

# PACK 93 IN LAKE ZURICH IS LOOKING FOR BOYS INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CUB SCOUT

## HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

There's a \$10 registration fee and an additional cost of approximately \$65.00 to cover the purchase of a handbook, a patch vest, a shirt, belt, kerchief, slide ring, Pack and Den patches, and hat. (You buy the shirt large, so it will last 4 years).

## WHERE DO I PURCHASE THESE ITEMS?

The closest Scout Shop is located at 600 North Wheeling Road in Mount Prospect, IL 60056. The Scout Shop is very helpful and will pull everything you need. Be careful they don't sell you more than what is listed above. Items are also available online. <http://www.scoutstuff.org/bsasupply/>

## ARE THERE ANY OTHER COSTS?

There will be additional costs to participate in some outside activities like ballgames, etc. (these activities are optional).

## WHERE DO THE SCOUTS MEET AND HOW OFTEN?

Meetings are held at St. Peters Church, 47 Church Street in Lake Zurich. The Tiger Den meets once a month in the basement of the church school. The Den is part of "Pack 93" and the Pack will also meet once a month, but that meeting is held in the basement of the Church. You will have 2 meetings per month: one Den and one Pack meeting with the other Dens. Do not drop your son off at these meetings, you must attend with your son.

## HOW LONG ARE DEN AND PACK MEETINGS?

Meetings are on a designated weeknight and begin at 7:00 p.m. and end at 8:00 p.m., but may run to 8:30 p.m. At least one parent or guardian must attend these meetings with your son.

## WHAT DO YOU DO AT DEN MEETINGS?

The Dens have a Den Leader, often parents will take turns each month planning a required Den activity taken from the handbook. Sample activities include: leaf rubbings, a food pyramid, bird feeders, sewing a button, scrap books, and playing games. Scouts will also get a snack and beverage at every meeting.

## WHAT IS A PATCH VEST?

Scouts have required activities they have to complete to earn patches (awards). Scouts have to complete a certain number of family activities at home, Den activities, and "go-see-it" activities to eventually earn their badges. Your Den Leader will keep track of your accomplishments (outlined in the handbook) and you will be awarded your patches (awards) at Pack meetings. Sew your patches on your vest as you earn them.

### **WHAT PATCHES GO ON THE CUB SCOUT SHIRT AND WHERE DO I PLACE THEM?**

Do NOT purchase a Tiger patch because that is earned at the end of the year. You will purchase a Den # patch which goes directly under the flag on the right sleeve. You will purchase a Northwest Suburban Council patch that goes on the top of your left sleeve (not the shoulder). You will purchase a "9" and a "3" that represents Pack 93 and this is sewn directly below the Northwest Suburban Council patch on your left sleeve. You will purchase a purple scout insignia that goes on the left side of the shirt centered between the left pocket and the shoulder seam.

### **WHAT DO YOU DO AT PACK MEETINGS?**

Four Dens get together and participate in a flag ceremony and the Scout Leader will discuss upcoming activities. Award ceremonies are conducted at the Pack meetings and the Scouts will be given the patches (awards) they've earned. Sometimes we'll have special guests at Pack meetings like a Marine, or a magician. Snacks and beverages are always provided to the scouts.

### **DO YOU ATTEND DEN AND PACK MEETINGS ALL YEAR?**

No, the scouting season officially begins in September and ends in early May.

### **WHAT IS A GO-SEE-IT ACTIVITY?**

Go-See-It activities are outlined in the Tiger handbook and the Tigers have to fulfill five go-see-its during the year to earn patches (awards) for their vests and to earn their official Tiger patch. Last year the Tigers visited a radio station, went to a basketball game, visited a fire station, a museum, a candy factory, a pet shop, and tapped maple syrup in the forest preserve. The Go-See-It activities are done with the boys in your Tiger Den and their parents only.

### **WHAT OTHER ACTIVITIES DO THE SCOUTS PARTICIPATE IN?**

The Pack has an Activity Chair that coordinates monthly activities for all the Dens within Pack 93. These activities aren't mandatory, but if you participate you earn extra patches (awards) for your patch vest. Sample activities include: A Wolves game, the climbing wall at the YMCA, the Gymnastics Center, and Earth Day clean up. There are also annual events that are optional like the Pinewood Derby, the Rain Gutter Regatta, the Blue and Gold dinner, and summer camp out. The more you participate in, the more patches (awards) you earn.

### **DO I HAVE TO READ THE ENTIRE TIGER HANDBOOK?**

Your Den Leader will guide you and let you know what you will need to review with your Scout throughout the year. It isn't necessary to memorize anything before you come to a meeting. Your Scout leaders will keep you on track and inform you when you need to review what.

### **HOW DO I JOIN THE TIGER SCOUTS?**

Contact one of the Leaders on our website