



PACK 578 NEWS

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Fun, Fitness and Awards



Front row, left to right: Webelos II scouts Jacob Dean, Ryan Straighttiff, Davin Hunter, Luke Klinefelter and Jeremiah Silenzi received Arrow of Light Awards, the highest Cub Scout honor, at the Pack 578 Blue and Gold Banquet in February (not pictured: Cody Sharp). Members of the Boy Scout Order of the Arrow stand behind the scouts and provided a memorable crossing over ceremony to Boy Scout Troop 1717.



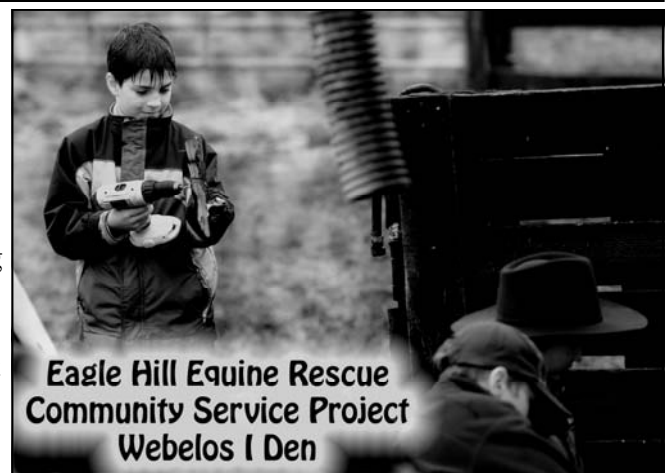
Webelos I scouts Ethan Dunn, Brendan Fritter, Jared Kibel, Joshua Lassen, William "Liam" McDoniel, Joshua

Menders, Calvin Michaelis and Nathan Weston have earned the Readyman badge; Ethan, Brendan, Jared, Joshua L., Liam and Calvin also earned their Communicator badges.

Ethan, Liam, Joshua M., Calvin, Lucas (Calvin's brother) and our den chief Tony recently spent a Saturday volunteering their time to

help with horses at Eagle Hill Equine Rescue on Eleys Ford Road. The boys did various chores such as cleaning out the watering troughs, feeding horses and even basic fence repairs.

All of the boys got to see a small part of what it takes to care for the horses. The center is open to all who wish to volunteer their time.



**Eagle Hill Equine Rescue
Community Service Project
Webelos I Den**

Calvin Michaelis, Josh Menders and Liam McDoniel pitch in to spruce up the grounds at Eagle Hill Equine Rescue in Fredericksburg.

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Tiger Cubs roar...and they like to go outside and feed the birds, too. Bradley Warren and Logan Parker proudly show off the pinecone bird feeders they made at a recent den meeting.



The Tiger Cubs have earned two more academic belt loops. Owen Kibel, Logan Parker, Evan Sirekis, Bradley Warren and

Marcus Woody earned the Astronomy belt loop, taught by Bradley's dad and former Cub Scout Ralph Warren; Logan, Evan, Bradley and Marcus earned the Video Games belt loop, taught by Logan's mom, Jennifer Parker.

They also learned about firefighters and others who serve our community, from Kim Woody, mom of Marcus.

The scouts in the den earned two BSA Year of Celebration ribbons (character and achievement) and are eager to earn the other three, especially now that spring has sprung in the 'burg.

March Cub Scout Theme: "TAKE FLIGHT"

Character Connection: Courage

The Wright brothers had a lot of courage to accomplish their dream to fly. Air has power to push and pull objects so that they can fly.

This month learn all about air, what it consists of, and why it is needed to fly. Learn about gravity. Make your own flying machines as you hear about the Wright Brothers and their invention. Explore different types of paper airplanes.

Thank you to the Bear Den scouts and leaders for creatively demonstrating this month's Cub Scout theme at the pack meeting!



(Left to Right) Jared Kibel took home third place in the Pinewood Derby, Jacob Dean captured second place and Caleb Menders was the overall winner. Congratulations to all the scouts who entered the race!

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Zachary Akers, Ian Doepp, Thomas Epple, Caleb Menders, Christian Moore, Alex Pawlica, Andrew Pellicano,

Chase Tomlinson and Garnett Woody earned the Basketball belt loop; Thomas and Caleb also earned a Basketball pin. A special thank you to Steven Epple, dad of Thomas, for teaching the boys about basketball. They had a great time and everyone played so much better at the end than they did at the beginning of the lesson.

Playing a sport on an organized team is another great way to earn sports belt loops and pins. Caleb earned a Baseball belt loop and pin, and Andrew earned the Soccer belt loop this way.

All of the boys earned the Good Manners belt loop and pin, and BSA Year of Celebration ribbons for achievement and leadership. The boys are excited about earning more belt loops, pins and ribbons over the next few months. They've all made wonderful progress this year as Wolves, had fun along the way and made some great friends. Keep it up guys!



The Bears have been up to all kinds of fun. Coordinating part of a pack meeting is a big responsibility. The boys

have been hard at work practicing the flag ceremony and learning skits to entertain their fellow scouts. The den welcomed new Bear scout Carson Cooke and his



Nicky Duran (Bear Den) and Evan Sirekis (Tiger Den) enjoy the warm spring day and fresh air as they get ready to head into the woods for a hike at the March 20 NCAC Boy Scouts of America Orienteering event. Thomas Epple (Wolf Den) and Cameron Garrison (Bear Den) also attended.

family this month. We also had a great time bowling, although den leader Becky Bolduc is not sure what the boys liked most: bowling, popcorn or just hanging out. The den spent some time with the Wolves at a Mt. Kim's Tae Kwon Do dojo where we learned how to keep physically fit, and had the chance to run, yell and complete a fun but challenging obstacle course.

Caiden Akers, Gregory Bolduc, Alex Cooper, Steven Dean, Nicky Duran, Cameron Garrison, Zach Hines, Lucas Michaelis and Will Robertson earned belt loops for Bowling. Carson Cooke earned the Bobcat badge. Kahlil Gardner received his Bobcat and Bear badges.

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Cubmaster's Vision

Safe fun for our boys within BSA guidelines is my number one priority. Quality and trained leadership that is always "2-deep," prepared, enthusiastic and adequately appreciated/rewarded is also extremely important.

Strong parent involvement is a critical component of success for the pack. Parents are needed to pitch in by supporting and guiding their son's scout experience, projects and merit badges. Supporting den and pack functions, such as fundraising and/or serving as one-time co-chair for an event (e.g. camp-outs, popcorn sales, etc.) will rev up this pack and take it to even greater heights.

We are a community-based organization. We support our community and the community supports us (by chartering us as a pack, buying popcorn, donating to food drives, car washes, etc.).

Some projects you'll be hearing about that will help us be more visible in the community in the coming months include scouts wearing their uniforms to school on a certain day to show solidarity and help recruiting, service projects including cleaning up at Curtis Park and other public spaces, and an invitation to the pack to attend services at a church (optional attendance, of course).

My family and I eagerly look forward to serving our boys and you in the coming year.

—Cubmaster Carter

April Cub Scout Theme: "Spring Into Action." Character Connection: Positive Attitude.

Upcoming Events

April 8—Aquia District Roundtable Meeting for all pack leaders, LDS, Aquia Ward, Stafford, Va., 7:30 pm.

April 29—Pack Meeting, RRES, 7 p.m., “Spring Into Action” theme, run by the Wolf Den.

May 27—Pack Meeting, RRES, 7 p.m.

Jul 24-July 31—Pack 578’s week to attend Camp Goshen.

Aug. 16-20—Pack 578’s week to attend Cub Scout Day Camp at Curtis Park.

Did You Know...

Thank You For Supporting ‘Cupcake Madness’ Fundraiser

This month’s “Cupcake Madness” fundraiser supports the purchase of new Pack 578 T-shirts and sweatshirts. Be on the look-out for future fundraisers and please remember your support is greatly appreciated as it’s all about the kids.

Pack 578 Uniform Exchange Open to All Scouts

A collection box will be available for donations of clean, “gently used” Cub Scout uniform items at pack events. Short- and long-sleeve uniform shirts, pants and shorts (blue or tan), belts, caps, neckerchiefs, neckerchief slides, socks, brag vests, etc., as well as turtlenecks (blue, white, gold, red or green) that may be worn under short-sleeve uniform shirts in cold weather are welcome. Christy Garrison (Bear mom, e-mail: willchristy@cox.net) is coordinating the exchange.

Pack T-shirts & Sweatshirts Available for Purchase

Mrs. Garrison will be selling Pack 578 T-shirts (\$10) and sweatshirts (\$20). These give the boys a casual but neat option for displaying “pack pride” at school as well as at scouting events where the full uniform (Class A) is not required.

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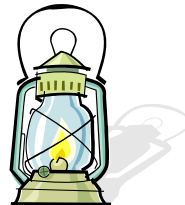
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