

ALL ABOARD THE CUB SCOUT EXPRESS!



Attention all Cub Packs in the Minsi Trails Council!

Sunday, October 18 is Cub Scout Day on the Delaware River Railroad Excursion! For the third year in a row, the New York, Susquehanna & Western Technical & Historical Society, operators of the Steam Train ride on the old Bel-Del Line at Phillipsburg, NJ, is running the *Cub Scout Express*, offering a special deal for participating Cub Packs.

Take a ride in a vintage passenger coach pulled by a steam locomotive along the scenic Delaware River. Midway through the ride, you'll visit a Corn Maze in the shape of a steam engine! Rides and the Corn Maze are offered at a discounted fare to Cub Packs at **\$4 for Cubs** and other children ages 3-12; **\$7 for adults**; free for children 2 and under.

This year, your pack must sign up for one of the four trains offered: 11 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2:00 p.m. or 3:30 p.m. The Cub Scout Express will be limited to 200 people per train (as other non-Scout passengers will be taking the train also).

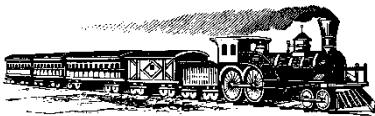
There will be an event patch available again this year to commemorate your participation in the Cub Scout Express. Patches can be purchased for \$2 each at the train ride, but to ensure availability leaders should reserve patches in advance when signing up for the excursion.

Be prepared! There's a gift shop on the train, and Gem Stone Panning at the "Susquehanna Mines sluices" near the corn maze for an additional fee. Meanwhile, we hope to once again have local eateries offering special deals for Cubs and their families, so watch for further information.

You can use a trip on the Cub Scout Express to meet advancement requirements, such as a "Go See It" for Tigers or one of the "Family Fun" requirements for Wolf. Or use this event as an incentive for your fall recruiting program. A ride on the Cub Scout Express is a great family outing for your Pack.

Reserve a spot for your Pack on the Cub Scout Express. The reservation deadline is Saturday, October 10, but don't delay to ensure your group will be on the train at your preferred time! To sign up your group, Cub leaders should contact Art Charlton at 610-393-0156 or email char4art@rcn.com. The Delaware River Railroad Excursion departs from 100 Elizabeth Street in historic Downtown Phillipsburg, NJ. Take Main Street to Market Street and follow the signs. Free parking on Sundays.

Learn more about the Delaware River Railroad Excursion at



www.877trainride.com

Cub Scout Express – Corn Maze Information

Board the train in historic downtown Phillipsburg and journey to the CORN MAZE. Once you arrive at the corn maze you will go through a brief orientation and then the fun begins!

Each group receives a map of the maze. In the maze there are 12 checkpoints, each with a hole puncher. The game is complete when each checkpoint is checked off and you find your way out of the maze! Please remember, the only way home is by train and the last train heads North to the station in Phillipsburg at 4:30 pm in the afternoon.

There is a beautiful picnic grove on the site so feel free to bring your lunch and spend the afternoon.

GUEST INFORMATION

Restrooms: There are portable restrooms with hand sanitizers for your use.

Pets: Please leave your own pets at home. Of course, service animals are allowed.

Attire: The Corn Mazes are located in an open field. Conditions can be windy or hot. It is always wise to dress in layers for warmth and changeable conditions. Most importantly, it is strongly advised that you wear sturdy, closed-toe shoes or sneakers. The field is made of DIRT! It's best to have old sneakers or boots!

Weather: The Mazes are only open weather permitting. Muddy ground conditions after rain storms could force them to stay closed even after the rain has stopped. Please call the Excursion at 908-454-4433 if you question the weather in the area. If the maze is closed that day, a message will be left on the answering machine.

Accessibility: The Corn Maze is a real cornfield on a real farm. Unfortunately, it is not possible to make it handicapped accessible.

MAZE TRIPPING TIPS

- Use backpacks instead of strollers for babies and toddlers. Or heavy duty strollers with big wheels.
- Bring plenty to drink! It can get very hot in the maze! (soft drinks are sold on site and on the train).
- Take your time. You can find your way out.
- There are NO shortcuts or quick exits.

*If you are pregnant, have a heart condition, asthma, arthritis, claustrophobia, or have small children, please be aware that the Mazes can be strenuous.

CORN MAZE RULES

To ensure a good, safe time is had by all, the maze has a few simple rules and operates a zero tolerance policy.

- DO NOT CUT THROUGH THE CORN! Stay within the Maze tape. Violators will be asked to leave.
- No Smoking and No Alcohol or Illegal Drugs.
- Do NOT pick, eat, throw or otherwise destroy the corn.
- Children are responsible for their parents behavior at all times.
- Absolutely no children under 13 years old without an adult.
- No pets other than service animals.
- All guests must be out of the Maze by October 31 or be lost in the maze forever!
- The maze has a strict NO-DROP OFF policy! ALL underage children must be accompanied by an adult into the corn maze. We can not be responsible for unsupervised children. Adults need to plan on doing the corn maze along with their children.