

## **Pack 503 Cub Scouts Donate to Our Children's Homestead**

*Cub Scout Pack 503 collects \$782.26 in a penny drive to benefit the foster children of Our Children's Homestead in Naperville.*

Naperville, IL December 22, 2009 - The Cub Scouts of Pack 503 collected \$782.26 in the Pack's Spare Change Challenge to benefit the foster children of Our Children's Homestead, exceeding expectations of their parents and leaders.

The Pack's leadership presented the challenge to the scouts in November with the hopes that coins would be found in sofa cushions and pockets. The scouts didn't stop there. Instead, they asked families, their neighbors and even went into the offices with their parents to collect more coins.

On Thursday night at the Pack's December meeting the scouts gathered, presented their coins by Den and made holiday cards for the foster kids. At the back of the room it took the electronic change counter over an hour to sort and count 11,414 coins weighing approximately 80 pounds.

As an additional incentive, the Pack agreed to match the total. On Tuesday, December 22, several Cub Scouts of Pack 503 presented a check for \$1,564.52 to Our Children's Homestead.

The Cub Scouts are encouraged to live by the Cub Scout Motto - "Do Your Best". The scouts did. Their parents and leadership couldn't be more proud of them.

About Cub Scout Pack 503:

Chartered by the Prairie Home & School Association, Cub Scout Pack 503 meets regularly to provide scouting opportunities for boys in grades 1 through 5 who attend Prairie Elementary. Pack 503 is part of the Thunderbird District in Three Fires Council. <http://www.pack503.org>

About Our Children's Homestead:

Located in Naperville, Our Children's Homestead's primary goal is to assist foster children 'in achieving safe, permanent homes, be that through reunion with parents or other relatives, private or state guardianship or independence'. <http://www.ourchildrenshomestead.org>

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