

Welcome Back! This advancement guideline packet has been compiled to help you as a den leader. On the following pages you will find copies of several forms for your use. You will also find below any special instructions that you may need with each form. As always if you should have any questions please feel free to contact me at wrose1@carolina.rr.com or 704-882-3603.

DEN ADVANCEMENT REPORT

Tigers, Wolves and Bear – The most important date for these Den Leaders will be the February Den Leaders meeting. This will be the submission for rank advancement at the Blue and Gold Banquet. The Blue and Gold Banquet is scheduled for February 16th, 2008. The Den Advancement Report should be turned in no later than February 11, 2008. This will allow ample time to complete all necessary preparation for advancement at Blue and Gold.

After Blue and Gold this form will be used as need to submit request for arrow point awards on a monthly basis at the den leaders meeting.

Webelos 1 & 2 – This report should be submitted at the monthly den leaders meeting as the scouts complete their activity pins.

Arrow of Light – Advancement reports for recipients of the Arrow of Light should be submitted no later than **January**

8th, 2008. This information has to be submitted and verified at the council office so we need to have at least a 1 week turn around time to have everything ready for the Pack Meeting on January 15th.

DEN RECGONITION REPORT–Sports and Academics

This report can be submitted at the monthly den leaders meeting. A signed and dated sports or academic form should be attached to each Recognition Report. Copies of forms are available in the top drawer of the scouting file cabinet. This is new procedure this year but it will help to keep more accurate records and maintain the needed information for our council office. You can find more information about the Sports and Academics program in the *Sports and Academics Program and policies Page* included in this booklet.

WORLD CONSERVATION AWARD – This form must be completed for each scout earning this award. Once the form is completed it may be submitted at any den leaders meeting. This award may only be earned once as a cub scout.

OUTDOOR ACTIVITY AWARD – Scouts are eligible for this award each year they participate in the scouting program. The first time this award is earned the scout will be presented with a patch to be worn on the pocket flap of the uniform shirt. Each subsequent award will receive a rank appropriate device to be

worn on the patch. When completing the award submission please indicate if the scout should receive a patch (p) or device (d). You may list multiple scouts on the submission form for your den and submit the form at any den leaders meeting.

LEAVE NO TRACE AWARD – Like the Outdoor Activity Award scouts are eligible to receive this award each year that they participate in the scouting program. Scouts will receive a patch to be worn on the patch vest or other clothing item the first time the award is earned. Each subsequent award will receive a rank appropriate device to be worn on the patch. When completing the award submission please indicate if the scout should receive a patch (p) or device (d). You may list multiple scouts on the submission form for your den and submit the form at any den leaders meeting.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AWARD – This award is part of a new BSA program in cooperation with the Federal Department of Homeland Security. The Guidelines for this award are enclosed in the advancement packet. Additional information may be obtained online at <http://usscouts.org/advance/EmergPrep.html> . The scout earning this award will be present with a BSA Emergency Preparedness Pin.

PACKMASTER DOTNET INSTRUCTIONS – New this year. Pack 214 has invested in an online PackMaster Program. This is an

excellent tool to check in on your den's advancement throughout the year. You will be able to log onto a password protected site that will allow you to access your den information such as names, addresses, email and advancements.

ITEMS TO REMEMBER WHEN SUBMITTING **ADVANCEMENTS**

1. Submit all forms at the den leaders meeting monthly.
2. Be sure that your den information is listed on every submission.
3. Use a new form each month for submission.
4. Provide the scouts first and last name on each form submitted.
5. Be sure that forms are completely filled out. If the form as for the scouts address or any other information it must be completed before it can be submitted.