

SCOUTING



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BOY SCOUTS: back row - Matt Whitmore, Scoutmaster Jerry Whitmore; front row - Logan Whitmore, Jacob Riedel.



CUB SCOUTS: Front row - Bears: Jason Owens, Seth Hart, Philip White; second row - Webelos: Austin White, Bears: Alex Miller, Blake Meyer, Webelos: Erik Hart, Wolves: Ryan Grover, Trey Van Allen, Wolf leader: Sharon Van Allen; third row - Bear leader: Karen Hart, Tobe Zwegardt, Webelos asst. leader: Dorothy Kellner. Not pictured: Elmer Kellner, Unit Commissioner, Acting Cubmater.

Boy Scouts



Pack 120

Members of Boy Scout Troop 120, Logan Whitmore, Jacob Riedel and Matt Whitmore, along with Scoutmaster Jerry Whitmore, have been very active and have taken part in many activities during this past year.

The Scouting year began with a fun-filled Ski Trip to Loveland Valley in February. Logan and Jacob took ski lessons during the morning while Matt and Scoutmaster Whitmore explored the many ski lifts and trails. In the afternoon the sun was out, the skies were clear, and they all had a great time skiing together!

Community Service is a big part of Boy Scouting and in June the Troop participated in Join Hands Day along with other community organizations and individuals. Join Hands Day is a national day of volunteering that brings youth and adults together to improve their own communities. The project this year was a cleanup at the River Walk.

Performing flag ceremonies is a service the Scouts offer for the community. This past year was no exception with the Troop performing the flag ceremonies for the Memorial Day Service, the Cheyenne Cruisers car show, the Demolition Derby, the Relay for Life, the local Farm Bureau Banquet, and the Boy Scout Buffalo Bill District Banquet.

Camping is another important part of Scouting. The Boy Scouts enjoyed several camping trips last year in February, September and October.

The week-long Boy Scout camp at Camp Hansen near Kirwin Reservoir is a highlight of the Scouting year. Troop 120 attended camp June 25 - 30.

This was the fifth year for Matt and Jacob and the second year for Logan. Summer camp offers a variety of activities for the boys to enjoy including swimming, archery, shotgun instruction, fishing and rock climbing, along

with several Merit Badge courses which the Scouts can complete.

One of the programs at summer camp is the Golden Eagle. This is a special leadership program whose purpose is to reinforce the principles of the Scout Oath and Law and to encourage continued participation in Scouting by developing and recognizing youth and adult camp leaders. Scouts are nominated for membership into the Golden Eagle by Troop Leaders. During last year's camp, Logan became a Kit-Fox, which is a designation for Scouts who have been selected for future consideration as a candidate for Golden Eagle membership. Logan hopes to become a Brave in Golden Eagle at camp this summer.

During the camp closing ceremonies, Matt and Jacob were each awarded a medal in recognition of their fifth year at Boy Scout Camp.

During the past year the Boy Scouts earned the following Merit Badges and Rank Advancements: Jacob Riedel advanced to the Life rank. He earned the Camping, Communications, Environmental Science, and Archery merit badges. Jacob is currently working on the requirements for the Eagle Rank.

Matt advanced to the Life rank. He earned the Communications, Environmental Science, and Citizenship in the Nation merit badges. Matt is also working on requirements for the Eagle Rank.

Logan advanced to the Star rank. He earned the Leatherwork, Archery, Communications, Lifesaving, and Journalism merit badges. He is working on advancement towards the Life Rank.

The Scouts are looking forward to another fun year ahead!

Cub Scouts



Pack 120

"Do Your Best" is the motto for Cub Scouts. Cub Scouts is for boys from first grade through fifth grade. The levels include Tiger Cub, Wolf, Bear and Webelos.

This year has been a year of change. We have two new den leaders, Sharon Van Allen (Wolf) and Karen Hart (Bear). Elmer and Dorothy Kellner are in leadership positions for the unit. We have two members in the Wolf den (second graders); four members in the Bear den (third graders); two members in the Webelos (fourth and fifth graders). As a result, we continue to try to recruit new members. Proudly most of the Cub Scouts

have achieved their Bobcat badges which must be earned before any other ranking.

The year began with an informational meeting with the parents. Some of the Cub Scouts participated in selling popcorn. All scouts began holding weekly den meetings after school in November. Some of the topics for den activities have included flag etiquette, safety in the home and outdoors, tying knots, the solar system and nutrition. Of course, many other activities can be accomplished at home with parent supervision. Most of the Cub Scouts recently participated in their church on Scout Sunday, Feb. 4.



FLAG SALUTE is given before each meeting held by the Scouts. Youth are taught respect for others as well as their country. Shown are Karen Hart, Lance Owens, Pat Owens and Jason Owens.

We Salute the Area Scouts

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