



WELCOME TO CUB SCOUT PACK 43!

“Why Scouts?” The Boy Scouts of America provides youth with programs and activities that allow them to 1) Try new things 2) Provide service to others 3) Build self-confidence 4) Reinforce ethics standards 5) Learn outdoor skills.

“That sounds great! What’s next?”

- Complete the application for your youth(s) and an Adult Application for yourself. (We are Pack 43 of the Zephyr District in the Nevada Area Council). Pay for membership registration (\$66 yearly, prorated/month you register, plus a one-time registration fee of \$25), Pack dues (\$20 per quarter to cover awards, pins, belt loops), optional Boy’s Life Magazine subscription (\$12, also prorated). All in all, less costly than most sports programs.
- Complete the Family Talent Survey – one for each parent. This helps us see where folks can help!
- Go to Den meetings, currently every Monday at 6:30pm-7:30pm. There are also leadership get-togethers on the last Saturday or Sunday of every month around 3pm for Parents & Pack Committee so everyone is in the know on upcoming events.
- Attend special activities and outdoor events carried throughout the year. Check out our calendar and Upcoming Events for the dates.
Facebook: @pack43sparksnv
Website: <http://www.pack43.org>
- Visit the Scout Store, 500 Double Eagle Court, Reno, NV 89521 (Go south on 395. Take S Meadows Exit. Turn left on S Meadows. Take first left on Gateway Dr. Then take first left again on Double Eagle Ct) to get your child(ren) a uniform and handbook. We only uniform from the belt up. If you have any problems, the store associates are very knowledgeable and helpful.
- Start your child(ren) learning the Bobcat requirements. These are found in the handbook of every Den or we can provide a copy.

In the beginning it may be a little overwhelming but be sure to contact Cubmaster Megan (775-848-4233) or your Den Leader with any questions. Scouting is a Family Adventure and we’re here to make it the best experience it can be!

Cub Scout Frequently Asked Questions

What are Packs, Dens, and Troops? Which one will my child be in?

A Den is the smaller groups the Pack is broken into. They are based on grade level, not necessarily age:

Lion Den : Kindergarten

Tiger Den: 1st Grade

Wolf Den: 2nd Grade

Bear Den: 3rd Grade

Webelos Den: 4th & 5th Grade

A Troop is the Boy Scout equivalent to a Cub Scout Pack. Also, if there are kids in 6th grade and above who want to join, our Boy Scout Troop 43 meets at the same day and time as Cub Scout Pack 43 and offers the same expertise, ethics, and outdoorsmanship to youth ages 11 and up. Contact Scoutmaster Ron Tilley at 775-848-1070.

How do I contact someone?

Email: cs.pack43.sumc@gmail.com

Facebook: @[pack43sparksnv](https://www.facebook.com/pack43sparksnv) , or search for "Cub Scout Pack 43 - Sparks, NV"

Cubmaster Megan Kellermeyer is available via phone (775-848-4233), email, or in person.

Den Leaders will hand out their own contact info, depending on which den you are in.

How can I keep track of my scout's progress as they advance and complete requirements?

There is a fantastic online tool used to track scout progress called Scoutbook. If you already have an account on my.scouting.org, use the same login information. On my.scouting.org, do the YPT (Youth Protection Training) which is required for all adults working with BSA youth. Not only does it teach adult leaders how to help protect all youth but it allows parents to see what barriers to abuse and other means of protection are employed. In BSA, safety comes first!

<http://www.scoutbook.com>

<http://my.scouting.org>

What does the Cub Scout program cover? What do you do?

What *don't* we do? The Scout Program covers topics such as:

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| *Character Development | *Faith | *Citizenship | *Community |
| *Fitness/Sports/Nutrition | *Family | *Respect | *Academics and Science/STEM |
| *Arts & Crafts | *First Aid | *Outdoor Skills | *Working with Tools / Building Things |
| *Personal Achievement | *Leadership | *Fun & Adventure | *Preparing for Boy Scouts |

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Upcoming September Events

Sept 7 - *Digital Den Meeting* – catch up on those last requirements! 6:30pm

Sept 8 - **Den Leader Meeting** – 6:30pm, location TBD

Sept 12 - online Saturday event: **Family Fun Fest**, open to ALL through Facebook

Sept 13 - **Sunday Hike** – Quail Run Trail, Bartley Ranch, 11am

Sept 14 – In-person Den Meeting at 6:30pm, SUMC picnic area

Sept 21 - **Pack Games & Awards Night** – 6:30pm, SUMC picnic area

Sept 26 - Saturday event: STEM Night - “Light the Night”

Sept 28 - In-person Den Meetings at 6:30pm, SUMC picnic area

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Upcoming Oct-Nov Events

Oct 5 - Recruit Night! 6:30pm, SUMC picnic area

Oct 12 - Raingutter Regatta Boat Build at 6:30pm, SUMC picnic area

Oct 19 - Raingutter Regatta Boat Race at 6:30pm, SUMC picnic area

Oct 17 - STEM Night - “Chemical Reactions”, **location TBD

Oct 23 - “Great Scouting Scavenger Hunt” - put on by our District

Oct 24 - Cub Scout Adventure Day - taking place at different businesses in the area, this pairs with the Scavenger Hunt

Oct 25 - Take a Hike – petroglyphs! Location info to be added.

Oct 26 - Box Car Derby at 6:30pm, SUMC picnic area

Nov 2 - Bobcat Rank Ceremony and Awards Night

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