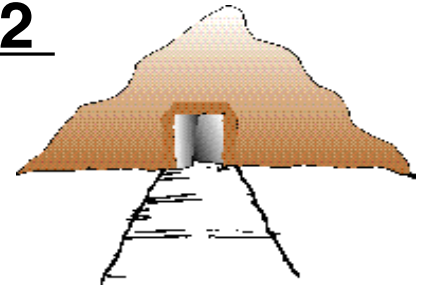


Cub Scout Pack 542

PATHFINDER

October 2005
www.542scouts.org



Thanks to all the volunteers who helped with tonight's pack meeting. A special thanks to Mr. Joe Peters for the Haunted Gold Mine, and to all parents who helped out. Remember Scouts, turn in your neighborhood map to your den leader as part of your belt loop requirements.

Those who braved the cold during the **Camp Out at the Rectory** had a great time. The combination of the night hike and the cold weather helped make this the quietest camp out ever. Thanks to Mr. Frank Pukosek and the Boy Scouts of Troop 542 for arranging the food.

It was cold again, but the rain held off and **Adventure Day** was enjoyed by many scouts from the pack.

Upcoming Events

Pumpkin Patch Outing

October 29, 2005 from 4 pm. to 7 p.m. at Norm's Pumpkin Patch, 7608 West 155th Ave. Lowell, IN 46356 Web Address: <http://www.normspumpkinpatch.com/>
Kids can pick out their own pumpkin, venture through a corn maze for the younger kids, a haunted hayride for the older kids, and a bonfire for roasting hotdogs and marshmallows. The cost is \$8 per child (to be paid to Norm's that night).
If you're interested in attending, contact Lisa Caldwell by email at lisancj@sbcglobal.net or by phone at 219-922-0142.



Deep River Hike



Deep River County Park, 9410 Old Lincoln Highway, Hobart, Indiana. Saturday, Nov. 4, 2005. \$4.00 per Scout includes patch, parking and entrance to Old Mill. Registration/Sign-In at 8:00 a.m. Hike begins at 9:00 a.m. Please let your Den leader know if you are planning to participate. You can register at the event. Medical forms are required and are available at www.542scouts.org (on pg 2 of the registration form.)

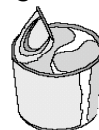
Katrina Scouting Relief Fund

Calumet Council and Pack 542 are collecting for replacement of scouting equipment lost due to the Hurricane. Your monetary contribution can be made at tonight's Pack meeting. In addition, your tax deductible donations can be made to the Calumet Council "**Katrina Scouting Relief Fund**" either through the web site (www.calcouncil.org) or directly to the Scout Service Center in Munster, Indiana.



Food Pantry Donation

As an ongoing service project, all Scouts are asked to bring a nonperishable food item to each pack meeting for the St. Vincent de Paul Society's food pantry.



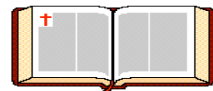
Cub Scout Leader Pow Wow

Saturday, November 19, 2005 at Munster High School. This workshop for scouters provides valuable training and ideas for managing your den, skits, crafts, achievements and rank specific training. Cost is \$25.00. Advance registration is not required. Register at the council office or by mail. Registration forms are available at www.542scouts.org

Youth Protection Training

YPT is required for all adult leaders, must be completed every 2 years and is available online at <http://www.scouting.org/pubs/ypt/ypt.jsp>

VIRTUS Training should be arranged with Sr. Marilyn Hettinger. Please remember: if you are going to volunteer in any capacity to work with the youth of our parish or parish school, you must have gone through the VIRTUS program. www.virtusonline.com



Missalette Change, Saturday, November 26, 2005

Those scouts who are working on the Light of Christ and Parvuli Dei religious awards (Webelos- Den 6 & 10 and Wolves - Deb 4 & 5) are asked to help change missalettes in our church on Saturday morning. See your den leader for more information

IT'S OPENING NIGHT!

November Pack Night

November Pack Night, Wednesday, November 16, 2005 at the St. Thomas More Gym, 6:30 p.m. This is our pack skit night. All den leaders should let Cheryl Jurincie (838-2815 or jurincie@hotmail.com) know which skit they'll be doing so no two dens do the same skit. Parents of Den 4 are should be at the gym at 6:00 p.m. to help set up and and should stay for clean up. Den 4 scouts are responsible for the Opening and Closing Ceremony.

Parents Meeting, Monday, November 7, 2005, 7:00 p.m. STM coat room

December Pack Night, Wednesday December 14, 2005 6:30 p.m.

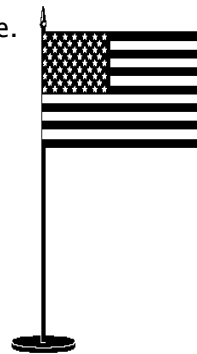
Pack Night Setup/Cleanup and Opening/Closing Schedule

Den parents rotate setting up for and cleaning up after the Pack nights. Parents, if your Den is assigned for set up and cleanup at a Pack meeting, please arrive no later than 6 PM for the 6:30 PM Pack meeting.

Pack Night Opening and Closing Flag ceremonies are done using the same schedule.

Below is the Schedule for this year

| November Pack Night | Den 4 |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| December Pack Night | Den 5 |
| January Pack Night | Den 6 |
| February Pack Night | Den 7 |
| March Pack Night | Den 10 |
| April Pack Night | Tiger Den 2 |
| May Pack Night | Tiger Den 8 |



Laptop

Pack 542 is in need of a laptop for pack organization and special events such as Pinewood Derby. If you have a laptop that you would like to donate or if you can purchase one at a greatly reduced price, please contact Cubmaster Curt Anglin at canglin@542scouts.org

Pack Web Site

www.542scouts.org and
canglin@542scouts.org to reach Cubmaster Curt Anglin

The web site for Pack 542 is updated regularly. You can find our calendar, information about upcoming events, registration forms, monthly Pathfinders, etc. Please check the site often.