



Cub Scout Pack 500 Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

♦ June Pack Meeting

June 17th, 6pm @ MacFarland Park

♦ Pack 500 Annual Food Drive Part 1 – Bag Drop-Off

June 18th, 9am – 11am @ EHS Parking Lot

♦ Scout-Nite w/ the Tacoma Rainiers

June 24th, 6:30pm @ Cheney Stadium

♦ Pack 500 Annual Food Drive Part 2 – Bag Pick-Up

June 25th, 10am – 12:30pm @ EHS Parking Lot

♦ 4th of July Parade

July 4th, time TBD, Cole Street

♦ Pirate Day Camp

July 15th thru 17th @ Flint Tip Archery Range

♦ Green Car Wash

July 30th, 9am @ 1st Street

Monthly Committee/Planning Meetings

The next meeting is April 11th at the Enumclaw Youth Clubhouse.

Monthly planning meetings are typically the first Monday of each month

during the school year (September - June), with exceptions for holidays, such as Labor Day.

The meetings are open to everyone in the Pack, and an ideal place to not only get information but to share your ideas and feedback, and get involved by volunteering to help



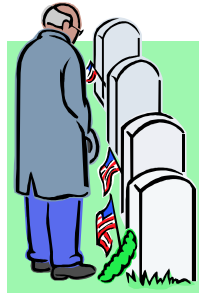
with one or more activities or open positions.

The next scheduled planning meeting is published in each issue of the Pack Newsletter. Minutes from the meeting will also be distributed by email, as will a copy of this newsletter.

Memorial Day Flag Placing

I am very pleased to let everyone know that we had a fantastic turnout for the flag setup as well as the flag take down at the Evergreen Memorial Cemetery last month.

Along with the VFW and the Boy Scouts from Troop 422, we must have placed hundreds of flags. And I must say, the place looked wonderful once we were done.



But due to the weather, the scheduled take-down date was postponed. But our Pack remained very flexible and were there in force to assist on the rescheduled date.

The VFW was so pleased with our turnout on both days, that they'll be giving us a pizza party!! The date and time will be announced as soon as I get it.

Thanks, Cubs, for honoring our veterans in such a respectable and mature manner.

Hands Across the Border

Once again, we had a wonderful time at the 2011 Hands Across the Border!

With seven Cubs and their families, we all had a wonderful weekend camping at the Blaine

Marine Park. And as luck would have it, we had sunny skies the entire weekend. Something worth

mentioning to the Pack, was our Cubs ability to “Improvise, Adapt, and Overcome”



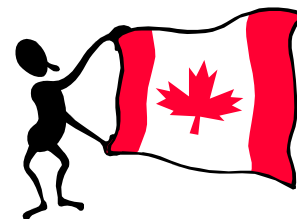
the challenges of the Girl Scouts that were there <grin>. Our boys did some skits in the little amphitheater that knocked their socks off, hehe. I was so very proud of them ☺

The event itself on Sunday was great as well....thousands of Scouts where there, most, if not all, trading patches. After a brief tutorial on how to trade, our first timers did very well and some got patches from as far away as the South Carolina! WTG!!

We also marched in the parade, with our Pack banner flying....it was nice to hear our Pack announced to the entire crowd as we passed under the PeaceArch. And once again, the

Cubs surprised me when I happened to see the American and

Canadian flags under the arch with the Washington State Patrol and Canadian Mounties Honor Guard....I yelled out “Cub Scout salute!” and all the Cubs and Leaders gave a great salute to the flags as we passed. Then a perfect “Two!” ended our honoring of the flags. That made me so proud of our Pack! Thank you, boys!



Annual Food Drive

One of our community service projects is coming up and we need Cubs to sign up to ensure it's successful. Our annual Food Drive start on June 18th at 9am at the EHS parking lot. We'll distribute maps to everyone there and we'll drop off our donation bags that morning.

On June 25th, part 2 completes the project as we meet again at the EHS parking

lot, but at 10am this time, to pick up all the food donations and delivery them to

Plateau Outreach Ministries.

This is a really important service project and we need to make this as successful as possible. All the foods we collect stays within the community and is used by anyone needing them. This is another great example that we can use to teach our Cubs about charity and how we can help others. Please sign up at the next Pack meeting or call the Cubmaster. Thanks.



Tacoma Rainiers Scout Nite

Though sign-ups have closed, Pack 500 is making a very good showing at this event. It takes place at the newly remodelled Cheney Stadium on June 24th at 7pm!

We have 10 Cubs and 18 family members

signed up to attend this game against the Colorado Springs Skysox!

Wow! Another Pack 500 record!

All the Scouts that attend the game, get to go out on the baseball field for the National Anthem...I'm sure the boys will be plenty surprised to see how large a pro field really is,



hehe. We'll also get a limited edition baseball cap, a hotdog, a soda, and some chips too...and to end the evening, a great fireworks show.

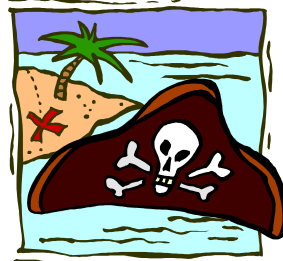
So for those attending, meet at the ticket booth at 6:30pm so I can pass out your tickets. See you there!

Need MORE Help For Our Pirate Day Camp!!!

Our Day Camp is right on track and things are looking good. So find your topsiders, hank on your sails, and polish your hooks! July 15th thru 17th is the weekend we've been waiting for all summer!

We have our scheduled events all prepared, but we can't do this alone.

Every day, there are 6 activities for each of the 5 dens. So as you can see, there are 30 sessions to address...every day. With only 6 leaders, we can use some help.



Remember, this is a Pack 500 event and we need the parents of Pack 500 to "step up" and help. Please see the Cubmaster if you can help...even for a session or two, as we can use any help, no matter how small, to make this a real success.

Green Car Wash Time!

Tentatively, on July 30th, we'll be doing our Green Car Wash service project. This is an opportunity for you and your Cubs to learn about what a "green" car was is and to teach that to our local community.

Starting at 9am, we'll have an information booth set up with lots of information about being

"green", recycling and other sound



ecological practices. We'll also be washing cars...the "green" way. Donations are accepted, so this is also a fundraiser of sorts too ☺

So plan on helping out that day. Signup sheets with time slots are available at the Pack Meeting!

Open Volunteer Positions

Please contact the Cubmaster if you can assist your Cub's Pack by volunteering for one of these positions. An hour or two a month is all it takes ☺ to make YOUR Pack, the BEST Pack on the Plateau! Thanks!

- ◆ Assistant Cubmaster
- ◆ Pack Trainer
- ◆ Outings Chair
- ◆ Public Relations Chair
- ◆ Re-Registration Chair

It needs to be mentioned our committee membership is starting to age <grin>, so we'll need some new members on the committee. Please think about as we will lose some by the end of the year.

Photos for Pack Meetings

The Cubmaster's usual call for photos is still in effect. So send them to him so we can keep our slideshows going. Thanks!

Do We Have Your Info?

And, do you have ours? It's important we are getting information to you reliably. If you're not hearing from us, please provide your Den Leader and the **Cubmaster, Ray Gach**, with updated contact information!

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