**Pack 133 Committee Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday January 10, 2016 at 7:30pm – 2nd floor conference room at Hilltop House

***ATTENDEES***

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| ❒ Committee Chair – Jason Nolan | ❒ Cubmaster – Jack Kiefer | ❒ Charter Rep – Bill Lowe |
| ✓ Secretary – Gina Flores | ❒ Treasurer – Lauri Stroup | ✓Publicity Chair – Tom Shaw |
| ✓ Advanc. Chair – Tim McChesney | ❒ Den 1 – Chris Smith | ✓ Den 2 – Laurel Reilly |
| ❒ Den 3 – M Moore/A Dickens | ❒ Den 4 – Eric Arena | ❒ Den 5 – Karen Keifer |
| ❒ Den 8 – Adam Maurer | ✓ Den 11 – Bill Gannon | ❒ Tr 150 – Laura Gill |
| ❒ Tr 1 – Jeff Jamer | ❒ Webmaster – Scott Cirillo | ❒ B&G Coord – Wendy Parrinello |

***BUDGET / TREASURER UPDATE***

Treasurer report:

Tom presented Treasurer report: savings $3786.59; checking $9843.25; scout shop: $793.64

***CHAIR REPORTS***

Advancement – Tim McChesney

* February advancements – Tim reported that advancements are going well and he will be contacting Leaders regarding February advancements.
* Tim inquired about having the scout shop budget sent via email so that he knows the budget before going to the shop.

Outdoor Activity – Mike Moore

* Winter Hike – Urban Hike in Morristown
	+ Sunday February 21, time 3pm
	+ Tim confirmed with Mike Moore and hike is on for February 21st
* Spring Camping – Saturday May 14th at Lewis Morris Park
	+ This event is confirmed with the park
	+ Park transferred our fee from the cancelled fall campout
	+ Need suggestions for agenda for the day
	+ Gina suggested tin foil meals for Bears
	+ Tim suggested another overnight campout in early summer

Public Relations – Tom Shaw

* Pinewood Derby
* Tom reported that the Derby was a success and well attended
* Hilltop Presbyterian newsletter

Friends of Scouting – Andi Dickens

* Goal: $2,000
* Total to date: $75
* Email reminder to be sent out to all families to include video
* Tim stressed that this fund raiser needs to be priority

***OLD BUSINESS***

Service Projects:

* Bear Den 1 “Gently used Uniform drive” for a needy pack in the council – Chris Smith
	+ Jason has been in touch with a pack in Dover that is anxious to get this started
* Conservation minded service project to be planned for Spring
	+ Possibly with Hilltop Presbyterian – clean up and gardening
	+ Tim suggested that we purchase some potted plants to plant at Hilltop Presbyterian

Spring Trip:

* Gina and Laurel introduced the idea of an excursion to the Howe Caverns on our way to Cooperstown for the Extra Innings Overnight event. They presented the current per person budget and weekend itinerary. The stop at Howe Caverns would add about $10-$15 per person. The benefits include an outstanding educational excursion for the scouts as well as a convenient dining facility where we can have dinner before heading to Cooperstown which is 45 minutes away. Gina and Laurel have reserved the Baseball Hall of Fame Extra Innings Overnight and transportation. A vote was taken to add excursion to Howe Caverns.
* It was voted unanimously that we do the excursion to the Howe Caverns with dinner at Howe Caverns.
* Laurel will book Howe Caverns and dining facility
* Gina to look into overnight accommodations for the coach drivers
* Trip is planned for April 30th to May 1st
* Cost is $100 without transportation and $150 with transportation

Scout Sunday / Scout Week / Scout Sabbath:

* Reportedly scout week was a success at St. Joseph and St. Mark’s
* Laurel reported that Father Joe at Saint Joseph’s did a wonderful presentation and blessing
* Hilltop Presbyterian Church – 10am service
	+ Jason Nolan and Tina Smith are coordinated
* No update on scouts earning Faith Medals at this meetings

Black River’s Best and Black River District Award of Merit:

* Tim nominated Bill Gannon for the Black River’s Best Award or Black River District Award of Merit (whichever is more appropriate for Bill’s position) and Laurel second the nomination
* Deadline for nomination submission is March 1st, 2016

***NEW BUSINESS***

Blue & Gold – Budget is $2,000

* Wendy Parrinello is coordinating
	+ Proposal of Brain Wash Game
		- Interactive game show for all ages
		- Negotiated down to $860 for 1 hours
		- New date: Friday April 8th
	+ Location options: MTMS, Hilltop Elementary, Brookside, TBD
	+ Decorations: could each den take responsibility for some type of decoration, at least table center pieces or den totem
		- We have plenty of table clothes
	+ Catering: Ice Cream truck similar to Fishing Derby. Possibly use kitchen freezers indoors.

Pack Programming - need suggestions for pack programs for May pack meeting

* Tim suggested having rank advancements in May – to be further discussed
* Committee discussed need to inform families of change of venue for this month’s Pack meeting at the Garabrant Center

***UPCOMING PACK SPONSORED EVENTS***

Webelos to Scout Transition

* Bill reported that all scouts will cross over and generally knows who will be continuing on and to which Troop

AOL Crossover – Jack Kiefer

* Saturday March 19 at Wheeler Ceremonial Fire Pit
* Inclement weather: Winnebego Dining Hall

***UPCOMING COUNCIL OR OTHER EVENTS***

March Roundtable

* Date: Tuesday March 1; 7:45pm – 9:30pm
* Location: Redeemer Lutheran Church, 2013 Eyland Ave, Succasunna
* Theme/Skill: Learn about ceremonies, songs, skits, games, cheers and craft surrounding the Boy Scout Law

Cub Scout Elective Extravaganza

* Date: Saturday April 9th
* Location: Camp Winnebego
* Theme/Skill: work on elective belt loops

***2015 – 2016 Calendar***

February Pack Meeting (Friendly – Friends Near and Far):

* Baseball theme – announce Cooperstown trip

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| Date: Friday February 19 | Setup: Den 11 |
| Location: Garabrant Center | Gathering: Den 3 |
| Time: Gather 7:15pm, begin at 7:30pm sharp | Flags: Den 5 |
| Scout Law: Friendly | Skit / Song / Cheer: Den 4 |
| Adventure: Friends Near and Far | Program: Den 8 |
|  | Clean-up: Den 2 |
|  | No role: Den 1 |

March Pack Meeting (Friendly – Friends Near and Far):

* Camp Promotion – Wheeler, Winnebago and Lewis

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| Date: Friday March 11 | Setup: Den 3 |
| Location: Hilltop House | Gathering: Den 5 |
| Time: Gather 7:15pm, begin at 7:30pm sharp | Flags: Den 4 |
| Scout Law: Thrifty | Skit / Song / Cheer: Den 2 |
| Adventure: Cubstruction | Program: Den 1 |
|  | Clean-up: Den 11 |
|  | No role: Den 8 |

* Committee reviewed the calendar for this year’s Pack and Committee meetings. Dates have already been confirmed with First Presbyterian Church. Committee meetings are at 7:30 PM and Pack meetings are at 7:15PM.

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| **Month** | **Committee Meeting** | **Pack Meeting** | **Scout Law** | **Adventure** |
| September | 9/16 | 9/11 | Clean | Cubservation |
| October | 10/14 | 10/23 | Brave | Super Cub |
| November | 11/11 | 11/13\* | Helpful | Helpful |
| December | 12/9 | 12/11 | Reverent | Winter Wonderland |
| January | 1/13 | 1/8 | Trustworthy | The Great Race |
| February | 2/10 | 2/19 | Friendly | Friends Near and Far |
| March | 3/9 | 3/11 | Thrifty | Cubstruction |
| April | 4/13 | 4/8\*\* | Cheerful | Strike up the Band |
| May | 5/11 | 5/13 | Kind | My Animal Friends |
| June | 6/8 | 6/10\*\*\* | Obedient | It's a Hit |
| July | TBD | N/A | Loyal | Scout Salute |
| August | TBD | N/A | Courteous | S'More Cub Scout Fun |
| \* November pack meeting at the Borough firehouse |  |  |  |
| \*\* April pack meeting is Blue/Gold - Location and program to be determined |  |
| \*\*\* June pack meeting is Rank Advancement - Location and program to be determined |

Next committee meeting – Wednesday March 10 at 7:30pm at Hilltop House

Volunteers – there are still a lot of open positions

* The following are a list of volunteer positions that are still open (among others) in order of most urgently needed:
	+ Pack meeting program Chair
		- This position will be responsible to write out an agenda for Pack Meetings and coordinate the night’s events and activities. If necessary, suggest to the committee ideas for the “Entertainment” portion of the meeting. Coordinate with the Entertainment in terms of pricing/availability/etc and materials they may need. This position should plan on attending all the pack meetings, so two people could consider sharing this role.
	+ Health & Safety Chair
		- Responsible for maintaining all medical records of the pack and making sure all info is current. CONFIDENTIALITY A MUST! Work with the Pack Chair, Leaders, and Training Coordinator to make sure all adults have taken the needed training. Makes sure the Pack has a well stocked First Aid kit at all Pack Wide Events. (doesn’t need to attend, just make sure the kit is there)
	+ Popcorn Kernal and committee
		- Need additional parent volunteers to assist Lynn with distribution once the popcorn arrives
	+ Membership/Recruiting Chair
		- Works very closely with the Pack Committee and Committee Chair to help advertise and recruit new members into Pack 133. Helps form dens with scouts and leaders. Processes all paperwork through the proper channels. Should also be involved with rechartering.
	+ Webmaster
		- Responsible for maintaining Pack 133’s website and keeping it updated with current information
	+ Summer Activities Chair
		- This position will lead the coordination of summer activities and recruiting parent volunteers to help coordinate individual events. Summer activities may include but are not limited to July 4th parade, summer baseball game, summer hikes and/or campouts, Labor Day parade, etc. Our goal is for all scouts, dens and the pack to be eligible for the National Summertime Pack Award and individual Scouter Awards
	+ Conservation Chair
		- Environmental conservation is a large part of the scouting movement. We like to provide a conservation service project to a civic location located within our town.  Coordinator would provide location options, dates and coordinate the scouts and any tools that may be needed.