

- BOBCAT
- LIONS
- TIGERS
- WOLVES
- BEARS
- WEBELOS
- ARROW OF LIGHT

### **Pack Meetings**

Parents with Scouts in Kindergarten and first grade are expected to accompany their child to the meeting (siblings are welcome). Parents are responsible for the conduct of their children at the meeting and are expected to set an example for them for the duration of the meeting.



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## **Attendance**

We encourage Scouts and their parents to attend as many Pack Meetings and Den Meetings as possible, (as the saying goes, the more you put in the more you get out). If you know you are likely to miss a meeting, please contact the Pack or Den leader to ensure we keep hold of any awards and to find out the badge that was covered during the meeting so that your Cub can complete the tasks if wanted.




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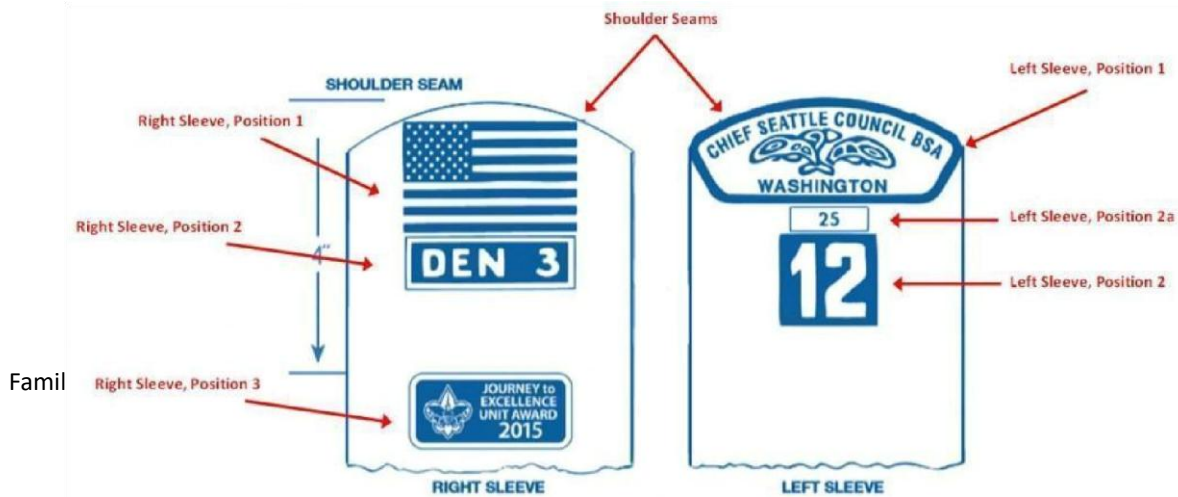
## Uniforms

New Cubs in Pack who are 8 years old or younger or not yet in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade are to purchase the official navy blue Cub Scout shirt, and district/council required patches. New Cubs who are 9 years old or older, or in 4<sup>th</sup> grade may purchase the official tan Cub Scout shirt and blue shoulder loops

Smart pants or shorts can be worn in place of regulation pants, (not sweatpants or basketball shorts) and sneakers are appropriate footwear.



DEN		1	2	3	4	5	
		 Lions Kinder	 Tigers 1st grade	 Wolves - 2nd grade	 Bears - 3rd grade	 Webelos 14th grade	 Arrow of Light (Webelos 2)
<b>SHIRT</b>	T-shirt	Only Lions					
	Blue	Blue button up shirt works for all cubs (you can get this prepatched, will cost a little more)					
	Tan					Only worn by Web1/2	
<b>Patches</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cascade Pacific Council</li> <li>• US Flag and World Crest patches should already be on shirt</li> </ul>					
<b>Recommended</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Badge Magic – used to attach badges by ironing</li> </ul>					





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<b>Optional</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Webbing Belt</li> <li>• Uniform shorts: Blue for blue shirt, or green for tan shirt.</li> <li>• Uniform hat. These are year-specific. Orange for Tiger, Yellow for wolf, etc.</li> </ul>
<b>DONOTBUY</b>	<p><i>The Scout Shop will try to sell these to you, but they are provided by the Pack:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Handbook or Neckerchief or Slide (Pack pays for this)</li> </ul>

## Uniform Patch Placement

### Uniforms can be obtained from

#### Nor'West Scout Shop

2145 SW Naito Parkway

Portland, OR 97201

503-243-5022

Email: [NorWestScoutShop@scouting.org](mailto:NorWestScoutShop@scouting.org)

Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00am-5:00pm, Saturday 10:00am-4:00pm

#### La Haie's Letterman Jackets

277 E Main St

Hillsboro, OR 97123

Phone: (503) 648-2341

Email: [LaHaiesJackets@gmail.com](mailto:LaHaiesJackets@gmail.com)

Hours: Weds/Thurs/Fri: 10am-6pm, Saturday: 10am-4pm, Sun/Mon/Tues: Closed

#### CPC Uniform Bank

Donate or request a scout uniform at no cost through the council's Uniform Bank. Contact volunteer Carolyn Berry at [carolynberry2018@gmail.com](mailto:carolynberry2018@gmail.com) and pick up at 2145 SW Naito Pkwy, Portland OR.

### What to buy

Buy these at the Scout Shop:

- Uniform shirt. This will be the blue shirt for nearly all Cub Scouts. If your Scout is a 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> grader, you can buy the tan uniform shirt instead so that you don't need a new shirt when transitioning to BSA.
- Patches for uniform shirt: Cascade Pacific Council

Optional:



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- Uniform shorts. Blue if you have the blue shirt, or green if you have the tan shirt. ● Uniform hat. These are year-specific.

DO NOT BUY. The Scout Shop will try to sell these to you, but they are provided by the Pack:

- Pack number patches (the red & white numbers)
- Handbook
- Neckerchief and Slide

## **Finances Registration**

Registration fees for all scouts is \$250 (\$150 national and \$100 local) for the 2023-24 year. This will cover the national and council registration fee and the starting supplies (scout book and neckerchief). New families may pay portion of the fee online upon registration, and can pay the balance to the pack. Returning families can pay the full amount to the pack. These can be cash and check to the pack Treasurer, or through the pack venmo account. Cub Scouts who have not paid their dues will not be able to receive the awards they have earned until the dues are paid.

## **Fund Raising**

All pack families are responsible to help “Make the pack go.” Fundraising is required to pay for awards and activities. Extra sales then go to offset the cost of summer camp. Participating in the fundraiser additionally helps teach important lessons about finances and working to earn a benefit. Cub Scouts sell Holiday Wreaths as their only annual fundraiser.

We ask every scout to sell at least \$500 of wreaths to cover pack activities, awards and various expenses (including activities, adventures, rental fees, camping discount and den meeting materials). Sales beyond \$500 will directly offset the individual scout's camp fees. Scouts in the Arrow of Light den who do not go to summer camp may earn a gift card to the Scout Shop to help offset advancement to Scouting BSA.



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Depending on the success of the fundraiser, there will be an additional pack wide camp discount. To be eligible for the pack wide camp discounts the scout and their family must be active participants in the pack and have sold over the \$500 required by all scouts.

Without your contribution to “make the pack go”, the pack will be unable to pay for your child’s achievement awards, activities and pack meetings.

### **Financial Hardship**

In the event that your family is experiencing financial hardship and you need financial assistance with pack dues, please speak to the Cubmaster or Treasurer. All inquiries will be held in the strictest of confidence and every effort will be made to assist you and your Cub Scout.

### **Event Refund**

Money paid by families for pack events such as camping or the Blue and Gold Dinner cannot be refunded after spending for the said event has begun.

### **Discipline**

Den leaders will not tolerate conduct of any child that is detrimental to our main function of providing a healthy, safe and fun Cub Scout program to all boys and girls in our pack and dens. Den and Pack Leaders have the option of requesting that a parent take his or her child home for disruptive behavior. Remember we are all volunteers here. Behavior problems that cannot be reconciled by parent and the pack leaders working together will result in a request for resignation from the Pack.

### **Parent Participation**

When a boy or girl joins Cub Scouting, his/her parents obligate themselves to help with the following:



- 1) Help their scout's progress in Cub Scout achievements and electives by working with the Den Leader and signing his/her book when they complete activities. Please make it easy for the Den Leaders to find the completed items in the book.
- 2) Assist den and pack leaders by volunteering to help with activities, serve on special committees, or take leadership positions within the pack. Each family is expected to assist the den in its responsibilities for pack meetings during the year.
- 3) Attend pack meetings and take part in ceremonies when appropriate. Scouting promotes family togetherness. Each family should be actively involved in their child's scouting program. This Pack belongs to all the scouts and their families, not just a few select volunteer leaders. Constructive suggestions are always welcome. Please ask if your help is needed, get involved, and help make this program successful, exciting and fun for your scout and his/her peers!
- 4) Drop off and pick up their scout promptly for den meetings, when parents are not normally present in order to avoid inconveniencing the den leaders.

## Training

All parents and scout volunteer leaders who are responsible for your cub scout are required to complete the online Youth Protection Training. This ensures the safety of all members of our pack. In addition, we encourage all adults to take all the training possible to ensure our leaders are following current Scouting BSA guidelines. Who knows you may want to volunteer your leadership skills! You cannot be over-trained in Scouting.

Pack and Den Leaders have access to additional valuable trainings. Some are in person and other offered online.

New Tiger Den leaders will need to complete an Adult Application with the Cascade Pacific Council.



New Tiger Den leaders will need to take the following online training courses to be considered fully trained:

- Youth Protection
- Den Leader Position Specific – Tiger Cub

Tiger Adult Partners (usually the parent) will need to take the following online training course:

- Youth Protection

Wolf and Bear Den leaders will need to attend the following training courses to be considered fully trained:

- Youth Protection
- Den Leader Position Specific – Wolf/Bear Cub

Webelos Den leaders will need to attend the following training courses to be considered fully trained:

- Youth Protection
- Den Leader Position Specific – Webelos

Pack Committee members will need to attend the following training courses to be considered trained:

- Youth Protection
- Leader Position Specific – Pack Committee

Cubmaster & Asst. Cubmaster will need to attend the following training courses to be considered trained:

- Youth Protection
- Leader Position Specific – Cubmaster

## **Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation, (BALOO) Training**



At least one BALOO trained leader must attend every outdoor pack camping activity. What is "BALOO" training? If you ask a child why they want to be a Cub Scout, nine times out of ten the answer will be, "To go camping!" That's why BALOO training was created, so scouts, along with an adult partner, can participate in a safe, successful and fun overnight camping experience.

A pack campout is a great way for families to have fun and build confidence in outdoor skills. This kind of camping is not the rugged high adventure outing geared toward older scouts. It is what you might call "soft camping", where families can simply drive up to a campsite and pitch a tent within a few feet of their vehicle's rear bumper. The emphasis is on family fun activities that don't require a lot of advanced outdoor skills and only basic equipment such as tents, sleeping bags, duffels and cooking gear.

How do you get started?

BALOO is one-day training session that will give your pack's outdoor activity leader(s) the tools to conduct a safe and successful overnight camping experience.

**After completing BALOO Training you will be able to:**

- Apply the six steps of planning a pack campout.
- Understand the camping equipment needs of an individual and a group of Cub Scouts.
- Demonstrate the proper ingredients of a successful campfire program.
- Describe applicable safety standards for fire, water, and weather considerations.
- Explain how the outdoor program runs progressively through different age levels of Scouting.
- Demonstrate knowledge of foil cooking practices.
- Understand the focus of Cub Scout level outdoor cooking.
- Describe health, safety and sanitation procedures for outdoor activities.
- Organize and lead different types of nature hikes with confidence.



- Demonstrate and supervise the lighting and operation of different styles of camp stoves and lanterns.
- Describe the advantages of using stoves over campfire style cooking.
- Have fun on a campout.

**Information on training dates and times can be found at:**

<http://www.bsacac.org/>

## Den Meetings

Each Scout is a guest and participant at the Den Meetings. If there is a problem with your child, you may be asked to accompany your child to these meetings or the Den Leader has the right to request your child not be present at the Den meetings if they cannot behave.



Remember that your Den Leader is only a **VOLUNTEER**. Encourage your scout to participate and work towards their adventures at Den meetings and as a family. Certain requirements cannot always be completed at Den Meetings.

Each Scout is encouraged to bring his handbook to den meeting so that the Den Leader can certify and initial completed activities and progress toward rank on Scoutbook.com.



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## **Pack Meetings**

Each Pack meeting has a theme and an activity. Some special events, such as the Pinewood Derby and campouts fall on weekends. The primary purpose of a pack meeting is to present awards and achievements to your Cub Scout and his/her peers, get the whole pack together, and create a sense of belonging for all the scouts. Therefore, it is important to participate in pack meetings as an entire family.

## **Volunteer Committees**

Throughout the year we have Committee meetings. Everyone is invited and welcome to attend and participate. If you have questions or ideas or concerns please feel free to attend and share them with us.

### ***Some of the opportunities for your participation:***

- |                      |                        |                         |     |
|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-----|
| Fund Raising         | New Parent Coordinator | Advancement Tracker     | Den |
| Leader or Assistant  |                        |                         |     |
| Pinewood Derby       |                        | Treasurer               |     |
| Blue and Gold Dinner |                        | Summer Camp Coordinator |     |
| Refreshments         |                        | Secretary               |     |
| Pack Campfires       |                        | Family Camping Trips    |     |



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## ***Monthly Pack Planning Meetings***

Everyone will be asked to participate. If you have a particular talent, skill or think of something special you would like to do with the pack, please let us know.



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Parents are welcome to bring up any concerns or issues concerning everyday management of the Pack and are welcome to address these concerns at any monthly planning meetings. The Committee Meeting is held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month.

Once a year, in June, the pack has a planning meeting to go over all the activities of the next year to 18 months. Discuss what we liked and what we didn't. All leaders have to attend, all parents are invited.