

New Parents Meeting 9/13/18

Agenda

- Introductions
- Common Scouting Terms
- Review Pack 92 Leadership Structure
- Cub Scout Year
 - Pack meetings, Den meetings, Pack events
- Cub Scout Advancement
 - Youth Protection
- Scout Book
 - Franklinpack92.org website
- Uniforms...what to buy and where to purchase
- Registration & Annual Fees
- Fundraising
- Q&A

Introductions

Tim O'Toole

- Cubmaster leads the Scouts, Leaders, and overall program
- Starting year 6 with the Pack
- Previously served as Committee Chair/Charter Org Rep and Secretary
- Serves on the Troop 29 Troop Committee
- 2 Boys in the Pack: Tiger & Bear (oldest in Boy Scout Troop 29)
- Enjoy the outdoors camping, fishing, hiking, outdoor cooking, etc...

YOU?

- Tells us your name
- What you do professionally or as a hobby/activity
- Do you have prior Scouting experience as a parent or youth
- What do you hope that your son gets out of his Scouting Experience?

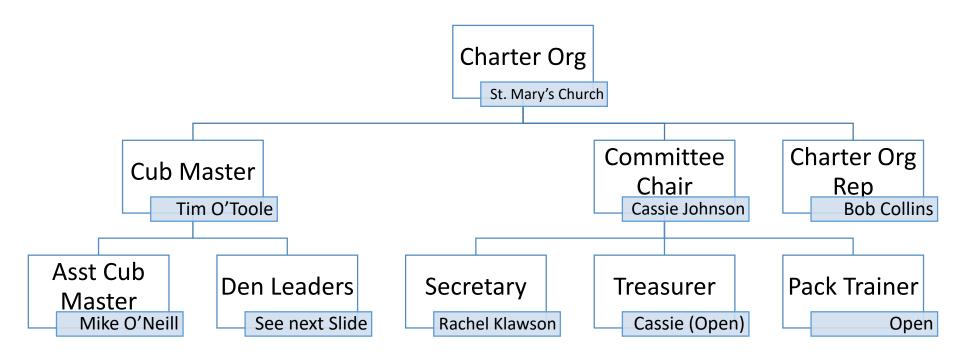
Some Common Scout Terms

- Den: The individual ranks (Tiger, Wolf, Bear, etc) which are determined by grade
- Pack: The larger scouting unit made up of different ranks/grades from 1 or more schools; We are Pack 92 which is comprised of BFCCPS, Parmenter, and Jefferson (we also have Pack 17 & Pack 126 in Franklin)
- Troop: These are older scouts usually grades 6 12; Can start in 5th grade once Webelos Arrow of Light is Earned; Franklin has Troops 29, 99, and 126
- District: Several towns grouped together form a district. We are in the newly formed Headwaters District which runs along I-495 from Franklin to Marlborough
- Council: A Grouping of Districts form a Council; there are 5 Districts in our Council which is called Mayflower; our Council is headquartered in Marlborough where the professional Scout staffers work
- Lion Scout Kindergarten Rank
- Tiger Scout First Grade Rank
- Wolf Scout Second Grade Rank
- Bear Scout Third Grade Rank
- Webelos 4 & 5th Grade Rank; 5th Graders are sometimes called Webelos 2 or AOL (arrow of light) Scouts

Some Common Scout Terms

- Rocket Derby: model rocket kits are built by the scout and parent and we blast them off together
- Pinewood Derby: model car kits are designed and built by the Scout and Parent and we race them at the Pinewood Derby
- Blue & Gold: This is family banquet held every march where we have lunch, entertainment, present awards, and cross our Webelos AOL to their chosen Boy Scout Troops
- Crossover: This is our family BBQ held at the end of the year where we advance our scouts to the next rank
- Scout Book: This is our online scout management system where we can track rank progression, send emails, plan calendar events, and more!
- YPT: Stands for Youth Protection Training; All Scout Leaders are required to take this program in person or online every 2 years
- Pack Committee: This is the group of parents who administer/operate the pack....includes Cubmaster, Chartered Org Rep, Committee Chair, Secretary, Treasurer....any parent can join and help with organization and developing the Cub Scout Pack Program

Pack Organization



Pack Leadership

- Cub Master Tim O'Toole
- Asst Cub Master Mike O'Neill
- Charter Org Rep Bob Collins
- Committee Chair Cassie Johnson
- Secretary Rachel Klawson
- Treasurer Open
- Pack Trainer Open
- Advancement Chair Rebecca Martin and Carolyn Laliberte
- Membership Chair Open
- Website Tim O'Toole
- Social Media/Publicity Open
- Pack Inventory/Orders Open

- Den 1 Lions TBD
- Den 2 Webelos Eileen Chew
- Den 3 Webelos (AOL) Peter Hazlett
- Den 5 Bears Mike O'Neill
- Den 6 Bears Laura Topper
- Den 8 Tigers Stefan Gagnon
- Den 9 Wolves Mark Wrona

Cub Scout Year

- Year Round Program
 - Resets each September
 - The Charter runs Jan Dec
 - Dens meet as a small group (5-10 kids) 1-2 times per month
 - Lions will only meet once per month
 - Dens work on requirements towards badge of rank
 - Pack meets as a larger group (40+ kids) 1 time per month
 - Discuss any recent events or upcoming events
 - Dens have a chance to present what they have been working on
 - Hand out awards or badge of rank earned
 - Discuss principles of the Scout Law (Theme of the Month)
 - Fun activity that has to do with the Theme of the Month
 - Pack Events/Activity
 - Usually once per month
 - May have to do with Scouting Basics (Camping, Hiking, Archery)
 - Sometimes just fun/tradition (Pinewood Derby, Rocket Derby)
 - Community Service (Holiday Show at Senior Center, Scouting for Food)

Pack Meetings

- Opening Activity as Scouts arrive
- Opening Flag Ceremony (Dens take turns leading)
- Cub Master Welcome
- Den presentations/Skits
- Awards
- Monthly Game or Activity (Dens take turns leading)
- Cub Master Minute (Discuss Scout Law)
- Closing Flag Ceremony

Pack Events (tentative)

- Sept: Fall Camping Trip Treasure Valley in Rutland, MA
- Oct: Fall Hike Blue Hills in Canton/TBD
- Nov: Rocket Derby Wrentham Mt. St Mary's
- Dec: Holiday Show Forge Hill Senior Living
- Jan: Pinewood Derby Charter School
- Feb: Ninja Warrior Training (TBD)
- Mar: Blue & Gold Banquet Franklin Elks
- Mar: Spring Overnight Worcester Ecotarium
- Apr/May: TBD
- May: End of Year Cookout and Crossover

Cub Scout Ranks & Advancement

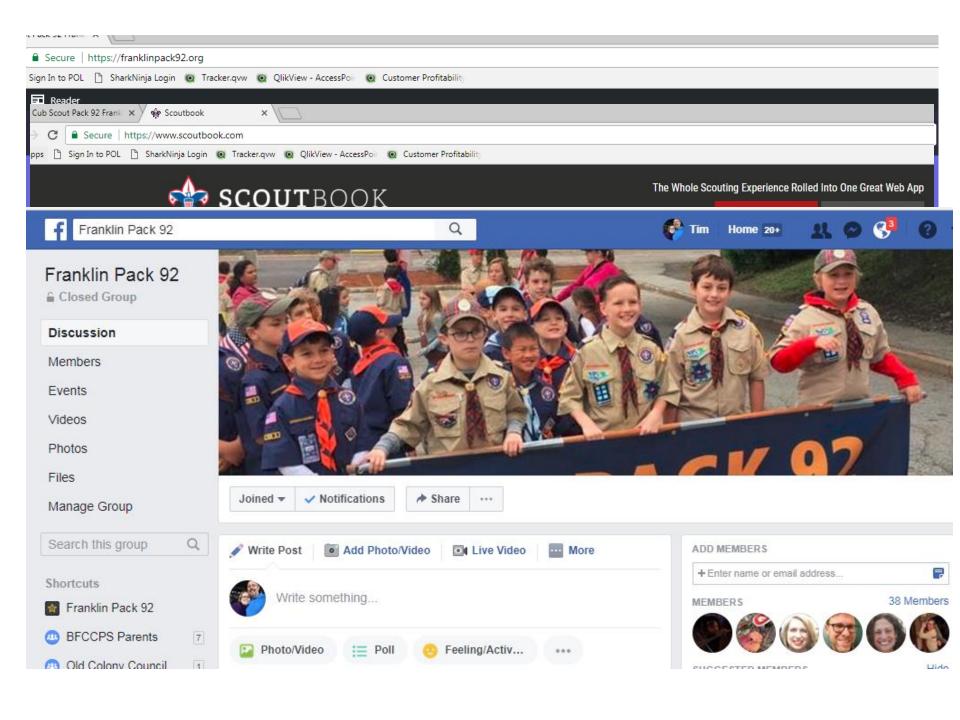
- ✓ Each Rank has several Required "Adventures" and a number of electives depending on the rank
- ✓ With the exception of Lions, each rank will start with Bobcat which will teach them the basics of Scouting
 - Scout Oath, Scout Law, Handshake, Sign, Motto
 - Discussion Pamphlet on Child Safety is also required to earn Bobcat and at each subsequent Rank
 - Link can be found on the Pack 92 website
- ✓ The Scouts earn Belt Loops for each Adventure that they complete
- ✓ Other awards are available ask your Den Leader or Advancement Chair!



- Lions (K)
- Tigers (1st)
- Wolf (2nd)
- Bear (3rd)
- Webelos (4th)
- Webelos AOL (5th)
- Boy Scouts (6-12)

Scout Book, Website, Social Media

- Scoutbook is used to manage our Scout & Parent rosters, rank advancement, events, and email distribution
- We have a website https://franklinpack92.org which we use as our public facing resource
 - Updated periodically with upcoming events and "blog" of most recent events
 - Page of weblinks and reference tools are useful to current parents
- Join us on Facebook (search Pack 92 Franklin)
 - Closed/Private Group
 - Used to share pictures from events
 - Share useful articles related to Scouting



Uniforms

- Class A Uniform consists of BSA Blue Button Down Shirt with Rank Neckerchief and Slide (Webelos wear Khaki)
 - Patches: Den, Council, Pack Numbers "9 & 2", and world Scout Crest, Pack or Rank hat is optional, Blue Scout Belt to display Belt Loops
 - Uniforms can be purchased at a local Scout Store (Southborough on rt 9, Camp Sayre in Milton, Brenners in Norwood Center) or on Scoutshop.org
 - Class A Uniforms are worn to "most" Den and Pack Meetings
- Class B Pack Tshirts are included with your registration fee (see Tim O'Toole)
 - Class B shirts are typically worn for outdoor events such as hiking, camping, or when the scouts are doing more of an active event like archery or indoor rock climbing

Class A Uniform Patch Placement

 Can be found through the link on our website

Forms and Links

BSA Youth Application/Registration Form

Online Scout Uniform Resource – What you need, Where to place patches, Order Online

Scoutbook - Manage your Scout's Advancement and View/RSVP to Pack Events



Registration & Fees

- "old school" paper registration link to a Fillable PDF can be found on the Pack Website (or fill one out here tonight)
- Online Registration invite
- First Year Fee is \$130
 - ✓ Covers partial year registration (through Dec 2018) to National BSA
 - ✓ Covers total year registration 2019 to National BSA
 - √ Council Activity Fee
 - ✓ Rank Neckerchief, Slide, and Class B Shirt provided
 - ✓ Covers cost of most awards (rank and belt loops) given throughout the year
- Annual Fee thereafter is \$110

Fundraising

- Fundraising is an important part of the Scouting Experience as it teaches the Scouts skills and values such as the value of money, public speaking skills, patience, manners, and sometimes humility
 - ✓ Online Sales Trails End Popcorn and other Goodies
 - We will be starting up now
 - ✓ Candy Bar Sales Hilliards Chocolates
 - Annual fundraiser will start in late fall with Show & Sell in January
- Fundraising helps to offset cost of Scouting that would otherwise need to be paid for through annual dues
 - ✓ Pinewood Derby
 - ✓ Rocket Derby
 - ✓ Activity Supplies
 - ✓ End of Year Crossover and BBQ
 - ? Spring Overnight
 - ? Blue & Gold Banquet
 - ? Fall Campout
 - ? Annual Dues

Dependent on

how much

money we raise!

Questions?