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Local cub scouts enjoy the great outdoors

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—Members of Cub Scout 003 in Easton attended a recent outdoor family scouting event.

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EASTON — Cub Scout Pack 003 from Easton finally got a breath of fresh air on Oct. 10 at the Henson Scout Reservation in Rhodesdale, Maryland.

About 40 members of the community, including children, parents, Chesapeake Multicultural Resource Center staff and den leaders attended a Cub Family event organized by the Boy Scouts of America and the Del-Mar-Va Council.

ChesMRC Communications Coordinator Jennifer Villacorta, noted that Pack 003 was the largest in attendance.

This year's theme was "Weird and Wacky," featuring unbelievable stories, bizarre tales, odd facts, strange scientific ideas and outdoors activities.

After months of isolation, the children got away from their phones and computers to enjoy a day in the real world. The program included physical activities such as archery, BB ranges, fishing and climbing.

Estela Ramirez, ChesMRC assistant director, said that boys and girls were eager to participate in all the activities.

Easton Elementary School teacher Heather Orr was also there. She and her family said they had a great time and recognized the organizers' efforts to ensure safety.

"I am a recent addition to the den leaders, and this was my first time there with the pack and my daughter Hadley, who is a Webelo," Orr said. "The Family Fun Day at the Henson Reserve was such a truly delightful experience, full of rich opportunities for the scouts and a safe way for the families to experience some much-needed pack time."

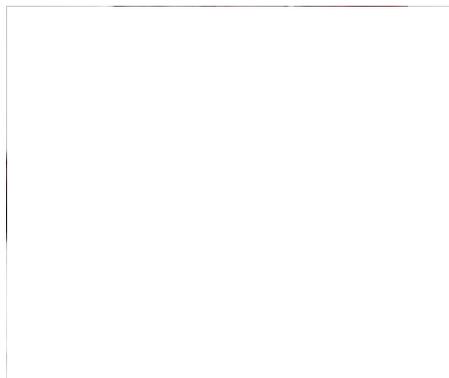
"I could not believe the variety of activities they had planned for the kids and they had every detail planned for safety and fun," Orr said. "But most of all, I loved standing in the back watching our ChesMRC group ... spend some time together walking through the woods, helping each other at the stations, laughing and having such a good time."



Adults also were grateful for the opportunity of meeting with other families in the beautiful outdoors.

“Many parents work very hard, and either have limited time or limited access to visit places like this,” Villacorta said. All families stayed until the end of the program, making the most of the day.

This was the first group activity of Pack 003 since the beginning of the year.



Cub Scouts are part of ChesMRC’s After-School program, which provides personal enrichment activities to children through the school year. The After-School program kicked off this past September and it is offered virtually, with hands-on activities provided.

Founded in November of 2012, The Chesapeake Multicultural Resource Center (ChesMRC) empowers people from different cultures to become successful and engaged members of our community. Since its inception, ChesMRC has assisted over 4,000 people from the Mid-Shore community, including adults and children. For more information, please visit www.chesmrc.org.

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