

Pack 7 Newsletter

November Pack Meeting

Thursday, November 15th, 7:00 PM – Jordan-Jackson School Cafeteria

For the November pack meeting we welcome visitors from Plimoth Plantation, who will tell us about life in the early years of colonial Massachusetts.

New England Aquarium Overnight Second Session Added

Saturday, February 16th to Sunday, February 17th, 2008

Cost: \$50 per person

Because of the great response, Pack 7 has added a second overnight trip to the New England Aquarium.

The program fee includes one free IMAX theatre ticket and an Overnight Patch (valid for one free child admission to the Aquarium through 2008). The program starts at 7:00 PM, plan to be there by 6:30 PM. The overnight concludes at 9:00 AM Saturday. A late-night snack and breakfast are included, but not dinner Friday night.

You can sign up on-line or by at the October pack meeting.

Please contact Michelle McCormick at 339.0729 or by email at knbrsMcCormick@comcast.net for additional information.

Mansfield Holiday Parade

Sunday, November 25th, 3:00 PM

Join Pack 7 as we march in Mansfield's annual Holiday Parade. This year we are going to try a tropical holiday theme. Wear your leis and bring your beach balls and any extra Halloween candy to pass out. Dens can plan something fun to do or sing. We will be pulling a boat and may end at Joe DeTrollo's house for hot chocolate. More info to follow. Please contact Michele McCormick if you can help organize this event.

Awards

Bobcat Badge

- Christopher Pinheiro
- Jack Cleary
- Eric McQuiggan
- Jack Kelly
- Alan Eilerston
- Haig Megerdichian
- Patrick Rogers
- Jordan Emerson
- Grant Mylas
- Alex Murray
- Sam O'Connel
- Jared Miller
- Finn Burbach

Flag Football Belt Loop

- Eric McQuiggan
- Mack Baratta

Soccer Belt Loop

- Roman Baratta

Flag Football Sports Pin

- Mack Baratta

Webelos Athlete Pin

- Henry Amsterburg
- Mack Baratta
- Sam Bolduc
- Dante DeTrollo

Spotlight on: Webelos II Den 1

It was a busy month for our Webelos II den. First, they visited the Oak Knoll Audubon wildlife sanctuary in Attleboro to complete the geologist badge. The boys conducted experiments on rocks to identify characteristics such as hardness and acidity and they viewed and handled many unusual rock types. The boys also studied volcanos and dissected a clay model of the earth showing it's inner layers. Each Scout also made his own fossil.

Each Fall, Webelos II scouts are invited to attend a Boy Scout campout. Earlier this month, the entire den attended the annual Turkey Fest campout with Troop 51 at Camp Squanto in the Miles Standish State Forest. The Webelos practiced hiking skills as they viewed the forest and the lake. They learned to cook skills as well as how to hard boil eggs without a pot, and played Indian games - poison ball was a favorite. There were also lessons about properly pitching a tent and the boys tested out their camping skills. Most importantly Webelos returned home with a true understanding of "team work" and gained an understanding of what they have to look forward to in Boy Scouts.

Community Service

Service to others is a core value of Scouting, and since Pack 7 is chartered by St Mary's Church here in Mansfield, we often coordinate our community service events with St Mary's. Two such service opportunities are:

Coffee and Doughnuts

St Mary's serves coffee and doughnuts in the Parish Center after the 7:30, 9:00, and 10:30 Masses most Sundays from September to May. Each rank will have a turn serving one Sunday during the year. The boys make juice, carry out doughnuts and drinks, make sure the coffee carafes are full, and clean up.

This year's schedule is:

- Webelos I - January 27th
- Webelos II & Tigers - February 10th
- Wolves - February 24th
- Bears - March 30th

Awards

Webelos Naturalist Pin

- Finn Burbach
- Patrick Daly
- Josh Haradon
- Wyatt Wells
- Scott Zygmunt

Webelos Ourdoorsman Pin

- Finn Burbach
- Patrick Daly
- Josh Haradon
- Wyatt Wells
- Scott Zygmunt

Webelos Geologist Pin

- Finn Burbach
- Patrick Daly
- Josh Haradon
- Wyatt Wells
- Scott Zygmunt

Recruiter Patch

- Patrick Daly
- Mack Baratta

Order a Pack 7 T-Shirt

Pack 7 is taking orders for our new Cub Scout t-shirts - gold tee with blue lettering. These t-shirts are considered a "Class B" Cub Scout uniform and can be worn in place of the regular uniform shirt on Pack outings where they are useful in keeping track of all the scouts.

The cost of the t-shirts is \$7.00 each when paying by check, or \$7.50 each if you wish to use PayPal to order and pay. Available sizes are: Youth Small, Medium, and Large and Adult Small, Medium, Large, X-Large, XX-Large, and XXX-Large. Get one for everybody in the family! Order yours on the Pack 7 website or email Mary Pope-Baratta at mtpopob@comcast.net.

Committee Meeting

First Wednesday of each month - 7:00 PM

All parents are strongly encouraged to attend the monthly Pack 7 Committee Meetings, held the first Wednesday of each month, generally at 7:00 PM (location varies). These meetings are for planning Pack 7 activities, and an opportunity for den leaders and parents to share ideas and feedback about how the pack and dens are running. The stronger the involvement, the better the pack is run. Contact Committee Chairman Dick Masison at 337.9951 for more information.

December Pack Meeting

Thursday, December 15th, 7:00 PM – Jordan Jackson Cafeteria

Holiday theme.