

Cathedral of the Incarnation

50 Cathedral Ave, Garden City, NY 11530

CUB SCOUT PACK 55 OF GARDEN CITY, NY, IS FOR BOYS & GIRLS IN GRADES K-5TH

October 2022

Cubmaster's Corner

Dear Pack 55 Family,

Mother Nature had other plans for our camping trip but we are ready for take two of our annual overnight camping trip on the Cathedral grounds October 15th. We have a rotation of cub skills stations, dinner, night hiking, a campfire, skits, and s'mores. Plan to arrive around 5pm to set up your tent. Tents can be set up around the perimeter of the field. Bathrooms are located inside the Mercer building. Don't forget to practice your skits and jokes with your den! On October 22nd, we are visiting the United States Military Academy at West Point to watch Army take on the Louisiana Monroe Warhawks. This exciting event begins with the parade of cadets, tours, and more. Go Army!



Most families have registered by now, but if you haven't, please remember to register for this year's scouting program. All scouts must be registered and paid to attend events and meetings. Click the link to be taken to <u>Registration</u> and complete the required information. Pack 55 recruits all year long. If you know families who are interested in joining, please share our information.

Our next Pack Night is November 3rd at the Stratford School, we will also be kicking off our annual Poinsettia and Wreath fundraiser that night! This is the primary way Pack 55 raises funds for our activities. I'm personally looking forward to my beautiful poinsettia's. Can you believe the holiday's are coming so soon?!

The Pinewood Derby date is scheduled for Saturday, January 7th in the Stratford School gym. Car kits will be distributed at poinsettia pickup in December. Details to follow.

The pack still has a few specific volunteer spots that need filling to keep cub scout programming flowing, most specifically the Pack Treasurer and Lions Den leader. Please consider them, as well as participating in the Pack 55 Parent Committee.

Yours in Scouting, George Reeder, Cubmaster



Are you looking to make a difference?

Pack 55 is run by parent volunteers who believe in the value that Cub Scouting provides children. More than an outdoors program, Cub Scouting is a character development program and so much more. Without dedicated volunteer adult leaders, such a program can't thrive. You will be joining and supported by fellow volunteer parents along with opportunities for online and in-person training opportunities from Scouts BSA. No experience is necessary. As the next year of cub scouting is now upon us, Pack 55 is looking to fill the positions of:

- Pack Treasurer-in-Training
- Pack Advancement Team member
- Lions Den Leader and Assistant Den Leader

If you are interested in the above positions or are curious about how you can help, please email <u>gcpack55@gmail.com</u>. *Remember, "A Scout is Helpful!"*

Registration 2022-2023

Pack 55 registration for the 2022-2023 Cub Scout year is open! Scouts must be registered to participate in cub scout programming. The Pack 55 family looks forward to the exciting year ahead. Please spread the word and share the link if you know a family, Kindergarten through 5th grade, boy or girl, who is

interested in becoming a scout and joining Pack 55.

Click the link to be taken to <u>Registration</u> and complete the required information.

Please make a payment of \$200 via check made out to Pack 55 and mail to Dennis Santare, Pack 55 Treasurer, 38 Colonial Avenue, Garden City, NY, 11530 or bring to the next Pack event.



Pack and Den News

Pack 55 kicked off the Pack year on September 12th with our first traditional pack night in 2 years, welcoming the Stewart Manor Fire Department for a demonstration of fire tools and equipment. Cubs learned all about the gear that keeps fire fighters safe and community service from these dedicated volunteers. Thank you to Assistant Cubmaster/Wolf Den Leader and Stewart Manor Firefighter Frank McCaughey for coordinating our guests.



The Pack got together for our first pack event of the year on September 16th to make Sling Shot Rockets from pool noodles! Cubs got to work together to complete the project and launch their rockets. We welcomed new families to our Pack with open arms and completed our first service project of the year, making over 100 snack bags for the Mary Brennan INN.



Scout Skills

If you are lost

Getting lost can be a very scary thing as an adult, much less for a kid. Having a plan to know what to do if you ever find yourself in that situation is a great way to prevent panic. Knowing who trusted adults is important. So is staying in the last place you remember seeing each other. Scouts are taught to STOP when they are lost. Stop, Think, Observe, and Plan. Stop where you are. Take time to think about where you are, drink some water, and stay calm. Observe the surroundings and the last landmarks you saw. And think about a plan.

At large places like an amusement park, you can take a picture of your kids so you remember what they were wearing. Practicing phone numbers helps too. The Scout's BSA motto is "Be Prepared!"

What to do if you are lost

Pack 55 Parent Committee wants YOU!

Have you wondered how you can get more involved in the Pack? Join the Pack 55 Parent Committee! If you're interested in becoming a member of the Pack 55 Parent Committee, please email Holly Lyons at <u>gcpack55@gmail.com</u> for more details.



Happy Birthday from Pack 55

Happy Birthday to our October Birthday Cubs: James Went, Kevin Went, James Harrison, Gus Iezzi, Avalona Iezzi, and Jonathan Sagistano!

Useful Scout Links

Use the below link to access a collection of useful links for Pack 55, including locations for uniform purchases. We will keep it updated with great references and resources for you and your Cub.

Useful Scout Links



Pack 55 takes the safety of our Cub Scouts very seriously. We ask that <u>all</u> <u>adults</u> involved in our scouting program, please complete <u>YPT training</u>. You don't need to be a registered leader to take this training, although you are welcome to be!



Pack activities can not happen without behind-thescenes work from parent volunteers. This month, Pack 55's MVPs (Most Valuable Parents) are:

Shauna Quill and Jamie Went

for the behind the scenes work to get our annual poinsettia sales program ready

Brian Craine

for mentoring our new Lions Den

The 2022-2023 Pack 55 Calendar is here!

Click here to download the full year's calendar

Event Sign-Up Links

Pack 55 Annual Cathedral Overnight October 15th (Please edit your sign up if unable to attend on the 15th)

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA: Pack 55 invites you to join the Pack's Facebook group Cub Scouts Pack 55 where we post important communications about upcoming events and share information on pack activities. This group is for the parents and adult partners of registered Scouts in Pack 55 as well as previous members of Pack 55. Our private Facebook page can be found <u>here</u>. Pack 55 also invites you to like and follow the Pack's public/shareable Facebook page Pack 55 Garden City, NY where we share information about the pack with our community. Visit our public Facebook page <u>here</u>.

Upcoming Pack Events!

October through January 2023

- Outdoor Overnight Camp Out, October 15th at 5:00pm, Cathedral of the Incarnation Mercer Field
- West Point Scout Day, October 22nd at 9:00am (12:00pm game), United States Military Academy
- Pack Night, November 3rd at 7:00pm, Stratford School
- Poinsettia & Wreath Sales, November 4th- November 22nd Order deadline is November 22nd
- Military Appreciation Night, November 15th at 7:00pm, 1st Marine Corps District in Garden City
- Poinsettia & Wreath Pick Up, December 3rd from 9:00am to 11:00am, Cathedral of the Incarnation
- Cold Weather Cabin Camping, December 10th-11th, Location and time TBD *Webelos I and II only*.
- Cathedral at Christmas Tour, December 14th at 7:00pm, Cathedral of the Incarnation
- Pinewood Derby, January 7th at Stratford School, Start time TBD

Having fun? Have a friend who may be interested in joining Cub Scouts? Invite them to a Den Meeting!

f https://www.facebook.com/groups/Pack55GardenCityNY

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