



# Pack 99 Parent Orientation

## School Year 2023-24

Zoom meeting  
Wednesday, August 30, 2023





# Scouts BSA – Mission & Vision

## Mission Statement

Prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

## Vision Statement

Prepare every eligible youth in America to become a responsible, participating citizen and leader who is guided by the Scout Oath and Law.



# Scout Oath and Law

## Scout Oath

On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; to help other people at all times; to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

## Scout Law

A Scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent



# What is Cub Scouting?

## The Purposes of Cub Scouting

1. Character Development
2. Spiritual Growth
3. Good Citizenship
4. Sportsmanship and Fitness
5. Family Understanding
6. Respectful Relationships
7. Personal Achievement
8. Friendly Service
9. Fun and Adventure
10. Preparation for Scouts BSA

## The Methods of Cub Scouting

1. Living the Ideals
2. Belonging to a Den
3. Using Advancement
4. Involving Family and Home
5. Participating in Activities
6. Serving Home and Neighborhood
7. Wearing the Uniform

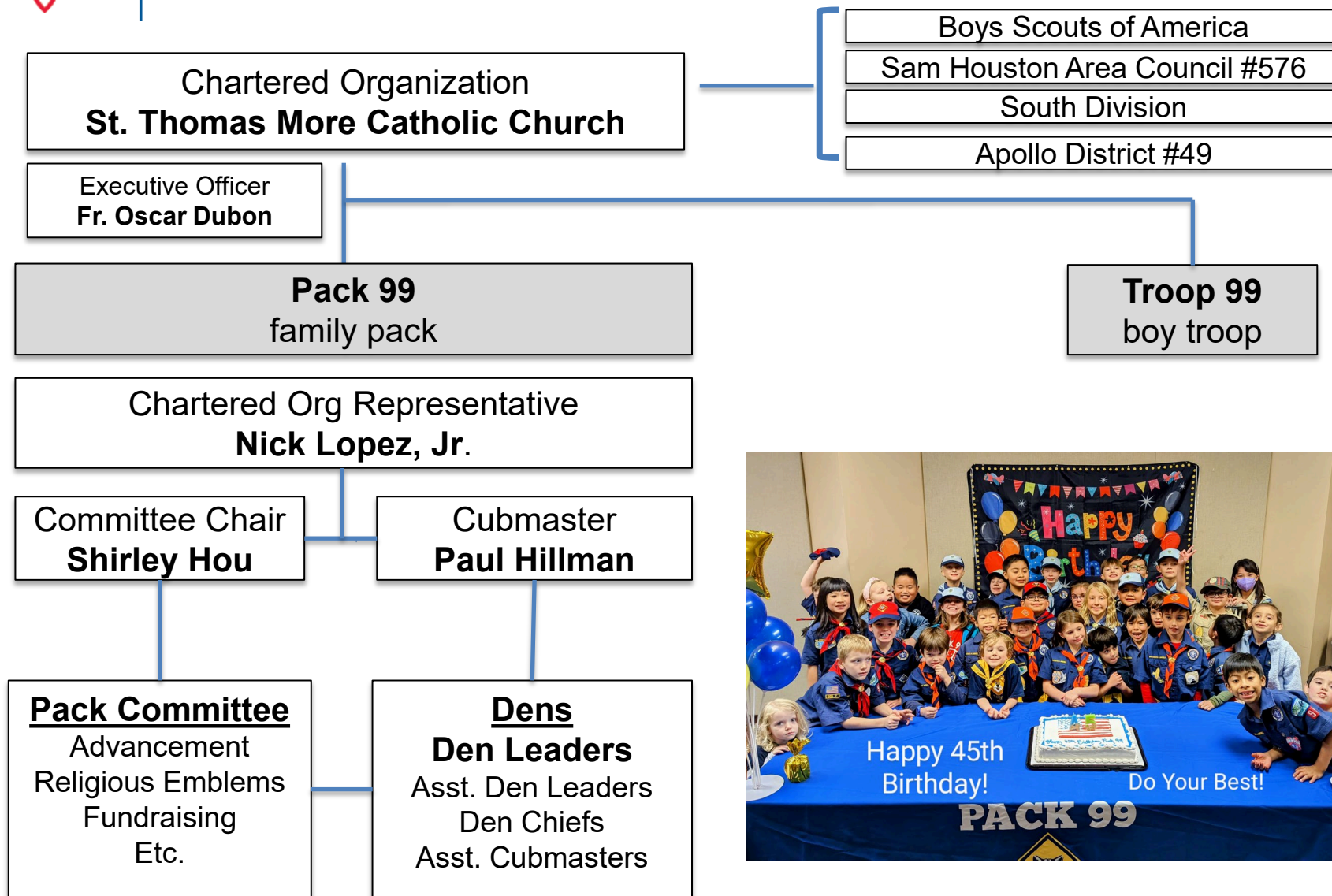


## Pack 99 Overview

- ~ **70** registered scouts (50% STM, 50% other schools)
- **23** registered adult leaders
- For boys and girls Kindergarten-5th
- 2 family campouts per year, Pinewood Derby, Blue & Gold Banquet, service projects and more
- Year-round programming
- Journey to Excellence “Gold” level many years in a row
  - Must meet at least 8 out of 11 objectives in categories: *Planning & Budget, Membership, Program, Volunteer Leadership*
  - Gold is the highest level and means “exceptional”
- Successful track record of transitioning Cub Scouts to Scouts BSA



# Pack Organizational Structure







# What do Scouts do in Den meetings?



- Scouts do fun activities called “adventures”
- They earn belt loops for each adventure
- Completing all required adventures gets you to rank
- There are also elective adventures



# Rank Advancement

## With Adult Partners



## With Den Leaders



## Prep for Scouts BSA and youth leadership



Increasing independence

Belt loops or pins are awarded for completed adventures

### 2022-2023 Cub Scout Badges of Rank Requirements

Kindergarten <b>LION</b>		TIGER 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade or 6 years old		WOLF 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade or 7 years old		BEAR 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade or 8 years old		<b>WEBELOS</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade through Joining a Scouts BSA Troop 5 <sup>th</sup> Graders may work on Arrow of Light without earning the Webeelos badge	
*Exercises in the pamphlet <i>How to Protect Your Children From Child Abuse</i>		*Exercises in the pamphlet <i>How to Protect Your Children From Child Abuse</i>		*Exercises in the pamphlet <i>How to Protect Your Children From Child Abuse</i>		*Exercises in the pamphlet <i>How to Protect Your Children From Child Abuse</i>		*Exercises in the pamphlet <i>How to Protect Your Children From Child Abuse</i>	
Protect Yourself Rules Video		Protect Yourself Rules Video		Protect Yourself Rules Video		Protect Yourself Rules Video		Protect Yourself Rules Video	
Lion's Honor		Games Tigers Play		Call of the Wild		Baloo the Builder		Cast Iron Chef	
Animal Kingdom		My Tiger Jungle		Council Fire		Bear Claws		Duty to God & You	
Mountain Lion		Team Tiger		Duty to God Footsteps		Bear Necessities		First Responder	
King of the Jungle		Tiger Bites		Howling at the Moon		Fellowship and Duty to God		Stronger, Faster, Higher	
Fun on the Run		Tiger Circles: Duty to God		Paws on the Path		Fur, Feathers, and Ferns		Webeelos Walkabout	
Tigers in the Wild		Running with the Pack		Paws for Action		Paws for Action		Elective	
Elective Adventure		Elective Adventure		Elective Adventure		Elective Adventure		Elective	
*Required once a year. Is not repeated in the same year as earning Bobcat.								Be Active In Your Webeelos Den for 6 Months or Be 10 and a half years old	

Adventures are done during den meetings and other events. Parents can also do adventures at home with their child.





# Awards

above and beyond effort (optional)

Tiger



Wolf



Bear



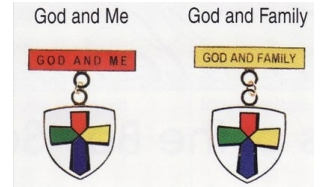
Webelos



Parents can (and should) work on these with their Scouts outside of den meetings

## Religious Emblems

available for all faiths



## STEM Nova Awards





# Den Leaders



Lion (K) Den 4	Lolita Murrah
Tiger (1 <sup>st</sup> ) Den 2	Matt and Meredith Millik
Wolf (2 <sup>nd</sup> ) Den 1	John Schnure, Carolina Perez
Bear (3 <sup>rd</sup> ) Den 7	Paul Hillman, Shirley Hou, John Palasota
Webelos (4th) Girls Den 16	Ali Vargo, Caroline Jarrell, LeAnne Raimond
Webelos (4th) Boys Den 6	David Anderson, Pete Lovely, Charles Raimond Jr.
Arrow of Light Den 15 & 15	Lolita Murrah, Christopher Saint



# Committee & Other Volunteers

- **Assistant Cubmasters:** Pete Lovely, Matthew Millik
- **Treasurer:** Hilary Sullivan
- **Advancement:** Kristy Valle
- **Religious Emblems:** Caroline Jarrell
- **Popcorn Kernel:** Emily Bern
- **Pinewood Derby Crew Chiefs:** Christopher Saint, David Anderson
- **STEM Nova Counselors:** Youseffi Crick, Ali Vargo, Charles Raimond, Jr.
- **New Member Coordinator:** Meredith Yaker
- **T-Shirt Coordinator:** Yuanyuan Feng

**Do you have passion and talent for a job not listed here? Let us know and join the team!**



# 2023-24 Volunteer Opportunities

**Popcorn Kernel Lieutenant** - assists Emily Bern, Popcorn Kernel, with the popcorn fundraiser (from September through mid-December) with accounting, inventory management, etc.

**Show-N-Sell Assistant** - assists Emily Bern with setting up, taking down, and being a second point of contact for storefront sales. We estimate that there will be 6-8 weekend booths.

**Christmas Caroling Coordinator** - point of contact for Pack 99's caroling event at St. Dominic Village on Saturday, December 9 from 10 to 11 a.m. You will organize Cub Scouts to sing Christmas songs for about 30 minutes and then coordinate refreshments. Ability to play Christmas songs on the piano or guitar is a plus.

**STEM Nova Counselors** - register as a STEM Nova Counselor and join the team in delivering fun STEM Nova activities and awards.

**Adult Registered Leaders**- background-checked, YPT-trained adults to provide supervision



# Key Dates

## 2023

Trail's End Popcorn Fundraiser	now to Dec. 1st
STM Oktoberfest	Sun. October 16
<b>“Spookeree” Campout at Bovay Scout Ranch</b>	October 27-29
Last pack meeting of 2023 and Pie in the Face	Fri. December 8
Christmas Caroling at St. Dominic's Village	Sat. December 9

## 2024

Scouting for Food	Sat. Jan 27 & Feb 3
Pinewood Derby Cut Day	Sat. February 3
Pinewood Derby Race Day	Sat. February 24
<b>Campout at Double Lake Campground, Cold Spring</b>	April 5-7
Blue and Gold Banquet	Sat. May 14



## 2023-24 Dues

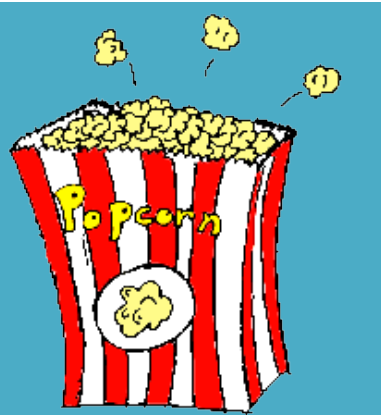
- **Pack dues = \$150.00**
  - Covers BSA national registration fees, liability & accident insurance, badges, belt loops, awards and supplies
  - *New Scouts* – pay \$114 online for the youth application and \$39 pack fee
  - *Returning Scouts*: \$150 to the pack by November 1st
  - Go to [www.pack99.org](http://www.pack99.org) then “online store” to pay dues
- We do not get any financial subsidy from St. Thomas More
- For financial concerns, contact Cubmaster Paul Hillman - [cubmaster.pack99@gmail.com](mailto:cubmaster.pack99@gmail.com). All inquiries are strictly confidential.





# Popcorn Fundraiser

- **Show-N-Sell:** Sell in groups at storefronts
- **Take Order:** Take pre-sales and deliver later
- **Online Sales:** Sell online with a special code
- **Wagon Sales:** Sell door to door (accompanied by parent)
- Parents will receive instructions from Trail's End on how to get started
- **Amazon gift card prizes! Pie in the Face!**



Questions?  
Contact  
Popcorn Kernel  
Emily Bern,  
[bern.emily@gmail.com](mailto:bern.emily@gmail.com)



# Uniforms

buy uniforms  
at the Scout  
Shop (in-  
person) or  
scoutshop.org



**Lions (Kindergarten)**



**Webelos (4th) Arrow of Light (5th)**



**Pack 99 T-Shirt (for the whole family)**  
buy from [www.pack99.org](http://www.pack99.org), not the  
Scout Shop



**Tiger (1st), Wolf (2nd), Bear (3rd)**

Note: Pack 99 does not require the  
official Scouts BSA pants, socks or  
hat.



# Expectations for Parents

1. Make sure your child attends den and pack meetings in uniform and is prepared to learn and have fun.
2. Be familiar with the requirements to earn the current rank by reviewing your child's Handbook.
3. Help your Cub Scout complete all the requirements to earn ranks and awards, especially if he/she missed den meetings or is trying to get an "above and beyond" award
4. Be willing to help with crafts, skits, refreshments, or other activities.
5. Reinforce the Scout Oath and Law at home, and to live the Cub Scout Motto to "DO YOUR BEST."



## Stay Connected

1. Read emails and newsletter, *Pack 99 Press*.  
*Let us know if you are not getting weekly emails!*
2. Pay attention to Den Leader emails or chats
3. Join and post pictures to our invite-only Facebook group:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/cubscoutpack99>

# Join Cub Scouts!



**Scan code to receive an application**

**pack99.org**