



PACK 473 NEWS (pack473.com)

September 18, 2017

Hopefully everyone weathered Hurricane Irma with minimal issues. Tonight is our first pack meeting of the school year along with our annual Ice Cream Social. Despite being a pack meeting, the uniform is Class "B" (pack t-shirt or for Lions their Lion t-shirt) and the meeting begins at 6:30 pm in the school cafeteria. The meeting will start with some brief announcements followed with presentation of the Bobcat Badge to our new scouts – then Ice Cream! Here are a few quick notes:



T-Shirts: An order was placed for pack t-shirts after our last den meeting. Hurricane Irma has delayed our order from our local vendor but hopefully the order will be finished this week. If so, shirts will be available for pickup at the Raingutter Regatta (9/24) and our next Den Meeting (9/25).



Uniform/Handbook Exchange: Reminder that we have started a uniform exchange program in order to help save you some money. For example, if you are exchanging a wolf slide and we have the bear slide you need in stock, we will do the 1 for 1 exchange. If we don't have the item you need, the pack can buy back your items for \$1 each and offer the items you need for sale to you for \$1 when we get them in stock. If you have any slides, neckerchiefs, hats, shirts, pants or lightly used handbooks, feel free to bring them tonight or to future meetings. You don't need to buy/exchange an item in order to sell (or donate) an item to the pack. As this is a new service the pack is providing, please be patient as we work out any issues. Please see Bill Hobensack, Carla Egenberger or Michelle Pitts if you have any questions.

SELECTED UPCOMING EVENTS

You can see more information on upcoming events on our Facebook page.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/pack473/>

or at the pack website: <http://pack473.com/calendar/>

- **Raingutter Regatta (9/24 starting @ 1:00pm in the school courtyard):** There is a race entry fee of ONE CANNED GOOD to be donated by the Pack to the Mandarin Food Bank (don't worry if you are driving to the race and realize you forgot the can, we'll still let you race). Kits are available tonight (1 kit per scout). The race will be a double elimination tournament for each den. The rules for the

race are attached to this newsletter. Trophies will be given to the 1st/2nd/3rd place finishers in each den. All entrants will receive a patch. Park by the cafeteria and enter using the courtyard gate to the right of the cafeteria. Here are the race times:

Webelos II: 1:00 pm	Wolf: 2:10 pm
Webelos I: 1:20 pm	Tiger: 2:30 pm
Bear: 1:40 pm	Lion: 2:50 pm

Please arrive 15 minutes prior to your race time for check-in. We will race rain or shine.

- **Den Meeting (9/25) at 6:30 pm in the School Cafeteria:** This is our second den meeting of the school year.
- **Cub Scout Hike Club (10/7) at 9:00 am at Hanna Park:** For details, use the following link: <https://www.nfcscouting.org/chc-hanna>
- **Den Meeting (10/9) at 6:30 pm in the School Cafeteria:** This is our third den meeting of the school year. This is the last den meeting prior to the Cuboree and USS Yorktown registration deadlines (10/16)
- **Cuboree (11/10-11/12):** For those of you who are new, Cuboree is our pack's big fall campout. Last year we sent over 100 people to Cuboree. At Cuboree, several Cub Scout Packs from the Riverbend District gather together at Camp Shands for a weekend of fun. While this trip is a completely optional event, we encourage everyone in the pack to consider joining us for the weekend. Even if you have never been camping, this is the perfect opportunity to get started and begin making some new memories with your scout.

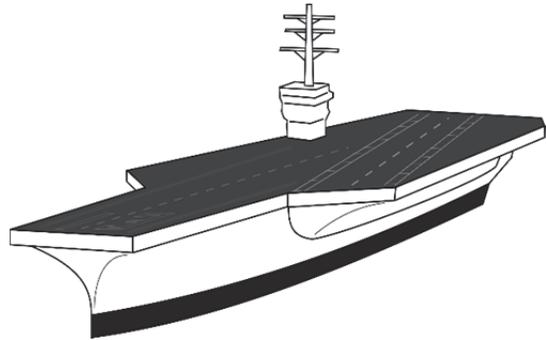


The deadline **for registration/payment is October 16th**. Attached to this newsletter is the Pack's Cuboree registration form. Feel free to fill it out and email me a scanned copy (to bill@hobensack.com). The cost is \$30 per scout or sibling and \$30 for adults. This includes all of the event fees paid to the Council as well as the Pack supplied meals for the weekend. The does not include the Cuboree t-shirt for the scouts. If you would like Cuboree specific t-shirts, there is space on the form to order them at \$10 a shirt. These t-shirts are completely optional and the Pack should receive them at Cuboree. Please make all checks

out to "Pack 473" and turn-in to me or our Pack treasurer Carla Egenberger. As we get closer to the event I will send out tips for the new families including what to bring and other useful information.

One additional note. While Lions (kindergarteners) are also highly encouraged to attend Cuboree, due to BSA shooting policies, they will not be allowed to shoot on the BB or archery ranges. However, they will still participate in all of the other events and the volunteer Cuboree staff will have an alternative activity for our Lions.

- **USS Yorktown (12/8-12/10):** Attached to this newsletter is the information packet for the USS Yorktown trip and registration form. We will start accepting reservations tonight (9/18). We have reserved 100 slots so there should be plenty of room available for anyone who wants to go. The cost is \$80 per person. That price includes 2 nights of lodging aboard the USS Yorktown, all of your Saturday meals plus Sunday breakfast and a boat trip to Fort Sumter. Unfortunately, they have a hard age limit of 6 to participate (6 by 12/8/2017).



The deadline to register/pay is the same as Cuboree, October 16th. However, if you plan on using popcorn proceeds for this trip or Cuboree, just let Bill Hobensack or Carla Egenberger know and we can make accommodations.