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WEBSITE INFORMATION

As you know, we have resurrected the Pack's website this year. At the September Pack meeting, the Cubmaster solicited the parents to help author/maintain the Pack 285 website. The good news is that **Danielle Bryant** volunteered for this position and has already started her new task running! In addition to adding the October Newsletter, Danielle has updated the website with information regarding Scouting for Food. Although it is work in progress, it contains some valuable information and will be the primary source of information for the Pack. So, be sure to check out the website often for schedules, links of interest and other information. The website is located at www.geocities.com/cubscoutpack285.



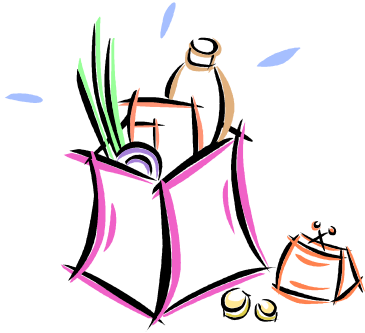
JOE CORBI PIZZA FUNDRAISER

The Joe Corbi's pizza fundraiser ended on October 13th with deliveries of the pizza tonight. Many thanks to **Tina Foertschbeck** for coordinating this important fundraiser! Many thanks to **ALL the Scouts** (and families) who participated and made this fundraiser successful! ALL proceeds go to the Pack which is used to help keep the Pack thriving. The proceeds are used to purchase the belt loops, patches, books, entertainment and much more. We are happy to announce that the total profit to the pack is **\$1,611.00!** There were a total of more than 182 pizza kits and 99 cookie tubs sold! The top three sellers were:

Sean Noah	37 pizza kits/cookie tubs	\$50 Toys R Us
Spencer Becker	34 pizza kits/cookie tubs	\$30 Toys R Us
Andrew Cavagnaro	33 pizza kits/cookie tubs	\$20 Toys R Us

Congratulations everyone for a job well done!

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SCOUTING FOR FOOD (SFF)

This important annual event will take place November 4th (bag drop off) and November 11th (food pickup). Information regarding time, place and SFF etiquette is being passed out tonight and can be found at www.geocities.com/cubscoutpack285.

Scouts are encouraged to participate in this important community service as it benefits those that are not as fortunate as us! Let's be true to the LAW OF THE PACK in which
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"The Cub Scout gives goodwill."

Scouts need only participate one of the two days in order to earn the "Scouting for Food" patch; however, they are encouraged to support both days if possible--especially November 11th which is the day the food is collected!

Please contact Cubmaster Karl Noah (pack285@gmail.com) and/or SFF Coordinator Mike Suray (momsuray@peoplepc.com or Michael_Suray@bankone.com) if you require additional information or would like to help.

Hope to see you there!

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NOVEMBER CAKE BAKE RAFFLE

Yes, it is that time of year again for the annual Cake Bake Raffle! This fundraiser is the second and **last** fundraiser for the year and it doesn't require anything more than baking a cake and bringing it to the November Pack Meeting to be raffled off! This is a good ole Pack tradition where the Scout and the Non-Cook in the family get to test their baking skills and have fun in the process!

All cakes will be judged and prizes (“certificates”) awarded in the following categories:

- Best Overall
- Most Original Creation
- Biggest Cake
- Tallest Cake
- Flattest Cake
- Best Cub Scout Theme Cake
- Yummiest Looking Cake

Information outlining the guidelines is being passed out tonight and can be found at www.geocities.com/cubscoutpack285. A nominal entrance fee of \$10 per family is requested to participate in the raffle. ALL proceeds go to the Pack which is used to help keep the Pack thriving.

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KIWANIS GIFT WRAPPING

It is that time of year again when we have the opportunity to show our support to our charter organization, the Kiwanis Club of Suburban Frederick, by helping them with their annual Gift Wrapping fundraiser at the FSK Mall. The gift-wrap will be held from noon on Dec. 8, 2006 until mall closing at 11 PM on Dec. 24th.

The gift-wrap is the Kiwanis' major fundraiser for the year. All proceeds go to benefit the less fortunate, with a focus on those right here in the Frederick county. And wrapping is fun! We all enjoy it. So, what better way is there to make a contribution of just your time than helping out with the annual gift-wrap?

As in years past, the Kiwanis have posted the gift wrap schedule online at <http://www.suburbanfrederickkiwanis.org/giftwrap.htm> Please email the Kiwanis directly with the slots you would like to fill. Consider signing up for several slots, however, only one 2-hour slot is recommended. The only stipulation is that a parent/guardian must be with the Scout for the duration of their time slot.

If you can sign up now, that would be great. If you have to wait a little while to make your commitments, that's fine, too. But please do start thinking about working this fundraiser into your schedule over the holiday season.

If you require additional information, please don't hesitate to contact Karl (Cubmaster) anytime.

DEN NEWS

Tigers

The Tigers participated in their first official Den Meeting. They were excited about the meeting and were proud to wear their uniforms. P.J. Hinch held the flag while the Den Meeting was opened with everyone reciting The Pledge of Allegiance. We discussed what being a Cub Scout means. The boys shared with each other their goals and why they decided to join Scouting. We learned about the Tiger Cub Motto (Search, Discover, and Share) the Cub Scout Sign and the Cub Scout Salute. The Den then went on a discovery hike/walk outside where they and collected many different types of leaves. The leaves were brought inside and the boys made leaf rubbings on paper. The Cubs

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had a really good time sharing their rubbings and discussing how their leaves were different from the others leaves.

Den 2 Wolves earn Bobcat Badge!

This month the wolves of Pack 285 were busy with earning their Bobcat badges and working on their first achievement, Feats of Skill. All 12 wolves have achieved the badge and will be presented them this Tuesday. And you should hear them quote the Scout Motto... make sure to cover your ears if you ask one of them. The wolves also finished the feats of skill achievement by demonstrating various acrobatic skills like rolls - forward, backward and falling, as well as balancing and throwing and catching. They all did a fine job. Special thanks to the parents who helped with that as well. Next month we are looking forward to our next achievement of "knowing our community".



Bears

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The Bears worked on the Achievement of Sharing My Wildlife. The boys worked with their parents to make bird houses. We are pleased to say that we completed this task with out any injuries. We are pleased to welcome Matthew McNamer and Jared Dixon to our Den they have earned the Bobcat Badge this month. We have a new Den Chief this Year Cameron Noah. We are looking forward to an exciting year on the Bear Trail as the boys are able to be more independent.

Webelos II

We had a busy month in October, starting with the Webelos Woods campout at Treeland with the Boy Scouts. Most of the den attended and had an enjoyable time setting up their camp sites, helping to start a fire, making smores, and participating in other activities with the older scouts. A fun time was had by all, right parents? We got down to business with our den meetings and were able to achieve 2 more badges this month: Artist and Scholar. Outside of a couple of requirements that each scout needed to accomplish on their own, we completed the majority of the badge requirements in the classroom. The boys had fun created new colors with paints, drawing their parent's profile and sculpting with clay. For the Scholar badge, Staci discussed the history of education and had the boys interview 2 parents regarding their likes and dislikes of the elementary schools in our area. We are steadily chipping away at the Arrow of Light requirements, looking ahead to graduation. Happy Halloween!!!!!!!!!!

Upcoming Pack Activities:

- Scouting for Food: November 4th and 11th.
- Kiwanis Gift Wrap: November 24th until December 24th
- Navy Game and Academy Tour: November 18th