



Sugar Creek District “Creekside” March 2015



Crossroads of America Council

Pack 318 Pinewood Derby

By: Dawn Meadows

Cub Scout Pack 318, chartered with the First United Methodist Church, recently held its annual Pinewood Derby Racing Event. The race was held at the Nicholson Elementary gymnasium with over 120 family members and cub scouts in attendance. We are very fortunate for the school to allow us to use the facility. Each year, Cub Scouts design and hand craft their own race cars from a block of wood then race them on a special track. The cars have all sorts of designs and colors making them a true spectacle to watch. The cars race down the track towards the finish line and the boys cheer the cars all the way. The Pack tradition includes the Boy Scouts helping run the race and manage a small concession stand for the many family members who come enjoy the day. It was a fun day and continues a great Cub Scouting tradition.

Designed for boy's ages 7 to 10, Cub Scouting combines outdoor activities, sports, academics, and more in a fun and exciting program that helps families teach ideals such as honesty, good citizenship, and respect. To join the fun and excitement of America's foremost youth program for boys—Cub Scouting, visit our Pack 318 on Tuesday nights at 6:30pm located at the First United Methodist Church, 212 E. Wabash Ave., Crawfordsville, IN 47933



Rotary Day Camp

By: Linda Solano

ROTARY DAY CAMP JULY 6 – 10. Our Sugar Creek District Day Camp is located only 5 miles West of Crawfordsville. Camp Rotary is nestled on 80 acres of wooded hills and sits along the beautiful Sugar Creek. This summer we will **'BLAST OFF to ADVENTURE'** for a week of **SUMMER FUN AT CAMP**. *See Rotary Camp Flyer for more information.

There are some very important key dates that you will want to remember for this mission.

Register online

www.scoutingevent.com?2015RotaryDayCamp

Unit Leaders - Thurs. April 2 Meet at the Crawfordsville Public Library, Room C, 6:30-8pm. *Turn in your pack Camp Roster / Payments & Medical Forms. Find out what's **NEW** at Camp Rotary this summer.

Day Camp Registration EARLY BIRD DEADLINE Fri.

April 10 Required Annual Medical Forms and Copies of Insurance Cards (Front & Back) and Camp Roster. **Early Bird** Fee \$75 **After April 10** Regular Fee \$90

Troop Volunteer Staff - Fri. March 28 Deadline to sign up to volunteer for camp staff.

Troop Volunteer Camp Staff - Wed. April 29 ***Required training** will be held at the Crawfordsville Public Library, Room B, 6:30-8:30. Turn in all required paperwork.

Questions Contact: Camp Director - Linda Taylor-Solano or Program Director - Tony Solano
avlmsolano@netzero.net



Sugar Creek District Pinewood Derby

The District Pinewood Derby is scheduled for this Saturday, March 14th, at Thorntown Elementary School. The link to register for the Pinewood Derby is https://scoutingevent.com/?SC_PWderby
See last page of newsletter for more details!

Scouting for Food

By: Chuck Prass

Scouting For Food will be March 23 to April 18th. Be sure to report your Total Items Collected, Number of Adults and Scouts, and Volunteer Hours to me at -- Phone, Voice Mail 765-404-9080 OR E-Mail cprs971@gmail.com as soon as possible. This is very important to your Unit and the District that this be done. Also, the patches for your Unit's collection efforts can not be released until these totals are reported.

New Cub Scout Adventure Program

New Cub Scout Program Orientation
-All Cub Scout unit leaders and Cub Scout focused District Leadership are encouraged to attend an informational session on the new Cub Scout Adventures Program. We will review the program, available resources and the district level support network. Our upcoming informational session is on Thursday, March 19th, from 7-8:30 PM. The session will take place at Centenary United Methodist Church (910 Fordice Road, Lebanon, IN).

Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars for these upcoming District Events

Spring Camporee - May 1-3 @ Camp Rotary

Spring Recruitment

Attention Packs!! It's that time of the year again to schedule a date for a Spring Recruitment. Tom will begin calling units about Spring Recruitments during the months of April & May. Schedule your night, and get the location set up ahead of time so that the final step for Tom will be setting up a boy talk with the school and printing materials.

District Dinner Awards

Thanks to all that attended and organized the dinner. We had a great turnout of just over 70 people!

Spark Plugs presented by Andy Fulks

Beth Downey (P365) & Ralph Willard (UC)

Universal Awards presented by Paul Rusk

Jeff Parker (T 359), Ann Rogers (P 350) & Katie Klimaszewski (P 431)

Pack Committee Chair of the Year presented by Carol Rusk

Hilary Craig (P 365)

Cubmaster of the Year presented by John Stillwell

Lisa Bartlett (P 431)

Scoutmaster of the Year presented by John Fitzpatrick

Robert Vernon (T 359)

Charter Organization of the Year presented by William Turner

First Baptist Church, Lebanon

District Award of Merit presented by Dan Green

Jeffrey Osborne (T 359)

Long Rifle Award presented by John Hawkins

Mike Cook (T 309) and Dan Green (P 359)

Silver Beaver Award presented. - John Fitzpatrick

County Roundtables in April

By: William Turner

On April 9, 2015, the commissioners will again be bringing the monthly roundtable closer to the units in each county. Please encourage all scouters to attend this great opportunity to network with other leaders in your county! The commissioners in each county will plan a program tailored to each county. It would be great if we had several leaders from each unit in attendance.

- Boone County: St. Joseph Catholic Church, 319 East South Street, Lebanon
- Clinton County: Camp Cullom Nature Center, 6815 W County Road 200 North, Frankfort
- Montgomery County: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1086 N 125 W (oak Hill RD & Hwy 125), Crawfordsville. (*Note: the church asks that we do not bring any beverages into the building.*)

To All Leaders..

Article by: Jeff Osbourne

All Great Characters

I recently read a devotion written by Donald Miller who related a story about his friend Alan. Alan traveled the country talking to pastors of successful churches about what they were doing and why they thought it was working. As a final question, Alan would ask what Jesus meant to them personally. Alan received many similar answers from most pastors. However, one person kind of stood out. Dr. Bill Bright, a great man in his own right, just started to weep, overcome with emotion. He understood that Jesus was everything to him. Dr. Bright knew Jesus with his heart, not just his mind.

The devotion went into some details about how to get to know Jesus, like prayer, reading the Bible with purpose and developing a relationship with Him. It was one of the better devotions I had read in a while. At the very end was a quote: "All great characters in stories give their lives to something bigger than themselves." That simple truth made me consider how important it is to be a part of this organization.

We are all called to be servant leaders. To lead with humility, patience and as much grace as it takes. We owe it to young men to stay in the race, rise to the occasion and be there in support of others.

Thank You all for what you give to your boys, your communities and this great organization we call The Boy Scouts of America.

Thank You.

2015 MONTGOMERY COUNTY PINWOOD DERBY RACE

Article by: Tony Solano

The Montgomery County Pinewood Derby race is opened to all

Cub Scouts that live in Montgomery County.

There will be an **Open Class Race** which is open to any Scout family members.

Date - Saturday, March 21

Place - Ladoga Elementary School

Check-in Time - 10 am

Race Starts - 11am

Award Divisions - Tigers, Wolves, Bears, Webelos & Open Class.

Entry fee - No Charge – Just have FUN!

Cars must meet the BSA Pinewood Derby rules and weigh 5 oz.

You must be present to race.

Concessions provided by Ladoga Troop 796.

Direct Questions to Mr. Scott Richardson @ 942-7224.

Commissioner's Corner

By: William Turner

Thank you to everyone who came to the district dinner! It is always good to celebrate the good things we do in the district, and to recognize the volunteers who make the district great. Congratulations to all of the award recipients! Thank you also to Andy Fulks for organizing the dinner!

Thank you also to everyone who came to the February roundtables in Boone, Clinton, and Montgomery counties. We had several units represented for the first time this year, and some for the first time in years. Clinton county has the record for attendance, with all units in the county represented, and overall, 75% of the district's units were represented, which is the highest percentage we have had for quite a while. I also received reports of good discussions and programs in each county. The March roundtable will again be as a district at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Lebanon, but we will repeat the experiment with county roundtables in April. We will then again have an annual district kickoff event at the May roundtable.

We have several over events coming in the next few months: the Pinewood Derby in March, the Cub Olympics in April, and the spring camporee in May. In March, we also have one of the council rollout meetings for the new Cub Scout adventure program that starts this summer.

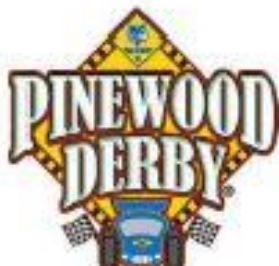
As always, remember the commissioner corps is here to help the units serve the scouts. If you need our help with something, or have any ideas on what we can do to improve roundtables and our service to individual units, please let me or one of my commissioners know. We are here to serve you!

Yours in Unit Service,

William Turner

District Commissioner, Sugar Creek District

REVISED START TIME (Rev. date 01/07/2015)



SUGARCREEK DISTRICT CUBSCOUT PINWOOD DERBY RACE

MARCH 14, 2015 *

THORNTOWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

200 W Mill St, Thorntown, Indiana

* Snow make-up day March 21, 2015 (see instructions below for details)

[Click here for more details about Derby](#)

Get your scouts outdoors!



Looking to get your den or pack out in nature? Look no further. Scout programs at McCloud and Sodalis Nature Parks are chock-full of adventure and hands-on activities aimed to fulfill badge and elective requirements for your scouts.

Upcoming Scout Sunday:

Conservation

at Sodalis Nature Park
March, 15 2015, 12:30-4:30pm
Advance Registration Required

Working on a Merit Badge? Rent a Merit Badge Backpack from McCloud Nature Center and complete single-day requirements for:

- Bird Study
- Mammal Study
- Reptile & Amphibian Study
- Forestry
- Geology
- Nature



For more information and registration, visit us online at
www.HendricksCountyParks.org