

# Cub Scout Informer

## Blue & Gold

### Calendar of upcoming Events

3/3 - Committee Meeting 6 pm

3/11 - Roundtable Meeting - 7 pm (Leaders)

3/15 - Cave Campout - Lost Sea - meet there 5:30 pm

3/17 - First payment due for USS Yorktown trip - \$40 pp

3/29 - District Pine-wood Derby - Ft O. UMC - 10 am

3/31 - No Meeting (Spring Break)

4/7 - Committee Meeting - 6 pm

What is the Blue & Gold banquet and why do we have it? This is a good question. February is the anniversary of Scouting and is celebrated with a birthday party called the Blue and Gold. According to the Virtual Cub Scout Leaders web site, this tradition started in 1933 as a suggestion. Around that time, "Pack 1 of Michigan City started a tradition of pot-lucks where the dads were to bring utensils made of wood; whittled by the Cub and his dad. In the 1930s, father / son 'bean dinners' and 'Cub family dinners' began to become commonplace. Finally, in 1943 the name "Blue and Gold Banquet" first appeared in BSA literature, and became synony-

mous with 'celebrating the birthday of Scouting.'

Today, the Blue and Gold banquet is one of the highlights of the program year. It brings together your Pack's families for a dinner and an evening of fun. The meal is important, but even more important is the warm, congenial atmosphere created as families enjoy each other's company."

This is the time that the Sr. Webelos cross over to the Boy Scout troop that they have recently visited. It is also a celebration of their accomplishments and a time for them to begin the trail to Eagle.

## Upcoming Events

Our next big event will be the Cave Campout at the Lost Sea. Make sure to get signed up so that we know how many people will be going. We will begin with a Wild Cave tour, so make sure to wear really old clothes as you will get dirty. There are no shower facilities there to allow you to clean up. Be sure to bring some wet wipes as you will be dirty the entire time underground. The tour begins at 6:30 pm, and everyone needs to be

ready to walk in the cave at that time, so everyone needs to meet there at 5:30 pm. Make sure to eat prior to arriving as we have not signed up for supper. We will be leaving between 7 - 8 am. **Bring a flashlight w/ extra batteries, this is required.** We will bring a large cooler of water but you will need to bring a bottle of water, there isn't drinking water in the cave. Everyone will need a sleeping bag, ground cover and/or an air mat-

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stress for sleeping. We will be sleeping in the cave on the dirt floor so a sheet of plastic might be helpful to keep your stuff clean. There is a port-a-john for potty breaks. DO NOT bring cell phones, radios, tents, any electronics or any excess baggage. You must be able to carry everything you're

taking into the cave in one (1) trip. No exceptions.

If you are interested in going to the USS Yorktown, you need to turn your first payment of \$40 in to me by 3/17. The deadline is not until 3/31 (if you are planning on submitting your form and money separate from the Pack.) We talked about getting a bus but decided

against it. Even though there is a schedule, you are pretty much free to do your own thing.

I hope that we have a big group because it will be lots of fun.

### Awards Corner

#### This months awards:

There were several awards given out at the Blue and Gold. The most notable were related to the Sr. WEBELOS receiving their Arrow of Light. These boys have worked hard to achieve this very high ranking. Listed below are the boys that received this award.

Alex C.                      Trey D.                      Matthew W.                      Corey M.

The boys listed below crossed over to the Boy Scouts in Troop 99.

Matthew B.                      Alex C.                      Joseph C.                      Trey D.                      Matthew W.

We wish all of the boys great success and look forward to them making Eagle in a few years.

#### Congratulations Scouts

“And remember, no matter where you go, there you are.”

**Confucius**

### Pack Leadership

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