

# Cub Pack 195

Mechanicsburg, PA 17050

[www.pack195.org](http://www.pack195.org)

“The most worth-while thing is to try to put happiness into the lives of others.”

-Lord Baden Powell

## September Pack Meeting

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our virtual Pack meeting! If you missed it or if you want more knot practice, check out the slide deck [HERE](#). Congratulations to our bingo winners: Declan, Michael, Kolby, Paul and Luke!

## October Bike Ride

On Sunday, October 4 at 4PM, we will be meeting in the Mountain View Middle School (30 Bali Hai Road, Mechanicsburg) parking lot for a bike ride around Mountain View and Winding Creek Elementary. Scouts should wear Pack t-shirts, if you have one, bring a bike or scooter, wear a helmet, a mask, and bring a water bottle. Scouts must wear a mask when not socially distancing. We will review bike safety and go for a ride!

## More Important News

### Popcorn Sale

Our show and sells went well, especially considering the restrictions this year. **Take order forms are due by Oct. 14.** Please email them to Patrick at [pkibler@gmail.com](mailto:pkibler@gmail.com), snail mail them, or send through SJS c/o Lucas



## Upcoming Events

### October 4

Bike Ride 4:00PM

### October 18

Corn Maze at Paulus Orchard 3:00PM

### October 24

Halloween at Tuckahoe

## Help Wanted

Please consider sharing your time in one of the following positions. No experience necessary! All training is provided online.

- Popcorn Kernel assistant
- Religious Emblems Coordinator
- Lion Den Leader
- Membership Chair

Kibler in 4A. \*Scouts in our Lion den (kindergarten age) do not participate in the popcorn sale.

## Registration/Re-registration

It's that time of year again! We are accepting registrations and re-registration now. Believe it or not, our greatest challenge this year will be financially. As you may recall, our National organization imposed a significant fee increase last year. Thanks to our awesome popcorn fundraisers the last few years, we were able to absorb some of this increase. Unfortunately, National increased their dues to \$66 per Scout, an extra \$25 per new Scout, and an \$42 per adult volunteer. With this increase and the rising costs of awards and other expenses, it is no longer feasible to have dues at \$55 per Scout. We will be raising due to \$80 per Scout.

[REGISTER HERE](#)

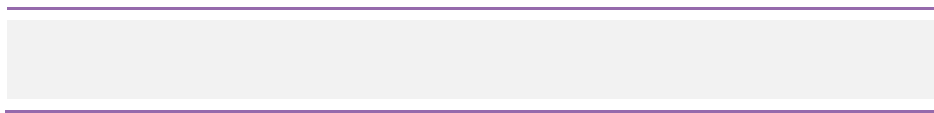
We do not make these decisions lightly, especially in the wake of the current economic backdrop. Your dues cover: Scout registration, awards, reservations for event locations, event materials (like for Winter camp and Pinewood derby), and materials for den activities. The Pack will absorb the "new Scout registration fee" for all new Scouts. We will also pay for the adult volunteers' registrations, as they so kindly volunteer their time.

We still believe that scouting is an exceptional value for a year-long program. We never want finances to be the reason a child could not participate in scouting, so please know there are some scholarship funds available at our Pack level & the Council level. A payment plan will be an option for families who may need it. As always, participation in our popcorn fundraiser is a great way to earn funds for dues, and it helps supplement our scholarship fund. Please contact Kelly if you have any questions or concerns.

**Please mail your dues, with a check payable to Cub Scout Pack 195, to our treasurer, Mrs. Brie Davis, 107 Kim Acres Drive, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055 as soon as possible. You may also send it through SJS c/o Colin Bruening in 5B.**

## Corn Maze

Our October Pack outing is to Paulus Mt. Airy Orchards' corn maze on Sunday, October 18. We will meet at 3PM. It costs \$10/person. Each family will purchase their own tickets at Paulus' but we will see who will make it to the end of the maze first! Once we have all finished the maze, families are free to explore the orchards on their own. Scouts should wear their Pack t-shirts or Lion shirts. Masks are required.



## Halloween Day at Camp Tuckahoe

Come spend the day at Camp Tuckahoe with your Scout and family on Saturday, October 24! This is a great way to check-out the camp and try activities like BB, archery, crafts, games, etc. Wear your Halloween costume or Pack t-shirt. Lunch is provided. Halloween Day costs \$1 per person. Siblings 5 and under are free. A sign up is available on our website at <http://pack195.org/resources.html>. Sign up and payment due by October 11. We will sign up as a Pack. Please do not do it individually. To find out more information, check out <https://newbirthoffreedom.org/camping-2/halloweenday/>

## October Virtual Pack Meeting

Our next virtual pack meeting will be Tuesday, October 27 at 6:30. We celebrate Halloween by checking out some creepy crawlies in a special program by Ryan the Bug Man! <https://ryanthebugman.com/>

## Scouting for Food

Our community has a greater need this year for donations! Please join us on Saturday, November 7 for Scouting for Food hanger distribution at 9AM in the parking lot of St. Joseph School. We will then divide and conquer to hang up all of the hangers! It usually takes us less than an hour if we have enough volunteers.

Likewise, our donation pick up for Scouting for Food is the following Saturday, November 14. We will meet at 9AM in the parking lot of St. Joseph School. Boys should wear Scout uniform or Pack shirt, but I realize we will be all bundled up! Please consider coming out to help. Many hands make light work! This meets the requirement of community service that most Scouts require to complete their rank.

## Pack 195 and COVID Safety

Well, this is the start of a new Scouting year like no other! We wanted to let you know the safety precautions we are taking. We want all Scouts to be able to continue in Scouting. We will be following National's SAFE procedures found [HERE](#).

- We will be holding den and Pack meetings outside or via Zoom only. Families may participate as they feel comfortable. We will make every attempt to Live stream outdoor meetings.



- If the Scout or family falls into the high risk category, we recommend you stay home and participate virtually.
- Parents should take their Scout's temperature prior to a meeting/event. Anyone with a temperature of 100.0 degrees or higher needs to stay home.
- Families will complete a COVID questionnaire prior to attending meetings/events.
- Participants will wear face coverings.
- We will have hand sanitizer available, minimize group size (one parent attends only), will not share materials, and Scouts provide their own water bottles, as needed.

Scouts may also work on all adventures at home with their families, as an alternative. Parents may sign off that their Scout completed the adventure and then notify the den leader that it has been completed.

## Mark your calendars!

Below is a list of most important dates so far. Den leaders will soon be notifying you of den meeting dates.

- **October 4- 4pm Bike ride at Mountain View Middle School**
- **October 14- Popcorn forms due**
- **October 18- 3pm Corn Maze at Paulus Orchards**
- **October 24- Halloween Day at Camp Tuckahoe, Dillsburg**
- **October 27- 6:30 PM virtual Pack meeting**
- **November 7- 9:00AM Scouting for Food hanger distribution**
- **November 14- 9:00AM Scouting for Food collection**

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For more information, visit Pack 195's website:

[www.pack195.org](http://www.pack195.org)

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[pack195cs@gmail.com](mailto:pack195cs@gmail.com)

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