

Pack 1191 Happenings

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PACK 1191



Mount Airy, MD

Another Successful Scouting for Food Event

This year's Scouting for Food event was a success, thanks to all the scout families who participated. Cub scouts in our pack left empty bags at people's homes in our neighborhoods on Saturday November 1st and returned the following Saturday to collect 203 bags with food donations. Scouts brought the donations to Mount Airy Food Net's pantry at the Calvary United Methodist Church on Main Street, where they were weighed and stored. This year's tally: 1,322 pounds!



Photo taken by Joshua May

Two Bear scouts bring donations to the pantry as a line of cars waits to do the same

The Boy Scouts of America sponsors this event once a year so that local families can help other local families in need. Thank you to all the families in our pack whose donations of time made this a successful event and allowed our pack once again to make a positive impact on our community by sowing some "seeds of kindness".

What are the Webelos II Scouts Up To?

Last month, the Webelos II den had the opportunity to learn about surveying and architecture from local industry professionals. With these activities completed, they are well on their way to earning their "Engineer" badge!



Photo provided by Tim Gaydosh

Tim Lawrence of O'Connell and Lawrence, Inc. teaches the Webelos II scouts how to read plot lines before marking the plot with a surveyor's tool called a "gun". Tim was accompanied by his assistant, Greg Howard (not shown).



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The Webelos II scouts pose with Bruce Zimmerman, architect, after discussing the challenges and joys of his profession.

Tidbits:

- ◆ Sign up to work the 11/22 Superfresh popcorn sale: contact your Den Leader or Kirsten Meehan (fundraising@pack1191.org).
- ◆ Don't forget: **Gianni's Orders** are due on December 5th! Please bring your order to the December Pack Meeting or submit it to your Den Leader.
- ◆ If you have gently used but unwanted toys, videos, or books, please donate them to the Pack for our Blue and Gold Banquet cubby bucks activities. (Contact Paul Christensen or Beth May for drop-off or pick-up of items.)

This edition of Pack 1191 Happenings can also be found at www.pack1191.org, on the Committee News webpage.

Calling all scouts: Popcorn Sale at Superfresh



Our Popcorn Sale this year will be at Superfresh, on **Saturday November 22nd** from 11am to 4pm. Scouts, please sign up with your Den Leader:

Webelos II	11:00 - 12:00
Tigers	12:00 - 1:00
Webelos I	1:00 - 2:00
Wolves	2:00 - 3:00
Bears	3:00 - 4:00

We need everyone's help to make this a success: please let your Den Leader or Kirsten Meehan know your plans to participate on Saturday.

Super Derby Rules Released

Each year, Pack 1191 holds a Pinewood Derby in January, and winners in three categories (Tigers, Cubs, Webelos) have the opportunity to compete at the district-level "Super Derby." Catoclin Mountain District has recently released rules and other information for its next Super Derby, which is scheduled for March 7th. Visit the Catoclin Mountain District's website for more information:

<http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org/openrosters/ViewOrgPageLink.asp?LinkKey=20672&orgkey=2009>.

If you are interested in being Derby Master for our Pack this year, please contact Tom May.

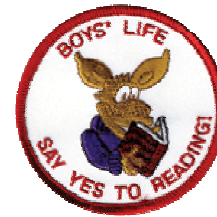


Contests for Book Readers



Scouts who love to read may be interested in these two contests:

- Boys' Life 2008 "Say Yes to Reading!" Contest: Write a one-page report (no more than 500 words) titled "**The Best Book I Read This Year**" and enter it for a patch and the opportunity to win a gift certificate for official Boy Scouts of America items. Open to all Boys' Life readers, with first-, second-, and third-place prizes awarded in each of 3 age-based categories (8 years old and younger, 9-10 years old, and 11 years old and older). Entries are due December 31st. For more info, see the Boys' Life website: <http://www.boyslife.org/home/1053/enter-the-boys-life-reading-contest>



- Letters About Literature (LAL): Write a letter to an author who has influenced your life and submit it for the opportunity to win recognition and a grant for your community or school library. Open to all students in grades 4-12. Entries are due December 6th. For more info, including the entry form, a FAQ and even some sample letters, see the website:

<http://www.lettersaboutliterature.org>

Upcoming Pack Activities

 11/22/08	11am-4pm	Popcorn Sale	Mt. Airy Superfresh
12/05/08	7:30 pm	Leaders Meeting	Christensen House
12/06/08	5pm	Mt. Airy Christmas Parade	Mt. Airy Elementary Parking Lot
12/16/08	7:00 pm	Pack Meeting ("Holiday Lights")	American Legion Post 191
01/09/09	7:30 pm	Leaders Meeting	Christensen House
01/23/09	7:00 pm	Pinewood Derby Car Registration	American Legion Post 191
01/24/09	9:30 am	Pinewood Derby ("A-MAZE-ing Games")	American Legion Post 191