



# Cub Scout Tracks

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## Scouting for Food

Due to the economy, there is an increased need for food assistance at all of the local food pantries. They need our help to re-stock their shelves.

Parents, Siblings, and Scouts are invited to help. Please come to Luna Elementary (1050 Lochness Lane, Garland, TX 75044) to hand out bags on February 14th at 9:00 am.

We will then be knocking on doors and picking up bags on February 21st at 9:00 am (same location).

## Twilight Camp

The Gray Owl District Twilight Camp will be held at Harry Myers Park in Rockwall June 15-19. It will start promptly at 5:00 pm and will go until 9:30 pm. The cost will be \$45 if registered before May 2nd. If you register after May 2nd it will be \$90. The message is to register early. We need 1 adult for every 4 boys participating to be walking leaders (leaders that move around camp with the boys). We will also need a Pack Coordinator to get all of the information the pack will need to get signed up. The fees for the adults that will participate for a night or 2 will be \$10. The adults that will be participating all 5 nights will be \$5. If your son is interested in participating in this camp let your Den leader or one of the Pack leaders know.

## Pack Contacts

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**Committee Chairman:**

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## Mark Your Calendar

### February

14 Scouting for Food

21 Scouting for Food

### March

7 District Pinewood

Derby

8 Committee meeting

12 Pack Meeting/Webelos Crossover

27-29 Spring Campout/AOL Ceremony

### April

4 Gray Owl Bike Rodeo

5 Committee Meeting

16 Pack Meeting



**March 12th - Pack meeting has just recently been added to the calendar. We will have awards for all scouts and will be recognizing our Webelos II scouts as they cross over into Boy Scouting.**

## Help Wanted!

We need some parents to fill some roles within the pack. We would like to get Tiger, Wolf & Bear parents to help with the following. You will learn from the current leaders & carry forward into the future. YOU are qualified and don't need to wear a uniform to do any of these jobs.

**Pinewood Derby Chair-** Work with Pack committee & parent volunteers to insure a great Pinewood Derby event.

**Blue & Gold Banquet Chair-** Work with Pack committee & parent volunteers to insure a wonderful B&G. Select menu, arrange catering, select decorations & entertainment.

**Advancement Chair-** Work with Cubmaster to input advancement into the pack & Council databases. Need working knowledge & ownership of PC computer.

**Webmaster-**Work with Cubmaster to keep the pack website up to date.

**Pig Out Chair-**Work with Cubmaster to insure a great Pack Pig Out at upcoming campouts.

**Twilight Camp Chair-** Work to register youth & adults to attend this years (2009) Twilight camp.

Also needed are parents who might want to put on a uniform & become more active as an assistant den leader.

## Scout Show

The Scout Show date & location have recently changed. The new date is May 2, 2009 & the location is the Ballpark in Arlington. Scout Show tickets will be available for sale soon. Tickets will sell for \$10 each and the pack will make \$5 from each sale.

We will also have a booth at the scout show & each den will be asked to work a one hour shift. If you have ideas about a theme for our booth please let Kevin Harrison know.

## Medical Forms

BSA requires Pack 161 to maintain current Medical Forms for every youth and adult member. This enables the Pack to provide better care to those who may become ill or injured and to provide youth members and adult leaders a better understanding of their own physical capabilities; BSA has established minimum standards for providing medical information prior to participating in various activities.

Pack 161 will always protect the privacy of Pack medical information. Parts A and C are to be completed annually by all Pack 161 members. Both parts are required for all events that do not exceed 72 consecutive hours, where the level of activity is similar to that normally expended at home or at school, such as day camp, day hikes, swimming parties, or an overnight camp, and where medical care is readily available. Medical information required includes a current health history and list of medications. Part C also includes the parental informed consent and hold harmless/release agreement as well as a talent release statement. Please pick up a current medical form and complete it for your son, turn it in to Nathan Dower or your Den Leader, and help us take care of our boys. The forms can be found on-line at: [www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/34605\\_Letter.pdf](http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/34605_Letter.pdf)



## Pack Campout

Pack 161 will be camping on March 27-29 at Eisenhower State Park on Lake Texoma. Cost is \$25 per family. Please register as soon as possible so we can make plans.

Webelos II, you won't want to miss your last scouting event with Pack 161 as many of you will receive your Arrow of Light.