

BOY SCOUT TROOP 132 2014 Annual Report

The boys in the Pack 132 continue to work towards their Arrow of Light award, the highest award a cub scout can earn, and the boys in the troop continue to advance towards the Eagle rank, and have fun in the process. At the close of 2014, Pack 132, led by Cubmaster Ellen Motyka, continues to grow with eight active youth, Troop 132, led by Scoutmaster Vance Husen, has six scouts, and Crew 132, led by Advisor Ellen Motyka, had five registered youth.

During 2014, the pack had its membership grow over 2013. This growing group of cub Scout families, many of whom are new to Scouting, are looking forward to an exciting year in cub Scouts. Activities in 2014 for the youngest members of the Scouting program at Mt. Carmel included the Pinewood Derby and a weekend visit to the Confidence Learning Center near Brainerd.

The highlight of the troop's 2014 outdoor program was the week in July that they spent at Many Point Scout Camp located near Park Rapids, Minnesota. In addition to several weekend camping trips during the year, the troop participated in the Metro Lakes District Klondike Derby, which included using our sled for the rescue of 2 Scouts that were soaked from open water encountered on the course. Scouts also completed Hiking merit badge which included 20 mi & 10 mi hikes on Paul Bunyan Trail in Walker / Hackensack area Memorial Day weekend, 2 horseback riding events which helped the Scouts earn Horsemanship merit badge, and a Canoeing merit badge event with another troop on - and in - Silver Lake. During 2014: Michael Husen earned his Eagle Scout award, the troop's 47th Eagle, Dylan Evans earned his Boy Scout religious award, the first Mt. Carmel Scout to do so since 1979, and one Scout, CJ Irons, work on the staff at Many Point Scout Camp.

Each Scout also participates in fund raising functions that support their camping trips and other activities, as well as supporting the general operations of the program. In 2014, Troop 132 held its annual pancake breakfast and silent auction in February, where the Scouts served up 127 plates of pancakes. The Scouts of pack, troop, and crew 132 also held their annual Christmas wreath and popcorn fundraisers during October and November. All of this fundraising is done in an effort to ensure that all members of the Scout units at Mt. Carmel have the means to fully participate in the Scouting program. All of the Scouts at Mt. Carmel would like to give a big thank you to everyone who helped make these fundraisers a success.

With many of the members of Crew 132 away at college, the crew had a quiet year. A small group continued the crew tradition of participating in Camp Confidence's annual Diamond in the Rough camp clean up weekend, where they perform tasks such as leaf raking, painting, preparing firewood, and dock installation.

Pack 132 (boys in kindergarten – 5th Grade) meets every other Tuesday from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm in Room 101.

Troop 132 (boys, ages 11 – 18) meets weekly on Tuesdays from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm in room 101.

Venturing Crew 132 is a Boy Scout program for both male and female youth between the ages of 13 and 21.

As they have since 1932, Pack, Troop, and Crew 132 strive to continue to provide a quality experience for the youth of Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church and Northeast Minneapolis. Visitors and new members are welcome at any of our weekly meetings.

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