



100 YEARS OF SCOUTING  
*Celebrating the Adventure ★ Continuing the Journey*



**Come join Cub Scouts and help celebrate 100 years of Scouting in America!!**

## **Guadalupe School, Cub Scout Pack 340**

### **Cub Scouting Parent's Orientation**



Cub Scout Pack 340 is chartered by the Guadalupe Home & School Club (GHSC) and is open to boys in Grades 1-5.



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**What Scouts do:**

Build a fire  
 Throw a perfect spiral  
 Camp overnight  
 Catch a fish  
 Eat more s'mores  
 Launch a rocket  
 Find a dinosaur bone

Hike a trail  
 Cook outside  
 Make new friends  
 Sleep on an aircraft carrier  
 Build a science experiment  
 Use a compass  
 Slide into home

Ride a horse  
 Score in a game of ultimate  
 Race a derby car  
 Paint a self-portrait  
 Make a video  
 Shoot a BB gun at camp  
 Hit a bull's-eye with an arrow



# What Scouts do:



Pack Meetings



Den Outings



Den Meetings





# What Scouts do (cont.):



Creek Cleanup



Pinewood Derby



Campouts



# YOUR SON, SCOUTING, AND YOU

## Scouting...An Aid To Parents

As a parent, you want your son to grow up to be person of worth, a self-reliant, dependable and caring individual. Scouting has these same goals in mind for him. Since 1910 we've been weaving lifetime values into fun and educational activities designed to assist parents in strengthening character, good citizenship, and physical fitness in youth.

Scouting is family values! At the same time Cub Scout-age boys don't join Scouting just to get their character built. Boys join because it is fun.

## Scouting Is Fun With A Purpose!!!

With all of the negative influences in today's society, Scouting is there to provide your son with a positive peer group and a program that is fun and adventurous and helps him to "BE PREPARED" to shape his own future.

## THE PROGRAMS

### First Grade

Tiger Cubs Motto: "Search, Discover, Share"

Tiger Cubs is a one-year program for 1st grade boys. Each boy participates with an adult (preferably a parent) in family-oriented activities ranging from family camping to preparing for emergencies.

The time you and your son spend in Tiger Cubs is meant to be fun, a chance to get to know one another better, and do things with your family as well as members of your Tiger Cub Den.

### 2nd Through 5th Grade

Cub Scout Motto: "Do Your Best"

Cub Scouting is a home and neighborhood centered program designed to support family life for boys 2nd through 5th grades.

Each Cub Scout learns to respect his home, country, God, and other people. The program also helps boys this age to:

- Learn new physical skills through sports, crafts, and woodworking.
- Learn how to get along with others through games and team activities.
- Develop new mental skills such as writing and calculating.
- Develop personal independence.

In a society where your son is often taught that winning is everything, Cub Scouting teaches him to "Do His Best" and be helpful to others as expressed in the Cub Scout Motto and Promise.

A Cub Scout den can provide your son with a group of boys his own age where he can earn status and recognition. There he will also gain a sense of personal achievement for the new skills he learns.

# THE CUB SCOUT PROGRAM

## Your Boy is a Member of a Den

- a. A Den has four to eight boys.
- b. Meets regularly once a week at the leaders convenience.
- c. Led by a Den Leader (usually a parent).
- d. A Den Leader is often assisted by an Assistant Den Leader, a Den Chief (an older Boy Scout) and a Denner (a Cub Scout elected by den members).
- e. Den Meetings have games, crafts, stunts and ceremonies.

## Your Boy is a Member of a Pack

- a. Made up of one or more Dens.
- b. Meets once a month--all Cub families are expected to participate.
- c. A Pack Meeting is led by the Cubmaster.
- d. Pack Meetings are the climax of the month's Den Meetings and activities.
- e. Pack Meetings have games, skits, stunts, songs, ceremonies, and presentation of badges that boys earned that month.

## The Pack Is Run By A Pack Committee

- a. Made up of Den Leaders, Pack Leaders and all parents.
- b. Meets once a month.
- c. Led by a Committee Chairman.
- d. Committee plans Den and Pack Meetings around the monthly theme.
- e. Committee selects leadership, finds meeting places, performs record keeping, manages Pack finances, orders badges, maintains Pack equipment, helps train leaders, and recognizes leaders.

## Pack Is Owned By The Chartered Organization

- a. Chartered Organizations include schools and parent-teacher organizations interested in youth.
- b. The Chartered Organization approves leadership, secures a meeting place, keeps Pack within sponsor's and Boy Scout guidelines and policies.
- c. The Chartered Organization selects a representative from the organization to be the liaison between the Pack and the Organization.

## THE ADVANCEMENT PLAN

The responsibility of a boy's advancement in Cub Scouting lies with the family and not with the Pack. Some advancement requirements are done at Den Meetings, but most are done at home with the family.



**Bobcat.** All boys, regardless of age, earn the Bobcat Badge first. This is achieved by learning the Cub Scout Promise, Law of the Pack, handshake, salute, sign, motto, and meaning of "WEBELOS". After receiving the Bobcat Badge, the boys work on requirements based on their grade level.



**Tiger Cubs.** First-grade boys join a Tiger Cub den, where each boy works with an adult partner on the requirements to earn his Tiger Cub badge.



**Wolf Cub Scouts.** Second-grade boys graduate into a Wolf den. They go to weekly den meetings on their own, but their families still help them work on the requirements for the Wolf badge.



**Bear Cub Scouts.** Boys in the third grade are members of a Bear den. They also work with their families to do the requirements for the Bear badge, but boys this old have enough knowledge and skill to take on more of the work by themselves. For every ten electives a boy completes, he earns an Arrow Point. A boy may earn as many Arrow Points as he desires.



**Webelos Scouts.** Boys in the fourth and fifth grades become Webelos Scouts. Webelos Scouts do more advanced activities to get ready to graduate into Boy Scouting. The boy works on requirements for the Webelos Badge, 20 Activity Badges, and the Arrow of Light Award (the highest award in Cub Scouting). Camping and outdoor programs are an important part of the 19-month Webelos program. In February of a Webelos Scout's 5th grade year, he graduates from Cub Scouting into the adventures of Boy Scouting at an impressive graduation ceremony. Every boy deserves an opportunity to be a Boy Scout!

# SPECIAL PROGRAMS

## Pinewood Derby



This is a parent/son project where a downhill racecar is built. The car must weigh five ounces or less and must clear the track. Your Pack may hold a race-off.

## Good Turn

Pack Service Project to benefit the community. Guadalupe Creek Clean Up and more.

## Blue And Gold Banquet

Birthday party for Cub Scouting usually held in February or March. A special program, with entertainment, where it is customary to have an awards presentation, speaker, etc.

## Scout-o-Rama

Annual Scout Show for all Scout groups in your district. Each group sets up an action booth or display. Boys can sell tickets to earn prizes and commissions to help pay for camp, etc. Proceeds benefit your Pack and Scouting in the [Santa Clara County Council](#). This event occurs in the spring.

## Day Camp

Exciting summertime activity that includes crafts, games, nature, sports, etc. Camp runs one or two days.

## Family Camp

Scouts and their family spend camping together. A new adventure every time. Pack 340 holds a Fall Family Camp and a Spring Family Camp. In the Spring camp we hold our Rain Gutter Regatta races.



## Boy's Life Magazine

This is a magazine for boys and adults (provided to all members at the low annual subscription fee of \$9.00 per year.) It has interesting features on Scouting, sports, hobbies, magic, science, and U.S. History. There are also jokes, comics, and short stories.



# YOU ARE NOT ALONE

Our staff at the Scout Service Center Can help or get you in touch with someone who can. [Santa Clara County Council, Boy Scouts of America, 970 W. Julian Street, San Jose, CA 95126 \(408\)280-5088.](#)

Roundtable, a monthly leader's meeting for all adult Scout volunteers in your district, is available. You can get help with crafts, games, skits, and songs for use at Den and Pack Meetings. It's a great place to ask questions and share ideas.

"Program Helps" contain meeting plans for Den and Pack Meetings and shows you how to do crafts and games. Many Packs purchase Annual Program Helps for their leaders.

Your district has a volunteer crew called the District Committee that performs quality district-wide programs in which your boy can participate.

Your district has a another volunteer crew called the Commissioner Staff. They are our "SERVICE CREW". They check on the health of your Pack and are a communication link between your Pack and the Scouting organization. A Commissioner is assigned to assist your unit.

Your district has Fast Start and Basic Leader Training available. All leaders are encouraged to participate in training prior to their first meeting.



# PACK LEADERSHIP STRUCTURE

## Program Positions

Program Positions are the jobs in the Pack where adults work directly with the boys and organize the actual programs the boys participate in.

### Den Leader(s)

Leads their Den at Weekly Den Meetings and monthly Pack Meetings. Attends monthly Pack Committee Meeting and monthly Roundtable. Commits to 5-7 meetings a month plus preparation time.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

### Cubmaster

Helps to plan and carry out the Pack program with help of the Pack Committee. Emcees monthly Pack meeting and attends Pack Committee Meeting and monthly Roundtable. Commits to 2-3 meetings a month.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

### Den Leader Coach

Meets with Den Leaders monthly to plan Pack Program with help of Pack Committee. Attends Pack Meeting, Pack Committee Meeting, and Roundtable. Cubmaster performs this function in a small Pack.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Calls and runs all Pack Committee Meetings. Helps recruit Committee Members. Attends Pack Meeting and Roundtable. 2-3 meetings monthly

Perform the administrative functions of the Pack. NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

### Committee Chairmans Secretary/Treasurer

Keeps all records for the Pack, including Pack bank account and financial records. Attends Pack Meeting and Pack Meetings NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

### Advancement Member

Orders and obtains all badges and insignia. Attends Pack Meeting and Pack Committee Meeting. 2-3 meetings monthly. NAME:

\_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

### Parent Helper Positions

Parent Helper Positions are an auxiliary to the Pack Committee and perform "one shot" program jobs such as coordinating Pack participation in Scouting For Food, Pack Good Turn, Pinewood Derby, Blue and Gold, Scout Show, Pack Graduation, Day Camp and Cub Scout Weekends. These jobs are of short duration, usually 1-3 months and don't last the entire school year.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

## HOW IS SCOUTING FINANCED?

Funds used to operate the Santa Clara County Council come from four major sources:

- An annual fund drive called Friends of Scouting (FOS) from families, businesses, alumni, and other individuals. (A special presentation will be made at a Pack Meeting in the Spring to ask support from families of Scouts.)
- The United Way
- Product sales including sales in the Scout Shop, the Annual Popcorn sale, and Scout Expo ticket sales.
- Camping and activity fees. With the funds, the council provides such things as:
- Council Service Center in Boise for volunteers and parents to obtain supplies, information and help.
- Council and District organized activities such as Scout Expo, Klondike, Day Camps, etc.
- Training for volunteer leaders.
- Four Scout Camps--Webelos Woods, Cub Scout Day Camp, Resident Camp, Family Camp and other programs.
- Professional staff and support staff to support the volunteer leadership.

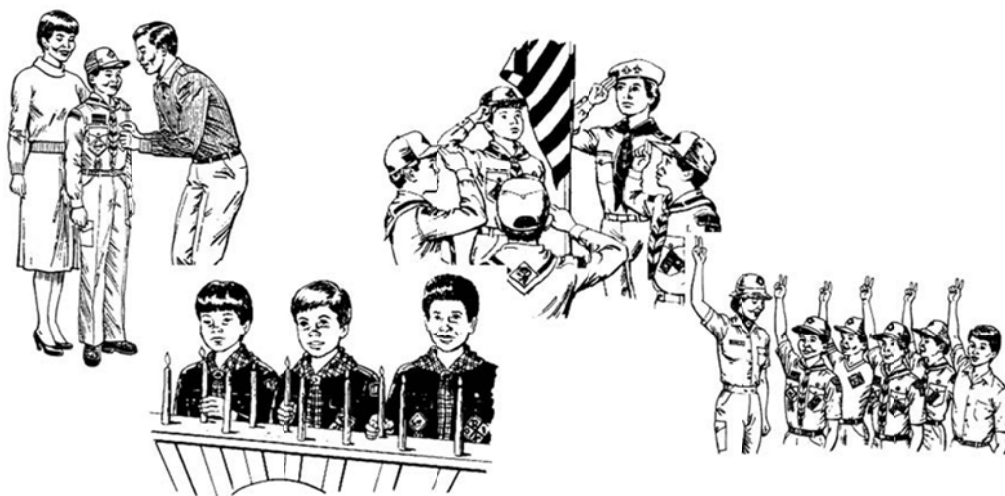
## How Is My Pack Financed?

- Money earning projects such as Popcorn sales and Scout-o-Rama tickets. Some Packs earn additional money from recycling, cake auctions, bake sales, etc.
- Packs charge members dues. **PACK 340 dues are currently \$80 per year.**
- Money goes for Pack equipment, advancement Badges, special events, and program materials.

## What Cost Does My Family Have?

Uniform, handbook, personal equipment, annual registration fee, Boys' Life, camp fees and Pack dues. Your family will be asked to support the Friends of Scouting drive in the Spring.

Scouting is all families. If you find it a challenge to afford the uniform or other items, talk with your Pack's Cubmaster or Committee Chairperson. Either the Pack will provide a scholarship or they will contact the District Executive for a scholarship from the council.



## WELCOME TO SCOUTING

### New Member Checklist

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ District: Pioneer District

Cub Scouts: \_\_\_ Tiger Cub \_\_\_ Wolf \_\_\_ Bear \_\_\_ Webelos Den # \_\_\_\_\_ Pack # 340

As a Cub Scout your son will need a number of things:

1. Cub Scout uniform shirt, pants or shorts, and these patches: council shoulder strip, den number, pack numbers, and World Crest. Also the appropriate neckerchief and slide are required. A Tiger Cub Book if he is in first grade, a Wolf Book if he is in second grade, a Bear Book for third and a Webelos Book for fourth and/or fifth grade.

Cub Scout uniform and all manuals may be purchased at the **South Bay Scout Shop** listed below. Other sources of uniforms are garage sales, older boys in the Pack, eBay, Craigslist, Goodwill, etc. Also visit the BSA web page <http://www.scoutstuff.org/bsasupply/>, Uniform Builder.

#### Official Distributors

**South Bay Scout Shop** - 970 West Julian, Street, San Jose, CA 95126

**HOURS Mon.-Fri.** 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. **Saturday** - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Phone: (408) 279- 086 FAX (408) 279-0659 email Store Manager: [chwilson@bsamail.org](mailto:chwilson@bsamail.org)

Sample Uniform list: *Approximated costs*

Item #	Item	UOM	Price	Quantity	Line Total
16955	<a href="#">Council Shoulder Patch</a> <a href="#">Santa Clara Council</a>	EA	\$2.95	1	\$2.95
10701	<a href="#">Cub Scout Den Numeral</a>	EA	\$1.49	1	\$1.49
84091	<a href="#">Cub Scout Short-Sleeve Shirt</a>	EA	\$22.99	1	\$22.99
64044	<a href="#">New Tiger Cub Web Belt</a>	EA	\$7.99	1	\$7.99
83893	<a href="#">Tiger Cub Cap</a>	EA	\$12.99	1	\$12.99
34713	<a href="#">Tiger Cub Handbook</a>	EA	\$6.99	1	\$6.99
80871	<a href="#">Tiger Cub Neckerchief</a>	EA	\$2.48	1	\$2.48
80870	<a href="#">Tiger Cub Neckerchief Slide</a>	EA	\$3.99	1	\$3.99
10400	<a href="#">Unit Numeral 3</a>	EA	\$1.19	1	\$1.19
10403	<a href="#">Unit Numeral 4</a>	EA	\$1.19	1	\$1.19
10404	<a href="#">Unit Numeral 0</a>	EA	\$1.19	1	\$1.19
143	<a href="#">World Scout Crest Emblem</a>	EA	\$1.49	1	\$1.49
Product Total:					\$66.93

#### Why A Uniform?

Every Scout and adult leader is encouraged to wear a uniform. The BSA uniform identifies a pack as a visible force for good and creates a positive image in the community. The uniform is practical attire for Scouting activities and provides a way for Scouts to proudly display the many badges they have earned. All prices are subject to change without notice.



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

My Den Number:

My Den Leader's Name is:

My Den Leader's Phone Number is:

My Den Meets on:

My Den Meets at:

My Pack Number is: 340

My Cubmaster's Name is: Andy Oehler

My Cubmaster's Phone Number is: (408) 448-0916

My Pack Meets on: The 2nd Tuesday of each month.

My Pack Meets at: Guadalupe Elementary School

My Unit Commissioner is:

My District's Name is: Pioneer District

My Council's Name is: SANTA CLARA COUNTY COUNCIL (<http://www.scccbsa.org/html/index.html>)



# PARENT HELP POSITIONS

The following positions all need to be filled for our Pack to have a successful year. Would you please indicate your first four choices of committees and positions that you would be willing to work on this coming year? Each parent must be willing to assist if this program is to work. Please be sure that each parent turns in this sheet tonight.

\_\_\_\_\_ Pack Parents Committee \_\_\_\_\_ Pack Song Leader \_\_\_\_\_ Awards Committee \_\_\_\_\_ Pinewood Derby Committee \_\_\_\_\_ Good Turn Clothing/Canned Food Drive (November/December) \_\_\_\_\_ Blue and Gold Banquet (February) \_\_\_\_\_ Cubmaster/Assistant Cubmaster \_\_\_\_\_ Scout Show Booth Committee (March/April) \_\_\_\_\_ Scout Show Ticket Sales Coordinator (March/April) \_\_\_\_\_ Cub Day Camp Coordinator (June/August) \_\_\_\_\_ Cub Scout Weekend Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_ Den Leader or Assistant Den Leader \_\_\_\_\_ Tiger Cub Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_ Pack Holiday Party Committee (December) \_\_\_\_\_ Pack Sports Program Committee \_\_\_\_\_ Special Events Committee \_\_\_\_\_ Webelos Den Leader or Assistant Den Leader \_\_\_\_\_ Webelos Camp Out Adult Participant \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Committee \_\_\_\_\_ Paper Drive/Drop Box Committee



## HOBBIES

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\_\_\_\_\_

## SPORTS INTERESTS

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

JOB \_\_\_\_\_ WORK  
SHIFT \_\_\_\_\_

I HAVE A TRUCK \_\_\_\_\_ VAN \_\_\_\_\_ TRAILER \_\_\_\_\_ STATION WAGON \_\_\_\_\_ I HAVE A WORKSHOP

\_\_\_\_\_ PARENT'S NAME

\_\_\_\_\_

# I DON'T HAVE TIME

365 Days per year 24 Hours per day **8760** Hours per year



8760 Hours per year 2920 Hours sleeping per year (8 hours per night) **5840** Waking hours



5840 Waking hours 1095 Eating hours (1 hour per meal, 3 times a day) 4745 Hours left 2080 Hours at work (8 hours, 5 days per week) 2665 Hours of leisure

192 Hours devoted to Scouting **2473** Hours left over for:



PTA	Shopping	Reading
Church	Driving	Camping
Bowling	Vacations	Sports
Bridge	Movies	Relaxing



## Is Your Boy Worth Some Of Your Leisure Time?

### TIME IN CUB SCOUTING

<b>Den Leader:</b>	2 hours weekly X 12 months (Den meetings)	24 hours
	2 hours monthly X 12 (Roundtables)	24 hours
	2 hours monthly X 12 (Committee meetings)	24 hours
	2 hours monthly X 10 (Pack meetings)	20 hours
	8 hours daily X 2 (Basic Trng. & Pow Wow)	16 hours
	<b>Total</b>	<b>108 hours per year</b>
<b>Cubmaster:</b>	2 hours monthly X 12 (Committee meetings)	24 hours
	2 hours monthly X 12 (Pack meetings)	24 hours
	2 hours monthly X 12 (Roundtables)	24 hours
	8 hours (2-days/yr) (Basic Trng. & Pow Wow)	16 hours
	<b>Total</b>	<b>88 hours per year</b>

***Try It.... You Will No Doubt Like It.....***



## WHY I AM A LEADER



I am not a Cub Scout Leader for the easy hours, high pay, parents' gratitude, power or prestige.



I am a leader because I want the world for your son and mine, to be a world he can shape and help shape; a world of love and laughter, where he can show compassion.



I want him to be able to look at the stars, a sunrise, a sunset, the work and world of man--and feel their beauty inside himself.

I want to help him to learn to finish anything he starts and do it well and to guide him to know his worth with a deeper understanding of himself.



I want to help shape men who have strength of character and are sensitive to the needs of others.

I want them to be the best they can be.



I am giving of my time and myself. I reap rewards far beyond what I give. I receive for my children and future generations a better world.



**I am a Cub Scout Leader because I care.**









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