



St. Paul's Cub Scouts

The Pack Packet

Pack 209

Newsletter



February, 2007

Weedon Island Canoeing Extravaganza!

Grab your flotation devices, sunscreen, and bug repellent and join pack 209 at the annual Weedon Island canoe trip. The event will be held on Saturday March 3rd. We will meet at Weedon Island at 9:30AM and the canoeing trip will begin at approximately 10:00AM. Please let your den leader know if you and your adult partner will be attending the event so we can be sure and have enough canoes for everyone.

In the past, there has been a wide variety of wildlife that the pack has encountered while canoeing; including Osprey, Eagles, and Bottle Nose Dolphins. Be sure not to miss this extra special activity.

Ft. DeSoto Campout Just Around the Corner

Get your tents ready and your hiking boots polished, The Fort Desoto family campout will be on the nights of April 13th through April 15th. You may choose to reserve a sight for either or both nights for the *bargain* rate of just \$15.00 per night per half sight (sharing a sight with another family). A half sight entitles you to one tent and one car on the sight. If you need a full sight, the cost is \$30.00 per night. Partner preferences need to be stated at the time of the reservation, as well as special needs (i.e.: boat access, etc.) Sights have electricity and water. Signup sheets and event details are enclosed with this newsletter, or you can get copies of the signup sheets from your Den leaders or on our website at

<http://www.stpaulstpete.com/Pack209/Forms/FortDeSotoCampingNotice.pdf>.

Breakfast will be served on Sunday morning has the most campers present. All in all, this is one of the most popular pack events of the year. Ft Desoto offers historical sights, beaches, boating, bike trails, and a real chance to get away from it all without going too far. Don't miss it!

Schedule 06-07

March

- 3: Canoeing at Weedon Island
- 13-16: St. Paul's Festival

April

- 13-15: Ft. DeSoto Family Campout

Game of the Month

Get Your Heads Together

This game is designed for pairs of any size group.

Equipment Needed: Paper cups

Preparation: Divide the players into relay teams, paired according to height. A paper cup is given to each pair of players. The object of the game is to hold the paper cup between the player's heads without the use of hands and move the preselected distance to the goal line. The distance is selected according to the size and coordination of the players.

Once one pair of players has crossed the goal, the next set goes. Play continues until all of the players have crossed the goal line. If the cup is dropped or touched by the player's hands, the players must return to the starting line and try again.

Annual Rechartering

As a reminder, it's time to recharter our pack. Rechartering information is due now! If you do not submit the enclosed form, to continue in scouting you will need to re-apply to the pack by re-filling out the registration form.

Your job for rechartering, as a parent, is really pretty simple. Attached to this newsletter is a simple recharter form that you can fill out with the basic information needed to re-enroll your child for Cub Scouts for the 2007-2008 season. Attach a check for the appropriate amount (\$11.00 for membership and an additional \$12.00 if you would like to renew your boys subscription to *Boy's Life* magazine). Once completed, return the form and a check to your Den Leader or bring it with you to the St. Paul Campout on February 10th. That's all there is to it!

Note to those who joined last August: Remember that your full year of dues was intended as a "first and last" payment to help us cover the balance of the school year that you *exit* pack 209. Full year registration and insurance is due each February until then.

Pack 209 Recharter

- Who: Pack 209
- What: Annual Charter Renewal
- When: **Pack Charter expires February 28, 2007.**
- Why: Pack must renew its charter annually in February in order to maintain its charter, insurance, etc.
- How much: \$11.00 per scout, due February 10th (St. Paul's Family Campout). The optional subscription to *Boys Life* magazine is an additional \$12.00, if desired. Please pay by check, made payable to *Pack 209*, and remitted to your den leader.

It's that time of year (February) when the Pack has to file for recharter. The Pack is also in need of adult volunteers to fill some leadership positions that will be vacated at the end of this year. If you are interested in becoming a member of the leadership committee, or if you have any questions, please contact your den leader or David Bowen at 521-3707.

Choose ONE option below:

- Enclosed is \$11.00 to cover the cost of the annual recharter fee for my child, (Print child's name) _____.
- Enclosed is \$23.00 to cover the cost of the annual recharter fee for my child, (Print child's name) _____, along with the cost of a one-year subscription to *Boys Life* magazine.

You may also select:

- I am interested in becoming a Scout Leader. Please contact me at:
(Phone) _____ (Email) _____
- I would like to be signed up to support Pack 209 by getting and/or using an Albertson's Preferred Card. Please sign me up using the information below:
(Name) _____ (Email) _____
(Address) _____
(City/State): _____ (Zip): _____ (Phone #): _____

I already have an Albertson's Preferred Card. My Card # is: _____

(The Albertson's Card support is at no cost to you! Please sign up!)

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Include cash or check payable to Pack 209

Fort DeSoto Campout

- Who: Pack 209
- What: Fort DeSoto Family Campout
- When: Friday evening, April 13th through Sunday morning April 2nd.
- Why: Camping at Fort DeSoto is lots of fun and the weather will be fantastic!
- How much: \$15.00 per night for a campsite that is shared with one other family. If you wish to have private campsite to yourself, the cost is \$30.00 per night. However, due to the limited availability of campsites, we cannot guarantee that you will have the site to yourself (difference would be refunded).
Please pay by check made payable to: *Pack 209*.

This is a family campout! Each family will be responsible for providing their own meals, with the exception of Sunday morning breakfast. The pack will provide a communal breakfast Sunday morning.

Due to a change in reservation procedures at Fort DeSoto, the pack needed to prepay reservations for the campout. This necessitates a first-come-first-served policy for assigning campsites. Payments can be made through your den leader, mailed to me at the address below, or dropped in my mail slot (just left of my front door). Please include a completed form (below) with your payment. If you have any questions, please call me.

Tracy Frazee
4415 10th Street North
Saint Petersburg, FL 33703
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Choose ONE option below:

To share a campsite:

- Enclosed is \$15.00 to cover the cost of a shared campsite for Friday night only.
- Enclosed is \$15.00 to cover the cost of a shared campsite for Saturday night only.
- Enclosed is \$30.00 to cover the cost of a shared campsite for both nights.

We prefer to share a site with: _____ (family name)

To request a full campsite:

- Enclosed is \$30.00 to cover the cost of a full campsite for Friday night only.
- Enclosed is \$30.00 to cover the cost of a full campsite for Saturday night only.
- Enclosed is \$60.00 to cover the cost of a full campsite for both nights.

Print Name: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____