

# Pack 1191 Happenings

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PACK 1191



Mount Airy, MD

## Arrow of Light Recap

On Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, five second-year WEBELOS scouts received the Arrow of Light award and career arrows with much ceremony, beside a roaring council fire at Winding Trails Boy Scout Camp. While the WEBELOS scouts had their final moments with their leaders in the teepee, the rest of the pack enjoyed stories and songs. After that, the WEBELOS crossed the bridge and became Boy Scouts, and we toasted marshmallows at the campfire and enjoyed s'mores.

## Den 8 Recognized in Mt. Airy Messenger

After years of hard work and many hours of labor, Den 8 has been recognized in an article in the Mt. Airy Messenger for helping with the clean-up efforts behind Mt. Airy Elementary School.

The article, which appeared on page 10 of the 15 April issue, reports that the science teachers at the school are working to have the area be recertified as a Maryland Green Area. With Den 8's help, the area is moving to a successful point of rejuvenation.

Den 8 would like to thank all the families and friends who have helped with the project over the last couple of years.

*Editor's Note: Additional coverage can be found in Pack Happenings February issue ("Bears Learn about Wildlife") and March issue ("Community Service Project").*

## Busy as... Wolves

Mr. Todd Morris visited the Wolf Den, while we were working on our communications belt loop. He explained what it is like to serve our country and talked about patriotism. After his visit, the scouts wrote letters to wounded soldiers which were sent to Northern Virginia for distribution.



Photo provided by Ginny Titus

*Mr. Todd Morris visits the Wolves of Den 4*



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*The Wolf scouts work hard on earning the compass and map belt loop, courtesy of Mr. Derek Johnson*

## **Tidbits:**

- ◆ **Pack Volunteer Opportunities:** Training Coordinator and Quartermaster; if interested, please contact Beth May.
- ◆ The **Slide Show** from the Blue and Gold banquet, which contains photos from Feb'08 through Jan'09, will be available on CD at Bridging (May 30<sup>th</sup>). There is no charge for the CD, but donations of canned goods will be accepted for a local food bank.

### Bridging Ceremony (May)

The Bridging Ceremony is where each Cub Scout rank "crosses over" to begin working on the next rank. Tigers cross over to the rank of Wolf, Wolves become Bears, and Bears move on to become WEBELOS scouts. Our Bridging Ceremony this year will be held at Winding Trails Boy Scout Camp on Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup>. We will once again have a potluck dinner before the ceremony, and after the ceremony, WEBELOS scouts may stay for an overnight camp-out.



*Cubmaster Paul Christensen as Chief Akela at Bridging in 2008*



*A Tiger crosses the bridge to become a Wolf at Bridging in 2008*

### Lions Carnival (June)

Our Pack will run a basket toss game at the Lions Carnival again this year. The Lions supply the booth and prizes in return for help from our pack. This year we'll help the Lions with running their food booth. Cheri McClanahan will coordinate volunteers, and there will be a sign-up on our pack's website.

### Early Bird Day Camp Registration Deadline Extended

Catoctin Mountain District's Day Camp at Woodsboro Regional Park will be held the week of June 22<sup>nd</sup>. The Early Bird Discount registration deadline has been extended to midnight, May 3, 2009. More information is available online (there's a link on our pack's home page), or from our Camp Coordinator, Janet Morris.

### Log those Volunteer Hours!

If you volunteer with the Pack and/or other organization, you may become eligible for the President's Volunteer Service Award. Adults completing at least 100 hours of volunteer service during the year can receive this award. Kids can also participate in the program.

You can log your volunteer hours directly (online) or via your employer. Go online ([www.presidentialserviceawards.gov](http://www.presidentialserviceawards.gov)) for more information, or check with your employer.



<b>Upcoming Pack Activities</b>			
05/01/09	7:30 pm	Leaders Meeting	TBD
05/12/09	TBD	Roundtable/Program Launch	TBD
05/17/09	6:00 pm	Flag Planting at Veterans' Graves	Prospect Methodist Church
05/25/09	11 am	Memorial Day Service	Pine Grove Chapel
05/30/09 (Sat)	6:00 pm	Pack Meeting – Bridging ("Leave Nothing but Footprints")	Winding Trails Boy Scout Camp
06/01/09 – 06/06/09	Sign up to work booths	Lions Carnival	Mt. Airy Volunteer Fire Company Fairgrounds