



Pack 136

Newsletter

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October is an exciting month!

Hello Pack 136!

The Spooky Season is upon us and October is chock full of great scouting activities for the whole family!

For starters, the committee encourages all families and interested adults to join in on our monthly Zoom-based committee meetings. It is here that we plan out upcoming meetings and activities for the kids and check in with den leaders to ensure everyone is on track and working the Cub Scout program to the most benefit. It is here that we discuss and problems or concerns and seek out solutions. If any parent would like to sit in on meetings or join the committee, all are welcome!

This year the Pack will not plan its own pack-only campout for the fall, but instead will conduct a day hike at Highland Road Park, where the Scouts will learn proper outdoor etiquette, the Outdoor Code and Leave No Trace Code, how to pitch a tent and select a good campsite, and other skills. Families have the option to participate in the district Cub Scout campout for scouts and their families at Camp Avondale. This year's event is a Halloween themed Monster Madness campout which should be a lot of fun. Cub Haunted deadline to pay is Oct. 18.

At our Pack meeting this month, all dens will work together to earn the Bobcat rank/belt loop and create their own den flags, which are carried on campouts, hikes and other events. Everyone should attend to help design and create your den's flag! (Materials provided)

We hope all of the dens have had their first meeting and are getting underway earning requirements. Remember, the advancement program is how the Scouting program is administered to our Youth, so be sure to check out the rank pages on our Pack website for details!

Please contact us with any concerns or if help is needed at your den meetings!

The Committee



PACK INFO

- "Like" us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/Pack136StGeorge/>
- Visit our website at: <https://scoutpack136.wordpress.com/home/>
- Join the Pack's **GroupMe** communication group, contact pack136.stgeorge@gmail.com

DATES TO REMEMBER

- 10/10 Pack Hike at Highland Road Park (1pm)
- 10/13 Pack Meeting 6:30 @SGS Cafeteria - All Dens will work on Bobcat Rank and Den Flags
- 10/23 Donate cakes to SG Fair cake walk @ SGS Gym
- 10/25 Committee Meeting via Zoom 5pm
- 10/23-25 District Cub Campout @ Avondale
- 10/31 **PACK DUES \$50 PER SCOUT DUE. PLEASE SEND TO PACK VENMO**

CAKEWALK DONATIONS

Pack 136 has seen many traditions come and go over the years, and while some older traditions fade away, new ones are created. During the weekend of the St George Parish Fair, traditionally Pack 136 has provided cakes for the fair cakewalk and conducted a cake design contest in the process. This year, we would like to encourage any families who want to continue to bake and design cakes together (great bonding experience) and donate them to the St. George Fair cakewalk to please consider doing so.

Design and bake a cake with your scout, take a GOOD picture of it, and email it to the Pack email address at pack136.stgeorge@gmail.com where it will remain live for ONE WEEK. Design categories include Scout themed, St. George themed, or Halloween themed. Pinterest has a ton of great resources on Scout cakes for cake contests to check out!

All cake photo submissions are due on October 25th by 11pm. Winners in each category will receive a prize at the next Pack meeting!

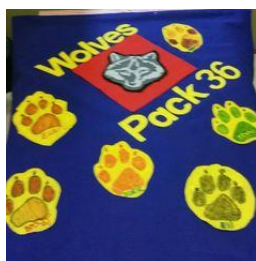
Please drop off the cakes to the cakewalk at the St. George Gym on October 23rd, any time after 4:00pm. They would greatly appreciate it!



PACK MEETING

At this October Pack Meeting (Oct 13, 6:30pm at the St. George Cafeteria), We will all go over each rank's Bobcat requirement, and we will also make den flags. Each Den should have its own flag and it's own unique cheer. Parents, please look over your Scout's Bobcat rank requirements at this link: <https://www.scouting.org/programs/cub-scouts/adventures/>

Den flag materials will be provided, a pole, a pillowcase and fabric markers, but if dens want to get more elaborate, feel free to bring any other crafting materials. Again, check out Pinterest and Google for some great den flag ideas.



PACK HIKE

Our Pack will go on a hike at Highland Road Park (High side) at 1pm on Saturday October 10. At this event, the Scouts will learn proper outdoor manners, how to make their own trail mix, how to choose a good tent site, and will learn how to set up a tent for camping. We will play Nature bingo and learn to identify several types of plants and animals.

All Scouts should have at least one parent along, and should come prepared for an hour long hike with a daypack that has the 6 Essentials for a Cub Scout Hike as seen in the graphic below. Please wear shoes that are comfortable and that you do not mind getting dirty.



RELIGIOUS EMBLEMS

One of the tenants of Scouting is a reverence to God and a respect for all religions. And for Scouting families who want to go the extra mile, the Cub Scout religious emblems program is there. The Cub Scout religious emblems program helps reinforce the 12th point of the Scout Law which is "A Scout is reverent." Through the religious emblems program, Scouts earn badges by achieving goals created for their particular religion. Participation in this program can begin with Cub Scouts. It continues on through Scouts BSA. Each religion has its own set of emblems available to earn. Once earned, the scout wears a purple knot on the uniform.



Workbooks for the Religious emblems can be found at scoutshop.org or at the Baton Rouge Scout Shop at 9644 Brookline Ave, Baton Rouge, LA 70809. All workbooks and applications are due at the end of May and are to be completed at home with the family.

DISTRICT CAMPOUT

October 23-25, 2024, Camp McGee at Camp Avondale

Come join other Cub Scout families for a weekend of spooky (family friendly) camping fun! The cost is \$10 per person, with siblings 4 and under FREE. See the flyer below and visit the link below to register. This event will include food, but each family must bring their own mess kit and camping equipment.

<https://scoutingevent.com/211-CubHauntedCampMcGee>

See the informative article on Camping with Cub as the Pack Website.

<https://scoutpack136.com/2023/10/27/camping-with-cubs/>



LEADER & ADULT TRAINING

Pack leaders,

St. George would like us all to make sure we are thoroughly up to date with our BSA Council Youth Protection and Diocese Youth Protection. Be sure that the committee has current copies of your YPT course completion certificates for both.

Because we are chartered by a Catholic Church, everyone working with the children also has to pass the Diocese training. That can be found at the link below. Watch the Code of Ethics and Safe and Sacred Training for Adults videos, and fill out and turn in to Mike Nolan the EAPPS Application for Volunteers. (The church and the pack both need copies of the completion certificates)

<https://diobr.org/child-youth-protection>

St. George is also asking that all youth leaders re-sign their Church/Diocese Youth Protection agreement found at this link:

<https://scoutpack136.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/code-of-ethics.pdf>

Send a message to the Pack email if you have any questions.

All resources are available on the Pack website under **Leader Resources**.

<https://scoutpack136.com/leader-resources/>