



SCOUTING CELEBRATES 100 YEARS



BOYSCOUTS: Scoutmaster Jerry Whitmore and Logan Whitmore.

Boy Scouts



Pack 120

This past year Logan Whitmore was the lone scout in Boy Scout Troop 120, led by Scoutmaster Jerry Whitmore. While the Troop was small, Logan was very active earning his Personal Fitness and Personal Management Merit Badges. He was also involved in community service, volunteering weekly at the United Methodist Thrift Store in St. Francis and helping with flag ceremonies in the community.

Logan spent the month of June 2009 working as a Camp Counselor at the Coronado Area Council Dane G. Hansen Scout Reservation near Kirwin Reservoir. He was responsible for teaching the First Aid and Emergency Preparedness classes to the other Scouts at the camp. He also assisted with the rock climbing wall and supervised at the swimming pool. In his

spare time he participated in the scuba diving class.

While at camp, Logan advanced to the rank of Firebuilder in the Tribe of the Golden Eagle. Golden Eagle is a special leadership program at the Hansen Scout Reservation. Its 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. Scoutmaster Whitmore is also in the Tribe of the Golden Eagle.

Logan has been honored to be a member of the Order of the Arrow which is the national honor society of the Boy Scouts of America. Logan is currently a Life Scout and will be working on the requirements to achieve the Eagle Rank during the upcoming year.

Cub Scouts



Pack 120

Wolf/Bear



WOLVES/BEARS: Back row: Wyatt Hilt, Bear; Isaiah Lee, Wolf; front row: Aaron Blair, Bear; Seth Hilt, Wolf; Emmanuel Fierro, Bear.

Cub Scout Pack #120 started the year off with registration in September. At that time we had 3 returning scouts and 9 new scouts. During this time we met Mark Scheopner, Buffalo Bill District Executive and learned a little about the upcoming events for the year. Later that month the pack held a hot dog roast at Roadside Park as a kick off to the year. What fun we had.

Popcorn sales started in October with the boys working hard to meet their goals. Total sales for the year were down from last year but they still sold over \$5,000. Each boy retains a percentage of his profits in an account to use for scouting events or camps. This account will be added to each year as he continues to sell. This helps to keep the costs to the boys minimal and allow them to participate in more events each year.

For the second year in a row, Aaron Blair was high popcorn salesman. He sold a total of \$1,864 this year. He also received a patch for selling over \$1,500 and a gift from a drawing for having filled up two of his order forms. Taryn Zwegyardt came in second place for sales with a total of \$740. Both boys received a fill'er up certificate and patch. Third place went to Connor McBride with a total of \$477. As Popcorn Kernal, I was pleased with the sales but am encouraging the boys to set higher goals next year.

Wolf and Bear scouts are meeting together on Monday nights. Wolf scouts are second grade boys or ages 7 to 8. Seth Hilt and Isaiah Lee are the only two Wolf cubs and are working hard this year to achieve their Wolf Badge. Bear Cub Scouts are third graders or ages 8 to 9. Aaron Blair, Wyatt Hilt and Emmanuel Fierro make up this group of Bears. Each level has completed activities on religion, safety, how to treat our environment and leadership.

As a group they have toured the sheriff's department, been fingerprinted, heard how the 911 system works and checked out the taser guns. They took a tour of the Saint Francis

Emergency Building where Dan Blair showed them the fire trucks, gear and answered many questions. Mike Hanson took them through the other side of the building explaining what each thing was used for on the ambulance and what it takes to be an EMT.

The holidays always bring us to a time of thankfulness and giving. This group of boys got together and signed 66 cards that were then sent to soldiers overseas. Aaron also asked if they could send a card to an eight year old boy who was spending the holidays in a cancer wing in Colorado and was very sick. They included a Christmas ornament with his cards to add some Christmas cheer. January was full of surprises when Kris received a letter from one of the soldiers stationed in Iraq. Lt. Colonel Fabian told the boys he spent many years in scouting and how much it taught him in life. He let them know he was an intelligence office. They were so excited that each boy sat down to tell him a little bit more about themselves and are eagerly hoping for a response.

Pastor Jeff Landers spent time working with Aaron Blair, Wyatt Hilt and Seth Hilt on their religious award. Every Tuesday, they worked together to learn about their relationship with God. The God and Me program was completed by all three boys in February.

Throughout the year we have continued to work on skits and have earned a music belt loop after singing "God Bless the USA" for a pack meeting. Animal tracks and hiking have been other things we have studied along with good sportsmanship and leadership. The Pinewood Derby will be coming up next month and we are all excited to get our cars up and running. We hope to encourage others to join in all the fun that club scouting has to offer. We just celebrated the 100th birthday of scouting at our last pack meeting. It's great to be part of something that has touched so many lives and helped young men turn into great leaders and role models.



WEBELOS: (l to r) Nick Paulsen, Sayed Fierro, Connor McBride, Trey Van Allen, Taryn Zwegyardt

The oldest group for Cub Scouts is the Webelos. It is for the boys in fourth and fifth grades. This den includes Connor McBride, Trey Van Allen, Taryn Zwegyardt, Sayed Fierro and Nick Paulsen. This group is the last group in Cub Scouts before bridging onto Boy Scouts. Thus, activities are done as individuals to supplement those activities done with the den and pack. Some of the activities done as individuals include swimming, first aid skills, picking up trash, making puppets and camping.

With two new members to scouts, they started the year's den activities by reviewing the Bobcat Requirements. As a den, they went scouting for food. They went on a field trip to the Equity Elevator. They have learned about citizen-

ship by participating in flag ceremonies and learning about governmental leaders. They had fun while learning about foods. They reviewed portion control and measured portions for a meal. They created bread art. They learned about communications and wrote thank you cards. They played various indoor and outdoor games to develop physical skills.

This Spring they will continue learning new things for Boy Scout Oath, Scout Law, and the Scout Slogan. They plan to participate in the pack's Pinewood Derby in March. In addition, they will continue to be examples for the younger scouts as they join them in kickball, other physical fitness games and scout activities.



TIGERS: (l to r) Jasper Hunt, Joshua Van Allen, Lukas Zwegyardt

The youngest group for Cub Scouts is the Tigers. It is for boys in first grade. This den includes Jasper Hunt, Joshua Van Allen and Lukas Zwegyardt. Each boy attends meetings with adult partners who are there with him as his support and guide, but don't do things for him. At the Blue and Gold meeting on Monday, all three earned the Tiger Badge. The five achievements for the Tiger Badge focus on family, community, health, communications and nature. This year we have made field trips to the state department of transport-

ation, library, recycling center, basketball game, sheriff's office, dispatch center and court room. We have had fun painting and making posters. We made pudding and learned about the food pyramid. We started a rock collection. We sang songs and played music. We plan to participate in the pack's Pinewood Derby in March. As the weather warms up, we will finish off requirements for the Leave No Trace Awareness award. We will do our best to earn achievements in kickball and physical fitness.

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Tigers

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