

WELCOME! NEW CUB SCOUT FAMILY

A FAMILY INFORMATION GUIDE



Central Minnesota Council



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA®

Why Join Cub Scouting?

- If you could give only one gift to the young people who are most important in your life, what would it be? No matter what your family situation is, it is within your power to help these children grow into people with a good feeling about themselves and a genuine concern for others. Cub Scouting can assist you in providing this greatest gift of all.
- Cub Scout-age children benefit developmentally from belonging to a small group of peers. Your child will be a part of a den, a small group of Cub Scouts in the same grade level and who are of the same gender. Through this sense of belonging, children build self-esteem and learn to get along with others.
- As a parent, you want to be assured that the groups that your child joins will teach values consistent with good citizenship, character development, personal fitness, and leadership. The values we seek to instill are found in the Scout Oath and Scout Law.

Scout Oath

A Scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent.

Scout Law

On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; to help other people at all times; to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

We know that kids do not join Cub Scouting for character building. Kids join because it is fun! Your child will learn great lessons, but they will be far too busy having fun to notice.

How Does Cub Scouting Work?

In Cub Scouting, you and your family join in on the program with your child, and you will help them along the way. Cub Scouts have a different handbook at each grade level, with **adventures** that are age-appropriate for their developmental level. As your child advances through these books by working on adventures, they will earn badges and other recognition that they wear on their uniform. As your child grows in Cub Scouting, your role will change with them, from hands-on involvement to guiding and coaching. Your child's success in Cub Scouting depends on you!

The Cub Scouting program takes place at two levels. Your child will be a part of a **den**, a small group of Cub Scouts in the same grade level and who are of the same gender. A den typically meets twice a month, although some may meet more often. All dens, from kindergarten through fifth grade, make up a **pack**. Once a month, the dens, with their families, come together at the pack meeting and Cub Scouts are recognized for the adventures and badges they have earned.



New Cub Scout Parent Orientation Open House 2022

Please join us for this event to work towards earning your first Lion Adventure Loop (Kindergarteners) - **Lions Honor**, and older Scouts (1st - 5th graders) can work towards earning the first Cub Scout Badge - **Bobcat!** You will not want to miss this! Parents are strongly encouraged to attend and learn how to make the most of the Scouting experience.

Who: Any New Scout entering Kindergarten – 5th Grade

When: Saturday, October 1, 2022
10:00am to 1:00pm

Where: Sartell Scout Shop and Office
1191 Scout Drive, Sartell MN

What: Lions Honor and Bobcat badge activities for Scout and a parent meeting. Adults will learn your role as a parent and as a volunteer in your Cub Scout Pack. Parents are encouraged to enjoy activities with their Scouts.

Cost: **FREE**
Please pre-register so we have supplies on hand.
Sign up online at www.bsacmc.org

*****Weather permitting, some Scout activities will be outdoors, and Scouts can take part in shooting sports activities and other events! The event is rain or shine. We will have events indoors if weather is questionable.**

Bonus: Scout Shop will also be available for purchases!
Questions: Contact 320-251-3930

HAUNTED CUB PROWL

Come Have a Scary Good Time at Camp!!

What: Games, Sports, Crafts, Archery, Costume Contest, Haunted Castle Dungeon Maze, Prizes, Treats, Entertainment and tons of fun!!

Who: This event is open to all Scouts and family members.

When: Saturday, October 29, 2022 from 10am to 3pm (Check-in begins at 9:30am)

Where: Miller Castle - Parker Scout Camp 21930 Paradise Drive Nisswa, MN 56468

Fees: \$15 per Scout

\$15 per non-Scout youth

\$5 per Adult (covers the cost of lunch)

\$5 additional late fee starts on October 10 for all registration types

How: Sign up online at www.bsacmc.org



Registration fees are non-refundable, but may be transferred to another Scout.

Submit your registration by **October 20th** to ensure an adequate amount of supplies and food. Registrations after the deadline are subject to a late fee and are not guaranteed an event patch or lunch.

What do we bring?

Bring good footwear, clothing appropriate for the weather and a water bottle. Lunch is provided. **Wear a costume to participate in the costume contest!**

What about supervision?

This event stations will be staffed by district volunteers. Each Pack needs to provide at least 2 adults to accompany and adequately supervise their Scouts.

Adults attending should plan on being involved in the activities. Direct supervision of the scouts is the responsibility of the parents and adults attending from each Pack.

Health Forms

Complete and bring along Parts A & B of the standard BSA health form for each Scout can be found at: https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-001_AB.pdf

Questions? Contact...Ken Toole – kenneth.toole@Scouting.org - Phone: 218-780-0694

Lion/Tiger/Wolf/Bear/Webelos Event



Who: Youth in Grades K-5th Grades and their parent/guardian.

What: Swimming, BB Guns, Complete Adventure Loops/Pins, Patch, Snack, and lots of Fun.

When: December 3rd (See below for specifics).

Where: Foley High School

Register: www.bsacmc.org (more details coming soon)

Cost: TBD



Dens

The Lion (Kindergarten) and Tiger (First Grade) Dens

Cub Scouts who join in kindergarten or first grade join with an adult partner, usually the parent or guardian. A Lion or Tiger den should be no more than eight Cub Scouts and their adult partners. An adult is selected to serve as the den leader (usually one of the parents) and coordinates the meetings. Each adult partner takes a turn assisting or hosting meetings or activities with the den leader. This shared leadership model is a great way to ensure the den leader has the help needed to deliver a quality program.

Lion dens (kindergarten) meet once a month or more often if the den leader and families choose to.

Tiger dens (first grade) meet typically twice a month or more often if the den leader and families choose to.

At den meetings, Lions and Tigers work on adventures that are found in their handbooks.



The Wolf (Second Grade) and Bear (Third Grade) Dens

Children this age are becoming more independent, and activities are designed to meet their developmental needs.

A Wolf (second grade) or Bear (third grade) den is ideally no more than eight Cub Scouts of the same gender, a den leader, an assistant den leader (usually parents of some of the den members), and often a den chief (an older Scout who helps the den leader).

They typically meet twice a month at a regularly scheduled time and place, and they also attend the pack meeting with their families

The Webelos Scout Den (Fourth and Fifth Grades)

The Webelos den is much like the Wolf and Bear dens, but there is more emphasis on learning to take leadership roles and preparing to join a Scout troop.



Pack Meetings

The Cub Scout pack is made up of all the dens, which meet monthly at the pack meeting, led by the Cubmaster. There are games, skits, songs, ceremonies, and presentations of achievements and badges that Cub Scouts earned during that month. This is where families can see the achievements of their Cub Scout.

The pack, including families, also participates in other special events throughout the year, including:

- **Pinewood Derby®**—You can build and race a model car with your child.
- **Blue and gold banquet**—Cub Scouting’s birthday party—for all pack members and their families— takes place in February.
- **Camping**—Overnight and day camp opportunities introduce your family to the camping experience.
- **Service projects**—Packs may participate in food drives, conservation projects, or other community activities.
- **Field trips and special outings**—Den outings are a great way to learn more about the people and places in your community.

Make memories with your child that will last a lifetime!

How Can You Help?

The most important help that you, as a parent, can give your child is to work with them on their Cub Scouting adventures as they work toward their badge of rank. The Cub Scout handbook is full of age-appropriate activities; some of them you do together at home. Den meetings are designed for Cub Scouts to complete adventures that are required for them to earn their badge of rank. When you have completed a requirement at home, make sure your den leader is informed so that they can properly record it and your child can be recognized for their achievements. **Your role as a parent is the secret to a successful Cub Scouting program!**

The den and the pack rely on parent participation to run a successful program. Cub Scouting operates through volunteer leadership. Volunteer leaders are an example of Scouting’s principle of service to others. By volunteering in Scouting, you are also giving your child and family the gift of your time. What could be more valuable? You will have an opportunity to be a positive influence in their life and in the lives of their friends. Here are some of the ways you could volunteer:

Den leader - Uses the Den Leader Guide and den meeting plans to lead the den at den meetings. Attends the monthly pack committee meeting.

Cubmaster - Helps plan and carry out the pack program with the help of the pack committee. Emcees the monthly pack meeting and attends the pack committee meeting.

The Pack Committee

Every Cub Scout parent or guardian is invited to become a member of the pack committee. Pack committee members perform administrative functions of the pack. The committee meets monthly and includes the responsibilities below.

Committee chair - Presides at all pack committee meetings. Helps recruit adult leaders and attends the monthly pack meeting and pack committee meeting.

Advancement chair - Maintains advancement records for the pack. Orders and obtains all badges and insignia. Attends the monthly pack meeting and pack committee meeting.

New member coordinator - Manages the transition of new Scouts into the pack and coordinates orientation for new Scouting families. Responsible for the marketing and recruiting initiatives of the pack as well as the growth and retention of the unit.

Secretary - Keeps records of the pack committee meetings and communicates with families about upcoming pack events and activities.

Treasurer - Keeps all financial records for the pack, including the pack bank account, and gives a monthly financial report to the pack committee. Attends the monthly pack meeting and pack committee meeting.

Training

The Boy Scouts of America offers convenient training for parents who volunteer. As a new parent, you can learn all about Cub Scouting and how quality Scouting programs are built. Log on to [my.Scouting.org](https://my.scouting.org) and create an account to gain access to all available training content. For more information about training at all levels of the program, go to <https://www.scouting.org/training/>.



Youth Protection

Child abuse is a serious problem in our society, and unfortunately, it can occur anywhere, even in Scouting. Youth safety is of paramount importance to Scouting. For that reason, the BSA continues to create barriers to abuse beyond what have previously existed in Scouting.

The Boy Scouts of America places the greatest importance on providing the most secure environment possible for its youth members. To maintain such an environment, the BSA has developed numerous procedural and leadership selection policies and provides parents and leaders with multiple online and print resources for all Scouting programs.

All leaders are required to complete Youth Protection training. All parents are encouraged to take the training. To complete the training online, go to [my.Scouting.org](https://my.scouting.org) and establish an account using the member number you receive when you register for BSA membership. If you take the training online before you obtain a member number, be sure to return to [my.Scouting.org](https://my.scouting.org) and enter your number for training record credit. Your BSA local council also provides training on a regular basis if you cannot take it online.

Youth Protection training must be taken every two years. If a volunteer's Youth Protection training record is not current at the time of recharter, the volunteer will not be registered. For more information about Youth Protection, please see BSA's Youth Protection website at <https://www.scouting.org/training/youth-protection/>.

Books: Youth handbooks are the *Lion Handbook* (comes with the Lion kit), *Tiger Handbook*, *Wolf Handbook*, *Bear Handbook*, and *Webelos Handbook*. Adult leaders use one or more of the following resources: *The Cub Scout Leader Book*, *Lion Den Leader Guide* (comes with the Lion kit), *Tiger Den Leader Guide*, *Wolf Den Leader Guide*, *Bear Den Leader Guide*, and *Webelos Den Leader Guide*. See your local Scout shop or www.scoutshop.org for prices and a wealth of other reasonably priced resources. **Pack dues:** The amount varies by pack, depending on money-earning projects conducted by the pack to decrease the amount needed to run the pack program. **Uniform:** The uniform and its cost vary by program for both youth and adults. Uniforms may also be purchased at your local Scout shop. See www.scoutshop.org for details and current prices.

Spending Time with Your Child: The Secret of Success!

Come join the fun of Cub Scouting as a family ... it's fun! You'll make new friends, too, as you work with the parents of your child's new friends. No task is too difficult when you're having fun as part of a team of Cub Scout parents, reinforcing each other's efforts to help your children grow up to be good citizens.



Roundtable Schedules (August – May)

This is open to all parents and leaders

<p>Gateway Roundtable: First Thursday of each month at District Meeting: 6:30-7:00pm Roundtable: 7:00-8:30pm Trinity Crossing in Princeton.</p>	<p>Scenic Roundtable: First Tuesday of each month Commissioner Meeting: 6:30pm District Roundtable: 7:00pm</p> <p>Committee Meeting: 6:00pm Last Tuesday of the Month <u>Council Office</u> in Sartell, MN.</p>
<p>North Star Roundtable: Second Thursday of Each Month Roundtable: 7:00 PM <u>Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wadena</u> 403 2nd St SE, Wadena</p>	<p>Pine Tree Roundtable Roundtable: 6:30 PM Second Tuesday of Each Month</p> <p>District Meeting: 6:30 PM 1st Tuesday of Each Month <u>Salvation Army</u> Front and 5th Street, Brainerd</p>

Cub Scout Events

Event	Location	Date
Cub Camp #3	Parker Scout Camp	August 5-7, 2022
Rox Baseball Scout Event	Rox Baseball Field	Aug 6, 2022
1 st show & Sell Orders Due	Online	August 8, 2022
Family Camp	Parker Scout Camp	August 12-14, 2022
1 st Show & Sell Order Pickup.....	Various Locations	August 23, 2022
2 nd Show & Sell Orders Due	Online	September 12, 2022
Join Scouting Night	TBD	September 22, 2022
2 nd Show & Sell Order Pickup	Various Locations	September 27, 2022
New Cub Scout/Lion Day	Council Office	October 1, 2022
Webelos Activity Weekend	Parker Scout Camp	October 7-8, 2022
Show & Sell Returns due	Council Office	October 26, 2022
Haunted Cub Prowl.....	Parker Scout Camp	October 29, 2022
Popcorn Orders Due.....	Council Office	October 31, 2022
Popcorn Pickup	Various Pickup Locations	November 17, 2022
Cub/Webelos Event	TBD	December 3, 2022
Nanuq	Parker Scout Camp	January 13-15, 2023
Nanuq	Parker Scout Camp	January 20-22, 2023
Nanuq	Parker Scout Camp	February 10-12, 2023
District Pinewood Derby	TBD	March 18, 2023
Bunny Hop	Parker Scout Camp	April 1, 2023
Council Recognition Dinner	TBD	April 23, 2023
Basic Outdoor Leader Training	Parker Scout Camp	May 19-20, 2023
Cub Camp #1	Parker Scout Camp	June 9-11, 2023
Cub Camp #2	Parker Scout Camp	July 7-9, 2023
Popcorn Kick Off	Council office & Parker	July 30, 2023
Cub Camp #3	Parker Scout Camp	August 4-6, 2023
1 st Show & Sell Orders Due	Online	August 7, 2023
Family Camp	Parker Scout Camp	August 11-13, 2023
1 st Show & Sell Order Pickup.....	Various Location	August 22, 2023
2 nd Show & Sell Orders Due	Online	September 11, 2023
Join Scouting Night	Various Locations	September 21, 2023
2 nd Show & Sell Order Pickup	Various Locations	September 26, 2023
New Cub Scout/Lion Day	Council Office	September 30, 2023
Webelos Activity Weekend	Parker Scout Camp	October 13-15, 2023
Show & Sell Returns due	Council Office	October 25, 2023
Haunted Cub Prowl.....	Parker Scout Camp	October 28, 2023
Popcorn Orders Due.....	Council Office	October 30, 2023
Popcorn Pickup	Various Pickup Locations	November 16, 2023
Cub-Webelos Event	Foley High School	December 2, 2023

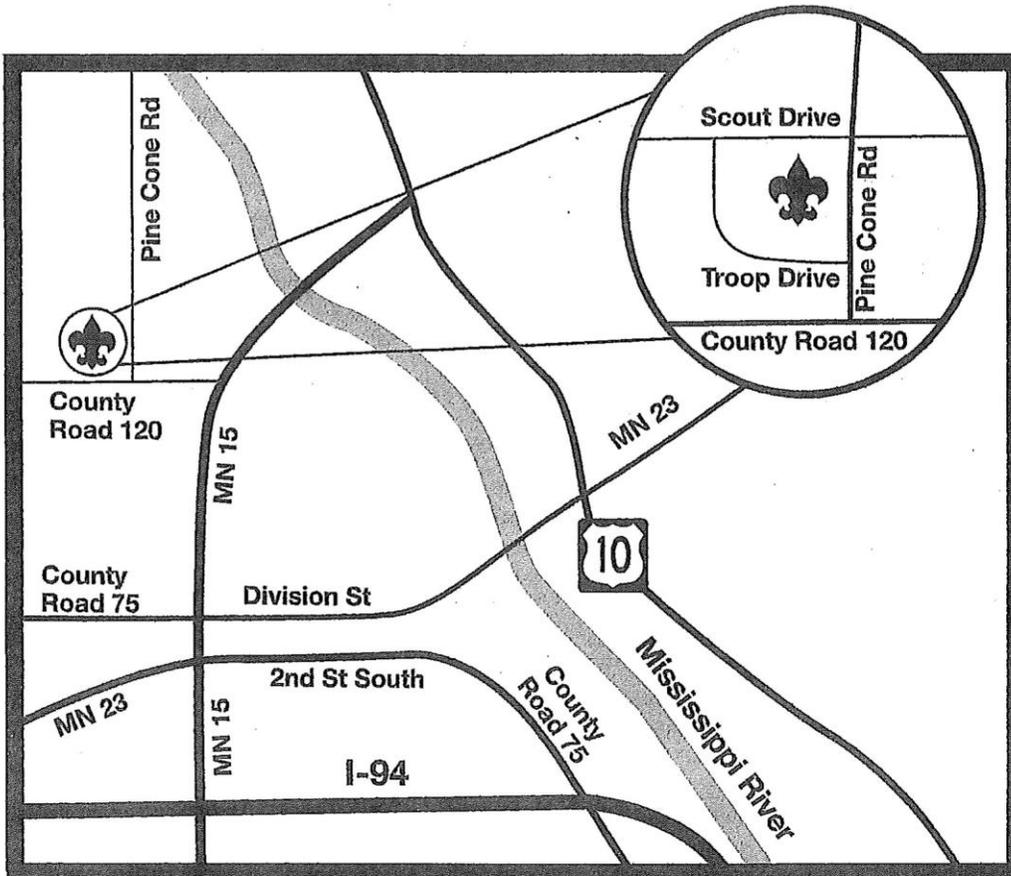
All Events and locations are subject to change

Check our website for the most updated information: www.bsacmc.org

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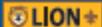
- New Year's
- Memorial Day
- 4th of July
- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving
- Christmas

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Bring this checklist when you visit your Scout Shop. We'll do the rest!

Your Uniform Checklist

 LION*



Lion

UNIFORM

- Lion Short-sleeve T-shirt
- Lion Cap

OPTIONAL UNIFORM BOTTOMS

- Switchbacks*
- Girls' Roll-up Pants
- Girls' Skort
- Shorts

Cub Scouts* – Tiger, Wolf and Bear

UNIFORM

- Long-sleeve Shirt
- Short-sleeve Shirt
- Switchbacks*
- Girls' Roll-up Pants
- Girls' Skort
- Shorts
- Cub Scout Rank Cap
- Tiger or Cub Scout Web Belt

- Neckerchief – Tiger, Wolf, or Bear
- Cub Scout Neckerchief Slide
- Cub Scout Socks

INSIGNIA

- Council Shoulder Patch
- World Crest Emblem
- World Crest Ring
- Pack Numbers (Red)
- Den Number

Webelos*

UNIFORM

- Boy's Micropoly or Poplin Short/Long-sleeve Shirt
- Girl's Micropoly Short-sleeve Shirt
- Boy's Micropoly or Canvas Switchbacks*
- Girl's Performance Roll-up Pants
- Girl's Performance Shorts
- Girl's & Ladies' Performance Skorts*
- Webelos Cap
- Plaid Neckerchief
- Cub Scout Web Belt
- Scouts BSA Socks

- Webelos Neckerchief Slide
- Webelos Colors
- Shoulder Loops (Blue)

INSIGNIA

- Council Shoulder Patch
- Patrol Emblem
- World Crest Emblem
- World Crest Ring
- Pack Numbers (Red)
- Den Number

Scouts BSA*

UNIFORM

- Boy's & Men's Micropoly, Poplin or Performance Shirts*
- Ladies' Micropoly, Poplin or Performance Shirts
- Girl's Performance Short-sleeve Shirt
- Boy's & Men's Micropoly or Canvas Switchbacks**
- Boy's & Men's Performance Shorts*
- Girl's & Ladies' Performance Roll-up Pants*
- Girl's & Ladies' Performance Shorts*
- Girl's & Ladies' Performance Skorts*
- Scouts BSA Cap
- Scouts BSA Web Belt

- Merit Badge Sash
- Neckerchief
- Scouts BSA Socks
- Neckerchief Slide
- Shoulder Loops (Green)

INSIGNIA

- Council Shoulder Patch
- Patrol Emblem
- World Crest Emblem
- World Crest Ring
- Troop Numerals (Khaki)

Handbooks



Lion



Tiger



Wolf



Bear



Webelos



Scouts BSA for Boys



Scouts BSA for Girls

Cub Scout Pack #	Cub Scout Den #	Scouts BSA Troop #
Den Leader	Phone #	Patrol Name
Cubmaster	Phone #	Troop Leader
Shirt Size	Pant Size	Phone #

Ask sales associate for details.

Prices subject to change. Tax not included. *Youth & Adult size range.

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Key Contact Information

Your **Den** is in a **Pack** that belongs to an organization chartered by the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) to operate a Scouting unit (a **Chartered Organization**). The Chartered Organization approves leadership, helps secure a meeting place, and makes sure that the Pack works within the guidelines and policies of their organization as well as those of the BSA.

Your Pack is a member of a **District**, a geographic area of the BSA local council that helps support the Pack in providing a successful and high-quality program. An employee of the local council, a **Unit-Serving executive** (District Executive), is assigned to assist the Packs in your district.

Your district also has a volunteer team called the **Commissioner Staff**. They are a “service team” that checks on the program “health” of your Pack, and they are a communication link between your Pack and the local council. A **Commissioner** is assigned specifically to assist your unit.

All leaders need training to be effective. Your district provides online or instructor-led training for adult volunteers in how to be a successful leader. Your district is one of several in the BSA **local council**. your council service center can help or will get you in touch with someone who can.

My child is in Pack _____, which meets at _____ (location)

at _____ (time) on _____ (day and week of month).

My child is in Den _____, which meets at _____ (location)

at _____ (time) on _____ (day of week).

Our Pack’s Chartered Organization is: _____.

Our Pack is in District: _____.

Our local Council name is: **Central Minnesota Council, BSA** _____.

Phone No: **320-251-3930** Website: **www.bsacmc.org** _____

Our Leaders	Name	Phone No.	Email
Den Leader	_____	_____	_____
Cubmaster	_____	_____	_____
Committee Chair	_____	_____	_____
Advancement Chair	_____	_____	_____
Pack Membership Chair	_____	_____	_____
District Executive	_____	_____	_____
Unit Commissioner	_____	_____	_____