

Cub Scout Pack 301

Hutchinson, Kansas



General Pack Information
2017-2018

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Chartering Organization	First Presbyterian Church 201 East Sherman Hutchinson, KS
Hosting Organization	Cosmosphere 1100 N. Plum Hutchinson, KS
Facebook Page	@cosmopack301
Boy Scouts of America	www.scouting.org
Quivira Council, BSA (30 county area)	3247 N. Oliver Ave. Wichita, KS 67220 316-264-3386 www.quivira.org

Meetings

- Pack Meetings are typically the 3rd Tuesday of the month, 7:00 to 8:00 PM at the **Cosmosphere**, 1500 N Plum.
- The Feb. Pack Meeting is the Blue & Gold Banquet which will on the **Sunday** preceding the 3rd Monday.
- The May meeting is held at the family campout.
- There are no formal Pack Meetings in June and July.
- Den Meeting times and locations are set by each Den Leader. Dens typically meet weekly with the exception of the Pack Meeting week.

The Pack Facebook site is @cosmopack301. This public site is used for general announcements and calendar info.

Uniforms

- The “Class A” uniform is the official Cub Scout uniform shirt and should be worn to all pack meetings and other events specified by the Cubmaster or Den Leaders. They are available for \$25 at Long’s downtown, at the Scoutshop in Wichita or via the internet at www.scoutstuff.org. It is recommended to buy a shirt large enough to last until your son is in 4th or 5th grade. Webelos Scouts may either wear the blue shirt or the tan Boy Scout uniform. Our Boy Scout Troop, Troop 301 will be providing our Cub Scouts with the badges and neckerchiefs to go along with their Class A uniform.
- Our “Class B” uniform is our Pack t-shirt and is the appropriate shirt for den meetings, camping and most pack events. They are available in the Cosmosphere Gift Shop for \$10.
- Pack sweatshirts will be offered for sale yearly through the Cosmosphere.
- We will be developing a “Uniform Bank” to assist future Pack 301 Scouts and would encourage donating or trading in your used or outgrown uniform items for someone else to use.

Financial Information

Fees for joining Pack 301 are set at \$50 per boy and are due every September. Fees are pro-rated for scouts joining mid -year. This covers Pack Fees and Council Fees. Boy's Life is optional at a cost of \$12 per year. The purpose of subscribing to Boy's Life magazine is two - fold. One, it is entertaining, educational, age appropriate reading for Cub Scouts and two, if every Cub Scout subscribes, it will help our Pack reach its goal of becoming a BSA Quality Unit.

Here are some of the things you can expect the Pack to pay for: all awards presented at Pack Meetings, family overnigher picnics, pinewood derby car kits, Blue & Gold Banquet for immediate family. Individual dens may need to ask for a nominal amount from time to time to pay for supplies or craft items. Because of our affiliation with the Cosmosphere there may from time to time be events or activities that will require a nominal fee to participate. Participation in these events will be voluntary.

Initial Investment: Pack Dues: \$50, Class A Shirt: \$25, Class B Shirt \$10

Popcorn

Popcorn sales take place each fall. This is a nationwide fundraiser for the Boy Scouts, similar to Girl Scout cookies and it is the primary fundraiser 301 Scouts participate in each year. Traditionally, popcorn sales provide the bulk of our operating money so the importance of this event cannot be overstated. Each year an individual sales goal is set and incentives are given for reaching that and higher sales levels.

Pinewood Derby

This is one of the largest Pack 301 events of the year and provides some of the most fun for the boys. Car kits are distributed at the December Pack Meeting and parents have the opportunity to assist their boys with the design and construction. Plenty of help is available with two car clinics held in Jan. Race Day is for the entire family. Much parent participation is needed to help with the concession stand and running the race and timing equipment.

Blue and Gold Banquet

This special Pack Meeting is a Cub Scout tradition and takes place in February in honor of the anniversary month of the Boy Scouts. The covered dish dinner is followed by songs and skits performed by the boys. Our goal is for Scouts to have earned their rank advancement by Feb. so this may be presented at the banquet.

Camping

As a pack, we sponsor two family overnighers a year, one in Sep. and one in May. Usually they are held at Camp Kanza, which is one of the two camps run by Quivira Council. The camp is located just about 25 minutes SW of town off highway 50 and directions are on the website.

A Pack overnigher should not intimidate anyone as it is meant to be an enjoyable experience with the entire family welcome. You may bring all your gear in by car but plan on moving your vehicle to the parking lot after you unload. Some families will arrive on Fri. evening but most will just stay Sat. night. You are free to

come and go during the day for football, soccer, etc. and some organized activity usually starts after lunchtime.

Meals are generally up to the individual families and should be kept very simple. Some folks will bring Coleman stoves or dutch ovens and charcoal. On Sat. evening we hold a big cookout with burgers, hot dogs, buns and fixins' provided by the Pack. We ask all families to provide a side dish (beans, slaw, potatoes, etc.) or a dessert and to bring your own utensils and drinks. Also on Sat. night, we hold a campfire and then cook doughnuts on Sun. morning. In May, the campfire takes the place of the May Pack Meeting and a ceremony is held where the boys "advance" to the next rank. Some will choose to not camp and just come out Sat. afternoon and stay for the cookout and campfire and that is fine.

If you camp, you should bring the following items: tent, sleeping bags, sleeping pads or cots, cooler w/drinks and food items, eating utensils, raingear, flashlight, bug repellent, sun block, class A and B uniforms, appropriate clothing and outerwear and personal items. Some optional items might include a folding table and camp chairs, camp stove or other cooking equipment, fishing gear and GPS. Please no alcohol or tobacco, firearms, electronic games, iPod, fixed blade knives or any un-scout like items.

Important Pack Events 2017 - 2018

(subject to change)

Pack Meetings:	Third Tuesday of each month at the Cosmosphere October - May
TBD	Pack fundraiser
February	Blue and Gold Banquet (Third Sunday)
March	Pinewood Derby
May	Spring Family Overnighter
May	Webelos Overnighter
June – July	Day Camp, Summer Camps
July 4	Patriot's Parade, downtown Hutch
August 20 th , 2018	Pack Meetings resume

Scout Oath (or Promise)

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.

Scout Law

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

Cub Scout Motto

DO YOUR BEST

Pack Committee

The Pack Committee meets once a month on the first Sunday of each month and is made up of registered adult leaders, other adults that hold administrative positions, and any parents that would like to attend. Parents interested in becoming leaders are especially encouraged to get involved. The committee oversees the overall program, calendar and budget for the Pack. If you would like to join our Pack Committee, please contact our Committee Chairman, Adam Schneider (contact information below)

Chairman:	Adam Schneider	960-5845	schneider1997@gmail.com
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Advancement:			
Membership:			
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Webmaster			
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	Alex Schmitt		
Troop 1 Scoutmaster:	Chris Akins	694-6069	akins4@cox.net

Den Leaders:

Tiger:

Wolf:

Bear:

Webelo's: