

- **January 16<sup>th</sup> Winter Fun Night at Elm Creek Park**
- **January 24<sup>th</sup> Northern Lights Ice Fishing at Medicine Lake**
- **January 26<sup>th</sup> 7PM Pack Meeting**
- **February 4<sup>th</sup> 7PM Practice Run for Pinewood Derby WLE**
- **February 7<sup>th</sup> 10AM Pinewood Derby WLE**
- **February 27<sup>th</sup> 7PM Timberwolves Game**
- **March 1<sup>st</sup> Blue & Gold Banquet**
- **March 14<sup>th</sup> Scout Ski Day at Trollhaugen**

# Pack 484



## Pack Meeting

Tonight we will have our holiday party after the Pack meeting. Santa will be coming!!!!

Next Pack meeting will be January 26<sup>th</sup> at 7PM. Awards and prizes for popcorn and wreath sales will be presented at this meeting.

## Parent's Meeting

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend these meetings. Please join us at the MGCC for our next meeting January 11th at 7PM.

The December meeting was not held due to scheduling conflicts. An agenda was emailed to leaders.

## Pinewood Derby

Pinewood derby kits were distributed at the November Pack meeting. Please check with your Den Leader if you did not receive a kit.

A practice run will be on February 4<sup>th</sup> at 7PM. A scale will be available for weighing. The Derby, with the official weigh in, will be held on Saturday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at 10AM at WLE.

## Upcoming Training

**Cub Leader Training, Thursday, 1/15 & 1/22.** Leaders who have previously attended the full session and are changing positions can attend the second date only. Handouts will be given at tonight's pack meeting.

**Cub Scout Roundtable** will be held on Thursday, January 9th at 7:30 at the Brooklyn Park LDS Church at 86th and Noble.

Roundtables are held the first Thursday of each month at 7:30PM at this same location.

## Pack Activities

The remaining assignments for Pack Activities are:

Winter Fun Day Fri. Jan 16 – Dens 11 & 8

Blue and Gold Banquet Mon. Mar. 1 - Den 6

Pinewood Derby Practice Run  
Weds. 1/30 and Race Saturday 2/7-  
Den 1

Late Night Fri. 4/16 - Den 10

Cake Bake Mon. 3/15 - Den 7

Park Clean up Sat. May 8 - Den 4

Annual Picnic Mon. May 3 TBA

## Blue & Gold Banquet

The Blue & Gold Banquet is scheduled for Monday, March 1<sup>st</sup>. It will be held at the Maple Grove Community Center.

This is a special event to commemorate the beginnings of scouting and to recognize the transition of the Webelos II into Boy Scouts.

Invitations to the Blue & Gold banquet will be included with the January newsletter. Please return the reservation at the January Pack meeting or by the Pinewood Derby.

Following the dinner there will be entertainment provided by a 3 Rivers Park Naturalist on Birds of Prey, specifically hawks. There will be 2 live birds.

Friends of Scouting will make a presentation during the Blue & Gold. They will be soliciting donations. Packs with 100% participation are eligible for a special Viking Council shoulder patch.

## Webelos Summer Camp

A \$30 **non-refundable** deposit for scouts and leaders is due by January 16<sup>th</sup>. All participants will need to complete a health form. The health form can be sent in at a later date.

## Scout Ski Days

The Pack date for skiing will be Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at Trollhaugen. Cost will be \$13 for lift, \$12 for rental and \$25 for snowboard. There are FREE beginner lessons for kids > 10 years old. Bill Scheig will have the contact information until February. (420-6583) bscheig@comcast.net There are other dates available to receive the Scout pricing at Trollhaugen, Wild Mountain and Hyland. Please check our Pack web site for the details.

## Open Pack Positions

Open Leadership positions include:

- Committee Chair (Needed in February)
- Treasurer (Needed in February)
- Blue & Gold Chair (Retiring in February)
- Day Camp Coordinator (Needed to be filled by late winter.)

Please contact Bill Scheig (420-6583) or Rick Wiethorn (416-6070) for more information.

## Timberwolves Night

Pack 484's night for the Timberwolves game will be on Friday, February 27<sup>th</sup>. It is a 7PM game against the Golden State Warriors. Cost is \$17.00 (for a \$22.00 ticket). Included in this price are the ticket, a badge, a Timberwolves poster, a foam claw and a free throw time after the game. For an additional \$5.00 you can get a hot dog and small soda.

Money for tickets needs to be given to Rick Wiethorn by the January Pack meeting.

## Cross Food Shelf

Scouts are encouraged to bring non-perishable food and personal hygiene items to Pack meetings each month. Items especially needed are: Juice, SpagettiOs, ravioli, dry cereal, condiments (such as olives), sweet potatoes, gravy, instant mashed potatoes, Jell-O, pudding, stuffing, tomato products, baking supplies (flour, brown sugar, frosting mixes), canned chili, soap bars and facial tissues. CROSS would also like to receive empty, one dozen egg cartons.

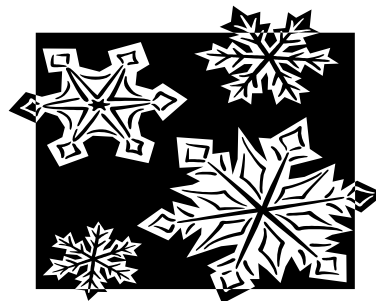
## Denner Reports

Each month a Den is assigned to give a Denner Report. These reports can include activities/crafts the Scouts completed at their Den meeting. Other items the Den may want to include in their report are: skits they have prepared, songs learned, report on outings they had, and other fun things they did. Den Leaders should have received at list of their assigned months to give Denner Report. If you need more information, contact Bill Scheig or Rick Wiethorn.

## Achievements & Arrow Pts.

When scouts who are working for their Wolf or Bear badge complete more than the required achievements, those **extra** achievements can be applied to arrow points.

Each elective can only be counted one time. The first 10 completed electives or extra achievements will earn the scout a gold arrow point. Each 10 after that will earn them a silver arrow point.



## Red Pride Rings/Vests

Scouts can receive Pride Patches for participating in Pack activities.

Activities for which they can receive these are: Park Clean Up (twice each year), Fundraising (popcorn & wreath sales), Scouting for Food, Winter Fun Night (sledding), Pinewood Derby, Cake Bake, and the Late Night in April.

The Pride ring is to be worn with the Pack patch in the center. Earned patches are then placed around this patch. At the beginning of each year the scouts should receive a patch denoting their level Tiger, Wolf, Bear or Webelo. These should be attached first, and then the Pride patches they earn during that year are to be placed on after that. It creates a spiral effect around the center patch.

If you have questions about Pride patches or how they are worn contact MaryLynn KenKnight.

## Pack Web Site

Our Pack 484 web site is a great way to view past newsletters, access some great links like the Viking Council web site and the National BSA web site. Check it out!!!

<http://pack484scouts.tripod.com/>

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