



Pack 136

Newsletter

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Let's get scouting!

Hello Pack 136!

We hope everyone has had a wonderful summer filled with adventure, lazy days and sunshine! This past summer, a few of our Cub Scouts were able to have some fun scout-related adventures, and the Committee is preparing to move forward with this fall's Pack programming.

Welcome back to our veteran families, and welcome new families! We hope this year will be a great year of discovery and adventure for your children. We have an active three months coming up on the horizon, with our Pack and Den meetings, Raingutter Regatta and October Scout Skills Hike. Be sure to read our newsletters, attend Pack meetings and get signed up for our GroupMe for both the Pack and your Den to stay informed about activities, any time or location changes, and everything your scout needs to know to complete their rank requirements for the year.

This September, **den meetings and pack meetings resume**, and it'll be time to get started on new rank requirements! Be sure to visit the Resources page on our Pack website for your child's rank to see what requirements they have this year, and to access helpful resources.

Our website has most of the information needed to pursue the Cub Scout program, both at Den meetings and at home. Don't forget, all of the information each grade/rank needs to complete their required work for the year is under the Parents' Resources and Rank sections of the website.

We also encourage parents to please help our volunteer committee with helping to put on our events, our races, our outings, and consider serving on the Committee itself. Every bit of help is appreciated!

The Committee

PACK INFO

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

DATES TO REMEMBER

- 9/8 Pack Meeting @ 6:30pm, St. George Cafeteria. (Kidstrong)
- 9/27 Pack Committee Meeting ONLINE at 5pm
- 9/19 Pack Raingutter Regatta @ St George Cafeteria at 2pm
- 9/22 Lion Den Meeting @ 6pm
- 9/28 Webelos Den Meeting @ 6pm
- 9/27 Tiger Den Meeting @ 3pm
- 9/28 AOL Den Meeting @ 6pm
- 9/28 Wolf Den Meeting @ 6pm
- 9/21 Bear Den Meeting @ 6:30 pm



UPCOMING DISTRICT EVENTS

- 9/25-27 BALOO Training for adults and leaders at LA Renaissance Fair Campgrounds. We must have at least two, preferably more, BALOO trained adults to go on overnight campouts and scouting excursions. Learn more at this link:
<https://www.istroumascouting.org/content/131798/BALOO-IOLS>
- 10/1 Cub Scout Leader Specific Training: <https://www.istroumascouting.org/Cub-Position-Trng>
- 10/3 Scout Day at LSU: <https://www.istroumascouting.org/LSUScoutDay1-Oct26>
- 10/16-18 Arrow of Light Scout Skills at Avondale:
<https://www.istroumascouting.org/content/131810/IAC-Scout-Skills-with-AOLs>
- 10/23-25 Cub Haunted Campout at Avondale:
<https://www.istroumascouting.org/content/121629/Cub-Haunted-Weekend>

HOW TO JOIN

Do you have friends who want to join Cub Scouts? Are you a new family interested in joining? Welcome aboard! Follow these steps to get started:

- 1) Fill out a [Youth Application Form](#) for each child OR visit the [Join Us](#) section of the [Pack website](#)
- 2) Dues are \$285 for 12 month without Scout's Life magazine subscription, \$300 with Scout's Life.
- 3) Venmo payment to Treasurer at [@Cubscouts-StGeorge](#) or make checks payable to "Pack 136" to turn into the Treasurer or Cubmaster. Information on how to send money to the Pack at [this link or instructions under Parent Resources on Pack Website.](#)
- 4) Visit the [Baton Rouge Scout Store](#) at **4307 Bluebonnet Blvd B, Baton Rouge, LA 70809** to pick up a uniform for your Scout's rank and a handbook. For used uniform options, check eBay.
- 5) Visit our website's [Parent Resources](#) and [Calendar](#) sections to learn more about our Pack and Scouting!



NEW SCOUT SHOP LOCATION

For many years, our Baton Rouge Scout Shop has been at its Brookline location, supplying all of your Scouting needs from uniforms and camping gear to pinewood derby kits and handbooks. Sadly, due to the sale of the previous building, the Scout office and Shop were required to relocate to a new location just off Bluebonnet.

The Scout Shop and Office are now located at 4307 Bluebonnet Blvd B, Baton Rouge, LA 70809.

MARK THE CALENDAR!

Raingutter Regatta

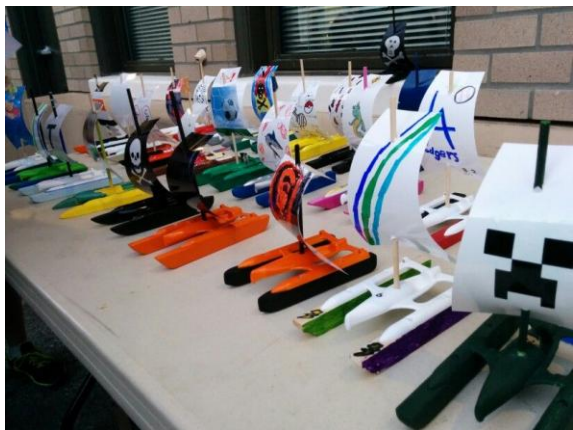
Sunday, September 19, 2026, 2:00pm at St. George.

The Raingutter Regatta is a racing event for Cub Scouts that is the sailboat equivalent of the Pinewood Derby. Each Scout makes a boat from a sailboat kit with everything you need to participate. **These are purchased at the Scout Shop on Bluebonnet Dr. We will also have kits to purchase at the September 8 Pack meeting.** Within the basic design rules, Scouts are free to paint and decorate their sailboats as they choose. **(No water based paints!)** You must only use what is in the kit, no weights or extra modifications.

The boats are raced in a standard rain gutter track that is ten feet long, placed on a table or saw horses and filled to the top with water. The boats are propelled by blowing the sail with a hand fan. The boat cannot be touched with hands or the fan. The first boat to reach the end of the gutter is the winner. The overall winner is determined by an elimination system.

This is always a fun event and we love seeing the various boat designs every year. Be sure to get those boat kits soon and get started building them! (We recommend trying it in the bathtub before race day!) More resources available on the [Event Resources area](https://scoutpack136.com/event-resources/) of the webpage.

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October Pack Scout Skills Hike

Saturday - Sunday, October 10 @ Highland Road Park

The Scouts will meet at Highland Road BREC PARK (on the high side) and practice safe hiking skills, learn camping skills and how to pitch a tent, learn about the Cub Scout 6 Essentials, and many other important activities! All scouts should come prepared to hike with at least one parent in attendance, comfortable shoes, and a daypack with the Cub Scout 6 Essentials.

START EARNING THOSE RANK REQUIREMENTS!

Rank advancement and recognition of hard work is how Scouting presents its program to youth. At each grade level, Dens of children in the same grade or age work together towards various skills in Scoutcraft, leadership and personal development. All ranks must complete the required Adventures and one elective to earn the rank patch of their grade level. [On the Pack website under Parent Resources](#) (midway down the page) is information for each rank level, pages that hold all of the information each rank needs to complete requirements, either with the den or at home (So if you miss a Den meeting, **parents** it's up to you to make sure your Scout completes the work!) On each Rank page are YouTube videos, links and resources needed for all required activities. All families should read through [the Parent Resources page](#) on the website and bookmark or [subscribe to the calendar](#).

Den leaders, also on the rank pages are the new Den meeting lesson plans. We recommend that these be printed out and activities divided among the parents at each meeting to make sure everyone shares the work in guiding our Scouts to their end goals!

For each completed requirements, scouts can wear the associated belt loop on their uniform belts to show off their progress! Webelos earn pins and wear them on a display ribbon on the sleeve of their uniforms.

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



REQUIRED ADVENTURES FOR CUB SCOUT BADGES OF RANK

LION	1 st Grade	2 nd Grade	3 rd Grade	Webelos 4 th Grade	Webelos 5 th Grade
Knockout	1. Lion's Den	2. Lion's Den	3. Lion's Den	4. Lion's Den	5. Lion's Den
Arrow of Light	6. Arrow of Light	7. Arrow of Light	8. Arrow of Light	9. Arrow of Light	10. Arrow of Light
Wolf	11. Wolf	12. Wolf	13. Wolf	14. Wolf	15. Wolf
Bear	16. Bear	17. Bear	18. Bear	19. Bear	20. Bear
Arrow of Light	21. Arrow of Light	22. Arrow of Light	23. Arrow of Light	24. Arrow of Light	25. Arrow of Light
Elective	26. Elective	27. Elective	28. Elective	29. Elective	30. Elective

PACK LEADERSHIP

For the 2024-2025 Scouting year, the Pack leadership is as follows:

Chartered Organization Representative = Peter Giambrone	Lion Den Leader = TBD
Committee Chairman = Ashley Michel	Tiger Den Leaders = TBD
Cubmaster = Shared among Committee	Wolf Den Leader = TBD
Assistant Cubmaster = Jason Miller	Bear Den Leader = TBD
Treasurer = Seth Bagwell	Webelos Den Leader = TBD
Advancement Chair = Codey Fontenot	Arrow of Light Den Leader = TBD
Committee Member= Eric Bordelon	
Committee Member = Karen Bordelon	
Committee Member = Josh Kirst	

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.

New Leaders

First thing that needs to be done is (if you don't already have one) create a username and password at www.my.scouting.org. (this is the same login used for Scoutbook)

Watch the BSA Youth Protection program. It's usually featured pretty noticeably on the home page, but if not, go to menu, my training, and youth protection is the first thing you should see in My Training in the middle of the page.

We have copies of all the Den Leader handbooks for each rank at the Scout House if anyone needs to borrow one, and PDF versions of the books are under Leader Resources on our webpage

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

Fill out an Adult Application form, if you have not already (the Pack pays the registration fees for adult volunteers):

<https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/524-501.pdf>

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>

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

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

2026-2027 DUES & FEES

This year, the National Organization (Boy Scouts of America) is trying a new dues system. There will no longer be any prorated fees. This means that when you join, regardless of where in the year, you pay for the year. So if you join in August, you pay through August 2027.

ALL PAYMENTS DUE BY OCT. 31, 2026

Nat'l Reg. Fee	\$85
Istrouma Council Fee	\$150
Pack 136 Fees	\$50
Scout's Life Magazine Subscription (optional)	\$15

New Scouts Total (Without Magazine)	\$285
New Scouts Total (With Magazine)	\$300



UNIFORMS

All Scouts are to attend Pack and Den meetings in the proper uniform (Class A) for their rank. Lions must wear the Lion T-Shirt, while Tigers through Webelos wear the blue Cub Scout uniform shirt. Arrow of Light Scouts may begin wearing the tan shirt in preparation for crossing over into the Troops. See the graphic below:



For families on a budget, used uniforms are acceptable, as long as they do not have any previous rank or unit number patches on them. A good place to look is [eBay for used shirts](https://www.ebay.com/itm/used-cub-scout-uniforms).

For Pack outings and campouts, Scouts have the option of wearing the Pack t-shirt (Class B uniform). These can be ordered from Central Crossthreads at this link:

https://centralcrossthreads.com/cub_scouts_pack_136/shop/home

