WELCOME TO PACK 178





Welcome to Pack 178

Who we are

Our cub scout pack is in Great Neck, NY and is sponsored by All Saints Episcopal Church. We are in the Shelter Rock District (basically North Hempstead) of the Theodore Roosevelt Council (Nassau County) of the Boy Scouts of America. Information about the pack is available at our website www.greatneckcubscouts.com.

The Cub Scout programs at Pack 178 are for all boys in grades 1-5 in Great Neck and the surrounding areas. Our scouts come from both the public schools (E.M. Baker, JFK, Lakeville, and Saddle Rock) and private schools.

While we are grateful to All Saints Church for sponsoring the pack and providing our meeting spaces, our Pack is non-denominational. You are welcome here no matter what house of worship you call your own or what school you are enrolled in.

The Pack (all the dens) normally meets once a month (usually a Thursday) from September through June at All Saints Church for a program that is usually quite active. The program usually follows a theme for the month. Naturally, some themes follow holidays, like Halloween, while others follow scouting activities like the Pinewood Derby. Our dens, small groups of same-aged boys will also meet an additional two times a month. At den meetings, boys will work on crafts, skills, games and skits. The dens will also work towards advancement objectives.

We also try to schedule trips to cultural and historical sites and to athletic events. There is always a Pack camping trip at least once or twice a year.

Why Scouting?

For over 100 years, Scouting programs have instilled in youth the values found in the Scout Oath and Scout Law. Today, these values are just as relevant in helping youth grow to their full potential as they were in 1910. Scouting helps youth develop academic skills, self-confidence, ethics, leadership skills, and citizenship skills that influence their adult lives.

The Boy Scouts of America provides youth with programs and activities that allow them to

- Try new things.
- Provide service to others.
- Build self-confidence.
- Reinforce ethical standards.

While various activities and youth groups teach basic skills and promote teamwork, Scouting goes beyond that and encourages youth to achieve a deeper appreciation for service to others in their community.

Scouting provides youth with a sense that they are important as individuals. It is communicated to them that those in the Scouting family care about what happens to them, regardless of whether a game is won or lost

Finally, and perhaps most importantly, Scouting promotes activities that lead to personal responsibility and high self-esteem. As a result, when hard decisions have to be made, peer pressure can be resisted, and the right choices can be made.

Note that at ALL levels of Scouting, parents, guardians and other caretakers and scouts are required to read and complete the exercises in the pamphlet *How to Protect Your Children from Child Abuse: A Parent's Guide.*

Lion Scouts – Kindergarten

Lion Scouts is a fun introduction to the Scouting program for kindergarten-age boys and girls eager to get going! Lions do adventures with their adult partners and other Lions every month. This program introduces youth and their families to Scouting and the outdoors as it builds a foundation of character. Everything as a Lion is done with an adult partner. A new Lion Scout receives a Lion Handbook which guides the scout through adventures, all with guidance from the Lion's adult partner. A Lion will need a Lion Scout Uniform which is a blue t-shirt and hat. This part of the boy scout trail is intended to take one school year, preparing the scout to begin Tiger adventures after kindergarten is completed.

<u>Lion's Honor</u> - In this adventure, Lions will learn about the Cub Scout sign, Cub Scout motto, Cub Scout salute and good sportsmanship.

<u>Fun on the Run</u> - This adventure will help boys and girls develop and encourage an active and healthy lifestyle.

<u>Animal Kingdom</u> - This adventure will help Lions understand service to the community. As well as learning what to do in an emergency. And challenge them to better conserve energy at home.

<u>Mountain Lion</u> - This adventure will introduce Lions s to the concept of how to be prepared for an outdoor adventure, and the importance of a buddy system. And how to stay safe if he or she is separated from the group while outdoors.

<u>King of the Jungle</u> - This adventure will ask Lions to participate in a flag ceremony and learn about what it means to a good citizen and a leader.

Lion Cub Elective Adventures:

- 1. I'll Do it Myself
- 2. Pick my Path
- 3. Gizmos and Gadgets
- 4. On Your Mark
- 5. Build it Up, Knock it Down
- 6. Rumble in the Jungle
- 7. Ready, Set, Grow



Tiger Scouts – 1st Grade

Tiger Scouts is an exciting scouting program for first grade boys and girls (or 7 years old) ready to get going! Tigers do stuff - lots of stuff - and all with their adult partners. This program is intended to open up the world to inquisitive minds along with the caring guidance of adults. The first steps along the Boy Scout Trail are laid here and every rank advancement through the scouting program builds on the basic activities done as Tigers. There are six required Adventures and one elective adventure that need to be completed with your family or den in order to earn the Tiger Badge. These adventures consist of an exciting series of indoor and outdoor activities just right for boys and girls their age.

<u>Games Tigers Play</u> - This adventure will help boys and girls learn the importance of good nutrition and physical activities.

<u>My Tiger Jungle</u> - This adventure will help Tigers learn to hear sounds of nature and discover plants or animals around them. They will also learn how to be helpful to nature by planting a plant, shrub or tree.

<u>Team Tiger</u> - This adventure will introduce Tigers to the concept of teamwork and to the idea that—even at a young age—they can make a difference in the world. Some of the activities in this adventure are home-based and involve the family and/or the adult partner, and others are to be performed with the den.

<u>Tiger Bites</u> - This adventure will introduce or reinforce healthy eating habits, including making the right food choices and practicing good hygiene. Activities will also focus on good manners at mealtimes. In addition, the adventure will give each Tiger an opportunity to perform a useful service for his or her family.

<u>Tiger Circles: Duty to God</u> – This adventure helps Tigers starting to understand his or her family expresses reverence for God and how to be kind and helpful to others.

<u>Tigers in the Wild</u> - Tigers will learn how to put the "outing" in Scouting with this outdoor adventure. They will start to develop an understanding of the Outdoor Ethics program as they are introduced to many skills that will be important throughout their Scouting careers.

Tiger Cub Elective Adventures:

- 1. Curiosity, Intrigue, and Magical Mysteries
- 2. Floats and Boats
- 3. Good Knights
- 4. Rolling Tigers
- 5. Sky is the Limit
- 6. Stories in Shapes
- 7. Tiger-iffic!
- 8. Tiger: Safe and Smart
- 9. Tiger Tag



WOLF SCOUTS - 2nd Grade

Wolves are second grade boys. The program is family- and home-centered. To earn the Wolf rank a cub must complete six required Adventures and one elective adventure. These adventures are done both at home and with the den.

<u>Call of the Wild</u> - Many boys and girls join Scouting because they want to go camping. This adventure will introduce Wolves to several camping skills—selecting and bringing gear, participating with their families in campfire shows, and being prepared for bad weather. They will also learn about animals they might see, the Leave No Trace Principles for Kids, tying knots, and how to handle potentially harmful situations.

<u>Council Fire (Duty to Country)</u> - This adventure will give Wolf Scouts the opportunity to learn how to properly care for and fold the flag, and learn more about their neighborhood and community structure, how they can be a part of their community through service, and how others have provided service to our country.

<u>Duty to God Footsteps</u> - This adventure will help each Wolf Scout develop a consistent awareness of his duty to God. He will also explore ways that he or she can practice his or her family's beliefs as part of living out his duty to God.

<u>Howling at the Moon</u> - This adventure will give Cub Scouts an opportunity to become comfortable speaking in front of others. It will also serve as a foundation for organizing and performing a campfire program.

Paws on the Path - This adventure will encourage the development of hiking skills in Scouts.

<u>Running with the Pack</u> - This adventure will promote physical fitness and good health through games and other fun activities.

Wolf Cub Elective Adventures:

- 1. Adventures in Coins
- 2. Air of the Wolf
- 3. Code of the Wolf
- 4. Cubs Who Care
- 5. <u>Digging in the Past</u>
- 6. Finding Your Way
- 7. Germs Alive!
- 8. Paws of Skill
- 9. Spirit of the Water



BEAR SCOUTS - 3rd Grade

Bears are third grade boys and girls. To earn the Bear badge, a cub must complete six required adventures and one elective adventure. Within each of the adventures, a required number of achievements must be completed.

<u>Baloo the Builder</u> – Will allow Bears to discover hand tools and tool safety and use that knowledge to gather materials and assemble something they will treasure by using wood.

<u>Bear Claws</u> – Another example of how Bears will learn about pocketknives and knife safety and use those skills towards Whittling Chip.

<u>Bear Necessities</u> - This adventure will introduce new Scouts to basic outdoor skills while helping more experienced Scouts improve and develop skills they learned in previous ranks.

<u>Fellowship and Duty to God</u> - To practice their duty to God, Bear Scouts will have opportunities in this adventure to be good neighbors, reaching out in fellowship to people in their communities. They will experience the universal principle, common to many religions, that we should treat others the way we want to be treated.

<u>Fur, Feathers and Ferns</u> - In this adventure, Bears will explore the outdoor world of mammals, birds, plants, and more! They will understand that every living thing has a home—often very close by. Scouts will also discover that almost every living thing's neighborhood is a home to at least one type of another living thing. Protecting those homes, called habitats, is up to everyone, and Bears can help!

<u>Paws for Action (Duty to Country)</u> - Scouts of this age are learning to become more independent. In this adventure, Bears will learn how to take care of themselves and be a help to their family, community, and the environment. Additionally, they will continue to learn about patriotism and loyalty to our country.

Bear Cub Elective Adventures:

- 1. A Bear Goes Fishing
- 2. Bear Picnic Basket
- 3. <u>Critter Care</u>
- 4. Forensics
- 5. Grin and Bear It
- 6. Marble Madness
- 7. Roaring Laughter
- 8. Salmon Run
- 9. Super Science



WEBELOS SCOUTS - 4th Grade

Webelos (We'll Be Loyal Scouts) is for 4th grade boys and girls to prepare to join a Boy Scout troop while learning outdoors skills and participating in many adventures. A well-run group of Webelos is a gradual change from being an 'adult-run' den to being a 'scout-run' patrol ready to fit right into an adventurous Boy Scout troop. This migration requires the parents and den leaders to give the scouts more and more control, decision-making power, and responsibility as they progress in skills, abilities, and maturity. The Webelos scout must complete five required adventures and at least one elective to earn his Webelos badge.

<u>Cast Iron Chef</u> - In this adventure, Webelos Scouts will learn about good nutrition, how to safely cook meals outdoors, and how to balance meal planning and finances.

<u>Duty to God and You</u> - A Scout is reverent. He or she is reverent toward God. He or she is faithful in his or her religious duties and respects the convictions of others in matters of custom and religion. The BSA Statement of Religious Principle "maintains that no member can grow into the best kind of citizen without recognizing an obligation to God." This adventure provides each Webelos Scout an opportunity to learn about and practice his religious faith.

<u>First Responder</u> - This adventure will provide Webelos Scouts with an introduction to the skills and responsibilities of a first responder. Activities will cover essential personal safety and first-aid skills.

<u>Stronger, Faster, Higher</u> - This adventure promotes physical fitness and good health.

<u>Webelos Walkabout</u> - This adventure prepares Webelos Scouts for an outdoor experience and hiking activity.

Webelos Elective Adventures:

- 1. Aquanaut
- 2. Art Explosion
- 3. Aware and Care
- 4. Build It
- 5. Castaway
- 6. Earth Rocks!
- 7. Engineer
- 8. Game Design
- 9. Into the Wild
- 10. Into the Woods
- 11. Sports
- 12. Protect Yourself Rules
- 13. Modular Design
- 14. <u>Yo-Yo</u>



ARROW OF LIGHT SCOUTS - 5th Grade

For the oldest Cub Scouts, the Arrow of Light program offers 5th grade Webelos the opportunity to earn a patch that transfers to their Boy Scout uniform. By earning this recognition, a scout demonstrates he is ready for the next step on the boy or girl scout trail.

During their last year in a Pack, Webelos get a larger say in which adventures their den will do, and in leading their fellow scouts, both skills that will come in handy in Boy Scouts.

A boy or a girl that is new to Scouting in 5th grade does not need to earn any previous ranks. He or she can earn the Bobcat badge and then the Arrow of Light along with his den, even if he or she does not have the Webelos badge yet. If it's important to him or her, he or she can put in more effort and fulfill the Webelos requirements during 5th grade also, without missing out on the adventures his den is doing for Arrow of Light.

Building a Better World - The wide range of activities in this adventure will help Webelos Scouts become strong, participating citizens in their communities, their nation, and the world at large.

<u>Duty to God in Action</u> - A Scout is reverent. He or she is reverent toward God. He or she is faithful in his or her religious duties and respects the convictions of others in matters of custom and religion.

<u>Outdoor Adventure</u> - In this Arrow of Light adventure, Scouts will go on campouts where they can gain and develop new outdoor skills.

<u>Scouting Adventure</u> - This Arrow of Light adventure will provide Scouts with an introduction to Boy Scouting, Scout skills, and Scout spirit. Webelos Scouts will attend a troop meeting and accompany a troop on a campout or an outdoor activity.

Arrow of Light Elective Adventures (Shares the Same Guide Book with Webelows)

- 1. Aquanaut
- 2. Art Explosion
- 3. Aware and Care
- 4. Build It
- 5. Castaway
- 6. <u>Earth Rocks!</u>
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Dues

The annual dues for joining the pack are \$275/year plus a onetime \$30 signup and administration fee. A discounted fee of \$250 is provided to siblings. Portions of Dues are paid to the National Boy Scouts of America and the Theodore Roosvelt Council. The remaining Dues support most of Cub Pack 178's activities for the year:

Local and National Boy Scouts of America fees:

- Boy Scouts of America Membership fee \$150 paid directly to BSA.
- "Boys Life" magazine subscription for each scout (Additional \$15 paid to BSA)
- Liability insurance fees
- Training costs for pack leadership and committee members

Materials and Awards: Pins, Patches, Belt Loops, Badges and other Recognition awards

Pack Activities (\$155 Paid Directly to the Pack, \$135 for additional sibling):

- Food and beverages at pack and den meetings
- Halloween and Holiday parties: Activity Stations, decorations
- Pinewood Derby: Cost of track, all car kits and trophies/awards
- Blue and Gold Dinner: Dues offset the cost of food, decorations, entertainment, etc.
- Summer Picnic: Dues offset the costs of food, decorations, activities and equipment.

Note that there are other pack activities throughout the year that are "pay as you go" such as athletic events, overnight trips, etc.

Fund Raising

Unfortunately, the dues do not cover all the Pack's activities and costs. In September through November of each year we conduct our annual fundraising activity for the year. Each Cub Scout is asked to sell Trails End popcorn and snacks to raise money for the pack. The popcorn comes in a variety of flavors and sizes. This is a great activity to teach our children self-confidence and it can be a fun and rewarding activity. The scouts earn prizes based on how much popcorn they sell. The more we sell, the more we can do as a Pack!

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Volunteer Positions: Job Descriptions

We Need YOU!!!

Scouting operates through volunteer Leadership. Volunteer Leaders are an example of the Scouting principle of service to others. Naturally, parents are the primary source of Leaders in the Scouting program. You volunteer not only to serve Scouting, but also to serve your son or daughter and his or her needs, and to have the chance to be a positive influence on the youth in your community.

What does it take to be a volunteer?

A long, rich background of Scouting involvement is NOT required! What is needed is a desire to work with and help young people, a willingness to make time in your weekly schedule, and the rest is easy! Lots of resources and training are available and many people will support your efforts.

What do you receive in return?

Being a Leader is fun, challenging, and rewarding. Leaders find that their experiences help them to become better parents. The following are some of the many dividends that will enrich your life as you dedicate your time, talent and enthusiasm to Scouting:

- •Fun and fellowship with other families, sharing your pride in the boys' and girls' accomplishments.
- •The privilege of helping to enrich and strengthen families.
- •A chance to help boys and girls learn good citizenship and to help shape them into men and women who have strength of character and are sensitive to the needs of others.
- •The opportunity to help make a difference in the lives of boys and girls as they grow strong in mind and body.
- •A code to live by which will set a worthwhile example for both boys and girls as adults.

Committee Chairperson:

Prepare agenda for Parent Planning Meeting. Organize schedule, calendar, meeting dates and oversee all Pack activities. Attending council meetings to gain information and ideas. Ensure that all Pack positions are filled and that a full scouting program is being implemented. Prepare charter for renewal each year. Keep all Den Leaders informed about district events. Ensure proper planning and preparations are made for all Pack events.

Cubmaster:

Act as main presider at Pack Night and other Pack events. Present awards, conduct ceremonies, lead games and activities. Help organize and plan for future events. Ensure all leaders are trained properly and follow all guidelines and safety procedures. Make sure the Cub Scout advancement program is being followed consistently by all Den Leaders. Ensure the Pack plans suitable events, and plenty of "fun" activities.

Assistant Cubmaster:

Provide assistance to Cubmaster whenever and however possible. Help moderate Pack Night and other Pack events. Fill in for the Cubmaster when Cubmaster is not available. Attending council events and assisting in planning meetings.

<u>Den Leader/Assistant Den Leader:</u>

Plan for and present weekly den meetings for the boys in one den. Track and provide for advancement, games and craft activities. In sure the boys complete all the requirements for the next badge and rank. Help plan and execute Pack events. Keep den parents informed about Pack and council events and activities.

Pack Treasurer:

Maintain checkbook, keep accurate records of all income and expenses, and provide reports at monthly Parent Planning Meetings. Help plan yearly budget for Pack. Reimburse Pack leaders and Den leaders for legitimate Pack related expenses. Make bank deposits and transfers.

Pack Secretary & Communications.

Keep informed of all Cub Scouting literature, materials, records and forms. Maintain up to date information on membership, leadership, attendance and advancement in Scoutbook. Maintain an inventory of pack property. Handles correspondence for the pack. Provide den leaders with records and forms for meetings.

HOW TO JOIN OUR PACK

If you are interested in becoming part of our Pack 178 Scouting family, please register at the Boy Scouts of America link to our pack:

https://my.bsa.us/386paa0178mb

You will be asked to create an account there. The Boy Scouts of America will charge you the following fees:

BSA Youth Registration \$80.00
Council Fee \$40.00
New Member Joining Fee \$25.00
Administrative Fee \$4.80
Scout Life Subscription Fee \$15.00

Once you have registered on the BSA website the Pack will be notified via email that your application is being processed. ScoutBook is Pack 178's primary communication and activity tracking program.

Once you have registered with BSA paid the BSA Membership Fees Registration Fees, then you will pay \$155 to the Pack in December for the following year's membership.

A discount of \$20 will be given to any additional sibling.

WELCOME ABOARD!

WHERE TO BUY

Now that you're a part of the pack, there are several items that you will need to purchase for use throughout the year. **Most importantly, you will need a scouting uniform and a den handbook**. All the uniform elements will probably cost between \$120-\$150 in total. The den handbooks are approximately \$20. You can purchase these items at the Scout Shop, OR you can purchase them online at <u>scoutstuff.org</u> (shipping rates apply):

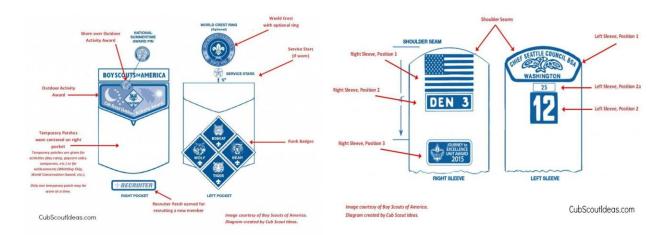
<u>Nassau County Scout Shop</u> – located at the headquarters of the Theodore Roosevelt Council

544 Broadway

Massapequa, NY 11758 516-797-0574 MONDAY-FRIDAY 10:00AM - 6:00PM SATURDAY - 10:00AM - 3:00PM SUNDAY - CLOSED



A larger version of this will be in your den handbooks.



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