

Happy Holidays!

Everyone Loves a Parade!

by Amelia Pendleton, Den 2 Leader



When JP told me the week of November 19th that Pack 29 would be in the Auburn Christmas Parade, I was a little surprised because I wondered how we would be able to prepare a float in a little under a week for 30 cub scouts. Fortunately, Steve Eden has a trailer which had much potential to be, inarguably, the best-looking float in the city of Auburn. As we were scurrying to purchase Christmas lights and garland the night of the 28th, my doubts had increased substantially. However, when I arrived to see the progress of the Pack 29 float on the afternoon of the November 29, I was amazed. Five grown men and several cub scouts

were working determinedly on a once ordinary-looking trailer. When 4:30 rolled around, the finishing touches were being put on the float and it looked great! In addition, all of the cub scouts who had been arriving were behaving admirably. I thought there were be screaming and jumping and running into the street, but most of the boys were sitting on the float and playing or talking quietly.

When the parade started, I was able to make it to a desirable viewing spot in front of Hargis Hall. All of the floats this year were really nicely done. The antique cars and musical floats were a hit with the crowd. I was quite proud of our Pack 29 float though. The boys were having a great time waving to the crowd and the leaders and parents looked excited as well. After the parade was over, I was impressed with how the sign-in/sign-out sheet eased the difficulty of dropping off the children and having them picked up by their parents. I noticed that some of the other scout packs jumped off of their floats and ran in all different directions to who knows where. When the cleanup was done, all of the work seemed extremely worthwhile for the smiles on our cub scouts faces. We should all be grateful to JP Pendleton, Steve Eden, Curtis Glisson, Rich Saucer, and Robert Price for their admirable decorating skills.

POPCORN SALE A SUCCESS

Pack 29 is proud of the popcorn selling our boys did. This successful fundraiser will allow our pack to grow and do more things for our boys. Thanks for all the work the boys and parents did. This year, our Pack sold over \$15,000 of popcorn!

If your scout met the popcorn goal of \$250 or you paid \$100 (or a mixture), then you are "good to go" for Pack expenses this year. Next month, we'll award prizes, etc. from the sale.

Upcoming Events

- Jan 11 - Pack Meeting
- Feb 2 - Scouting For Food Distribution
- Feb 3 - Scout Sunday
- Feb 8 - Pinewood Derby Workshop
- Feb 9 - Scouting For Food Pickup
- Feb 23 - Pack Pinewood Derby



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