

# Cub Scout Tracks

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## Its time to start recruiting

Pack 161 has a strong history which allows us to recruit many boys into the scouting program each year. However, those boys don't have to wait until join scouting night. Scouts can join at any time during the year and the end of school is a prime time for them to join. Please encourage and invite any friends, family, etc to join us for any of our many summer activities and while you are at it invite them to register for Pack 161 so that they may earn their summer time pack award and begin working on advancement. Any boy who will be in 1st-5th grade during the 2009-2010 school year is eligible.

If your son specifically recruits a friend or family member they will be eligible to earn a recruiter strip patch.

## Taking Care of the MAC

Pack 161 benefits from the use of the MAC at First Baptist Church each week during the year. With 75-100 scouts and parents attending den meetings each week we have lots of foot traffic through the building. I would like to remind each of you that we should treat the MAC as if it were our home. We should use the stairs and elevators as transportation, not as play areas. We should not run in the hallways. We should clean up after ourselves in our den meeting areas and within the restrooms. We should always remember that our actions are highly evident as we wear the scout uniform and are easily noticed.

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## Mark Your Calendar

### June

- 8-12 Twilight Camp (North Trail )
- 13 Service Project at the MAC
- 15-19 Twilight Camp (Gray Owl)
- 27 Rowlett WetZone
- 28-July 1 Webelos Summer Camp

### July

- 16, 23,30 U.S. Heritage Classes
- 18 Dallas World Aquarium

### August

- 15 Breckenridge Park Picnic/Water Wars



## U.S. Heritage Award

This class will be held on Thursday nights (16, 23, 30) in the month of July. Cost per scout is \$15 and will include all materials. Parents are required to attend, they might even learn something too. Please register by emailing [cubmaster@pack161.org](mailto:cubmaster@pack161.org) and pay no later than June 15th so that we may insure we have enough materials for everyone.

## Service Project

Each year Pack 161 performs a service project for First Baptist Church to thank them for their continued support of Scouting and Pack 161. This year we are speaking to the church about adding mulch to the playground area next to the MAC. On June 13th we will need lots of able bodies, wheelbarrows, rakes, etc to put the mulch in place. We will start at 8:00 a.m. and go until we are finished. The more help we have the less work it will be for everyone involved.

## Volunteer's Needed

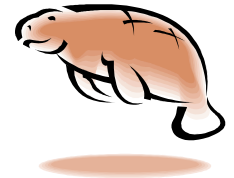
July 16 - 17 (1:30 - 5:30)  
Pack leaders will be leading a co-ed beginner outdoor program for 1st- 5th graders from FBC. If you are interested in helping, please contact Kevin Harrison.

## Summer Activities



### Rowlett Wetzone June 27

We will meet at 10:45am at the front entrance of Wetzone. Cost will be \$6 per person. Please bring your own food and drink or plan to purchase it there. You can plan to stay for a few hours or the whole day.



### Dallas World Aquarium July 18

We will meet at the Walnut and 5th street Dart Rail station at 9:15am to ride the dart train to Downtown Dallas (each person will be responsible for their own train fare of \$3 per person for a day pass) We will then walk to the Dallas World Aquarium. Cost for this event is \$12 per person (Scout uniform for scouts is required). Please complete the form and return with payment.



### End of Summer Picnic and Water War August 15

We will meet at Breckenridge Park at 5pm on August 15th at the Pavilion on Brand Road just north of Campbell. Each family will bring their own picnic dinner and a desert to share. Then we will follow with games and fun for the whole family and conclude our evening with our annual water war where water balloons and water guns will cool the participants.