

FUNPACK WEEKENDS 2011

PINE TREE COUNCIL - BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA –
PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOUR SCOUTING FAMILIES!

Join us at a FunPack Weekend and use it to earn you
Summertime Pack Award!

FPW 2011 ~ "When Dinosaurs Ruled the World"!



WHAT IS A FUNPACK WEEKEND?

FunPack weekends, held on Saturday and Sundays, are an exciting program designed to give a Cub, along with a parent or adult guardian, a chance for an overnight camping experience at a Pine Tree Council camp. Cubs and adults show up Saturday morning ready for a weekend filled with fun and activities! You can swim in the lake, visit the nature area, and try your luck at shooting a bow and arrow or a BB gun at our shooting ranges and much more!

Saturday evening you'll enjoy participating in a campfire at our council ring, come ready to share your favorite skit or song. Cubs and parents sleep side by side in a wooded campsite. The fun continues on Sunday morning with more program areas and ends with a closing at 11:30 AM.

FunPack weekends are an exciting introduction for first time campers! It's great for unit leaders because parents are there to participate with their son and provide the necessary companionship for those not quite ready to venture out on their own. FunPack weekends are a great way for Cubs, parents, and leaders to get to know each other in a relaxing environment. Every Pack should make it a top priority to attend a FunPack weekend every summer!

Meals -

Meals will be cooked together on your own in your campsite! It is suggested that Packs plan a menu together and enjoy eating as a group! A fire ring is provided in each site. Come prepared with cooking gear! Most packs plan their menus and assign a group to be in charge of meal planning and shopping. What your group chooses to do is up to you! Some suggestions from the staff – bring a gas

grill or camp stove, and plan meals that are easy to prepare and clean up!

Suggested Menus-

Saturday lunch – bring bag lunches or make your own sandwiches in the site! Add chips, pretzels, a salad or two and cookies! Saturday dinner- hamburgers and hotdogs on the grill are always a favorite, or perhaps a one-pot stew, or tinfoil dinners that each makes according to their likes.

Snacks- s'mores around the campfire on Saturday evening are a must! Fruit & granola bars work great!

Sunday breakfast – cereal & fruit is quick and easy – but scrambled eggs, bacon and bagels may work for you!

Bring a couple of coolers with ice (and extra ice) for cold beverages and peanut butter and jelly works well for finicky eaters! Just keep it simple and fun to allow for more time to enjoy the program and each other's company!

TRADING POST-

Our camps operate a well-stocked camp store to serve campers and visitors. Items include Cub Scout literature, camp T-shirts, patches, mugs, and camp gadgets, along with cold drinks and snacks.

SWIMMING-

All swimming will be done in the beginner's area with water depths up to 3.5 feet. The waterfront will have a swimming area, water sports area and beach area with something for everyone! All participants will be issued a 'buddy tag'.

Arrival time for FunPack-

9:00 AM - Arrival time at parking lot by Cadigan Cabin.
9:00 AM Pack Leaders Orientation Meeting- held at Tabor's Retreat (by the parking lot). Please have 2 leaders for each group attend this meeting and bring a copy of your FPW roster and receive parking passes and campsite assignments! Outside of Cadigan Cabin, a special space craft project will be available to help keep our "aliens" busy! Late arrivals need to check the sign at the large camp map at the parking lot entrance into camp for their campsite assignment and proceed to the health lodge to check in.

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Check-out time-

The FunPack weekend program will conclude with a closing ceremony at 11:30 AM on Sunday.

THEME FOR FUNPACKS-

2011 FunPack Theme

Our Theme for FunPacks will be “When Dinosaurs Ruled the World”!!! FunPack Weekends travelers will join with other caveman and explore the hidden valleys and of the giant beast called dinosaurs with lots of fun activities along with the chance to explore the great outdoors, learn new skills and enjoy being a kid! Our Saturday evening campfire will be filled with super giant fun and lots of special guest caveman, so bring your super stegosaurus’ costumes and join the staff for lots of fun!

Saturday Night Campfire:

Join all the campers and staff at our Saturday evening campfire! The dinosaurs have arrived and taken over the cove at Camp Hinds! Have your group or pack ready to go with a song or skit! Costumes are encouraged!

MEDICAL ISSUES-

Certified medical staff is on duty at all times. *In keeping with State of Maine law and BSA policy, ALL participants MUST have an up-to-date health form, including immunization dates, complete with insurance information and emergency permission to treat. No doctor’s physical is required for FunPack weekends.*

MEDICAL FORMS – PLEASE BRING THEM TO CAMP WITH YOU! EVERY ADULT AND CUB SCOUT NEEDS ONE ON FILE FOR THE WEEKEND.

A copy of the Cub Scout Medical Form is attached for you to make copies as needed. It can be downloaded from the medical form section of the council web site at www.pinetreetsa.org

Photo Release Form-

Pine Tree Council at times, takes photos of Scouts, parents and leaders enjoying camp! These photos may be used for future promotional pieces including camp brochures, videos, Pine Spills and/or camp videos. **Please have your parents sign the**

enclosed photo release form and bring to camp with you!

PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED INFORMATION:

If you have any needs that require special attention, auxiliary aids or reasonable accommodations, please let Pine Tree Council at 797-5252 x 14 know at least two weeks prior to your arrival in camp.

BUDDY SYSTEM:

The buddy system is used in camp at all times. No Cub Scout should ever be without an adult or buddy with him. In keeping with camp and Council policy, two or more adults must be in the campsite whenever Cubs are in the campsite.

WHAT TO PACK:

PERSONAL GEAR:

*****YOUR SCOUT UNIFORM*****

Pants	shirts
Underwear	socks and shoes
Towel	swimsuit
Raingear	Jacket
Toiletries	Pajamas
Pillow	Sleeping pad
Hat	sweater or sweatshirt
Insect repellent	No sandals or open toed shoes

Sleeping bag or blankets
Flashlight with extra batteries
“Dinosaurs” theme costume

PACK GEAR:

Food, cooking equipment (gas grill or camp stove for cooking if desired), coolers with ice to keep food & drinks cold. Lanterns for evening time at campsite. Pack and American flag for campsite and remember your costumes for the “Space Odyssey Campfire”
Tents and cots are supplied by Camp Hinds.

OPTIONAL GEAR:

Camera, film, fishing gear, suntan lotion, \$ for trading post, laundry bag

LEAVE AT HOME:

Pets, sheath knives, fireworks, firearms, ammunition, bows & arrows, radios, tape players, TVs electronic games, MP3’s, squirt guns, alcoholic

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beverages, and illegal drugs are not allowed in camp. Other valuables should be left at home. Persons under the age of 18 may not have vehicles in camp without the prior written approval of the Camp Director.



VEHICLES AND PARKING:

All vehicles must be kept in the camp parking lots by Cadigan Cabin. For check-in and checkout, each pack will receive a pass for one vehicle at a time to be driven to the campsite for loading and unloading gear. To help the process, please have your pack put all the gear into one or two vehicles once you arrive at camp that way one vehicle can go unload, come back, and then the other vehicle can go unload. Once a vehicle has unloaded at the site, the vehicle must be moved to the parking area. **No vehicles will be allowed to be kept in the campsite due to safety and environmental reasons.** Exceptions for disabled persons may be arranged with the Camp Director at the time of your arrival.

Reminder- Camp Speed Limit is 10 MPH and no riders are permitted in back of trucks!

CUBMASTER / PACK LEADER MEETING:

The Camp Cubmaster or Pack Leader is the adult who will have the primary responsibility for the pack while in camp. **Camp Cubmasters or Pack Leaders (2 per pack) are expected to attend the pre-camp meeting, which will be held at 9:00 a.m. Saturday morning prior to check-in at the Tabor Retreat.** Important information is discussed at this meeting. Please bring your completed copy of the pack roster to this meeting, listing both Cubs and parents in camp for the weekend. The Camp Cubmaster or Pack Leaders will be given program schedules, group assignments, a review of emergency procedures and camp rules, and there will be time to have all your questions answered.

Responsibilities of the Camp Cubmaster or Pack Leader include keeping the group together and taking head counts often, keeping track of the group's schedule and making sure everyone has fun!

DIRECTIONS TO THE CAMP HINDS:

Phone: (207) 655-4878

The Plains Road is between State Routes 85 and 121, both of which intersect Routes 302 and 11.

From the South, take exit 48 of the Maine Turnpike and turn right onto Riverside Street, and continue through traffic lights to the Rte. 302 intersection. Turn left onto Route 302 West. Go 15 miles and turn right at traffic light onto Route 85. Drive 6 miles on Route 85, past the Jordan Small School. Turn left onto the Plains Road at the bottom of the hill. Camp is ½ mile on left.

From the North, take exit 63 (Gray) off the Maine Turnpike and turn left onto Rte. 202, take a right on Rte. 26A. Go approx. 3 miles and turn left onto North Raymond Road (by Dry Mills Store) go ½ mile and turn left onto Egypt Road. At end of Egypt take right onto Rte. 85, go past schools and down large hill and turn left onto Plains Road. Camp is ½ mile on left.

*****REMINDERS*****

FOR CUBMASTERS AND PACK LEADERS:

BRING TO CAMP:

MEDICAL FORMS - Please make sure every adult and youth have a completed health form and bring them to camp with you!

PHOTO RELEASE FORM –

Have parents complete for every Scout and bring to camp!

PACK ROSTER. Bring a copy of your Pack Roster for the weekend, listing both Cubs and parents, to the 9:00 a.m. Leader Meeting.

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU
AT CAMP THIS SUMMER!!**