

Pack 1191 Happenings

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PACK 1191



Mount Airy, MD

Wolf Den Gets the Scoop at AccuBid



At AccuBid: Michael and Matthew in front, Andrew and Patrick in back

The Wolf Den visited AccuBid on October 6th. AccuBid is an excavating company located on Deer Hollow Drive in Mt. Airy (not far from Twin Ridge Elementary School). The boys learned about heavy equipment/machinery and safety around the equipment. They were even allowed to climb on all the equipment!

The Wolves wish to acknowledge Mr. Brennan at AccuBid, who was well prepared and did a wonderful job leading their tour, making it a fun and educational experience for all.

Art Instruction/Assistance Available

Amelia Willett, who is the mother of one of our Tiger scouts, is an experienced artist and art educator. She has offered to provide free art instruction and/or art project assistance to any den that is interested. You may contact her by email at kookbox@comcast.net. Thanks, Amelia, for this generous offer!

Scouting for Food

Across the country, nearly 4 million Scouts and adult leaders will distribute and collect bags of food for their local community food banks. The Mount Airy Food Net will once again be receiving the collected food from Pack 1191.

Please keep the late mornings of November 3rd and 10th free so you can help distribute bags and then collect the bags of food left on the porches and steps around your Den's assigned neighborhood. All it takes is a couple of hours, and you'll have been involved in one of the nation's biggest food drives.

Recalled: "Progress Toward Ranks" Totem

If you are a Wolf or Bear parent, hopefully you've already removed the "Progress Toward Ranks" totem from your scout's possession. This product was found to have a high lead content, and has been recalled by the Boy Scouts of America (BSA). This information has been emailed to all leaders in our pack, and posted to our website.



Tidbits:

- ◆ Don't forget: popcorn order forms are due to Den Leaders on 7 November, for submission to the Popcorn Kernels (Anne Braccia and Linda Nash) by 9 November.
- ◆ The registration fee for scouts returning to Pack 1191 is \$65; new scouts are \$75. Please give your payment to your Den Leader if you haven't already, or contact the Committee Chair to request financial assistance.

Fall Fest

Our pack sold sodas, water, and glow sticks at Mount Airy's annual Fall Festival on September 6th and 7th at our usual location next to the old F&M Bank building on Main Street. Twenty scouts from all ranks - Tiger through Webelos II - staffed our booth, with help from their parents.

The net profit from this year's event was approximately the same as last year, but it's not just about the money - it's also about having "face time" with our community, and at least one new family is joining our pack as a result of having found us at Fall Festival! Kirsten Meehan would like to thank everyone who helped make this a successful event.

Logo Contest for BSA's 100th Anniversary

The BSA has launched a national contest to create a memorable logo that captures the true spirit of scouting, to celebrate its 100th Anniversary. Every registered Scout is eligible, and entries are due by Nov. 30th. Winners will be chosen in several categories and every participant will receive a patch and certificate from BSA.

The overall winner will receive an all-expense paid trip to San Francisco to work with nationally-recognized graphic artist and Eagle Scout, Kit Hinrichs to finalize the 100th Anniversary Celebration logo design.

More info: <http://ww2.scouting.org/100years/100years/content/NationalLogoContest.aspx>

Trained Leaders

Congratulations and thank you to the following leaders who recently completed formal training:

- ◆ Den Leader Specific Training
 - Ellen Conboy (Wolf Leader)
 - David Conboy (Wolf Leader)
 - Tim Gaydosh (Webelos I Leader)
 - Jay Johnson (Webelos I Leader)
- ◆ Cubmaster Training*
 - Tom May (Asst. Cubmaster)
- ◆ Chartering Organization Rep. (COR) Training
 - Rick Dye (COR)

The Catoclin Mountain District offers formal training classes periodically. New Leader Essentials and Leader-Specific training is usually offered twice a year, in October and February.

All leader training course fees are reimbursed by the Pack. The reimbursement form can be accessed from our website at: <http://www.pack1191.org/assets/Expense%20Reimbursement.pdf>.

* Paul Christensen was also enrolled in Cubmaster training, but was called away for an emergency. He has, however, completed several online training modules.

Upcoming Pack Activities

10/26/07	07:30 pm	Leaders Meeting	Christensen House
11/03/07	10:00 am	Scouting for Food Bag Drop off	American Legion Post 191 Parking Lot
11/10/07	10:00 am	Scouting for Food Bag Pick up	American Legion Post 191 Parking Lot
11/17/07	09:00 am	Pow Wow (Training and Conference)	Annandale High School in Annandale, VA http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org/pages/62173_pow_wow_pirates_of_the_potomac.cfm
11/27/07	07:00 pm	Pack Meeting ("Indian Nations")	American Legion Post 191