



Pack 256 NEWS



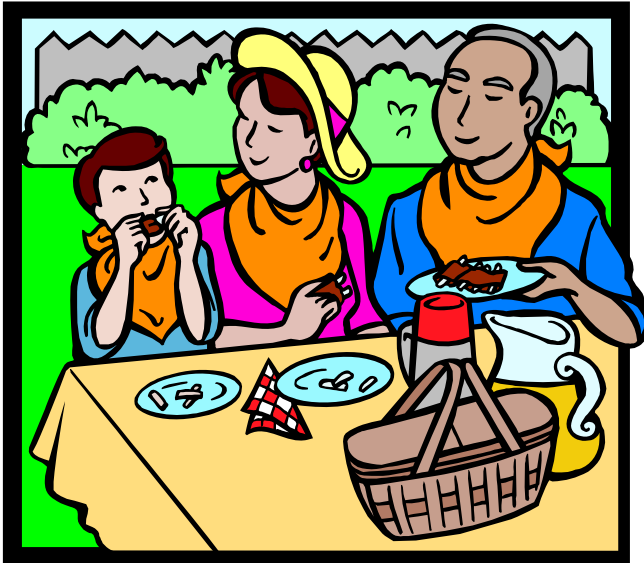
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2011-2012 CUB SCOUTS KICK-OFF & FAMILY PICNIC

Saturday, Sept. 10, 2:00 PM Shadyside Park

*****Hot Dogs, Buns, Lemonade, & Table Service Provided*****



Bring a dish to share.

- Tigers (1st Grade) : Dessert
- Wolves (2nd Grade) : Dessert
- Bears (3rd Grade) : Side Dish
- Webelos (4th & 5th) : Side Dish

Cub Scout Uniform Shirt not recommended for this event!

Plan to get wet!!! ☺

Wear swim trunks & t-shirts! (Boys who went to summer camp can wear their camp shirts and beads!)

Fun for the whole family!!!

- Food & Fellowship
- Summertime Awards Presented
- Camp Achievements Recognized
- Water Balloon Battle!
- The Giant Slip-N-Slide!



Shields are optional but allowed in the Water Balloon Battle! Large (smooth-edged) plastic lids work well (you can add a handle with duct-tape), or if you have a shield from summer camp, bring it! ♣



DEN MEETINGS

Welcome back to Cub Scouts! Den Meetings for the 2011-2012 scouting year begin **Monday, September 19!** YES! We have changed the meeting night to MONDAY NIGHTS!!! Another slight change is the time! **We will begin at 6:45.** This allows for a brief announcement time plus a full 60 minutes in the Dens. Den Meetings dismiss at 8:00 pm.

We ask that a parent or other authorized adult PLEASE come into the building to pick up their Cub Scout. Den Leaders will NOT release a boy until an adult comes to the den room to claim him. Releasing boys to the street is not safe, and creates unnecessary chaos during pick-up time.

Also - parents, please reinforce with your child that running in the building and climbing on fixtures is not acceptable behavior. We ask all Cub Scouts to please be respectful of the property we are using.

FYI: Parents should also be coming in with their Scout at the beginning of each den meeting. Scouts and their parents sit grouped by den for announcements until the boys are dismissed to their dens. This is an important time for parents to get information they need to know, check their Scout-family file for paperwork, hear announcements, etc. ♣

FISHING!!!



Grant caught this beauty at the same location we will be fishing! This could be YOU! ☺

Cub Scout Family Fishing Outing

When: Sunday, September 18, 2011
2:00 PM

Where: 9494 Barker Road
White Pigeon, MI 49099

Map:

http://www.google.com/maps?saddr=331+Bremen,+IN,+USA&daddr=9494+Barker+Rd,+White+Pigeon,+MI+49099&hl=en&sll=41.765524,-85.76579&sspn=0.011523,0.019205&geocode=FZ-leAldLFzd-inTU3X5MrEWiDHOxtamf6Qo_Q%3BFZRFQidYIHj-iI9Yin6VOMWIDFVHaEv_-SrZA&vpsrc=0&mra=ls&z=11

This fishing opportunity is on a private Michigan property. No fishing license is required for youth (age 16 & under). Adults (17 & up) are only required to have a Michigan Fishing license if they remove the fish they catch from the property.

Adults may “catch & release” without a fishing license. For adults wishing to take home their catch, a 24-Hour Michigan fishing license (good for all species) can be obtained for \$8 at:

<http://www.mdnr-elicense.com/Welcome/Default.aspx>
(Licenses are \$7 plus \$1 for a Michigan DNR Sportcard – required for anyone not possessing a Michigan Driver’s License.) ♣



It's that time of year again... **Trail's End Popcorn** time! This fund-raising endeavor is fun and educational for the boys; and critical to the existence of our Pack. These funds pay for our annual charter, books, uniform patches, achievement badges, derby car kits, den supplies, pack events, and various activities through-out the year. The truth is, the more popcorn we sell, the more we are able to do as a Pack!

The cost to support each individual Scout through a year of Scouting will be covered if every single Scout sells **\$300** worth of popcorn. It is important for each Scout to do his part to help the Pack GO.

How do you sell popcorn? Take your Order Form (wearing your uniform shirt if you have one) and visit friends, relatives, and neighbors. Show them what you are selling and explain you are "selling popcorn to raise money for the Bremen Cub Scout Pack". And then ask them, "Would you like to help?" You would be surprised how many people answer "YES" to the request to support Bremen Cub Scouts!

Always say THANK YOU – even if someone chooses not to support at this time.

For all orders you take, be sure to inform your customer that popcorn will be delivered to them around Thanksgiving.

If you would like to have popcorn with you when you sell (and deliver immediately) pick up your Show-&-Sell Popcorn kit on **Saturday 9/17 at Balsley's House (in their garage) 201 N. Jackson St., Bremen.**

It is preferred that the Scout collect money when the order is taken. And remember, popcorn should never be delivered without receiving payment. ♣

Remember, there are GREAT rewards in store for Scouts!

Pack Rewards:

\$100 in Popcorn Sales = Trip to the treasure box.

\$300 in Popcorn Sales = Trip to the LARGE treasure box.

\$400 in Popcorn Sales = ¼ of Scout Resident camp paid

\$600 in Popcorn Sales = ½ of Scout Resident camp paid

\$800 in Popcorn Sales = ALL of Scout Resident camp paid

\$1600 in Popcorn Sales = ALL of Scout Resident camp paid + parent goes free

PLUS!!!

For every \$100 sold = 1 ticket in the drawing to win a brand new bicycle!



Trail's End Rewards:

Sales rewards at \$250, \$350, \$450, \$600, \$650, \$850, \$1,100, \$1300, \$1800 & \$2300. See popcorn order sheet insert for full details.

Plus... **An additional \$50** Walmart or Amazon.com Gift Card to ALL SCOUTS who sell \$1500 or more! ♣



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FAMILY CAMPING



... for Cub Scouts & their parents/guardians & siblings

Saturday, October 1, 2011

Pla-Mor Family Campground (546-3665)
2162 U.S. 6 East, Bremen, IN 46506

Reservations: Please complete reservation form completely, and return to Mr. or Mrs. Fish by **September 26.**
Camping and Visitor fees will be paid directly to Pla-Mor upon check-in. The fees are as follows:

- Tent Camping Fee: \$5/night/person and multiple tents may be set up within the group's designated area. Those families that it is more cost effective to rent your own site will pay \$23 + tax for a total of \$24.61 per night, covering 2 adults and **your own children.**
- RV/Camper Site Fee: \$23 + tax for a total of \$24.61 per night. Site rental covers 2 adults and **your own children.**
- Visitor Fee: Those coming in to visit but **not** spending the night: \$2/person/day (Children 2 and under – Free) Children 3 and older are \$2/day

All vehicles must have car passes. Check in at office when arriving at Pla-Mor.

Time: Check in any time after 9 am. Activities are scheduled at Pla-Mor to begin around 1 or 2 pm Saturday. Sunday check-out time is 12:00 noon (if you need late check out, see park office).

Activities: The following activities are happening on October 1st:

- Kid's Bingo – prizes for those who "BINGO"
- Mini Golf (at time designated by Pla-Mor)
- Fishing – at your own discretion, bring your own equipment and bait
- Wagon Rides
- Campsite Decorating - Judged in the evening by Pla-Mor staff
- Trick Or Treating around the campground
- Costume Contest
- Cider and Donuts

Exact times for activities will be posted centrally in our group camp site the day of the event.

Meals: **We will only eat Saturday Evening Dinner and Sunday Breakfast together.**

- Saturday Dinner will consist of a pitch-in soup dinner. Make up your favorite stew, soup, chili, etc and throw it in a crock-pot for easy serving Saturday evening. (Electric outlets will be available.) Bring along some bread and/or crackers to share with your dish, if you wish.
- Sunday morning there will be a casual pitch-in for those who would like to participate. Bring continental fare, or anything else you desire. We WILL get a campfire going Sunday morning if anyone needs it for cooking eggs, meat, etc.

Firewood: If you are able to bring firewood for our group, please bring it. (No ash tree firewood please.) NOTE: The campground asks that we take-home any unused wood we bring.

What to Bring: Each family will need to bring their own tents (or camper), gear (sleeping bags or blankets, lawn chair, etc.), table service, drinks, etc. The area reserved for the Scouts has electrical and water hookups. (If full hook up service is desired it would be in a different area of the park. Full hook up includes: electric (30amp), water, sewer. There are two dumping stations that are free of charge for campers not on full hook up service. They also have a pump-out service for \$6/pump-out.) ♣

Please fill out the following page and return by:
September 26, 2011

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FAMILY CAMPING
RESERVATION FORM

Please return this page to your Den Leader or Mr. or Mrs. Fish by Monday, September 26

Cub Scout & Family's Names _____

of people spending the night _____

We are:

(Check that which applies)

_____ **TENT CAMPING** (# of tents we are using _____)

_____ **USING OUR RV/CAMPER** (please give information on size and type of camper so we can reserve the proper size campsite for your RV/Camper

Reservation fees will be paid directly to Pla-Mor upon check-in.

Be aware that Pla-Mor accepts check or cash only, no debit or credit cards.

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UPCOMING DATES:

- Sept 6 (Tue)** Cub Scout Sign Up (for 1st – 5th grade boys not in Cub Scouts last year), Sunnyside Park, Open Pavilion, 7-8 PM
- Sept 10 (Sat)** **Kick-off Picnic, Shadyside Park**, 2:00pm – 5:30pm
- Sept 13 (Tue)** PARENTS: Planning Committee Meeting, BUMC-SC 7PM
- Sept 17 (Sat)** **Pickup Show & Sell Popcorn Kits**, Balsley's, 201 N. Jackson St., 3-5PM
- Sept 18 (Sun)** **Cub Scout Family Fishing Outing**, 9494 Barker Rd., White Pigeon, MI, 2PM
- Sept 19 (Mon)** **DEN MEETING 1**, BUMC-SC, 6:45-8PM
- Sept 26 (Mon)** **DEN MEETING 2**, BUMC-SC, 6:45-8PM
- Oct 1 (Sat)** **Family Camping Weekend**, Pla-Mor Campground Bremen, OCT 1-2
- Oct 10 (Mon)** **DEN MEETING 3**, BUMC-SC, 6:45-8PM
- Oct 11 (Tue)** PARENTS: Planning Committee Meeting, BUMC-SC 7PM
- Oct 15 (Sat)** **Iron Horse Hike/Festival**, Potato Creek State Park, 9AM
- Oct 17 (Mon)** **DEN MEETING 4**, BUMC-SC, 6:45-8PM
- Oct 24 (Mon)** **DEN MEETING 5**, BUMC-SC, 6:45-8PM
- Oct 24 (Mon)** **POPCORN SALE ENDS!** Today, turn in "Take Order" Popcorn Sheets with sale's totaled, prize selections will be ordered, all unsold "Show & Sell Popcorn" must be returned, and sold "Show & Sell Popcorn" Money DUE.



GOING GREEN

Cub Scouts are very familiar with the philosophy of Conservation or "Reduce, Reuse & Recycle". Pack 256 is making an effort to put this concept into practice within our organization!

In an effort to reduce paper and ink consumption (and save money); **we are eliminating printed and photo-copied hand-outs and relying on digital delivery methods of news and information.**

Newsletters, reminders, updates, etc., will be sent to Scout families via email and **facebook**, and posted to our website as well. Be sure the pack secretary has ALL the current email addresses to which you would like Cub Scout News sent. Email cubscoutpack256@live.com to update or add your email addresses to our contact list.

Please use our website! It is a very valuable resource! Current scout-year calendars, all newsletters and other pertinent information can be found there... as well as a photo-album of all our activities! We are adding new photos all the time! Use the website frequently to keep up to date: www.bremenpack256.org

Also, get info from the Pack on **facebook** ! If you have not already added Pack 256 as your **facebook** friend, search for **Bremen Cub-Scouts** and request friend status!

If there is a reason that receiving information only via email or website does not work at all for you, please contact Stephanie Fish at 574-546-3359 to discuss alternatives. ♣



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