



Cub Scout Pack 40



Cub-o-Gram

Hudson Valley Council

December 2012

Core Value of the Month – RESPECT

Showing regard for the worth of someone or something. Respect is something we should all practice every day. We should strive to be respectful of others, of our surroundings, in what we say and do, and most of all we should have respect for ourselves. Cub Scouts will learn that if they are respectful of others, others will respect them.

Year in Review

2012 has been an awesome year for Pack 40. We celebrated our 45th consecutive year of serving local youth. We even had a commemorative patch and Class B tee-shirt made for the occasion! We have continued to grow our program, with annual increases in the number of boys and registered adult leaders. We achieved the Gold level of recognition in the BSA Journey to Excellence!

Throughout the year we have shown scout spirit in all that we have done. There were many service projects conducted by the pack and by the individual dens. One of the highlights was the construction of a memorial garden and bench along the Veterans Memorial Mile of the Dutchess County Rail Trail. We also participated in the Scouting for Food drive, and helped with a clothing and food collection for those affected by the recent storm.

We have had many of our boys advance in rank during the year, with a handful bridging into Boy Scout Troops and doing very well there. This past summer we had 14 of our scouts attend scout camp where they got a head start on advancement for their new ranks, learned new skills, and had lots of fun!

We are very proud of what we accomplished in 2012, and are looking forward to what we can do in 2013!

Upcoming Events

WEST POINT HOCKEY SCOUT NIGHT - JANUARY 5

ESKIMO RUN (WEBELOS) - JANUARY 19

PINEWOOD DERBY – FEBRUARY 24

BLUE AND GOLD BANQUET – MARCH 10

PACK CAMPOUT – MAY 4-5

OVERNIGHT AT DUTCHESS STADIUM – JUNE 29-30

**THE JANUARY PACK MEETING WILL BE HELD ON
FRIDAY, JANUARY 25 AT 7PM**

PACK COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE JANUARY 18

Popcorn Sales

If you have not yet paid for your popcorn, please turn in the money as soon as possible. Also, for anyone who paid by check, please verify that the check has cleared and let us know as soon as possible if it has not. Thank you!

Pack 40 Website

Many of you have registered on our new pack website. Hopefully you have had a chance to “look around” and see what is there. If you have not been on yet, please look for the e-mail invitation that went out last month with your login information. Let Brian Colucci know if you need a new invitation sent.

Once you log into the website, please update your contact information. This is only available to those with a password to our site and will not be shared outside the pack. Having this information makes communication much easier!

Also, we ask that you please upload any pictures you take at pack or den activities to the site. All registered users have the ability to upload pictures.

We would still love to have a “webmaster” join us on the committee to help us add flair to the site. You don’t need to be a web expert. Let us know if you are interested in giving it a try.

Medical Forms

Medical forms are being sent out with this issue of the Cub-o-Gram and need to be completed for each boy in the pack. These do not require a doctor / physical, but are very important for our records. Since you are not always present at den meetings and some events, it is critical that we have medical information for each boy. The information is always kept strictly confidential.

Family Talent Survey

At the previous pack meetings we introduced our new Family Talent Survey and volunteer sign up boards. We know that everyone has something to offer – a way to help in some small way. This will help us identify what special skills and talents we have within the pack. Thanks to all who already completed a survey or signed up to help at an upcoming event!

Cub Scouting's 12 Core Values

1. **Citizenship:**
Contributing service and showing responsibility to local, state, and national communities.
2. **Compassion:**
Being **kind** and considerate, and showing concern for the well-being of others.
3. **Cooperation:**
Being **helpful** and working together with others toward a common goal
4. **Courage:**
Being **brave** and doing what is right regardless of our fears, the difficulties, or the consequences.
5. **Faith:**
Having inner strength and confidence based on our trust in God.
6. **Health and Fitness:**
Being personally committed to keeping our minds and bodies **clean** and fit.
7. **Honesty:**
Telling the truth and being **worthy of trust**.
8. **Perseverance:**
Sticking with something and not giving up, even if it is difficult.
9. **Positive Attitude:**
Being **cheerful** and setting our minds to look for and find the best in all situations.
10. **Resourcefulness:**
Using human and other resources to their fullest.
11. **Respect:**
Showing regard for the worth of something or someone.
12. **Responsibility:**
Fulfilling our duty to God, country, other people, and ourselves.

Class B Tee-Shirts

Many of you have asked about another round of orders for Class-B tee-shirts. We are going to place an order in January and will keep the same design as we recently used (the Pack 40, 45th Anniversary logo). An order form will be sent via e-mail in the coming days. We will collect money at the January pack meeting and place the order immediately after.

Pack Leadership

Cubmaster	Rob Usher
Webelos II Leader	Ken Maurer
Webelos II Asst. Leader	Christine Maurer
Webelos I Leader	Jason Hilton
Webelos I Asst. Leader	Jennifer Hilton
Webelos I Leader	Daniel Mochon
Webelos I Asst. Leader	Noel Mochon
Bear Den Leaders	Patty Colucci Tom DiFiore Ron Stoltzfus
Bear Asst. Den Leaders	Jason Olker John Marchesona Adam Bartlett
Wolf Den Leaders	Kate Dusavage Meghann Hardesty
Tiger Den Leader	Charlotte Newman
Pack Committee	
Chartered Organization Representative	Michael Gulbrandsen
Committee Chair	Brian Colucci
Asst, Committee Chair	John Reitter
Advancement Chair	Patty DiFiore
Treasurer	Bob Bettini
Popcorn Kernel	Andrea O'Neill-Gregory
Activity Chair	Pat McCarthy

Pinewood Derby

Planning is under way for the annual Pinewood Derby! The race will be held on **Sunday, February 24**. Car kits will be distributed at the Pack Meeting, and race rules and car number assignments will be sent out soon after.

As always, we will need lots of parental help for this big event! Many of you have already indicated that you want to help, but we can use more! Please sign up on the pack volunteer board or let Brian Colucci know if you want to help.



Useful Links:

Pack 40: pack40wappingersfalls.scoutlander.com

(old site) pack40mc.shutterfly.com

Hudson Valley Council:

www.hudsonvalleyscouting.org

BSA National Website: www.Scouting.org

Scout Parents: www.scoutparents.org

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

Blue and Gold Banquet

We look forward to a fun afternoon to celebrate our Scouts and the Birthday of Scouting with everyone!

Our Theme this year is "Scouting Around The World"

At the January Pack Meeting, Blue & Gold Committee Members will be out in the hallway ready to confirm attendance and collect payment by check made to Pack 40 or cash.

Contact for this event is Christine Maurer
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Cub Scouts Pack 40

Calendar of Events 2012 – 2013



***Some Dates are tentative**

October	26 – Pack Meeting 27 - Haunted Harvest Fest (Hudson Valley Council Event)
November	10 – University of Scouting 16 - Pack Leaders Meeting 30– Pack Meeting
December	14 – Pack Leaders Meeting 15 – Caroling at Avalon 16 – Service Project, Knights of Columbus 21 – Pack Meeting
January	5 - West Point Hockey Scout Night 18 – Pack Leaders Meeting 19 (Snow Date 26) – Eskimo Run (Webelos) 25– Pack Meeting
January / February	TBD – Snow Tubing
February	3 - Scout Sunday 8- Scout Sabbath 8 – Pack Leaders Meeting 22 – Pack Meeting 24 – Pinewood Derby
March	2 – St. Patrick’s Day Parade (Need to Confirm Date) 8 – Pack Leaders Meeting 10 - Blue and Gold Banquet TBD - Scouting for Food 15– Pack Meeting
April	14 – District Luncheon 19 – Pack Leaders Meeting 26 – Pack Meeting 27-28 – BALOO / Webelos Outdoor Training
May	4-5 - Spring Camping 24 – Pack Leaders Meeting 31 – Pack Meeting
June	TBD - Pack Field Day at Park
June	TBD - 2012 – 2013 Planning Meeting
July	29 - Scout Night / Campout at Dutchess Stadium TBD - Pack Fundraiser Carwash



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decorated with the laughter
of loved ones, the warmth
of good cheer, and every
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ANNUAL FAMILY SKI DAY

January 27, 2013

GREAT FAMILY FUN !

**Registration Deadline:
January 22, 2013**

**Belleaye Ski Resort
Highmount, NY**

2013 SKI DAY PRICING:

	Register Before 1/15/13	Register After 1/15/13
Lift Ticket	\$35	\$38
Equipment Rental	\$23	\$23
Helmet Rental	\$13	\$13
Group Lessons (with lift ticket purchase)	Free	Free
Merit Badge	Free	Free

**Cub Scouts
Boy Scouts
Venturers
Families
Siblings**

Belleaye offers 21 interconnected trails with 33 beginner, intermediate and expert trails

IMPORTANT SKI DAY INFORMATION:

BSA policy requires helmets for all participants (youth and adult).

This is a non-refundable event.

Snow Sports Merit Badge will be offered for Boy Scouts.

Check In and Registration begins at 8:00 AM and ends at 10:00 AM.

Additional information regarding this event may be e-mailed to the Unit Contact listed on the online registration.

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