

A new Cub Scout leader development program has been launched by the Penn Mountains Council, Boy Scouts of America.

Selection of volunteer coach-counselors who will be available to work with Cub Scout leaders is now going on, said Richard Albrecht, council executive.

The Boy Scouts of America has been a leader in adult education related to the leadership of boys and young adults, and the new Cub Scout leader development program will use the newest techniques and materials to provide a modern and effective learning opportunity for all Cub Scout leaders.

"The principal technique of the program is to assume the primary responsibility of getting information to the leaders who deal directly with the Cub and Webelos Scouts...the den and Webelos den leaders," Mr. Albrecht said. "We feel that these important leaders must have this opportunity to gain knowledge, to improve their skills, and to build attitudes. Development is a process...it's not just participating in an event."

In addition to the den leaders who work with the 8, 9, and 10-year old boys, the new leadership development program will also serve Cubmasters and assistants, den leader coaches, and pack committee members, Mr. Albrecht said.

The Penn Mountains Council has more than 115 Cub Scout packs with over 1,120 adults participating.



The Greco-Roman style of wrestling, was developed in France and has nothing in common with the sport of ancient Greece and Rome.



Cub Scout Pack 241 held their Blue and Gold Banquet recently. Pictured above are those who attended: Row 1—Eric Cornell, Charlie Kasko, John Ackers, Frank Michaels, Tom Hillman, Jeff Drugotch, Michael Boughton, John Hodle, Scott Clemon and John Stepnick. Row 2—Danny Haefele, Donnie Sutton, Frank Ide, Frank McManus, Nick Pender, Ed Havrilla, John Kasko, Hipp Evans, Richard Jeffes, Vince Grose, Albert Sweitzer, and Scott Chamberlain. Row 3—Bill Downs,

Tracey Slocum, Tom Yoniski, Jeff Dobinick, Mike Kerkowski, Charlie James, Scott James, J. J. Downs, Richard Cundiff, Charlie Palmer, David Cochran, Brian Simms, Ed Campbell, and Richard Goodwin. Row 4—Dick Sutton, Charles James, Harry Haefele, Frank Michaels, Greg Simms, den chief, Ann Jane Cochran, Barbara Simms, Jane Yoniski, Gerri Kerkowski, Nancy Evans, Kathy Downs, Leslie Boughton, Chris Grose, John Hudak and Mike Blejwas.

Blue and Gold Banquet Held by Cub Pack 241

Cub Scout Pack 241, Lehman, held their annual Blue and Gold banquet Feb. 25 at the Castle Inn. Den 1 conducted the opening ceremony. Welcome was offered by Bill Downs, committee chairman, followed by the invocation by the Rev. Fred Whipple, pastor of the sponsoring church. Scheduled guest speaker was Bruce Robison, Mountain District Representative to B.S.A.

Cubmaster Charles James presented awards to the following boys: Hipp Evans, Richard Cundiff, John Kasko, John Hodle, Bryan Simms, Chris Grose, Michael Kerkowski, Tom Yoniski, Scott James, Charlie James, Jeff Dobinick and John Stepnick.

Frank Michaels, Webelos leader presented activity awards to the following Webelos: Frank Michaels, Donnie Sutton, Danny Haefele, Bill Downs, Tom Hillman, Charlie Kasko, Frank McManus, Frank

Ide, Jeff Drugotch and Wally Kocher.

Pack leaders and committee members were introduced as follows: Bill Downs, committee chairman; Charlotte Slocum, den leader coach; Den 1, Kathy Downs, den mother; Nancy Evans, assistant; Den 2, Barbara Simms, den mother; Ann Jane Cochran, assistant; Den 3, Gerri Kerkowski and Jane Yoniski, den mothers; Den 4, Leslie Boughton, den mother; Chuck Boughton, den dad;

Webelos leader, Frank Michaels, assistants, Harry Haefele and Dick Sutton; pack treasurer, Mike Toole; committee secretary, Jane Haefele; committee members, Chris Drugotch, Betty Grose, Tom Yoniski, Charles Palmer, and Walter Blejwas; executive officer, Rev. Whipple.

Entertainment was provided by the "Shalom", a folk singing group from Gate of Heaven, Dallas, followed by Den 2 and the closing ceremony.

Running Dogs Blamed

Frightened, Freezing Deer Saved from Slocum Lake

Three Frances Slocum Park employees saved an exhausted, almost-frozen deer from drowning in the lake last week. Household dogs running loose were blamed for getting the handsome animal into its predicament.

The deer, apparently fleeing from the dogs, ran onto the thinning ice of the Frances Slocum lake. Park employees had no idea how long the animal had been trapped in the icy water before workers noticed its plight.

Fred Rosencrans, foreman at Francis Slocum; Charley Heiser, water systems operator; and Alan Valunas, park guard, rowed out to the animal at 7:30 a.m. It was hundreds of feet offshore, and had broken up a 60-foot path of ice in efforts to free itself.

Mr. Rosencrans explained that they had little trouble reaching the deer as the thinning ice, then only about three-quarters of an inch thick, broke up as their boat passed through. The exhausted animal, he told the Post, seemed to sense that the men were coming to help because she struggled toward them as they neared.

It was later obvious that the doe was carrying young. Foreman Rosencrans reported that the unfortunate expectant mother had icicles from her ears around her neck so they could tow her back to shore.

The deer was carried up the hill and laid in the sun at the rear of the park office. Mr. Rosencrans explained that they did not leave her at the water's edge because they feared the return of the dogs.

District Game Protector Ed Gdosky, of the Pennsylvania Game Commission, told the Post that he gets many complaints about dogs chasing deer in the Slocum Park-Carverton Road area. He explained that his office publicizes that people should keep their dogs from running in the woods, especially now "that the deer are carrying their young."

Household dogs, when allowed to roam the woods, will often join with others to chase and kill deer.

The deer which escaped the morning of March 6 would have died, in the opinion of Mr. Gdosky, if it had been allowed to remain in the water much longer. As it was, when placed on burlap behind the Slocum office, the deer could not even be assisted into bending its legs into a comfortable position.

As the sun warmed her, however, and she overcame her ex-

haustion, the deer began flexing its numb limbs and made efforts at standing. At about 10:30 a.m., Mr. Gdosky and Mr. Rosencrans assisted the doe in standing. It held the position for several minutes, taking occasional short, shaky steps, and then half-sat and half-fell for more rest.

Mr. Gdosky noted that it was fortunate that the day was a sunny one.

Park employees kept watch over the animal all day long, keeping an eye out for dogs at the same time. The deer showed no fear of the men as they petted her, and reassured her, rubbing her numbed side and legs.

In the early evening the doe left for the woods where it would "probably sleep for days," according to Protector Gdosky.

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