

Pack Planning Meeting  
September 30, 2008

Members Present:

Jim Horton – Cubmaster	Kristen Sanders – bear mom, spouse of den 6 leader
Robert Baber - den 4 bears leader	Jill Godding - wolf mom, manages recharter process
Bobby Klack - wolf dad	Kathy and Ken Fox - grand parents of new scout
Rose Frost – wolf mom	Richie Shehadey - bear Den 4 assistant
Jay Lee – tiger dean leader	Lia Martorana- Event coordinator, tiger/bear mom
Ming and Mrs. Lee – wolf parents	Derrik Dormandy - asst. cubmaster/asst. tiger leader
Debbie Harrow - Treasurer	Steve Harrow - Wolf dad, pack greeter
Ed Yetman – Webelo-2 leader	Christine Edmondson - Secretary, Webelo-1 parent rep
Scott White - wolf den leader	Lisa Hildebrandt - Pack committee chairwoman
Westin Wolworth – Den Chief	Shawn Minier – Den Chief

1. Minutes from September 8, 2008 Approved
2. Announcements
  - A. Purpose of Pack Planning Meeting
    - Event planning for year, budget discussion, recruit chairs/point people for events
  - B. Pack Planning Committee Meetings
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays each month at 5:30
    - Our dens work together on a theme (i.e., October theme will be “Adventures in Books”) and pack meeting has a culminating activity that is related to the theme.
    - Communication and announcements, plan monthly den and pack activities, communication and planning bigger pack events
    - Den leaders or representative required to attend, parents very welcome
  - C. We got our summertime pack award for summer 08
  - D. E-mail is primary form of communication. If parents don’t have access to e-mail, then the den leader is responsible for communications and announcements distributed via e-mail.
  - E. Boys need to wear class A uniforms to events – class A uniform is
  - F. 10/18 – Scott – is taking the wolves to Civil War Re-enactment. He has a flier that den leaders can use to announce the event. Den leaders e-mail him for the flier.
3. We need diverse talents of all parents
  - A. Parents
    - Let den/pack leaders know about your talents and skills. We will work with you to find a date for you to lead an activity
    - Another alternative is to develop an activity to fulfill belt loops and/or pin requirements
  - B. Parents Volunteered to develop the following activities:
    - Kip Godding – Sky party, something with astronomy
    - Ed Yetman - Downing Planetarium trip
    - Ming Lee – cycling event in January or February
    - Richie Shehadey – weather

- Debbie Harrow – see newspaper printing at Fresno Bee
  - C. Parents volunteered for the following leadership needs:
    - Research and purchase of PA system for pack meetings  
Richie Shehadey, Steve Harrow, Ed Yetman
    - Training committee – make announcements about training opportunities and track parent participation in training events.  
Steve Harrow
  - D. Parents are encouraged to e-mail pack leadership about ideas
  - E. Parents are encouraged to consider coordinating and/or chairing the following activities (note description of duties is flexible for the various roles)
    - Membership Chair – coordinate e-mail and phone lists
    - Toys for Tots service project coordinator – announcements for pack about the event, collect and store toys until December pack meeting, work with pack leadership to make donation during December pack meeting.
    - Coordinator – pack wish list
    - Committee members – space derby
    - Chair and committee members – pinewood derby
    - Coordinator – caroling event
    - Chair and committee members – Blue and Gold banquet
6. Den Chiefs
- A. Den Chiefs are from Boy Scout Troop 301
  - B. Discussion – What are the duties of Den Chiefs? Lisa’s experience – good for down time songs, etc., share songs and memories, planning with den chief. Den leaders can read up ways that den chiefs can contribute to den activities.
  - C. Discussion - Den Chiefs need mentoring and guidance from pack. This will be the primary responsibility of den leaders who work with the den chiefs
  - D. Discussion – Which dens will work with the den chiefs? Consensus – Eagle Scout Wolworth will work with Webelo 1 & 2; Minier will work with Derrick in the tiger den, with option to rotate to other dens that might need some help.
  - E. Lisa will communicate with den chiefs soon about getting started in their work
7. Discussion - How will we spend popcorn money?
- A. Suggestion - Popup for popcorn sales, with chairs and tables – easy ups are on sale everywhere
    - Ed Yetman will investigate prices
  - B. Important Issue - Fix the storage shed floor and leak in roof
  - C. Pack wish list – needs to be developed and distributed to potential donors
8. Treasurer Report
- A. Our treasurer is actively working to open a new pack account
9. Registration Results:  
8 Tigers, 18 Wolves (2 dens, but collaboration), 18 Bears (2 dens, but collaborations), 9-10 Webelo-1, 7 Webelo-2
10. Update on Popcorn sales
- A. Show and Sells - very successful
  - B. Only ¼ of pre-ordered popcorn is left in Jennifer’s garage

- C. Next Show and Sell - Saturday October 4 from 9:00 – 1:00 at Lowes
    - Special Ed and Scott set up event
    - Ed will e-mail announcement to all pack parents
    - Any Cub Scout or Webelo can volunteer
    - Ed will coordinate volunteers with Scott
  - D. Bring order forms to next den meeting with money – fill those orders with what we do have and order the rest from council. We will receive this popcorn by 11/1 for distribution to people who ordered.
  - E. Order forms will be accepted by Lisa until 10/15/08
  - F. We will receive the popcorn from this final order in mid-November
  - G. We keep our profit, but we need to pay the council their part of the money by 11/21
11. Pack Community Service Projects
- A. Coat drive – organized by a young person in Fresno – pack will help
    - Cubscouts will bring coats to den leaders, den leaders will bring to Kristen and Mark Sanders – they will store
    - Coat drive ends with November Pack meeting
  - B. Toys for Tots
    - Pack would like to participate in this community service project
    - A coordinator is needed
    - Toy drive ends with December Pack meeting
  - C. Clean up day
 

Jill Godding was working with wolf pack to organize a clean up of a local empty lot. This event was cancelled because some one beat the pack to it (chain gang?). This type of community service event would be a great pack activity because it fulfills several badge requirements.
12. Shed Issue
- A. We moved our shed at the Sportsmens Club last spring to a space where the floor is not functional. Also, the roof leaks.
  - B. Shed Committee – Steve Harrow, Derrick Dormandy, and Ed Yetman
  - C. Suggestion – plan for flexibility in floor solution because the Sportsman Club may ask us to move again.
  - D. Does anyone have anything at home that they took when the shed was moved last spring?
13. Calendar Discussion
- A. Make sure any new events don't conflict with existing plan
  - B. Not every boy can attend every event – so parents will need to help scout make up activity – den leader/pack leaders will work to help parents with this.
14. October Pack Meeting
- A. Regular Start – 6:30
  - B. Leaders (or representative) needs to be there at 6:00 to set up games
  - C. Pack meeting will be first activity – flag, pledge, misc. awards, and belt loops in 10 minutes and then party. Note - distributed by den leaders in the next den meeting.

- D. Award info to Bruce Johnson by 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday in October
  - E. Den leaders should see Lia's e-mail about duties in preparation for Halloween Fair
15. Space Derby 11/15
    - A. Chairpersons – Ed and Steve Harrow - they will recruit more committee members, develop rules, address wind-up issues, other and get back to pack committee
    - B. Rockets available first den meeting in October, bring \$4 to Lisa
  16. November pack meeting is 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday because of Thanksgiving
    - Note award info to Bruce Johnson by 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday
    - Bruce will get awards to den leaders by 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday
  17. December Caroling – date 12/14 at Fairwinds
    - Need a coordinator
    - Den leaders need to practice in the dens
    - Den activity – make Christmas cards
    - Lisa H. can e-mail song sheets for practice
    - Weebelo 2 has a puppet skit for caroling
    - Maybe other dens can do skits????
  18. December pack meeting is 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday because of Winter Holiday Break
    - Note award info to Bruce by 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday
    - Bruce awards to den leaders by 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday
    - Pack meeting – Marine from Toys for Tots – steve harrow will look into a contact in the Marines
  19. Pinewood derby
    - Need a chair person and committee
    - Note: Pinewood derby inventor died – it would be nice to highlight his
    - ???Give boys derby cars with popcorn money???
    - Ed has track, software, and light, and cardboards
    - New home is needed for pinewood derby equipment - someone who will be around for awhile
  20. Blue and Gold Event – 2/22/09
    - Blue and Gold celebrate b-day of cubscouts in U.S.
    - Need chairperson and committee
    - Goal all scouts will get their rank badge
    - Theme – American ABC's
    - Den leaders – all dens will do skits and dens will do table decorations/centerpieces
  21. March - Arrow of Light
    - Farewell to Weebelo 2 and Lisa and Ed
  22. April – Community Service or Fishing Derby (Deb Harrow)
  23. May – graduation pack meeting – pack gives scarf and slide

24. January – need to start getting ideas for Summer Activities for Summertime Pack Award for 2009
- Pack meeting + one other idea
  - 2 events each month
25. Den Leader Duties
- Den leader program book gives ideas about what to do in den meetings; embellish on ideas; think about something that would be a requirement for a badge
  - Fast start training – on-line 30 minutes – safety for the boys, get link from Jim (i.e., 2 deep leadership), print completion certificate and get it to Lisa; recommend this for all cubscout parents, get a code from Lisa
  - Attend a leader specific class 10/18 valley christian center (recommend for all people in leadership positions). Other training opportunities will be available – closest and most important event – i.e., Visalia will have one; next close one will be in March
  - Den leaders – should be in cubscout shirts
  - Den leaders – incorporate planning for games, etc. in October den meetings
  - Award info to Bruce by 2<sup>st</sup> Tuesday; Bruce will have actual awards to den leaders by 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday so den leaders can award at pack meeting