

Cub Scout Pack 209 2025/2026 Introduction



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Agenda

- ★ Who we are, what we do
- ★ Pack structure
- ★ Our leadership
- ★ Cost & how to sign up



Our Story...

- BSA founded in U.S. in 1910, beginning as Boy Scouts (now “Scouts BSA”)
 - “Be Prepared”
 - Troop 209 founded in 1918
- Cub Scouts began in 1930
 - “Do Your Best”
- Character & leadership development, citizenship, fitness
- Preparing for ethical and moral choices
- We are an inclusive, family Scouting organization
- We are a parent/volunteer-led organization



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Events – a *Typical* Year



- Pack Meetings – 3rd Tuesday of each month (Sep-May) at Silver Spring United Methodist Church (Georgia @ Ballard)
- Den Meetings – approximately monthly, at den leader discretion
- Fall Campout – Sept or Oct (9/27/25- Cedarville State Forest)
- “Scouting for Food” community service – late Oct/early Nov
- Montgomery Thanksgiving Parade – mid-to-late Nov (11/22/25)
- Pinewood Derby – late Feb/early Mar (TBA)
- “Sweep the Creek” community service – late Mar/early Apr (TBA)
- Spring Campout – late Apr/early May (4/11/26- Calvert Cliffs State Park)
- Pack Hikes – late Oct/early Nov & late Mar/early Apr
- Blue & Gold Banquet (awards picnic) – early June 2025

AOL-Troop Event in early Dec | AOL Bridging Mar/Apr



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Health & Safety Considerations

- Follow Federal/state/local recommendations/regulations
- Follow site-specific guidelines
- Be courteous toward others' needs and comfort levels
- Notify Pack & Den leadership of any medical requirements/allergies
 - Annual health/medical forms required for campouts
- Youth Protection Training required of all adult leaders
 - “Two-deep” adult presence
- Personal Safety-themed Adventures



So, what's a DEN?



- A group of Scouts in the same grade, sharing Adventures
 - Tigers, Wolves, Bears, Webelos, Arrow of Light
 - Typically 6-10 scouts in a Den (sometimes larger)
- An adult partner must accompany a Tiger (first-grader) to each event
- Den leaders work with families to decide when & where meetings are scheduled.
- Dens can meet anywhere - homes, parks, nature centers, etc.
- Den meetings focus on fulfilling rank requirements ("Adventures")



Ranks & Adventures



DEN RANKS



REQUIRED ADVENTURES

Bobcat Character & Leadership	Bobcat Character & Leadership	Bobcat Character & Leadership	Bobcat Character & Leadership	Bobcat Character & Leadership
Tigers in the Wild Outdoors	Paws on the Path Outdoors	Bear Habitat Outdoors	Webelos Walkabout Outdoors	Outdoor Adventurer Outdoors
Tiger Bites Personal Fitness	Running with the Pack Personal Fitness	Bear Strong Personal Fitness	Stronger, Faster, Higher Personal Fitness	Personal Fitness Personal Fitness
Team Tiger Citizenship	Council Fire Citizenship	Paws for Action Citizenship	My Community Citizenship	Citizenship Citizenship
Tiger's Roar Personal Safety	Safety in Numbers Personal Safety	Standing Tall Personal Safety	My Safety Personal Safety	First Aid Personal Safety
Tiger Circles Family & Reverence	Footsteps Family & Reverence	Fellowship Family & Reverence	My Family Family & Reverence	Duty to God Family & Reverence

2+ ELECTIVE ADVENTURES



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Den Leadership

Tiger Den Leader

Alex Roark

Wolf Den Leader

Dexter Price

Bear Den Leaders

Amy Haslett

Webelos Den Leader

Helen Zaitsev

Arrow of Light Den Leader

Gerry Sachs



****Parental involvement is key!!****



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Pack 209 Leadership

The *collection of dens* is our scouting “unit,” or the **PACK** (i.e., Pack 209)

Pack Leaders

Chartered Organization Representative* – Bill Scanlan

Committee Chair* – Carter Tellinghuisen

Cubmaster* – Charlie Stern

Assistant Cubmaster – Josh Helfinsiegel

Campout Coordinator – Alex Roark

Hikemaster – Joel Iams

Treasurer – Dan McQuillan

* - “Key Three”



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Volunteer Opportunities



Although BSA & NCAC provide *structure/support*...



...the Pack is run entirely by adult **volunteers**

- Adult leaders set up the activities
- Parents assist with activities
- Parental involvement is ***necessary***



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Other Pack Leads

Webmaster/New Member Coordinator – Lane Goodman

Pinewood Derby co-Leads – Tom Haslett/Brock Read

Blue and Gold Dinner Lead – Josh Gross

Scouting for Food Lead – Heidi Lewis

Thanksgiving Parade Lead – Eria Bauer

Sweep the Creek Lead – Dave Bortz

*Most positions require “understudies” for future years!



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How much will it cost? (*approx.* | 2025-26)



- Annual Pack Dues of \$115, paid to the Pack, covering
 - Fall and spring campouts; supplies & equipment for other Pack & Den activities
 - Pack t-shirts, Pinewood Derby car kits & awards, food at events
 - Awards: belt loops, pins and badges earned
 - Required Pack costs for rechartering , leader registration, etc.
- Annual Scouting America & Council Fees of \$170, paid to the national org:
 - \$85 BSA Registration Fee
 - \$80 Council Participation Fee
 - ~\$5 Processing Fee
- Annual Scout Life subscription (\$15, optional, paid with national registration)
- Shirt (buy large to last!) with patches, belt, rank kerchief/slide/hat, and handbook from the Scout Store (~\$125 total for a new Scout)
 - There is a different color kerchief, slide, hat and handbook each following year/rank (\$70)
 - Webelos/AOL Scouts obtain shoulder-worn Colors for Adventure pins (\$8)
 - AOL Scouts may move on to the khaki uniform kit used in older Scouts BSA units (\$140)

The Pack has some lightly used uniform donations from prior Scout families in our rummage bin

Online resources make handbooks (\$24, incl. above) optional, though nice to have

Limited grants are available for those demonstrating need

(contact the Cubmaster, directly)



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How do I sign up?

1. Use our pack's QR code:



OR

Go to beascout.org and enter zip code 20910 to find Pack 209. Follow the prompts to find our pack and register with BSA.

2. Pay the BSA fees – Registration & Council Participation, Scout Life subscription (optional)
3. Pay Pack Dues – Payment instructions TBD
4. Connect with your Den Leader!



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