

# Cub Scout Pack 40 Cub-o-Gram



**Hudson Valley Council** 

May 2014

#### Core Value of the Month - Health & Fitness

Being personally committed to keeping our minds and bodies clean and fit. Cub Scouts will learn that it is important and easy to eat a healthy diet and how a fitness program can be part of their daily routine

## Trees for Tribes Conservation Project.

Sunday June 1st at 1pm.
Location is at the Robinson Lane
Recreation Fields,
all the way back near sprout creek.



We are planting 300 trees and shrubs along the stream.

Bring shovels, rakes, and gloves for the boys.

Contact is Mike Gulbrandsen ecoplanner191@gmail.com 845-489-7250.

#### **Upcoming Events**

OUR JUNE FIELD DAY PACK EVENT WILL BE
SATURDAY JUNE 21<sup>ST</sup> OR JUNE 28<sup>TH</sup>
KEEP A LOOK OUT FOR AN E-MAIL WITH FINAL DATE

THE JUNE COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE FRIDAY, JUNE 20<sup>TH</sup> AT 7PM

THIS IS PLANNING FOR NEXT YEAR-COME JOIN US!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, WAPPINGERS FALLS

ALL PARENTS AND LEADERS ARE WELCOME

#### **Summer Activities**

We are beginning to plan a few Summer Pack Activities

- **1. Hike** We need a volunteer to head this up
- 2. Kickball/Spongeball Game. This will be in August sometime Keep a look out for an e-mail with details!!
- 3. Car Wash at Stewarts –Date will be coming soon! Keep a look out for an e-mail with details!
  Renegades Campout- July 12<sup>th</sup>. Bring Money to May Pack Meeting. John Noschese, one of Pack 40's parents, has scheduled this for us. Details are on the Pack Calendar. John's contact e-mail is jrnoche719@yahoo.com

#### **Announcements**

#### **Moving Up Ceremony**

During Our May Pack Meeting we will be celebrating all of our Scouts moving on to the next rank of Scouting.

### In the Scouting year... June 1<sup>st</sup> all Cub Scouts officially move up to the next rank.

#### Bring a Friend // Class B Wednesday's!

Scouts can bring a friend who is not in Scouts to our May or June Pack meeting.

Starting in May show your Pack 40 Pride and wear your Class B shirts to school on Wednesday's.

\*Hopefully this will encourage an invitation to an upcoming Pack Meeting by boy's who may be interested in Scouts.

#### **Upcoming Service Project**

#### Sparrows Nest Service Project—

Patty Colucci, our Desert Crawlers Leader is heading up this service project.

Pack 40 will be working on a service project to benefit a local non-profit that feeds families of moms battling cancer The Sparrow's Nest. **Please bring fragrance free** lotions, lip balms and hard **sugar free** candies (mild flavors) **to the May Pack meeting.** 

**We will gather on June 16 to assemble Feel Good Bags**. These bags will be distributed by the Dyson Center and other supporting cancer centers directly to their patients.

Please feel free to **have your scout make a "thinking of you" type card** to be delivered with the meals that are delivered weekly to at least 30 families and bring it to either the Pack meeting or the bag assembling event on June 16. Monetary donations made out to Sparrow's Nest will also be accepted if anyone wishes to donate. Sparrow's Nest is a 501(c)3 charity. All donations are tax deductible.

If you want to know more about Sparrow's Nest and ways you can help please head to their website <a href="http://www.sparrowsnestcharity.com">http://www.sparrowsnestcharity.com</a>

#### **Special Awards This Month**



#### The Outdoor Activity Award was earned by:

Joshua Bartlett-Webelos Desert Crawler / Dominic Colucci- Webelos Desert Crawler / Jacob Dusavage-Bear / Robert Primrose-Bear / Christopher Maurer-Bear

Tiger Cubs, Wolf and Bear Cub Scouts, and Webelos Scouts have the opportunity to earn the Cub Scout Outdoor Activity Award. Boys may earn the award in each of the program years as long as the requirements are completed each year. The first time the award is earned, the boy will receive the pocket flap award, which is to be worn on the right pocket flap of the uniform shirt. Each successive time the award is earned, a wolf track pin may be added to the flap. Leaders should encourage boys to build on skills and experiences from previous years when working on the award for a successive year.

#### **A Report From Our Desert Crawlers**





The Desert Crawlers had a fantastic time at the Sharpe Campout last month making some terrific memories! We finished up out Craftsman activity badge by making a cool den t-shirt (as we have done at every Sharpe Campout since Tiger year!) We completed our hiking belt loop and many earned the fishing belt loop and Outdoorsman activity badge.

The Desert Crawlers have been learning a lot this month as we work on the Webelos badge for Scientist. Mr. and Mrs. Newman planned some really fun activities that involved flying planes, blasting off rockets and soda volcanos! We look forward to completing the scientist activity badge in the next few weeks.





#### A Report from Bear Den 4

The boys spent some time at Eastern View Farm & Nursery. Here Mr. Maurer, Pack 40's Assistant Cubmaster was there to guide the Scouts on some hands on activities as well as giving a tour of the farm. They learned all about how to care for trees and plants, identified trees by name and even planted some of their own seeds to grow plants at home. They learned about hops, what they are used for and how they grow.

Eastern View Farm and Nursery is your premier Local Hudson Valley Nursery. It is also the home to Dutchess Hops the first Hudson Valley Commercial Hops Grower.





Some of them were also able to go to the CamporAll!!

A Great time was had by all!!



Pack Leadership			
Cubmaster		Rob Usher	
Assistant Cubmaster		Ken Maurer	
Webelos I Den Leaders "The Desert Crawlers"		Patty Colucci Tom DiFiore	
Webelos I Asst. Den Leaders "The Desert Crawlers"		Adam Bartlett Jason Olker	
Webelos I Den Leader "The Atomic Tacos"		Ron Stoltzfus	
Webelos I Asst. Den Leaders "The Atomic Tacos"		John Marchesona	
Bear Den 4 Leader		Kate Dusavage	
Bear Den 5 Leader		Meghann Hardesty	
Bear Den 5 Asst. Leader		Susan DeMatteis	
Wolf Den 6 Leader		Andrea O'Neill- Gregory	
Tiger Den 7 Leader		John Reitter	
Pack Committee			
Chartered Organization Representative	Mic	Michael Gulbrandsen	
Committee Chair	Brian Colucci		
Assistant Committee Chair	John Reitter		
Secretary	TO BE FILLED		
Treasurer	Genevieve Gulbrandsen		
Activity Chair	TO BE FILLED		
Advancement Chair	Carrie Eirish		
Pack Trainer	TO BE FILLED		
Website/Publicity	Christine Maurer		
Popcorn Kernel	And	Andrea O'Neill-Gregory	
Assistant Popcorn Kernel	Ken Maurer		
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#### **Useful Links:**

Pack 40: pack40wappingersfalls.scoutlander.com

(This is our Pack Website, which includes our event calendar to keep you updated on events and meetings)

Sports and Academics Program (Belt loops and pins): http://usscouts.org/advance/cubscout/a-sindex.asp

(These are extra awards all Cub Scouts have the opportunity to earn. As a parent you can search this site with your Scout to find out requirements for each one. Once your Scout has completed any of these, print out the completed forms and present to your Den leader.)

Hudson Valley Council: www.hudsonvalleyscouting.org

BSA National Website: www.Scouting.org

Scout Parents: www.scoutparents.org

#### **Training Available**

Are you interested in helping the pack, but not sure if you are qualified? BSA offers **online training for leaders and parents** (www.MyScouting.org ). Cub Scout Leaders, Cubmasters and Pack Committee Members are considered trained when they have completed Youth Protection Training and Cub Scout Leader Specific training for their position.

Additional "live" training is available from our council. hudsonvalleyscouting.org