



Cub Scout Pack 40 Cub-o-Gram



Hudson Valley Council

December 2013

Core Value of the Month – Respect

Showing regard for the worth of someone or something

Through interacting with pack families, Cub Scouts will develop appreciation and respect for different families and traditions.
Through pack service projects, they will learn to treat the environment with care.

Upcoming Events

Come Cheer on the Webelos at.....



45th ANNUAL DUTCHESS DISTRICT ESKIMO RUN

DATE: Saturday, January 18, 2013

Check-in Starts: 8:30AM, **Opening** 9:30AM

BAD WEATHER DATE: Sat, Jan, 25th

PLACE: James Baird State Park, Freedom
Plains, New York

The Eskimo Run is a Webelos Scout competitive activity. It is designed to test the Scouts' proficiency in the Webelos skills and provide a day of fun and excitement for them. They will be asked to answer questions and demonstrate their skills while pushing, pulling and carrying the sled that they made through the trails of the Eskimo Run. It is an amazing day for the boys. Dress warmly!

Upcoming Events

THE JANUARY PACK MEETING WILL BE HELD ON

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31ST AT 7PM

**LOCATION CHANGE—KETCHAM HIGH SCHOOL
UPSTAIRS CAFETERIA**

**THE JANUARY PACK COMMITTEE MEETING WILL
BE HELD ON**

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24TH AT 7PM

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, WAPPINGERS FALLS.

ALL PARENTS AND LEADERS ARE WELCOME

The Hudson Valley Council Ski Day is back!

Sunday January 26th

Belleayre Ski Resort, Highmount, NY

For all Cub Scouts (with a parent or guardian), Boy Scout Troops, Varsity Teams, Venturing Crews, and Explorer Posts.

Belleayre offers 21 interconnected trails with 33 beginner intermediate and expert trails. It has snow-making and a snow-board park

Registration Deadline is January 20th

Sign Up and Details online at

hudsonvalleyscouting.org



Hey Scouts!
Name our Super Hero for our
Hudson Valley Council Camps



He's got style and a great
blue and gold costume but
he doesn't have a name!

Winner will receive \$25 in Trading Post Bucks
3 runner ups will receive \$10 in Trading Post Bucks

Email your entries to Chris.Clark@scouting.org by 12/31/13

Include your name, unit type and number.



QUESTIONS? CONTACT CHRIS.CLARK@SCOUTING.ORG



Knights of Columbus Children's Christmas Party



The party is from 1pm to 3pm on December 22

All children are welcome.

There will be arts & crafts, refreshments and fun!

Santa Claus will meet with each individual child,
So, bring your cameras!!

Knights of Columbus Hall, 2660 E Main Street,
Wappingers Falls.....845-297-9049

If you wish to help with arts & crafts or snack tables, please contact
Mike at 845-489-7250 or ecoplanner191@gmail.com

Wappingers Falls Knights of Columbus.....By Their Deeds
Shall You Know Them

*** Michael Gulbrandsen, Knights of Columbus will be at the January Pack meeting selling tickets for this event***

Murder Mystery Dinner Show

A Dinner to Die For

Don Ponzi, the upstate crime boss of the Ponzi family is going to announce he's merging with a rival family, run by his Valentine – Lola Lapolina.

Looking to stop the merger are Ponzi's consigliere Shelby Barren, Penny his half-baked daughter, Vera his greedy ex-wife and Big Willy his crazed button man. Someone will sabotage the merger and that means murder.

Before your salad is served a body will fall and the world's most annoying detective will conduct an investigation. Enjoy your evening because there's no way out, you're either a witness or a suspect. **WHODUNIT?**

February 15, 2014 – 7pm to 11pm

At the Knights of Columbus Hall

\$40 per person or 2 for \$75

Price includes Appetizer, Salad, Choice of Beef, Chicken or Fish Entrée & sides and desert.

Prizes.....Raffles.....Cash Bar

**For Reservations and Tickets contact Mike at 489-7250,
ecoplanner191@gmail.com or send checks to:**

**Knights of Columbus, 2660 East Main Street, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590 Attn:
Murder Mystery Dinner**

The Holiday Caroling for Seniors Was a Success!

There were 10 Scouts 5 Leaders, 2 Parents and 2 Siblings!!!



**Taken on Sunday, Dec. 15th
Avalon Assisted Living Center, Wappingers Falls.**

The Pack Needs Your Help

Sign-Up now for:

The Blue & Gold Committee

The Blue & Gold Event will be held on Sunday March 9th 2014



It is a celebration of Our Scouts and the Birthday of Scouting. We also focus on the graduating Webelos moving onto Boy Scouts. It is a fun and exciting afternoon shared with family and friends.

Contact us to learn how you can get involved in planning this Pack Event.

Blue & Gold Committee Chair:

Michelle Havas- mhavas3856@aol.com

Co-Chairs:

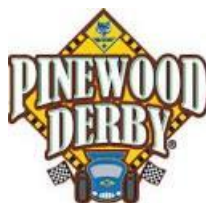
Cynthia Salberg- Xanthia711@aol.com

Jen Hilton- jenhilton@optonline.net

The Pinewood Derby Committee

The Pinewood Derby Event will be held on Saturday February 1st.

It is an event that your Scout will remember for the rest of their life. They will create and race their own cars!



Thank you to Don Murphy!

"I wanted to devise a wholesome, constructive activity that would foster a closer father-son relationship and promote craftsmanship and good sportsmanship through competition."

Don Murphy,

Founder of the Pinewood Derby in 1953

Manhattan Beach, CA Cub Scout Pack 280C

Little has changed in the derby since 1953. During that time an estimated 43 million sons and fathers (mostly) have participated. And today's generation of Cub Scouts, moms and dads share the same fun, thrills, and rewarding moments.

Reference: <http://www.abc-pinewood-derby.com/pinewood-derby-history.php>

Contact Brian Colucci to learn how you can get involved in planning this pack event.

Brian Colucci: coluccib@optonline.net

Rank and Other Special Awards Earned This Month

Congratulations to Brady Baum, of the Flaming Arrows for earning his Webelos Badge!!!



Congratulations to Christian Hilton of the Flaming Arrows for earning the Cub Scout World Conservation Award!!!



Congratulations to Max Reitter, Will Reitter, Austin McQueen, Patrick Cronin, Sam Anker, Karl Potthast of the Tiger Den for earning their Bobcat Badge!!!



Congratulations to Christopher Maurer, of Bear Den 4 for earning his Bear Badge!!!



Congratulations to Dominic Colucci of the Desert Crawlers for earning the Messengers of Peace award!!!



Messengers of Peace, is a World Scout Committee initiative designed to promote and recognize service projects that contribute to world peace. Dominic Colucci from the Desert Crawlers Den attended an all-day program to celebrate 100 years of Catholic Scouting. As a part of this program he participated in a service project and earned his Messengers of Peace award. He had a great day making friends with other scouts, learning more about his religion and participating in the Coke Fitness challenge (a challenge sponsored by the Coca Cola Company to improve physical fitness among youth).



A REPORT FROM OUR DESERT CRAWLERS

The Desert crawlers have had a busy month working as a den on the engineering activity badge, the craftsman activity badge and building a sled for the Eskimo Run.

We had a guest this month, John Borchert, who came to help us complete our geologist activity badge at one of our den meetings. Mr. B brought a lot of rocks and minerals for us to explore and we even got to take home our very own fossil!



***Den Leaders, if you have any special recognition or “Den Reports” you would like noted in future Cub-o-Gram’s please send information to Christine Maurer cmaurerc@optonline.net**

Information would be needed the week before each Pack Meeting.

**Thank you to John Reitter
for stepping up to become
Pack 40's
New Tiger Den Leader!!!**



Thank you John!

Pack Leadership

Cubmaster	Rob Usher
Assistant Cubmaster	Ken Maurer
Webelos II Den Leaders	Jason Hilton Daniel Mochon
Webelos II Asst. Leaders	Michael Havas Noel Mochon
Webelos I Den Leaders	Patty Colucci Tom DiFiore Ron Stoltzfus
Webelos I Asst. Leaders	Adam Bartlett John Marchesona Jason Olker
Bear Den Leaders	Kate Dusavage Meghann Hardesty
Bear Asst. Den Leader	Susan DeMatteis
Wolf Den Leader	Andrea O'Neill-Gregory
Tiger Den Leader	John Reitter
Lion Cub Leader	TO BE FILLED

Pack Committee

Chartered Organization Representative	Michael Gulbrandsen
Committee Chair	Brian Colucci
Assistant Committee Chair	John Reitter
Secretary	TO BE FILLED
Treasurer	Bob Bettini
Activity Chair	Pat McCarthy
Advancement Chair	Carrie Eirish
Pack Trainer	Daniel Mochon
Website/Publicity	Christine Maurer
Popcorn Kernel	Andrea O'Neill-Gregory
Assistant Popcorn Kernel	Ken Maurer
Assistant Popcorn Kernel	Regina Bartlett

Useful Links:

Pack 40: pack40wappingersfalls.scoutlander.com

(This is our Pack Website, which includes our event calendar to keep you updated on events and meetings)

Sports and Academics Program (Belt loops and pins):
<http://usscouts.org/advance/cubscout/a-sindex.asp>

(These are extra awards all Cub Scouts have the opportunity to earn. As a parent you can search this site with your Scout to find out requirements for each one. Once your Scout has completed any of these, print out the completed forms and present to your Den leader.)

Hudson Valley Council: www.hudsonvalleyscouting.org

BSA National Website: www.Scouting.org

Scout Parents: www.scoutparents.org

Training Available

Are you interested in helping the pack, but not sure if you are qualified? BSA offers **online training for leaders and parents** (www.MyScouting.org). Cub Scout Leaders, Cubmasters and Pack Committee Members are considered trained when they have completed Youth Protection Training and Cub Scout Leader Specific training for their position.

Additional “live” training is available from our council. hudsonvalleyscouting.org