



Our Mission

"The mission of Scouting America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law."

- Build Character, Leadership, and Citizenship
- Learn by doing: outdoors, service, teamwork
- Partner with families to help kids thrive



Pack 742 at a Glance

- Chartered by St. Georges Episcopal Church (Summerville)
- Family Pack Boys & Girls, K-5th grade
- Weekly den meetings Monthly Pack Meetings
- Year-round program: hikes, campouts, service, summer fun

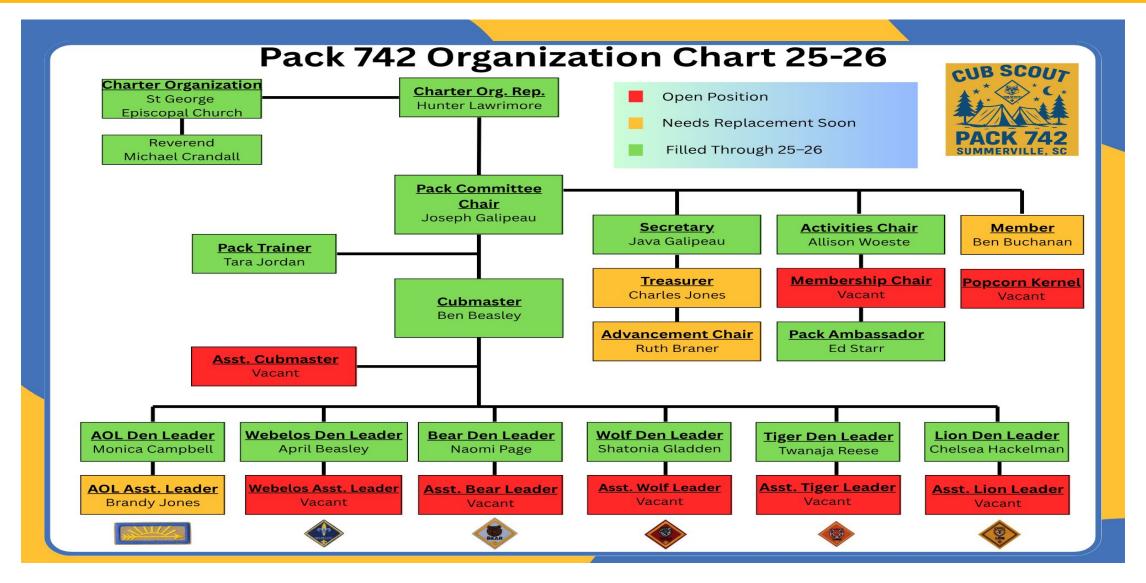


Why Scouting?

- Positive peer group with shared values
- Builds confidence & leadership skills
- Outdoor adventures & hands-on learning
- Lifelong lessons: respect, service, teamwork



Leadership Team





What is a Den?

- Small group of Scouts, same grade level
- Led by a Den Leader (with parent support)
- Ranks by grade:
 - Lion (K)
 - Tiger (1st)
 - Wolf (2nd)
 - Bear (3rd)
 - Webelos (4th)
 - Arrow of Light (AOL) (5th)
- Weekly meetings: activities, advancement, fun



What is a Pack?

- All dens come together as one group
- Meet once a month for Pack Meeting
- Celebrate achievements & recognize Scouts
- Family-friendly activities: games, skits, guest speakers, service



Den Meetings

- Held weekly by grade level
- Led by Den Leaders (with parent involvement)
- "Fun with a purpose" games, crafts, activities
- Scouts work toward advancement
 - Belt Loops
 - Awards



Pack Meetings

- Held once a month for all dens together
- Celebrate Scout achievements & awards
- Skits, songs, games, and fun activities
- Families join in community feel



Year-Round Scouting

- Weekly meetings during the school year
- Monthly hikes, campouts, and service projects
- Summer program: outings, day camps, family activities
- Keeps Scouts active, engaged, and learning all year





Annual Planning

- Full year-round calendar planned in advance
- Mix of meetings, hikes, campouts, and service projects
- Special events: Blue & Gold, Pinewood Derby, Graduation
- Keeps families informed & Scouts engaged



Special Events

- Pinewood Derby design, build, and race cars
- Blue & Gold Banquet celebrate Scouting's birthday
- Graduation & Crossover Scouts advance to the next rank
- Traditions that bring families together each year



Outdoor Adventures

- Monthly hikes explore local parks & trails
 - Hiking Club
- Pack campouts Family-friendly overnight fun
 - Santee State Park Pow Wow Drive In River Rats
- Council Campouts
 - Fall & Spring Cub Family, Cub Haunted
- Cub Resident Camps
 - Camp Rainey Mountain!!!!
- Builds outdoor skills, confidence, and friendships



Service Projects

- MLK Day of Service giving back to the community
- Pumpkin Unloading supporting St. George's
- Memorial Day Flags honor veterans
- Wreaths Across America honor veterans
- Firefighters Baked Goods Delivery support first responders
- Teaches Scouts the value of citizenship & service





National Registration

- Annual fee: \$119 per Scout
- Paid directly to Scouting America
- Covers: Membership, insurance, national program support
- Renewed one year from the registration date yearly



Pack Dues

- Annual Dues: \$100 per Scout
- Split into two \$50 payments (Oct & Feb)
- Supports Pack operations locally
- Keeps the program running smoothly year-round



What Dues Cover

- Awards & advancement materials
- Leader training & resources
- Pack meeting supplies & activities
- Den program support
- Special events & service projects
- Campership assistance for families in need



Optional Costs

- Uniforms (\$75-\$125 depending on rank)
- Camping fees (around \$10 per person, per event)
- Council events (Cub Family, Cub Haunted, Safari, etc.)
- Summer camps (Day Camp, Resident Camp)
- Occasional outside activities (museum tours, entrance fees, etc)





Why Fundraising Matters

- Keeps scouting affordable for all families
- Offsets Pack costs (awards, activities, events)
- Builds life skills: confidence, communication, responsibility
- Scouts learn to earn their way not just pay to play



Popcorn is Our Main Fundraiser

- Runs August 29th end of November each year
 - We as a pack try to be done mid-October
- Scouts sell online, at storefronts, and to family & friends
- Also accept Heroes & Helper donations (supports military, first responders, food banks)
- Trail's End app makes sales simple & secure



Participation Goal

- Each Scout's goal: \$600 in sales
- Covers cost of the program for the year
- Meets Council incentive: FREE Stingrays Hocky ticket
- Teaches Scouts to set & reach meaningful goals



Pack Incentives

- •\$600 Stingrays Ticket
- •\$936 Dues Paid (\$100 value)
- •\$1020 Scout Shop Gift Card (\$25 value)
- •\$1420 Recharter Covered (\$119 value)
- •\$1571 Cub Family Weekend (\$45 value)
- •\$2058 Camp Swampy Day Camp (\$145 value)
- •\$2647 Cub Resident Overnight Camp (\$175 value)



Trail's End Rewards

- Earn brand-name egift cards & prepaid cards
- Choices include Amazon, Target, Walmart, Mastercard, and more
- Points system
 - 1.75 pts per \$1 Heroes & Helpers (credit/online)
 - 1.25 pts per \$1 credit card sales
 - 1.0 pt per \$1 cash sales
- Scouts redeem points for the highest reward tier earned



How to Sell

- Storefront Shifts high-traffic locations, great visibility
 - Lowe's Home Improvement (Dorchester Rd, Northwoods, Goose Creek)
 - Lowe's Foods (Dorchester Rd)
 - Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays starting August 29th
- Online Sales share link or app with family & friends
- Heroes & Helpers donations support military & first responders
- Use the Trail's End app easy payments, safe & secure



Family Buyout Option

- Alternative if unable to participate in popcorn sales
- Buyout amount set annually by Pack Committee
 - \$250 prorated based on % of \$600 sold
 - Due the end of October on top of Pack Dues
- Covers your Scout's share of program costs
- Fundraising is still encouraged





Uniform Policy

- Field Uniform (Class A): official shirt, neckerchief, belt
 - Purchased at the Scout Shop
- Activity Uniform (Class B): Pack T-shirt for casual/outdoor events
 - New shirt order being placed early September (Free scout shirt)
- Pack 742 is a "belt-up" unit pants, socks, hats optional
- Scouts wear Field Uniform at Pack Meetings unless told otherwise



Not a Drop-Off Program

- Lions & Tigers: Parent/guardian (Akela) must stay & participate
- Wolves & above: Parent/guardian expected to remain on site
- Creates a safe, supportive environment
- Scouting is a family program involvement matters
 - You and your scout will get out of scouting what you put into scouting



Code of Conduct

- Scouts live by the Scout Oath & Law
- Show respect, honesty, and responsibility
- Parents model positive behavior & support the program
- Bullying or disrespect is not tolerated
- Focus: inclusive, welcoming environment for all



Safety First

- All events follow the Guide to Safe Scouting
- At least one trained adult in CPR/First Aid present
- Parents must complete Safeguarding Youth Training (annual)
- Medical forms required for all Scouts, Siblings, Leaders, and Parents that participate with the pack regularly
- Safety briefings given before outings





How We Communicate

- Band App required for at least one parent per family
 - All communication
 - Main page posts
 - Full calendar of events
 - All Band posts & calendar events link back to our website for more details
- Pack 742 Website event pages, rsvp's, news & updates
- Leaders maintain open communication with parents



Parent Involvement

- Parents are encouraged to attend den & pack meetings
- Volunteering keeps the Pack strong & fun
- Opportunities big & small events, committees, den support
- Scouting succeeds when families engage together



Leadership Opportunities

- Serve as a Den Leader or Assistant
- Join the Pack Committee (planning & support)
- Help coordinate special events & activities
- Chare your skills or talents as a guest speaker



Every Parent Has a Place

- From big roles to small tasks, all help matters
- Many hands make the program stronger
- Even occasional volunteering makes a difference
- Scouting is best when families share the journey





Scouting is a Family Journey

- Memories made through shared adventures
- Scouts grow in confidence, skills, and friendships
- Families connect with a community of support
- Together we build something bigger than ourselves



Next Steps

- Complete registration & Medical Forms
- Submit national fee
- Get your scout's uniform & handbook (optional)
- Participate in the Popcorn Kickoff
- Stay connected through Band & Website



Thank You!!

- We're glad you're part of Pack 742
- Together we make Scouting possible
- Questions? We're here to help

