

Pack

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Important Dates To Remember:



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March 29 Community Service Project (CSP): Fool Drive Program

March 31 NRV SuperBowl Fun Day

April 6 Pack 141 Cub-O-Ree

April 14 Community Service Project (CSP): Adopt-A-Street Program (Trash Pickup)

April 25 Pack Meeting

April 28 Annual Pack 141 / Troop 377 Nature Hike

May 3-5 New River District Spring Family Cub Camp Out

May 5 Pack Trout-o-ree

May 23 Pack Meeting

**For more information, find our
Pack calendar at:**

[http://cspack141.org/
calendar/calendar.html](http://cspack141.org/calendar/calendar.html)

IMPORTANT PROGRAM EVENTS: In an effort to make sure we offer every cub scout the opportunity to complete the adventure requirements for their respective rank advancement badges and to offer every frontier girls the opportunity to complete their badge requirements, we have the following events scheduled to cover many of those requirements.

- **April 6 (9:30-Noon) – Pack 141 Cub-O-Ree**, where we plan to have several stations, consisting of a Bike Rodeo and Safety, Obstacle Course, Knots and Ropes, Seed Care and Planting, and Outdoor Cooking. Bring your bicycles, helmets, and any other safety equipment you use for safe bicycling. You can wear Class B uniforms (T-shirts) for this event. Remember to invite all of your friends and have them to invite all of their friends. This event is open to anyone 11 and under. This event may be extended beyond Noon, depending on the number of participants in the event.
- **April 25, (7-9) – Outdoor Pack Meeting** with campfire, outdoor cooking, and a Flag Retirement Ceremony. Please bring your own foldup chairs for this meeting. Class A uniforms are required for this event.
- **April 28 (3-5 p.m.) – Nature Hike** at Pandapas Pond to cover Leave No Trace principles, the Outdoor Code, backpacking with the Cub Scout Essentials. You can wear Class B uniforms (T-shirts) for this event.

We have a lot of activities planned for the month of April. Know that these activities reflect our commitment to give each of our scouts and our frontiers the opportunity meet their adventure and badge requirements. It is extremely important that you plan to attend these events as they are essential for completing many of the remaining requirements. Though some of the requirements were covered during our fall events, not everyone attended those events and we want to make sure that everyone gets the opportunity to compete them during our spring events schedule. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Cubmaster or speak with your den or troop leaders. Thank you all in advance for your understanding and cooperation.

CSP – ADOPT-A-STREET PROGRAM: On Sunday, April 14, we will conduct our joint Community Service Project (CSP) Adopt-A-Street Program as part of our agreement with the town of Christiansburg to keep our little corner of the town clean of liter. This is something that we as a Cub Scout Pack and Frontier Girls Troop have agreed to do at least four times per year. And although we do not make a big to do about it, this is one of the community service projects that we chose to do in order to give back to our community. We even have signs with our name on them saying that we have adopted this particular street and have agreed to keep it clean. How cool is that. Please make plans to come out for this project.

Let's catch the SCOUTING SPIRIT!

The Cubmaster Minutes:

The Obstacle In Our Path

In ancient times, a King had a boulder placed on a roadway. Then he hid himself and watched to see if anyone would remove the huge rock. Some of the king's wealthiest merchants and courtiers came by and simply walked around it. Many loudly blamed the King for not keeping the roads clear, but none did anything about getting the stone out of the way.

Then a peasant came along carrying a load of vegetables. Upon approaching the boulder, the peasant laid down his burden and tried to move the stone to the side of the road. After much pushing and straining, he finally succeeded. After the peasant picked up his load of vegetables, he noticed a purse lying in the road where the boulder had been. The purse contained many gold coins and a note from the King indicating that the gold was for the person who removed the boulder from the roadway. The peasant learned what many of us never understand!

Every obstacle presents an opportunity to improve our condition.

DRINK, STEAL, SWEAR, & LIE

I met an interesting guy the other day; he has a motto he lives by. He explained carefully the four rules that he follows everyday: **Drink, Steal, Swear, and Lie**. As he spoke, I was shaking my head 'NO,' but then he told me to listen while he explained his four rules. So, here they are

1. **"Drink"** from the "everlasting cup" every day.
2. **"Steal"** a moment to help someone that is in worse shape than you are.
3. **"Swear"** that you will be a better person today than you were yesterday.
4. And last, but not least, when you **"Lie"** down at night, thank God for His many blessings and that you live in America and have freedom.

I am not as good as I should be, I am not as good as I could be, but THANK GOD, I am better than I used to be!

Be B. A. D.

While shopping at a local department store, a woman spotted a man with an acronym on his shirt that had **B. A. D.** Being the person that she was (curious), she stopped the man and asked, "What does **B. A. D.** stand for?" And trust me; you'll be amazed at what his response was. He replied B.A.D. stands for: "**Blessed And Delivered**"

That thought stuck with her as she finished doing her shopping that day. So she came up with a little advice for you today.

- When the enemy tries to attack you, be **B. A. D.**
- When things don't seem to be going right on your job, be **B. A. D.**
- When things are not looking good in your marriage, be **B. A. D.**
- When folks scandalize your name, just be **B. A. D.**

Get with somebody who you know that you can be **B. A. D.** with!!! May God bless you and have a **B. A. D.** day! Blessings.

A PARENT'S PRAYER:

Thank you for my children, Lord; I know they are a gift from you. Daily I need your strength and wisdom to train them in the way they should go. Give me patience and a joyful heart; let me be an example of your love and forgiveness. Thank you, Father, for the honor of being a parent. Amen.

Announcements:

CSP – FOOD DRIVE PROGRAM:

We will hold our annual Community Service Project: Food Drive Program where we have our scouts and frontiers carry the donated food that we have into the MCEAP building (110 Roanoke Street, between Hardee's and Speedway, on the left) and possibly stock it on the shelves for them. We plan to do this on Friday, March 29, around 1:30 p.m., as this is an early release day for Montgomery County Schools. We will meet in the Kroger parking lot, near the Deli entrance to the right of the store. Please wear your Class B uniforms (T-shirts).

NRV SUPERBOWL FUN DAY:

We have planned a Fun Day on Sunday, March 31, 2:00 p.m. at the NRV SuperBowl on Arbor Drive in Christiansburg. We have made arrangements for a special evening of bowling, laser tag, and spin cars all for \$15.00 per person. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. Families are welcomed. Please wear your Class B uniforms (T-shirts).

ANNUAL TROUT FISHING AND FISH FRY:

Last year we had a great time at the Pack's Annual Trout-o-ree. This year we intend to have the same amount of fun. The event is scheduled for May 5, and at the same location of our past events, the Wall Brother Farm. The starting time will be 1:00 p.m. So keep an eye out for more information about this event.

EVENTS FROM THE COUNCIL:

See the "Announcements" page (under the "News" tab on the main menu bar of our website).

EMAIL LIST UPDATES:

Please make sure the Pack has your current or any additional e-mail addresses that you would like to have Pack information sent. If you have a new email address or another address that you would like to add to our distribution list, please email the Cubmaster the information and the information will be distributed to the appropriate Den Leaders. Please include the name to whom the address belongs and the scout's name that the address is to be connected to.

PERSONAL HEALTH AND MEDICAL FORMS:

Do not forget that every Scout in the Pack is required to have a 2018-2019 Medical Form on file. Forms are available under the "Forms / Guides" tab on the main menu bar on our website.

PACK PICTURES:

Pictures of our activities are posted on our **Facebook Page (@CSPack141)**. Please know that we "**do not tag**" images/photos and discourage the practice for privacy purposes. If you would like to opt out of having images/photos of your son or any members of your family published/posted on either of these sites, please submit a signed and dated written request to the Cubmaster stating, "**I do not grant Pack 141 or any of the organization's registered leaders permission to publish/post any images/photos on any social media sites that can clearly identify my son or any members of my family to the general public.**"

PACK INFORMATION:

We have several means by which you can keep track of all the upcoming events in our Pack. Every month we will send out our Monthly News Update via email, highlighting the upcoming events for the month. We will post much of the same information on our website on our "Announcements" page (under the "News" tab on the main menu bar). And we will post events weekly on our **Facebook Page**. We also have our Pack calendar on our website on our "Calendar" page (under the "Schedules" tab on the main menu bar). And you can always see our latest Cub News Newsletter on our "Newsletters" page (under the "News" tab on the main menu bar). Should you ever have a question, do not hesitate to contact any of the Pack leadership. We want you to be informed and we use these tools to keep you informed with the latest Pack information, events, and announcements.





Pack Inspiration:

THE TEACHER APPLICANT

After being interviewed by the school administration, the teaching prospect said, Let me see if I've got this right:

You want me to go into that room with all those kids, and to... correct their disruptive behavior, observe them for signs of abuse, monitor their dress habits, censor their T-shirt messages, and instill in them a love for learning.

You want me to... check their backpacks for weapons, wage war on drugs and sexually transmitted diseases, and raise their sense of self-esteem and personal pride.

You want me to.... teach them patriotism and good citizenship, sportsmanship and fair play, and how to register to vote, balance a checkbook, and apply for a job.

You want me to... check their heads for lice, recognize signs of anti-social behavior, and make sure that they all pass the state exams.

You also want me to... provide them with an equal education regardless of their handicaps, and communicate regularly with their parents in English and Spanish by letter, telephone, newsletter, and report card.

You want me to do all this with a piece of chalk, a blackboard, a bulletin board, a few books, a big smile, and a starting salary that qualifies me for food stamps. You want me to do all this and then you tell me...

I CAN'T PRAY?

Are you nuts!

SOMETHING INSPIRATIONAL

Activating Your Faith: Miracles occur only when we believe and show it in action that we are receiving it! "And when Jesus saw the ten lepers, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And it came to pass, that, as they were going to show themselves to the priest, they were made clean" (Luke 17:11-19)

"The heart is like a garden. It can grow compassion or fear, resentment or love. What seeds will you plant there" (Buddha)? "For as he thinks in his heart, so is he" (Proverbs 23:7 NKJV).

"The world will be a better place when the 'power of love' replaces the 'love of power'" (Pastor John Hagee).

"Don't ever let someone take away your happiness, because it was never theirs to take."

NEWSLETTER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

If you have any announcements for our Newsletter, please email Ms. Sallie Matney at matneysallie5@gmail.com by the Sunday before the Pack meeting so she can add your information before the newsletter goes to print. All announcements must be approved before they will appear in the newsletter.