

Akela Newsletter

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October Pack Meeting

Our pack meeting this month will be held at Kelly Dahm's house on October 29th starting at 6:00 p.m. We would like everyone to bring a snack to share or treat bags: brownies, cookies, chips, rice krispies treats, etc. You may wear a costume if you like, but remember to dress for the weather. Please bring a lawn chair, flashlight, and scout cup if you have one. This will be fun for the whole family. Directions to Kelly's house are: travel south on 160 towards Trenton. Turn left at Kaufmann flooring (St. Morgan), continue straight to T and turn left on Lee Road. Go 1/2 block and turn right on Primrose. The house is the fourth one on the left (white siding). Phone number is 974-8359. Schedule for the activity is below:

6:30 p.m.	Flags – Tigers
6:40 p.m.	Award Presentation
7:15 p.m.	Play – Webelos II
7:40 p.m.	Camp Fire
8:30 p.m.	Hay ride
10:00 p.m.	Go home

Newsletter Topics

- **October Pack Meeting**
- **Fort Hills Scouting Days**
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- **Pack Rechartering**
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Fort Hills Scouting Day

There are several parts of the Hill's Fort campout and scout days that are a perfect fit for the cub scouts:

- Clay Pottery will meet several electives for all levels of cub scouting
- Carpentry for Wolf, Bears and Webelos 1 cub scouts.
- Pathfinding and /Geocaching for Webelos 1 cub scouts.
- Basic Electricity for Wolf, Bear, and Webelos 1 cub scouts.
- Rope Making for all levels of cub scouting. Den Leaders could work on knots with their dens.

Camping is free and the campfire, fort program and all the other activities is perfect experience for all our cub scouts.

Mike Mercer, Daniel Dugan, Brian Korte and Mark Irvin, the leaders of Den 3 Webelos II, are all attending the event. We will be camping as well. If any other Dens are camping, please let us know so we can plan the camping part together. See the flyer attached at the end of the newsletter for more information. Any Cub Scout camping MUST have a parent camping with them.

Popcorn Fundraiser

The Show-N-Sell weekend went very well. The total for the weekend was around \$3,600. We really want to thank all of the scouts and parents that came out to help sell. An extra thanks to several families that picked up shifts at the last minute and stayed past their scheduled slot to help out.



Please remember:

- **Remember to collect the payment when you take the order.**
- If you fill up an order sheet, you can be entered in the weekly “Fill It Up” drawings with the council. Just email or bring a copy of the order form to Gary Miller.
- All order forms and money must be turned in absolutely no later than 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 16th.
- Orders will be ready to pick up on November 4th from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at the EVUCC Fellowship Hall. We will need some help sorting the popcorn that afternoon from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. We might also need some help picking up the popcorn from the warehouse.

Please see the information sheet at the end of the newsletter for further information.

Pack ReChartering

According to the Council’s policies, our pack must recharter every year before the middle of December. This process involves confirming all the scouts and leaders in the pack, plus collecting registration fees and Boy’s Life subscription fees before the end of October. The fees for next year are \$15 per leader and scout and \$12 for the Boy’s Life subscription. If you registered last month and paid the \$20 registration fee and/or Boy’s Life fee of \$16, you are already registered for next year. If you have enough money in your scout account, you can pay your fees with the account; otherwise, a check will need to be written to Pack 43 for the fees. Fees must be paid by October 31st and you can give the payment to Eric Augustin or Gary Miller.

Leader Training

Leaders, is that time of the year to check your training requirements. All leaders need to have the following trainings completed as soon as possible:

- Youth Protection Training (good for two years)
- This Is Scouting
- Fast Start Leader Training
- Hazardous Weather Training
- Leader Specific Training

If you need any of these trainings, you can take them online at www.myscouting.org or we will be setting up dates to watch the videos in October for these classes. Watch for emails about trainings in next week.

If you were a Tiger leader last year, you need to complete the Leader Specific for Wolf and Bear. If you were a Bear leader last year, you need to complete the Webelos Leader Specific and Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills.

Please send any training updates with copies of the training cards to Gary Miller as you complete your trainings.

Contact Us

Kelly Dahm, Cubmaster, 654-7596
Gary Miller, Committee Chair, 792-0180

www.highlandpack43.org

Pack Calendar of Events

October 4 – District Round Table

October 6 – Pack Committee Meeting

October 8 – Fort Hills Scouting Day

October 16 – Popcorn Orders and Money Due

October 29 – October Fall Party, 6:00 p.m., Kelly Dahm's House



Bowling Belt Loop and Pin

Tiger Cubs, Cub Scouts, and Webelos Scouts may complete requirements in a family, den, pack, school, or community environment. Tiger Cubs must work with their parents or adult partners. Parents and partners do not earn loops or pins.

Requirements for the Bowling Belt Loop

1. Explain to your leader or adult partner the rules of courtesy and safety for bowling.
2. Show how to pick out a ball of proper weight and with finger holes that fit your hand.
3. Play a complete game with your family or den.

Requirements for the Bowling Pin

Earn the Bowling belt loop, and complete five of the following requirements:

1. Read about the history of the sport of bowling. Tell your den or an adult family member about what you learned.
2. Explain to your den or an adult family member the meaning of the following terms: strike, spare, split, miss, and foul. Show their symbols for scoring.
3. Demonstrate proper stance, delivery, balance, and follow-through to your leader or adult partner.
4. Try different types of delivery and hand positions and see which work best for you.
5. Score a complete game using a score sheet and the proper symbols, or explain the symbols and scoring on a computer-generated score sheet.
6. Plays at least four games and chart your progress. Figure out your average score.
7. Compete in a Scout, family, school, or community bowling tournament.
8. Take bowling lessons.
9. Attend a parent, high school, college, or professional bowling competition.
10. Visit a bowling alley and learn about the care and maintenance of the bowling lanes, pins, and racks.

When you are finished with the belt loop and pin, please inform your den leader so they can update the system.

2011 SCOUT POPCORN SALES

IMPORTANT DATES & INFORMATION

- You may start selling popcorn on September 9th! **PLEASE COLLECT THE MONEY AS YOU TAKE THE ORDERS!** Checks will not be cashed until October 19th.
- **Important Dates**
 - **October 16th, Deadline for turning in orders to Gary**
 - **November 4th, Popcorn Pickup**
- Sales forms **must** be filled out with:
Scout Name
Den Number
Phone Number
Prize Choice
- Parents, please double-check all order totals.
- All popcorn order forms must be submitted to Gary Miller by **7:00 pm, Sunday, October 16th**. (This is a firm deadline to allow us time to prepare and submit the order.)
- If turning orders into your den leader, allow them enough time to meet the above deadline. If you choose to submit your orders directly to us, our contact information is listed at the end of this memo.
- **PLEASE INCLUDE THE MONEY WHEN TURNING IN YOUR ORDER FORM.**
- We will pick up the popcorn on Friday afternoon, November 4th from the warehouse in Wood River. It will be taken to the EVUCC church and sorted for pickup (volunteers are welcome to help sort!)
- **Popcorn orders will be ready for pick-up on Friday night, November 4th at the EVUCC Fellowship Hall. All popcorn must be picked up during this time. If you cannot pick up your order, please make arrangements for someone else to pick it up for you. Please double-check your order at time of pick-up to verify that it is correct.**
- Prizes will be given out at the December pack meeting. Every scout who sells a popcorn item will receive a popcorn patch. If the scout sells more than \$250 he has the ability to earn more cash prizes. Also, the pack will award gift cards to the top seller in each den and the overall top seller.
- Profits from popcorn sales help fund pack events and camp fees for individual scouts.

Thank you in advance for helping make this year's popcorn sale a success.

Contact Information:

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Julie Brissenden, Den 1 – Wolves, juliebriss@charter.net, 618.654.9527
Bill Curry, Den 2 – Tigers, currybill@rocketmail.com, 618.654.5433
Den 3 – Webelos II, not available at time of printing
Dana Bourland, Den 4 – Webelos I, dana.bourland@yahoo.com, 618.882.6322
Duane Holzinger, Den 5 – Bears, drholzi@charter.net, 618.654.1379

Hill's Fort Scout Days!

Cubs and Girl Scouts: Grab your books and see what you can work on in these areas for your next advancement.

Rope Making

Clay/Pottery (Pinch & Coil)

Quilting

Basic Electricity

Pathfinding and GEO Caching

Carpentry

Boys Scouts: Merit Badges that will be offered

Prerequisites will be sent with your session time.



Metalwork



Aviation



Bugling—Partial

October 7 & 8, 2011

Camping on Friday Night —No Cost

Camping set up will be available after 5:00 PM

1800's Spotlight Program in Cabin after Dark

Group Campfire with Folk Signers—Bring you instrument if you play one and there will be time for skits as well

Lights out at 10:00 PM

Saturday Activities

Registration Check In 8:00 AM - 8:30 AM & 9:30 AM and on.

Raise the Colors by the Territorial Rangers at 8:45 AM

20 Historical Flag Presentation Starting Promptly at 9:00 AM

Hills Fort and Illinois History in the 1800's—Session at 11:00 and 2:00 inside the fort

Co-located with American Farm Heritage Museum, Greenville I-70 & Rt 127, exit 45, then 100 yds & left at frontage road. A Map will be sent with your registration confirmation.

Send the following information with the areas you want to participate in. Cubs and Girl Scouts can pick up to 5 sessions and Boy Scouts up to 2 merit badges and 1 other session in the order of preference to you.

We will work you into as many of the sessions as we can.

Name: _____

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Troop Number: _____

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