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# THE PACK RAG

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A NEWSLETTER FOR CUB SCOUT PACK 168

MARCH 2016

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## Calendar:

### April

- 6<sup>th</sup> Leaders' Meeting, Edina Grill, 8 pm  
9<sup>th</sup> Blue and Gold Breakfast, 9 am  
24<sup>th</sup> Mustang District Pinewood Derby  
26<sup>th</sup> Feed My Starving Children 6pm

### May

- 4<sup>th</sup> Leaders' Meeting, Edina Grill, 8 pm  
14-15<sup>th</sup> Spring Overnight Camping Trip  
19<sup>th</sup> Pack Meeting, Hot Dog Roast, 6 pm  
TBD Spring cleanup at Good Samaritan

### June

- 1<sup>st</sup> Leaders' Meeting, Edina Grill, 8 pm  
4<sup>th</sup> Northern Star Council Pinewood Derby  
10-12<sup>th</sup> Cub Scout Summer Camp

## Pack 168 Rules of Respect

1. Respect our meeting place or property
2. Respect the people around you.
3. Respect the American Flag and our ceremony.
4. Respect the Akela, leader of meeting.

Parents, please review these rules before all meetings with your children. Also, please step in and reinforce these rules if your children are not following them within the meeting.

## Sign Up for the Blue and Gold Breakfast, April 9th!

Saturday April 9th- the Blue and Gold Breakfast is coming early this year! The Blue and Gold is traditionally the date by which we strive to complete Scouts' rank requirements so they can be awarded their rank badge and we can celebrate their efforts together. The Blue and Gold also serves as a fundraiser for the Pack- see below for terrifically fun ways to support the pack...

**Cake Auction:** One of the most fun events of the year, Scouts and families are asked to put on their crazy chef hats and create a cake for a silent auction. The cakes are fantastic and bidding is fierce!

**Silent Auction:** Please consider items big or small to donate for a silent auction benefitting the Pack. Any new, unused items or scout-friendly activities such as gift certificates, sports tickets, camping gear, hosting a barbeque- any donation is greatly appreciated! [DONATE HERE](#)

A hot breakfast will be served.

[SIGN UP TO LET US KNOW YOU'RE COMING](#)

## Friends of Scouting

[Friends of Scouting](#) is an annual effort to raise funds for the BSA to help support the camps and programs which our scouts enjoy throughout the year. This year our Pack has a \$1500 goal- as an added incentive, we will be given free derby cars if we meet this target! [Click here](#) to see if your company matches donation. **If you donate to the Northern Star Council online, please enter PACK 3168 in the comment box.**

## Feed My Starving Children, April 26th

We will return to [Feed My Starving Children](#) this year to help pack healthy meals for hungry families around the world. We will meet at the Chanhassen location, 6-7:30pm. Please sign up [here](#)- we have signed up for 50

people. Parents and siblings are very welcome but please note that the minimum volunteer age is 5, and that there is a 1:1 adult to child ratio requirement for children in K-2nd grades. This is a fast, fun team-based activity that helps those in need.

## Spring Camping at Stearns Scout Reservation - May 14-15<sup>th</sup>

We will be camping this spring at [Stearns Scout Camp](#). Located south of St. Cloud, Stearns features 1200 acres of campground to explore. We will have two large lodges (heated and with electricity) at our disposal for sleeping and lounging. Of course the hardier among us are welcome to bring their tent and sleep al fresco! Plan on games, hiking, s'mores and good times with friends. Cost is \$30 per person.

[SIGN UP HERE](#)

## Summer Camp, June 10-12

Families of Lions thru Bears can kick off a great summer by attending Cub Scout Summer camp with Pack 168 at Camp Kiwanis! Camp Kiwanis is set beautifully on the St. Croix River and offers great activities as well as a bonding experience your scout will never forget! Events include Archery, BB gun, boating on the St. Croix, Obstacle Course, Ponies and MORE. Eligibility is limited to current Lions thru Bears. The cost is \$127 per Scout and \$87 per adult. Click on this link for more information: [Summer Camp Information](#)

[SIGN UP HERE](#)

**Sign up early to ensure a spot- space is limited. Payment must be given to Joel Nordin, Treasurer before May 1<sup>st</sup>. Cancellations with full refund allowed until May 1<sup>st</sup>; no refunds allowed thereafter.**

## Opportunities

This is our ongoing call for help; your chance to impact all of our boys' experiences in scouting. *Please see the positions in bold and with an asterisk (\*) under the "Adult Leadership" heading for our greatest needs.* "Shadows" are always desired, especially for programmatic leadership roles. Baby steps! You will only

learn about the position this year, with the goal of transitioning into the role for next year. Your engagement is greatly appreciated!

## Contact Information

As an additional communication resource, the Pack has its own website. You can find the Pack calendar, Pack Rag and your individual den activities calendar at this website. Please check it out at: [www.edinapack168.com](http://www.edinapack168.com)

Please confirm with your Den Leader that s/he has your correct e-mail address since almost all of Edina Cub Scout Pack 168 information is shared via e-mail.

The Cubmaster and Pack Leadership can be contacted at: [edinapack168@gmail.com](mailto:edinapack168@gmail.com)

## Adult Leadership

The Leadership Roster for Edina Cub Scout Pack 168 of the 2015-16 Scout year is:

Den Leadership:

- Lion Den – Gil Robles, Joel Nordin
- Tiger Den – Steve Botts, Greg Ansems, Justin Dale
- Wolf Den – Gil Robles, Brant Haenel
- Bear Den – Rolf Pederson, Ned Mollison
- Webelos I Den – Ned Mollison, Brant Haenel
- WebelosII Den – Ben Pence, Sam VanNorman,

Pack Leadership:

- Cubmaster – Ben Pence
- **\*Asst. Cubmaster – Needed**
- Committee Chair – Joel Nordin
- Treasurer – Joel Nordin
- Webmaster/Communications Chair – Justin Dale
- Advancements – Alyssa Snyder

Programmatic Leadership:

- Popcorn Kernel – Greg Ansems
- Camping Coordinator- Tony Skunberg
- **\*Service Chair – Needed**
- Blue & Gold Banquet – Jennifer Haenel, Liz Bergren, Shannon Case. **\*Shadows Needed**
- Pinewood Derby Committee – Greg Skaggs, Rolf Pederson, Kurt Butz, Pat Merrigan, Jason Berger
- Rocket Day – Brant Haenel

**\*VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.** Please inquire with any Scout leader about how you can help