



## Cub Scout Pack 40



# Cub-o-Gram

Hudson Valley Council

February 2013

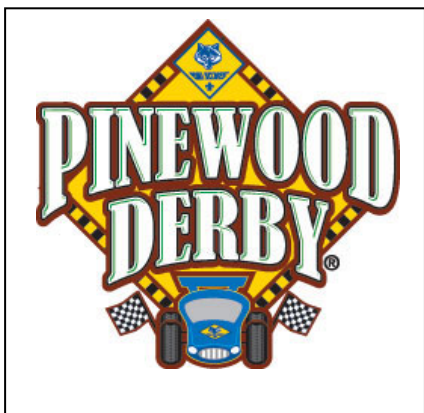
## Core Value of the Month – RESOURCEFULNESS

Using human resources and other resources to their fullest.  
Cub Scouts will gain the knowledge and the means to meet situations effectively  
whether they are working on a service project or completing a den activity.

### Pinewood Derby

Our Pinewood Derby® is scheduled for **SUNDAY** (February 24) at the Locust Grove Estate. Boys should arrive between 9:00 and 9:30am for registration, and the races are planned to start at 10:00. We will also need LOTS of adult help, starting at 8am to set up for the day.

The “official” scale is available at the Pack meeting for last minute adjustments. We have some experienced parents who would be happy to help you with final adjustments. Also, please make sure the cars have the assigned numbers on them. Boys should be in uniform for the race.



### Upcoming Events

**PINEWOOD DERBY** - February 24

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE** - Wappingers Falls, March 2

**BLUE AND GOLD DINNER** – March 10

**FLAG CEREMONY , BOARD OF EDUCATION** – March 11

**SCOUTING FOR FOOD** – TBD

**BALOO TRAINING** – April 27

**WEBELOS LEADER OUTDOOR TRAINING** – April 27-28

**SPRING CAMPING** – May 4-5

More details to come!

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**THE MARCH PACK MEETING WILL BE HELD ON  
FRIDAY, MARCH 15 AT 7PM AT MYERS CORNERS E.S.**

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**PACK LEADERS MEETING WILL BE MARCH 8**

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### Friends of Scouting

At our March Pack Meeting we will have a presentation about the annual Friends of Scouting campaign. Friends of Scouting is the annual fund-raising campaign that provides Scout families, community organizations and local businesses the opportunity to support Scouting in their communities. More information to come.

## Training Opportunities

### Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation

**(BALOO)** The goal of BALOO is to provide the experienced leader with the skills and confidence necessary to venture into the great outdoors with his or her Cub Scouts and provide them with a great first-time experience. There must be one BALOO trained leader on any overnight event for a Cub Scout Pack.

### Outdoor Leader Skills for Webelos Leaders

The Outdoor Skills for Webelos Leaders (OLSWL) training is designed to help Webelos Leaders provide a memorable camping experience for Webelos Scout Dens by providing leaders with the necessary outdoor skills.

All parents should consider taking the online Fast Start and Youth Protection training available at **[www.MyScouting.org](http://www.MyScouting.org)**. This will give you an understanding of the organization of a Pack as well as the rules we follow to protect our boys.

## What I Like About Cub Scouts

By William Khouri, Den 1

Spending a fun time with my friends in cub scouts. Learning new things. Making new friends. Learn how to make a Pinewood Derby car, how to roast a marshmallow in a campout, how to keep our community clean and how to be safe.

*(Nice Job William!)*

*Don't Forget to Turn  
in Your Annual BSA  
Medical Forms!*

## Pack 40 Leadership

Cubmaster	Rob Usher
Tiger Den 6 Leader	Charlotte Newman
Wolf Den 4 Leader	Kate Dusavage
Wolf Den 5 Leader	Meghann Hardesty
Bear Den 1 Leader	Patty Colucci
Bear Den 2 Leader	Tom DiFiore
Bear Den 2 Assistant Leader	Jason Olker
BearDen 2 Assistant Leader	Adam Bartlett
Bear Den 3 Leader	Ron Stolfus
Bear Den 3 Assistant Leader	John Marchesona
Flaming Arrows Patrol Leader	Jason Hilton
Flaming Arrow Asst Ptrl Leader	Michael Havas
Cobra Patrol Leader	Daniel Mochon
Cobra Asst Ptrl Leader	Noel Mochon
Shark Patrol Leader	Ken Maurer
Shark Patrol Asst Ptrl Leader	Christine Maurer

## Pack 40 Committee Members

Chartered Org Rep.	Michael Gulbrandsen
Committee Chair	Brian Colucci
Assistant Committee Chair	John Reitter
Activities Chair	Pat McCarthy
Advancement Coordinator	Patty DiFiore
Pack Trainer	Daniel Mochon
Treasurer	Bob Bettini
Popcorn Kernel	Andrea O'Neill-Gregory
Pack Secretary	NEEDED
Webmaster	NEEDED

## Spring Camping

Our annual overnight camping trip has been scheduled for May 4-5, 2012 at Sharpe Reservation located at 436 Van Wyck Lake Rd Fishkill NY 12524. Planning is underway for another awesome weekend of scouting fun! There will be planned activities, den time, free time, and our pack campfire. Mr. Maurer is once again leading the planning and will provide much more information very soon.

## **Bike Rodeo**

We are starting planning for a spring Bike Rodeo. This is an event where the bike safety and maintenance is taught and practiced. We last held a bike rodeo in 2011, and it was a great success. We will be reaching out to various agencies and community organizations for assistance. Any parent who would like to help plan and run this event should let Brian Colucci know. No experience or expertise is necessary!

## **Dutchess County St. Patrick's Day Parade**

We will be marching in the Dutchess County St. Patrick's Day Parade held in the village of Wappingers Falls on Saturday March 2. Line up for the parade is at 12:00 on McCafferty Place near St. Mary's Church on Route 9D. The parade steps off at 1:00. Scouts should be dressed in Class A uniforms (with Irish accessories if you wish!) and should bring a walking stick.

A signup sheet will be available during the pack meeting.



## **Scouting for Food**

"Scouting for Food" is Scouting's community stewardship project aimed at addressing the problem of hunger in the community in which we live and work. Scouting for Food is a food collection effort carried out by Boy Scouts, Venturers, and Cub Scouts from our community.

We are planning a food collection date and will provide details as soon as possible.



## **Academics and Sports Program**

The Academics and Sports program gives Cub Scouts extra recognition activities to earn. In Academics subjects and Sports, Cub Scouts learn new skills, become better scholars, learn sportsmanship, and have fun. You can get to know a sport or an academic subject that's new to you -- maybe astronomy, chess, computers, science; golf, hiking, tennis, or skateboarding to name a few in the program.

Belt loops and pins are a great way to help fulfill the aims of Scouting—build character, develop citizenship, and encourage mental and physical fitness. Through a variety of subjects, you can stretch your mind and abilities by exploring the wonders of science, learning about the world, and expanding skills in new areas. This is a chance to try something new, do your best, and earn recognition all at the same time.

## Cubmaster Challenge / SCOUTStrong

Do any of you remember what Mr. Usher challenged everyone to at the beginning of the year? He wants to see us all work on our fitness! He challenged us all to keep track of our exercise throughout the year, and to show improvement.

The BSA has partnered with the Presidential Active Lifestyle Award Challenge to develop a program designed to help our members add physical activity to our lives, as well as to help us improve our eating habits. This SCOUTStrong challenge is for Scouts and their entire families.

Get started at [www.scouting.org/SCOUTStrongPALA](http://www.scouting.org/SCOUTStrongPALA)  
Scouts who complete the program can be awarded the BSA/PALA SCOUTStrong award patch!



## Flag Ceremony – Board of Education Meeting

Our Pack has been asked to open the March 11 Wappingers School District Board of Education meeting with a flag ceremony. This is a great opportunity for us to show our stuff to the community! The meeting will feature a spotlight on Myers Corners Elementary School. Boys should plan to arrive around 7:15 in complete Class A uniforms.

## The 12 Cub Scouting Core Values:

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| 1. Citizenship       | 2. Compassion         |
| 3. Cooperation       | 4. Courage            |
| 5. Faith             | 6. Health and Fitness |
| 7. Honesty           | 8. Perseverance       |
| 9. Positive attitude | 10. Resourcefulness   |
| 11. Respect          | 12. Responsibility    |

## Useful Links:

Pack 40: [pack40wappingersfalls.scoutlander.com](http://pack40wappingersfalls.scoutlander.com)

(old site) [pack40mc.shutterfly.com](http://pack40mc.shutterfly.com)

Hudson Valley Council: [www.hudsonvalleyscouting.org](http://www.hudsonvalleyscouting.org)

BSA National Website: [www.Scouting.org](http://www.Scouting.org)

Scout Parents: [www.scoutparents.org](http://www.scoutparents.org)

Sports and Academics Program (Belt loops and pins):  
[usscouts.org/advance/cubscout/asindex.asp](http://usscouts.org/advance/cubscout/asindex.asp)

## Knights of Columbus 2013 Irish Night

**\$30 PER PERSON.**

*Mention that you are with Cub Scout Pack 40 and get 2 people for \$50*

**Reservations Required!**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2013**

**7-11pm. Tap Beer, Wine, Soda & Irish Coffee Included**

**IRISH MUSIC & DANCING, IRISH STEP DANCERS**  
**For Reservations - Mike Gulbrandsen**  
**[Ecoplanner191@gmail.com](mailto:Ecoplanner191@gmail.com)**

**5 Course Meal: Hor D'Oeuvres, Appetizers, Soup, Entrée, Dessert**

**Music by DJ, Mad Mike and Friends**

**Basket of Cheer, 50/50 Raffle.**