

# Cub Scout Pack 28 News

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We are certainly finding that although we do have to work while we're having fun preparing and executing the pack program for the boys, the jobs that need to get done are handleable for anyone that is simply willing to say "I'll help!" And it's really quite fun getting together with the other parents and working together as a team to make the pack go! We do need the grown-ups to participate in the system we have put together over the last few years by which groups of parents help out with the monthly events at each pack meeting. Since it is a different group of parents each month, no-one finds themselves overburdened. Similar groups are now in place for the annual popcorn sale and camp planning. So many things can be handled spreading the Pack's modest needs across many caring parents. I thank all of you who are involved in these groups for your contribution to the success of our Pack.

Every pack member, whether a cub scout or a parent, lives their scouting life by "the Law of the Pack". This Law of the Pack says that the Pack helps the Cub Scout grow. It also says that the Scout helps the Pack go. But active parents of scouts are really what makes the Pack go. And when the Pack goes, the Cub Scout grows! That, along with all the Fun that is inherently part of the program, is what it's all about!

So if you have any desire to be a part of a wonderful organization (that's our Pack 28) that is touching the lives of dozens boys, please be in touch with Mrs. Stephanie Fleming or me (Bob), and we can answer any questions you may have and assist you in learning how you can "help the pack go".

I want to thank you all for the opportunity to participate in scouting with you! I look forward to scouting with each and every one of you through this year, and next year as well. I welcome and appreciate each chance I get to serve you, both as your Cubmaster and a fellow Pack member.

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