

Pack 1191 Happenings

Beth May, Committee Chair

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PACK 1191



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Blue and Gold Banquet: Records Broken

At our Blue and Gold Banquet this year, a record-breaking 21 cakes were entered in the traditional cake contest. The cakes, which were made by scouts and their families, were judged in 8 categories, and the winning cakes were auctioned, providing \$150 for the pack (this helps offset the cost of the banquet food); the rest were served for dessert, and were quite delicious as well as attractive!

The winning cakes were made by: Ricky G. (Best Tiger Theme), Adam M. (Best Happy Birthday BSA Theme), John M. (Yummiest Looking), Jacob B. (Most Colorful/Most Original), Harrison F. (Judges' Choice), Nathaniel D. (Scouts' Choice) and Aaron C. (Tallest),

Thank you to everyone who participated, and especially to **Dave and Ellen Conboy** for running the cake contest, and to **Steve Nash** for being the cake auctioneer.



Asst. Cubmaster Keith Field and Advancement Chair Janet Morris assist with the Cake Auction at the 2010 Blue and Gold Banquet

The Silent Auction at our banquet raised a record-breaking \$1,248 for the pack this year! Auction items included baskets assembled by the Dens and donations from Town Hall and area vendors, and ranged from gift cards to autographed sports memorabilia. Thank you to **Ginny Titus** for running the Silent Auction, to all who donated items for the auction (including the Dens), and to everyone who placed bids.

Racers: Start your... engines?

Cubmobile races are next month! Scouts: this is a great opportunity to wear your new "Class B" uniform (Pack 1191 t-shirt), and please make sure you bring your bicycle helmets!



Asst. Cubmaster Tom May provides an orientation before the 2009 races (above); Devin S. pulls ahead of Adam M. in a 2009 race (below)



Parents: Get Your Child ID Packets!

(by Ken Barnhart)

The local Masonic Lodge, Prudence Lodge #190 AF&AM, will be conducting a Maryland Child Identification Program (MdCHIP) event at the Mt. Airy chili cook-off on March 27th at the Mt. Airy Volunteer Fire Company's carnival grounds from Noon to 4pm. This is a free service. More information about MdCHIP is available online: <http://mdchip.org>.

Tidbits:

- ◆ **Pack Volunteer Opportunities:** Committee Chair, Training Coordinator, Asst. Cubmaster, more... (POC: Beth May)
- ◆ **Pack Happenings submissions** for next issue due: Apr 16th; everyone is welcome to participate! (POC: Beth May)

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WEBELOS II Say Goodbye

(by Don and Ellie Homce, Den Leaders)

After many exciting years as Cub Scouts, the WEBELOS II Dragons are ready to earn the Arrow of Light and move on to the adventures of Boy Scouting. We have a few thoughts about this...

Though 12-strong now, we started with 7 joyful, energetic boys in the fall of 2005; I muse that these strapping young men could once all sit side-by-side on my couch. We embarked on an adventure of personal achievement and growth that included making things, playing games, singing songs, and just having fun together. We ran, camped, swam, biked, hiked, painted, and even gee haw whimmy diddled. We made butter, collected things, did science experiments, built bridges, and along the way we learned a lot about ourselves and how to get along with others.

Many times we have been deeply touched by the thoughtful and kind gestures of our boys. They have enthusiastically done kind deeds, including Scouting for Food and Project Linus. They have written amazing, thoughtful, caring words on citizenship and family. Many have put in extra time and effort to complete additional achievements and earn special awards. Thank you guys for demonstrating Scout spirit!

One of the purposes of Scouting is to improve understanding within the family, and behind each one of these boys are committed parents who have been there to guide and encourage them. They have helped their boys to complete achievements at home and we have never been without help at den meetings or outings. Many of our den parents have served in Pack leadership positions for several years. Thank you all for your support and assistance!

It has been a privilege to be associated with this outstanding Pack, with great leadership and a strong commitment to youth development and Pack traditions. It has truly been a pleasure to work with all of you. Good Luck!



WEBELOS II Dragons demonstrate the principles of pulley design at a recent Den Meeting (above) and pose for a Den photo (below)



Photo by Ginny Titus

Leadership Changes

With the departure of the WEBELOS II den, we also have leaders leaving the pack. In addition to the WEBELOS II Den Leaders, four other Pack Committee members are also parents of departing WEBELOS II scouts: **Janet Morris**, **Paul Christensen**, **Tom May**, and **Beth May**.

Janet recently transitioned her Advancement Chair responsibilities to **Michelle Blue**, and Paul had already transitioned his Cubmaster position to **John Rose**. Tom and Beth May will leave at the end of the scout year, and replacements are still being sought: second Assistant Cubmaster, Committee Chair, and Newsletter Editor.

Other changes that have been announced are: **Diana Gobien** is now an Assistant Wolf Den Leader, and **Sean Dwyer** is now the Bear Den Leader, with continued support from **Ginny Titus** as an Assistant Bear Den Leader.

Please join me in thanking Janet and Paul for all they have done for the pack, and in thanking our new leaders for volunteering.

Upcoming Pack Activities

04/09/10 (Fri)	7:00 pm	Leaders Meeting	TBD
04/13/10 (Tue)	7:15 pm	Roundtable	Old St. John's School
04/24/10 (Sat)	1:00 pm	Pack Meeting – Cubmobile Races	Cottonwood Drive (next to MAVFC's firehouse)