



GRAFTON PACK 107

Connecting with family, friends, and nature.

Welcome to Cub Scout Pack 107! We are excited that you are interested in being members of our Pack. This letter is a means to help families understand more about Cub Scouting and about Pack 107.

Scouting Mission

- The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

About Cub Scouting

- Cub Scouting is a year-round program for all boys and girls in Kindergarten through 5th grade.
- Cub Scouting promotes strong values and character development, positive self-worth, a desire to learn, a sense of service to others, and strong leadership skills.

About Pack 107

- Pack 107 has been serving the families of Grafton for over 30 years.
- We are committed to providing a quality, year-round program of activities with an emphasis placed on character development, physical fitness, citizenship, and family.

Council and Charter Information

- We are registered with the newly formed Heart of New England Council of the Boy Scouts of America.
- The Council Service Center and BSA store are located at the following address:
Mohegan Council Service Center
19 Harvard St. Worcester, MA 01609
- We are chartered (sponsored) by the Congregational Church, located at 30 Grafton Common.

Registration and Other Fees

- Registration for new Scouts is \$75 and includes all registration fees for one year, a subscription to *Boy's Life* Magazine, and a Pack Activity Shirt.
Other events throughout the year will require additional fees, some of which will be reimbursed.

Dens & Rank

- The Pack is organized into groups called Dens. Dens are separated by grade level:
Kindergarten - Lion* 1st Grade - Tiger*
2nd Grade - Wolf 3rd Grade - Bear
4th Grade - Webelos I 5th Grade - Webelos II (Arrow of Light)

* Lion & Tiger Scouts require a parent/guardian to be present with them at all meetings and outings!

Meetings & Outings

- The entire Pack meets once a month for a Pack Meeting on the first Friday of each month at 7pm. Pack meetings are a time to celebrate the achievements the Scouts have made toward advancement. They are awarded belt loops and pins for the adventures they have completed. We have guest speakers, activities, games, stories, and more!
- Dens meet two to three times per month, typically on Fridays at 7pm (unless a Den outing is planned for another day and time- at the discretion of the leader and parents).
- Pack outings occur at least once per month and include hiking, fishing, camping, community service and more!

A calendar of events can be found at: www.graftonpack107.org or on your Scoutbook account.

Advancement

- Each Scout works with their family, den members, and den leaders to complete adventures (represented by adventure belt loops or pins) toward their rank. Each adventure has different requirements that are mostly completed at den meetings. Some requirements or adventures are asked to be completed or made up (in the event of a missed meeting) at home.
- Each rank has a different number of required and/or elective adventures that must be completed in order to earn it. For those who complete all of the required and elective adventures for their rank, they will be awarded their rank patch at the end of the year at our annual Advancement Ceremony.

Uniform and Books

- Each Scout is required to have two uniforms. The first is the Field uniform, which differs based on rank. The second is the Pack Activity shirt, which consists of the green Pack t-shirt included with each registration. Each Scout will also need a copy of their rank handbook.

Please refer to the Field Uniform Buying Guide for more information.

Fundraising

- The Pack participates in the annual district popcorn sales event which occurs from the end of August through the end of October. The popcorn sales raise funds for Pack programming, outings, and events. All Scouts are encouraged to participate.

For more information on popcorn fundraising, please refer to the popcorn packet included in your take-home folder.

Health Forms and Information

- All participants (Scouts, parents, and siblings who participate) are *REQUIRED* by the Boy Scouts of America to complete the Annual Health and Medical Record form. The information contained in the form is to ensure the safety of all participants throughout the Scouting program. These forms are kept private, and are only accessed when medically necessary.

More information about the health forms can be found at:

<http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/HealthandSafety/Resources/MedicalFormFAQs.aspx>

Supervision at Pack Events

- All registered leaders are required to take Youth Protection Training. It is the guide for protecting our youth at all Scouting events. The safety of all youth is our number one priority!
- At EVERY Scouting event (including all meetings, outings, and events), there will be a minimum of two registered adult leaders present. Additionally, for any event where female youth (including Scouts and/or siblings) are in attendance, a registered female leader is required to be present.
- We are also prohibited from having any one-on-one contact with youth.

Your Pack Leadership Team

Cubmaster / Assistant Cubmasters

Cubmaster – Shawn Tidd

Assistant Cubmaster – Erik Coldwell

Assistant Cubmaster – Tabitha Lefrancois

Den Leaders & Assistant Den Leaders

Lion Den Leader – Tabitha Lefrancois

Female Tiger Den Leaders – John & Tiffany Bubriski

Male Tiger Den Leader – Andy Gauthier

Male Wolf Den Leader – Larry Drew

Assistant Wolf Den Leader – Dan Gaspar

Male Bear Den Leader – Clay McDonald

Assistant Bear Den Leader – Tony Frederico

Male Webelos I Den Leader – Rob Lane

Male Webelos II Den Leader – Shawn Tidd

Male Webelos II Den Leader – Mat Often

Female Webelos II Den Leader- (pending)

The Pack Committee

Committee Chair - Tony Frederico

Committee Secretary – Tabitha Lefrancois

Outdoor Activities Chair – Tabitha Lefrancois

Treasurer – April Lane

Advancement Chair – Erik Coldwell

Committee Member – Jason Stringfellow

Committee Member – Stephanie Josti

Communications

- Communication with parents will mostly be via email. Emails will include meeting, outing, and event notifications and reminders. Emails are sent through our messaging server and will appear as "(name of leader) via Scoutbook.com". Any reminders that have been set up for events will appear as "Scoutbook.com".
- Additionally, we use a website called Sign-Up Genius to coordinate different events throughout the year that may include potluck sign-ups or sign-ups that have a time frame. Emails will appear as "Grafton Cub Scout Pack 107". The first email you receive will prompt you to create an account.

Contact Information

Email: graftonpack107@gmail.com

Web: www.graftonpack107.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/graftonpack107

Please feel free to reach out to us if you have any questions! We are always here to help!

Sincerely,

The Pack 107 Leadership Team