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Tiger Cub Den Leader James Guzman lead the Scouts on a hike highlighting Leave No Trace principles and basic navigation skills.

Granby Cub Scouts practice 'Leave No Trace'

GRANBY - The Granby Cub Scouts Pack 4034 completed a conservation service project on Sunday, April 6 at the Horace A. Moses Scout Reservation in Russell. This project was incorporated into a weekend family campout with 27 participants that included fun activities such as compass instruction and games, a nature hike, Leave No Trace activities, sports, an "indoor campfire" program of songs and skits, and a Scouts' Own outdoor religious service at the camp's chapel. The weekend culminated in the Scouts, their leaders, and parents clearing debris that accumulated during the winter months from a large activity field to prepare for spring mowing.

This volunteer service was interspersed with instructional information, clean up game challenges, and Scout songs, chants, and cheers. A special highlight was a visit from the Camp Ranger, Jason Boyer, to thank the campers for their

time and efforts in helping to create a safe environment for future campers. The ranger also explained his role at the camp and shared some history about the camp.

This conservation project was part of the Messengers of Peace initiative, which was created as a response to Scouting founder Robert Baden-Powell's call on the 1920 world Scout Jamboree participants to carry the spirit of the jamboree home "so that we may help to develop peace and happiness in the world and goodwill among all Scouts." The project leadership was initiated and implemented by one of the group's leaders, Greg Williams, as the final portion of an advanced Boy Scouts of America leadership training requirement known as a Wood Badge ticket.

New Scouts are always welcome to join anytime of the year by visiting www.beascout.org to find local organization.