

Welcome to Cub Scout Pack 51!

The Cub Scout Pack is chartered, or sponsored, by the First Congregational Church of Glen Ellyn. The Pack is made up of 5–6 Dens, or groups of boys. Each boy is assigned to a Den with other boys their age. The District provides training for the Den Leaders as required by the Boy Scouts of America.

The Den is the place where most of the learning and activities take place. Typically, the Den meets once a month for 1 to 1 ½ hours.

Once each month, we hold a Pack meeting (locations vary). These are usually held on the third Friday of each month, from 7 – 8 pm. November, February and May are special months. In those months we hold the Pinewood Derby (November) the Blue & Gold Banquet (February) and Family Campout (May). In those months, the special event takes place, and not a regular Pack meeting.

Pack meetings consist of an opening flag ceremony, presentation of awards earned, sharing of Den activities, games, skits or songs if time permits.

Pack 51 Activity Calendar Highlights:

September: Kickoff Night - Pack Orientation and Registration

October: Scavenger Hunt - We collect non-perishable food donations from the neighborhood surrounding Forest Glen for donation to the Glen Ellyn Food Pantry

October: Hiking at Starved Rock State Park

November: Pinewood Derby – evening event with flights of races, for each Den and then for an overall champion. All boys are given a kit to build a car. Each boy races his car down a track against the other Scouts in his Den. Awards are given for speed and design.

December: Holiday Party - Scouts and their families gather to celebrate the holidays with a special entertainment guest.

January: Movie Night – Enjoy a night at the movies with snacks and trivia.

January: Museum Overnight - “Camping” at a Museum or similar venue.

February: Blue & Gold Banquet – Annual dinner celebrating the Scouting program.

March: Estes Rockets - Scouts build a rocket to send off into the sky.

April: Boxcar Derby - Boxcar races down the hill adjacent to Forest Glen.

May: Family Camping Outing – Camping fun intended for all family members to enjoy.

June/July: Day Camp at Cantigny

July: Independence Day Parade - Participation in the Glen Ellyn Fourth of July parade, a chance for all the Scouts to proudly march in the parade and acknowledge our great country.

We involve parents as much as possible, in participating in meetings and events, accompanying their children on field trips if desired, and participating as Den Leaders or Committee members, to support the ongoing Cub Scout program.

Dues:

Annual dues for the Pack are \$110 for grades K thru 4 and \$60 for 5th grade Scouts. Families with 2 or more Scouts pay \$110 for the first Scout and \$60 for additional Scouts in the Pack. Dues cover Pack expenses such as BSA membership dues, Pack activity supplies such as the Pinewood Derby cars, Estes Rockets/Engines, entertainment, Blue & Gold Banquet catering, advancement patches/pins, awards, etc. Dues do not cover the Cub Scout uniforms (shirt, patches, hats, neckerchiefs, etc...), handbooks or special events. Also, Den expenses are not covered by the Pack dues as Den Leaders will ask for their own dues.

Uniforms

Cub Scout Uniforms (1st thru 5th grade only) consist of the following (kindergarteners have a special t-shirt):

Cub Scout Shirt (short sleeve \$25, long sleeve \$30) with the following patches

(Be sure to purchase a size they can grow into)

- Three Fires Council Patch (Left shoulder)
- Unit Numbers = 51 (Left shoulder)
- Den Patch = Den # (Right Shoulder) – Ask your Den Leader for your Den #
- World Crest (Above Left Pocket)
- Neckerchief (\$9) and Slide (\$6) - Rank specific
- Optional Uniform Items
 - Hat (Rank Specific) - \$15
 - Red Patch Vest - \$15 (for Pack Meeting segments and Activity patches)
 - Pants
 - Belt

Cub Scout Neckerchief and Slide for the Rank of their Den

- Kindergarten – Lion – NO Neckerchief, Lion T-shirt Only
- 1st Grade – Tiger (Orange)
- 2nd Grade – Wolf (Yellow)
- 3rd Grade – Bear (Blue)
- 4th & 5th Grades – Webelos (Plaid)

Each Cub Scout should also have a Cub Scout Handbook for their Rank (\$8 to \$17 depending on rank/binding)

Uniforms can be purchased at the following locations. However, we HIGHLY recommend you purchase uniforms at the Naperville Scout Shop. They have limited hours, but they have everything you need and have the Boy Scout staff that can help you and tell you EXACTLY what you need. The Chalkboard has most items, but you are on your own.

Naperville Scout Shop – 12 miles from Forest Glen (<http://threefirescouncil.org/index.php/tfc-hours-locations>)
45100 Route 59
Naperville, IL 60563
(630) 791-8342

The Chalkboard – 6 miles from Forest Glen (<http://www.thechalkboardcatalog.com>)
1524 Butterfield Rd
Downers Grove, IL 60515-1042
(630) 424-1810

Norris Scout Shop – 15 miles from Forest Glen (<http://threefirescouncil.org/index.php/tfc-hours-locations>)
415 North Second St.
St. Charles, IL 60174
(630) 797-4614

More Information:

We invite you to ask questions by attending our Orientation meeting and we hope to see you and your son join us in the Cub Scout program.

You can learn more about Boy Scouts of America at the following websites

Pack 51 Website – <http://pack51glenellyn.ScoutLander.com>

Chanonee District (our District within the Council) – <http://www.threefirescouncil.org/index.php/38-districts/districts>

Three Fires Council (our Council in the Boy Scouts of America) – <http://www.threefirescouncil.org>

Boy Scouts of America – <http://www.scouting.org>