

Welcome to Cub Scout Pack 111

Meetings

Mondays

6:30-7:30pm

@ First Presbyterian Church
1402 Manatee Ave W
Bradenton, FL 34205
(near Central Library)

CUB SCOUTING



Note: Only boys in this unit as of now.

Visit us at:

www.scoutpack111.com

Charter Rep- Steve Palmieri

Comm. Chair- Faith Magley

Cubmasters- Luke Sylvain

Who We Are

We are parent **volunteers** dedicated to teaching and developing boys from K to 5th grade in the Boy Scouts of America Program. Our goal is to help instill **character, respectfulness, citizenship, service, understanding, self-worth, achievement, skills, spirituality, sportsmanship & fitness, as well as lots and lots of fun** in preparing for boy scouting and life as a young boy in general. The boys are divided into Dens by grade. Each den consists of a group of boys, a Leader, and an Assistant Leader under the supervision of a Cubmaster. We are family-oriented and welcome the whole family to enjoy camping and other scout outings and events, while making friendships and bonds along the way.

Activities Visit www.scoutpack111.com to view the calendar & agenda.

Camping - Family camping is absolutely the best part about being a scout (or the family of a scout). We utilize our local Camp Flying Eagle for most of our campouts, but have also camped at Camp Miles in Ft. Myers and have traveled as far as Disney's Fort Wilderness in Orlando. The **scouts may learn some scouting skills or just have fun.** There is a reasonable charge per person for food (pack camping), but we cook and eat like Kings!

Our pack is very active in the community. We collect food for the hungry, Christmas carol for the elderly, etc. for **service events**. Our local council offers additional activities such as beach cleanup, tree planting, and others. We camp several times each year and also have other fun events planned such as race **Pinewood Derby** cars, **Raingutter Regatta** boats, **have holiday parties, overnight lock-ins, a pack fishing, pack bowling, skating, to name few.**

Weekly den activities may include **arts and crafts, science, cooking, sports, field trips and more.** A monthly pack meeting is held to award scouts with beads, belt loops, badges, or pins that they have achieved. We also have a yearly Blue & Gold Banquet in February to recognize the birthday of scouting. **Please refer to the pack agenda and check your email** for weekly news, updates or any calendar changes. [We are also on Facebook/Cub Scout Pack 111.](#)

Goals

Every year and rank in scouting is exciting but earning the **"Arrow of Light"** is the highest rank of Cub Scouting, which allows a scout to join Boy Scouts during their 5th grade year. We are fortunate to have our brother scouts, **Troop 111** and leaders for the transition into boy scouting as they are eligible and invited and cross to troop at the Blue and Gold Banquet in February. The ultimate goal in Boy Scouting is the rank of **"Eagle"** which has already been attained in Troop 111 with several others to follow. Troop 111 also meets on Monday nights @ First Presbyterian Church. The very first rank for any scout at any level is the **Bobcat** (except Lion Cubs).

The Role of Parents

You and your son are both a vital part of the pack. As the Cub Scout is of a young age, **we require at least one parent to attend all meetings, activities and events with their child.** During meetings we share information about upcoming events, calendar updates and activities. We will also need the parent to complete forms and sign ups to participate in and prepare for upcoming scout activities and events. You are your son's leader (Akela) also and may help him along the cub scout trail. **Your participation shows your interest in your son's life**, while encouraging the values & qualities that have made scouting successful for over 100 years.

Each year **we need new volunteers** as Den Leaders, Assistant Den Leaders, and Committee Members. If you are interested in volunteering for a leader position or would just like to help in a small way please see the Committee Chairman, a Cubmaster or Charter Rep to learn what positions are or will be needed for the pack.

The Committee

Our pack is run by a committee, which discuss ideas and plan upcoming events and activities such as: Camping trips, field trips, menus, activities, calendar planning and more. **All parents are encouraged to participate** in these meetings so that your voice and new ideas may be heard and considered in the pack's planning process.

Scout Costs: **BSA Registration application** (\$37 per year) prorated from joining to Nov).

We are a non-profit organization and run on dues from each scout and fundraising profits only.

Dues – Pack 111 collects the minimal of dues (\$5.00 per month) \$50.00 per scout year. These dues will be used for your scouts badges & awards, which he will receive for his achievements at a monthly pack meeting and miscellaneous supplies.

Uniforms- Every boy is required to wear a uniform. The nearest uniform shop is **Children's World in Sarasota**. You may also try Craig's List, eBay, or a local consignment shop or thrift store. If you need to spread out your purchases, buy a scout book first and then the uniform, patches and neckerchief. Due to the cost of scout shorts and the rate of a boy's growth, we will allow similar navy shorts (olive green for Webelos). **Remember that your son may wear the same uniform until the 5th grade** (buy it big). We will also take orders for class B uniforms T-shirts that can be worn at campouts, field trips and other informal events available to scouts and parents for the cost of ? each (but is not mandatory). If active in this year's fundraisers (3), the pack will pay for a book & neckerchief next year if pack budget continues to allow to do so for scouts. You may also see scoutstuff.org for **BSA sizes & pricing or just to look around**.

Fundraising Your son will participate in several fundraisers during the year to help pay for activities, events, and supplies. Each pack is required by our local council to sell popcorn, just like Girl Scouts sell cookies. Prizes are awarded for top popcorn sales. Other pack fundraisers include car washes, candle sales and a food concession at the DeSoto Heritage Parade. Profits will help to maintain pack costs to help benefit our scouts.

Communication

We send out a weekly informative email with weekly updates and notes to keep the pack informed of what is going on for the following day's meeting , upcoming pack news or events. Please check your email regularly. If you do not have e-mail please check-in often with your Den Leader to stay up to date. It is essential that we have correct information for our records, so please update any changes in phone #'s, address and the scout's health information. If you have any questions, please feel welcome to ask your den leader, Cubmaster/s and or Committee Chairman and Charter Rep. Den leaders may also keep in touch with their dens.

Responsibility- We encourage our scouts to be responsible in safety, thoughtfulness, respect & caring. Therefore, we expect our boys to take care while around others and properties by refraining from hitting, or unnecessary touching, any name calling or unkindness to others. First Presbyterian Church supports our pack and provides us a place to meet. It is expected that we respect the church and it's property at all times. Please help us by reviewing these responsibilities with your son so that he may be aware of our expectations.

I hope that many of your questions have been answered. You may go to myscouting.org for more information on scouting. Should you have any other questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.



Respectfully yours in Scouting,

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