

CUB SCOUT POW WOW PROGRAM BOOK



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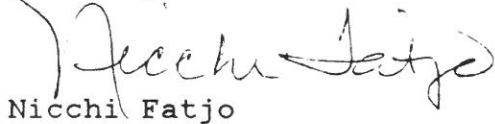
To All Scouters,

I want to wish you well and hope that you enjoy this year's Pow Wow. I have enjoyed putting this book together for you. My staff and I have tried to provide you with useful information, and at the same time tried not to over do.

In the age of recycle, you know we recycle everything today. This book was created with that in mind. You have before you what we think the best of Pow Wow's past. The information came from various Council's and also from the Denver Area Council books.

We would like to wish you well in the coming Scouting year and may God Bless

Sincerly,



Nicchi Fatjo

Book Chairman

JUST A LITTLE BOY

He stands at the plate,
with heart pounding fast.
The bases are loaded,
the die has been cast.

Mom and Dad cannot help him,
he stands there alone.
A hit at this moment
would send the team home.

The ball meets the plate,
he swings and he misses.
There's a groan from the crowd,
with some boos and hisses.

A thoughtless voice cries,
"Strike out the bum."
Tears fill his eyes,
the game's no longer fun.

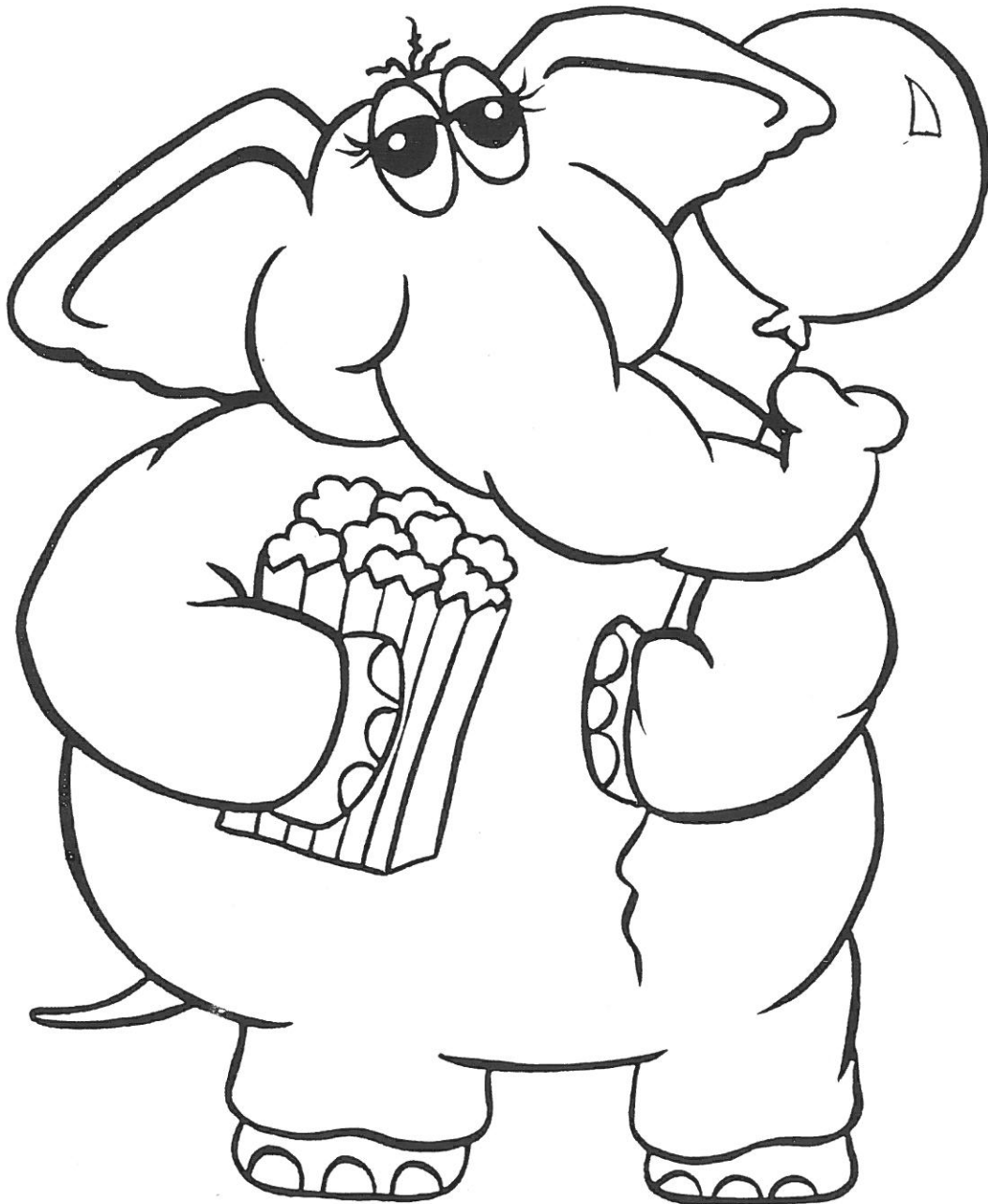
So open your heart
and give him a break.
For it's moments like this,
a man you can make

Keep this in mind
when you hear someone forget
He's just a little boy
and not a man yet.

Author - Unknown

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SKIT

The Phony Baloney Circus

This skit can be adjusted to fit the size of your den by making up more lines for a larger den or leaving out some for smaller dens.

Announcer: (dressed as Ringmaster) Ladies and Gentleman Den presents the STRONGEST MAN IN THE WORLD... the one...the only...MR. LIMBURGER!

(A boy dressed in a strong man costume comes out onto stage caring a barbell which has each end looking like a chunk of cheese, labeled "1000 lb.. Limburger." Boy pretends to be eating the cheese. He stops in center of stage and holding fingers on nose says:)

Don't you smell the joke? Phew!! (He Exits)

Announcer: Now ladies and gentleman, we have a TRAPEZE ARTIST, like you have never seen before. Here he is...MR. ART BRUSH!!!

(A boy dressed in an artist's smock with beret on his head enters, carrying paint palette and brush in one hand and canvas in the other. He holds canvas up for audience to see the picture of a trapeze painted on it. He exits.)



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Announcer: And now, ladies and gentlemen, we have the most daring act in all the Circus world! The WILDEST ANIMALS in the world with their courageous trainer! Here they come... the most ferocious wolf and bear cubs you have ever seen!

(A group of Cub Scouts in uniform run onto stage, jumping around wildly and howling like wolves and growling like bears.)

Announcer: And here come their COURAGEOUS TRAINER, MRS. DEN LEADER!

(The Den Leader enters. After watching the wild animals perform for a while, she raises her hand in the Cub Scout Sign. The boys react immediately by becoming quiet and raising their hands in the sign also.)

(At this point, other acts can perform if desired. Some suggestions are: Siamese Twins - two boys wearing one large shirt which rips apart during their act; Bearded Lady - A Cub Scout wearing a bear which gets knocked off; Trained Seals - any number of boys balancing balls on their heads...etc.)

Announcer: (As all acts return to stage for a bow) Ladies and Gentlemen, you have just witnessed the GREATEST CIRCUS ACTS EVER PERFORMED ON THIS STAGE. (All performers bow and exit)

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A Circus Trip

LIONS: "GRR-RR-RR"
 ELEPHANTS: "SWING AND SWAY"
 CLOWNS: "HA-HA-HA"
 CIRCUS: All Noises at Once

I went to the CIRCUS to see the LIONS,
 One bright and sunny day.
 What fun to watch the trainer,
 As with them he did play.
 The ELEPHANTS were really great,
 As each one swayed his trunk,
 While CLOWNS were making people
 laugh,
 Acting as if they were drunk!
 The CIRCUS is full of many thrills,
 As the LIONS roar so loud,
 That even the ELEPHANTS shiver and
 shake
 While the CLOWNS soothe the crowd!
 There's many acts for you to see
 When to the CIRCUS you do go.
 Acrobats and trapeze artists,
 Gee, what a fantastic show!
 Oh, sure, the ELEPHANTS are great,
 And the CLOWNS are funny, tis true,
 But the biggest thrill is the LION'S roar
 It seems he'll bite the trainer in two!
 So When the CIRCUS comes to town,
 Go and see all the shows,
 As each CLOWN and ELEPHANT,
 Does all the acts he knows.
 But there's nothing in a CIRCUS as

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frightening As the LION'S noisy roar.
 Sending shivers down the Spine,
 As you look for the nearest door.
 Yes, LIONS, ELEPHANTS and
 CLOWNS galore,
 All make up a CIRCUS team.
 Teamwork is what makes the world go
 'round,
 Helping others fulfill a dream.
 We're all a part of some kind of group.
 While LIONS, ELEPHANTS, or
 CLOWNS we're not,
 We're working together toward a common
 goal,
 And the happiness of a CIRCUS, we've got.

GAMES

Wild Animal Hunt

Cut out paper animal shapes such as lions,
 tigers, elephants, giraffes, rhinoceros,
 zebras, etc. These are hidden indoors or out.
 Each should have a certain number of points
 printed on it. Each boy is given paper and
 pencil. (Map of area showing where wild
 animals are hiding is optional.) When a Cub
 Scout spots a 'wild animal' he notes it on card,
 giving animals name and points, but he tries
 to keep the location secret from other Cub
 Scouts. 5 to 10 minute time limit is set.
 Hunter with most points wins.



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Snake Eating Contest

Perhaps your Cub Scouts might like a safari to deepest Africa for a Snake Eating Contest! Have boys choose or draw for partners, line them up in pairs, so that they are facing each other. Give each pair a long black stick of licorice candy. Each one of the pair puts one end of the stick in his mouth and stands with his hands behind his back. When the signal is given, each contestant begins to eat his way toward his partner. Pair who first reach each other are champion 'Snake Eaters'

OPENING CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster, Den Leaders and Pack Committee Members.

EQUIPMENT: Circus type costumes, balloons, different sized boxes covered with colorful paper, circus music, American and Pack flags.

ARRANGEMENT: In front of the audience, place the boxes in a circle, leaving walking room between boxes. Blow up balloons and tape to the top of the boxes. This should form a circus ring. As the music plays, the participants enter (two should be carrying the American flag, and Pack flag) and weave their way through the audience and then end up in the front outside the circus ring. The music should then stop.

CUBMASTER: Ladies and Gentlemen, boys and girls, welcome to the November Pack meeting of Cub Scout Pack _____. We invite you to sit back and enjoy the ceremonies which will take place. But first, if you will please stand and sing our National Anthem. Our Song Director _____, will lead us.

(The song director comes forward and directs the group in the singing of the National Anthem.)

CUBMASTER: I would like to take this opportunity to introduce you to your Den Leaders and Pack Committee members. (Introduce each of the Den Leaders and Committee members).



CLOSING

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster, Den Leaders and Pack Committee members.

EQUIPMENT: Circus ring left over from Opening Ceremony, and Circus music.

ARRANGEMENT: Music starts, and the participants enter from throughout the audience and gather in front.

CUBMASTER: This concludes our ceremonies this evening. From all of us to all of you, thank you for joining us this evening, and we invite you back here next month, for our December Pack Meeting.

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(The music starts again, and the participants leave the front and randomly shake hands of those parents who attended.)

ADVANCEMENT CEREMONY

This ceremony can be modified for either the Wolf or Bear rank this month.

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster, Den Leader and Cub Scouts earning advancements.

EQUIPMENT: Small Wagon with a cardboard box cage sitting on top, stuffed animals (representing Wolf and Bear rank). Pin advancements on animals.

ARRANGEMENT: The Cubmaster is in the front of the audience, and the Den Leader (Trainer) pulls the wagon from the back of the room with the animals inside the cage.

CUBMASTER: For our next performance, we have our Den Trainer (Den Leader's name), who has informed me that they have ___ boy(s) who have their ____ badge.

DEN TRAINER: I would like to have the following boys and their parents come forward. (Den Trainer calls the boys name and the families come up front.)

CUBMASTER: These young boys have worked hard with their parents and have earned their ____ badge. Den Trainer _____, please present the badges to your scouts.

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(The Den Trainer presents the badges to the parents who in turn present the badges to the boys).

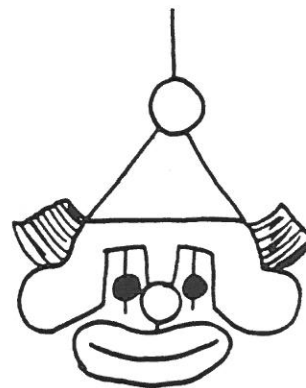
CUBMASTER: Will you please join us in congratulating these boys on their advancements.



CRAFTS

Clown Mobile

Materials needed: Construction paper, thread, Cut out two clown heads. Cut two hair pieces and three 2" threads. When pasting the heads together, position and paste hair and threads between the heads. Cut out 2 red noses, and paste one on each side of head. Cut out two yellow balls, and paste on tip of hat, placing a thread in between to hang mobile. Cut out four eyes, and paste each side of threads. Cut out two pink mouths paste together with thread between. Cut out and paste one happy and one sad mouth.



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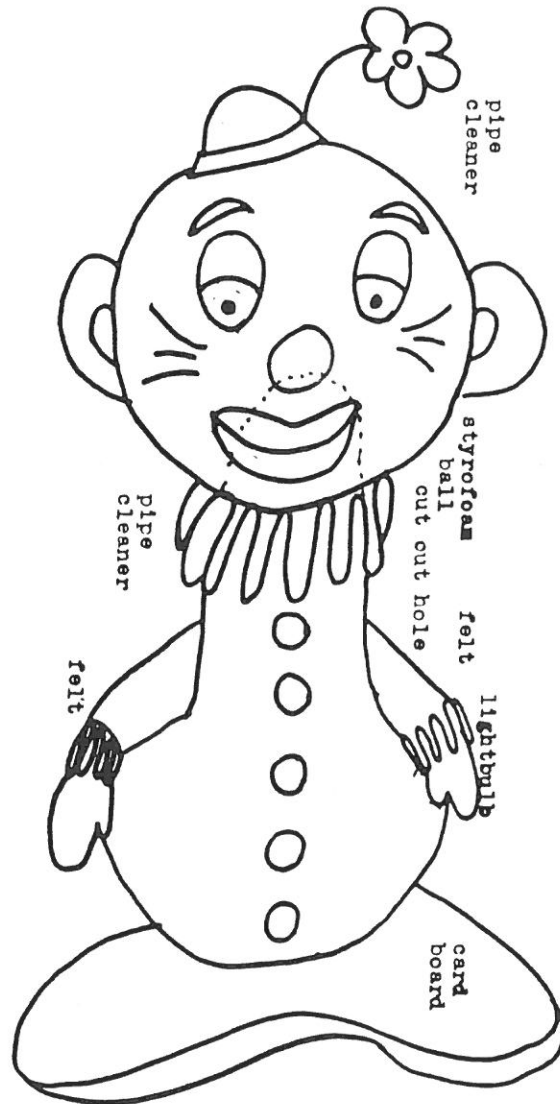
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Light bulb Clown

Equipment: Scissors, paintbrush, knife to hollow out Styrofoam ball.

Materials: Light bulbs, Styrofoam ball, 2" diameter, for the head, movable eyes, acrylic paints, felt, pipe cleaners, other findings for the clothes, etc. cardboard for the feet, glue (super thick)

Directions: With paring knife or other kind of knife, dig a hole in the foam ball large enough to insert screw end of burned out light bulb. Use glue to hold the globe in place. Make plan for finished figure and paint as indicated (flesh colored for face, etc.) Paint the light bulb also. Cut the feet from the cardboard or 1/4" thick foam. Cut a round hole in the center of the feet for the light bulb to sit in. Globe will sit in the hole and will balance so it will stand erect. Add other details to make desired character. Feet may be painted or covered with felt.



APPLAUSE, RUN-ONS, & RIDDLES

Home run: Simulate swinging a bat, then shade your eyes with your hand and yell "that she goes"

Match: Pretend to strike a match on the seat of your pants, it lights on the second try.. Look at it burn, shake your hand and yell YEEEEEEEEEE-OOOOOOOOOOOW!

Foil Dinner: Say "Raw, Raw, Raw!"

Lights in the Sky Yell: Look up in the air to find the stars then say "Twinkle, Twinkle, Twinkle".

Grand Applause: Everyone is sitting down in their chairs. All stomp feet 3 times loudly, then slap leg 3 time, then clap hands 3 times. Then stand up all together and shout "Rah, Rah, Rah!"



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GAMES

MAGIC WONDER

Blow out an egg- when dry, fill 1/4 full with fine sand, seal up hole with white wax. Egg may be balanced in any position. Empty another egg - put in some small shot and a few pieces of was - hold egg upright over gas flame - heat gently. The wax will melt and hold shot to egg - egg then will always stand upright.

JINGLE BELL CHOW MIEN

This game is a good one to test the skill of your boys. You will need two shallow bowls, several jingle bells (about the size of a marble) and two full length pencils with erasers. To play the game, place all the jingle bells in one bowl. The player uses the two pencils as chopsticks. With the eraser end down,, the player tries to transfer as many bells as he can from one bowl to the other. He can use one hand.

If only a couple of payers are used, set a given amount of time. When using teams, the team to get all the bells into the other bowl..and the next boy transferring them back into the first bowl, and so on.

SANTA'S BAG

Number 10 brown paper bags from 1 to 10. Put a familiar article in each bag (preferably related to Christmas) and staple the bag shut. Each boy is given a pencil and paper with 1 thru 10 written on it. He tries to guess what is in each bag by feeling through the paper, and writes his guess by the proper number. The boy with the most correct is the winner.

FLOATING EGGS

Measure 1/4 cup salt into a dish and set it aside. Tell your den that it's inner-tube powder which will make an egg float. Half fill a glass with water. Place an egg in it. It sinks. Take out the egg and stir the inner-tube powder into the glass. Place the egg in it again and it will float.

HOLIDAY MAGIC

CRAFTS

SANTA DOOR DECORATION

Materials: 1/2 of a half gallon clorox bottle
Red felt or red construction paper, Cotton balls
Small red Christmas tree ball
Brown or Black crayon

Cut red felt or construction paper the desired length for the hat. If you use felt, turn the outside edge under and press. Glue the bottom of the hat to the top of the wide area of the clorox bottle. Glue on (1) row of cotton balls on top of the red paper or felt along the edge where the red felt or paper meets the white bottle. Glue another row directly below this on the white bottle. Along the side, cut edges of the bottle, glue a row of cotton balls from the hat to the bottom of the bottle. Then two rows of cotton balls need to be glued across his mouth and glue into place. Arrange and glue cotton balls for a mustache. Place a small red Christmas tree ball above this for his nose and glue in place. Use the brown or black crayon to draw in the eyes and eyebrows. Place a nice puffy cotton ball on the tip top of the hat. Now you can hang it on a door by placing a hook at the tip of the hat or attaching it to the bottle and folding the hat to get the desired effect.

SNOWSTORM JAR

Materials: Jar with screw on lid
Waterproof cement
Small figure of your choice
Moth flakes, mica snow or crushed moth balls

Directions: With glue (waterproof cement), glue a small figure inside bottom of jar or inside lid. Let dry thoroughly. Fill jar with water and add a teaspoon or two of moth flakes, mica snow or crushed moth balls. Apply cement liberally around rim of jar. Replace lid and let dry thoroughly. Jars made a few weeks in advance allow the snow to settle rather than float. Use as a gift or just a fun craft.

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MAGIC WINDMILL

ANY CUB SCOUT CAN MAKE AND OPERATE AND HAVE A LOT OF FUN WITH THIS HOME MADE PUZZLE. To make it, cut about a dozen small notches on one edge of a piece of soft wood about 1/2" square and 7" long. Using a small brad, nail or pin, secure a small wooden windmill propeller about 3" long to the end of the notched stick. To revolve the propeller, hold the end of the stick opposite the propeller firmly in one hand. By rubbing the pencil over the notched edge, the fibrillations cause the propeller to rotate. With a little practice, a Cub Scout can control the direction of rotation. He does this by exerting pressure on either side of the notched stick with either the thumb or the forefinger of the hand that hold the stick. The boy has fun with his windmill by starting it in one direction and then asking the observer question. As long as the observer give true answers, the propeller rotates in the original direction, but the instant the false answer is given, the propeller reverses its rotation.

PINE CONE SANTA

Materials: Small pine cone with flat end, about 1 1/2 x 2 1/2" Scraps of red and pink construction paper Red, Orange and blue felt-tipped markers White glue Absorbent cotton Thin wire.

Cut a 1" x 1 1/2" U shape from pink construction paper for face. Cut a 3" high x 4" wide triangle from red construction paper for hat. Twist and glue triangle into a 3" high cone: clip with spring type clothespin until dry. Use felt markers for features. Glue face to inside edge of hat cone. Glue small pieces of cotton around chin and on hat. Glue face to pine cone. Let dry. For hanger, wrap a length of wire around body of pine cone and twist ends to form loop.

SKIT

THE MAGIC MACHINE

CHARACTERS: Professor Mysto, Assistant, Customers

PROPS: For the machine, use a large carton such as a refrigerator or washing machine carton with a door (opening) on one side.

ACTION: After act is announced, curtain opens to reveal machine. Professor and Assistants enter. Customer #1, and old man with beard and cane, hobbles in. He say he would like to be young again. MYSTO assures him this is easily done and ASSISTANT helps him into box. Customer #1 removes beard, straightens up, and dances out of box, his youthful self. Customer #2 enters. He crouches over and is covered with a long cape (or bed spread folded in half) which makes him appear short and fat. He says he would like to be tall and thin. He goes in box and comes out taller and thinner. (unfolds bed spread and uses tin can stilts.) Customer #3 enters, carrying a large top dog. "my dog is so big, my mother says he eats to much. Can you make him into a little dog?" ASSISTANT puts dog in Machine. then brings out a long string of wieners. "Here you are", says MYSTO "lots of little dogs!"

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THE WITCH DOCTOR

CHARACTERS: Witch Doctor, Assistant, Patient #1 and #2. Patient #1 is costumed in a sheet or bed spread attached over a umbrella which he holds in his hands, over his head in a closed position. On top of the umbrella is a dummy head made by stuffing a paper bag with painted girl's features (or rubber mask) or by using Styrofoam wig head stuck on the point end of the umbrella. By raising or lowering the umbrella add opening and closing it, the "shape of the figure can be made tall, short, thin or fat.

ACTION: Announcer introduces the Witch Doctor and his magic powers. Witch Doctor in fierce mask, grass skirt (brown paper bag) enters with assistants. Patient #1 enters with umbrella closed and low. Doctor looks her over and says "You much to thin. You take fat pill". He pushes pill against mouth of dummy head. Patient slowly pushes umbrella upward. Patient #2 enters and claims to burning up with fever. Doctor give him "cold pill" while assistant pretends to drop ice down his back. Meanwhile, Patient #1 raises and lowers umbrella while opening and closing it. So her shape keeps changing. Doctor is aghast, "you stop that. What are you trying to do? I have not given you and accordion pills. Stop. Stop." Patient #1 at full size and height, advance to Doctor, Two run off stage crying "Help! Help!"

OPENING CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: 5 Cub Scouts and Cubmaster.

EQUIPMENT: 5 Index cards with the following verses printed on each, American and Pack flags.

ARRANGEMENT: Have the flags already placed in the front and have each Cub Scout enter from the side and stand in front of the audience.

1st boy: December is such a fun time of the year. It is a time of giving and sharing.

2nd boy: As we gather for the last pack meeting of the year, let us remember the good times and grow from the bad times.

3rd boy: Let us end this year with new determination to keep the Cub Scout spirit going. To share with each other to strengthen and support the pack.

4th boy: As we begin our program tonight, let us keep in mind the true Holiday Spirit which is Love for one another.

5th boy: Remember, to give of yourself is more important than any give you can buy. (Cubmaster enters from the side)

CUBMASTER: Please stand for the Pledge of Allegiance. (One of the boys should start the Pledge.)

CLOSING CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster, Den Leaders and Committee Members.

EQUIPMENT: Piano player to play Silent Night. (If piano available)

ARRANGEMENT: Cubmaster, Den Leaders and Committee Members should spread themselves out in the audience and assist the audience in forming a circle, holding hands.

CUBMASTER: As we come to the close of our pack meeting this evening, let us remember those who are in need of our assistance this holiday season. Please join me in singing Silent Night.

(Cubmaster leads the song and when finished, everyone is dismissed!)

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HOLIDAY MAGIC

ADVANCEMENT CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster, Den Leaders and Cub Scouts advancing.

EQUIPMENT: Advancements, 1 small snowflake for each award with award attached and 1 snowflake for each parent involved in the ceremony.

ARRANGEMENT: Awards are placed on the table in front and the Cubmaster stands next to the table.

CUBMASTER: Snowflakes always appear as six-sided crystals. If you use your imagination just a little, you can see that there are six areas in the climb to the top of the Cub Scouting ladder. Tonight, we have some boys who have earned their Bobcat badge. Will (cub scout names) and their parents please come forward. (Give awards to parents to present to the boys, and also give out the snowflakes to the parents and ask them to pin them on to their own shirts.) Please join me in congratulating our new Bobcats.

Next we have some boys who have earned their Wolf badge. Will (cub scout names) and their parents please come forward. (Give awards to parents to present to the boys, and also give out the snowflakes to the parents and ask them to pin them on to their own shirts.) Please join me in congratulating our new Wolf Scouts.

Next we have some boys who have earned their Bear badge. Will (cub scout names) and their parents please come forward. (Give awards to parents to present to the boys, and also give out the snowflakes to the parents and ask them to pin them on to their own shirts.) Please join me in congratulating our new Bear Scouts.

Next we have some boys who have earned their Webelos badge. Will (cub scout names) and their parents please come forward. (Give awards to parents to present to the boys, and also give out the snowflakes to the parents and ask them to pin them on to their own shirts.) Please join me in congratulating our new Webelos Scouts.

CUBMASTER: Now, I would like to ask that all boys receiving awards and their parents to please stand. With this group of people gathered here, we have made a snowstorm out of a lot of small snowflakes. Just as the wind blows snow into a storm, parents provide a force to make a Cub Scout form all facets of his life as he grows into a bigger, stronger person both physically and mentally.

SONGS

CUBBING IS FUN

Tune: "Ta Ra Ra Boom Dee Yay"

If you're feeling all alone,
not a single friend at home,
Every day the same old thing,
listen to us as we sing:
Come along, don't be afraid,
Onward, upward we will go,
Wolf, Bear and Webelos!

CHORUS:

To be a Cub is fun,
Something for everyone,
Puppets, and songs and Skits,
And games that keep us fit,
A lot of things to do,
We have it all for you;
If fun is what you lack,
Come on and join our pack!

JANUARY

EXPLORING ALASKA



GAMES

Alaska brings to mind thoughts of snow and ice, dog sleds and snow shoes and other frosty things...here are some games to bring the snow inside without puddles...

SNOW SHOE RELAY

A snow shoe relay is a lively beginning for a den or a pack meeting and a good way to symbolize our frozen Start of Alaska. Divide players into two teams. Have each team line up one behind the other. Set up a goal across the room from each team (a chair makes a good one). Give each team a pair of shoe boxes. At a signal, the first player on each team puts on his snow shoes (the boxes) and races for his goal. He circles it, returns to the starting point, gives his snow shoes to the next player and goes to the end of the line. The second player puts on the snow shoes and races for the goal, and so on. The team whose players finish the race first are the winners. (Better have extra shoe boxes for snow shoe that wear out early in the race.)

SNOW BALL BATTLE

Use white paper bags for this game if possible.. the five pound size if available. Players are divided into two teams, and each player is given a bag which he blows up as far as far as he can without breaking it, then twists the neck of the sack and ties it with a string to keep the air inside the bag. Each players bag is then tied onto his left wrist. When all bags are in place, teams line up each player on the team facing a player on the opposite team. At a signal, the teams approach each other and try to break the bags of the opposing team without getting their own bags broken. As soon as a player loses his bag, he is out of the game. The team that first succeeds in breaking all the bags on the opposing team wins the contest. (have plenty of bags on hand for a second game.)

WORD SEARCH

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| DOG SLED | PINEAPPLE |
| ESKIMO | POLAR BEAR |
| FLOWER | SAND |
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| IGLOO | SNOWSHOES |
| KAYAK | SUGAR CANE |
| LEI | SURF |
| PADDLES | WALRUS |



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EXPLORING ALASKA

STORY

The Great Alaskan Safari

I've just returned from a great Alaskan Safari. While there I hunted the polar bear. Let me tell you what happened.

I got up bright and early one morning, you see one must rise very early to see a polar bear, and I left the igloo. I walked for hours but saw nothing. Then suddenly off in the distance I spied something moving! Yes, yes! It was a polar bear! You see it is very difficult to see a polar bear -- they are white and with all that snow it is very difficult, you must concentrate to find the pupils of the beast. I began stealthily to approach him and before long he spotted me and also began a cautious approach. We were now within a mile of each other. Closer and closer, we had to be very near each other or I could never kill him. Finally we were about half a mile from each other. The bear was no longer approaching cautiously, rather it seemed he was in a great hurry. So I unslung my weapon and pulled the powder horn from my chest. I filled the barrel of my mighty musket and tapped it down well with the tapping rod. I then reached into my right pocket for the buckshot...(pause).....Then I reach into my left pockt for the buckshot. Then into my shirt pocket and my back pockets but there was no buckshot. You see, I had left it in the igloo. The bear was now approaching at a rapid rate, but I was not afraid, and fearlessly raised my musket to my shoulder. I knew that I would think of something. The bear in the meantime had come within several hundred yards, but I remained calm, I was not afraid. For some strange reason little beads of sweat formed on my forehead and in the cold Artic air those little beads of sweat turned into tiny crystalline balls of ice. Perfect, I thought! I wiped those tiny crystalline balls of sweat from my forehead and packed them into the barrel of my mighty musket. Once again I shouldered my musket and took a firm stance; I was not afraid. The bear was only a hundred fet away not so I took careful aim. As he reared up on hind legs I pulled the trigger. The heat of the blast melted those tiny crystalline

and a gigantic gush of water shot out of the barrel. But in that cold Artic air that gigantic gush of water turned into an immense icicle. It hit the bear right between the eyes penetrating his polar bear's body melted that immense icicle and the bear died of water on the brain.

OPENING CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: 6 Cub Scouts

EQUIPMENT: American and Pack Flags, Parkas or hooded winter jackets, snow boots, snow shoes made of soft tree branches and rope, flag pole bases, fake snow, and maybe a small igloo made of small boxes wrapped in butcher paper.

ARRANGEMENT: Igloo is setup at front on stage. Scouts enter in a single file, two of them carrying the flags. Once all up front, each scout speaks the following lines:

1st Boy: Alaska brings to mind many thoughts of snow and ice,

2nd Boy: Dog sleds and snow shoes,

3rd Boy: and many other frosty things.

4th Boy: But most of all it reminds us that Alaska represents the 49th star on our flag.

5th Boy: (to audience) Will you please stand and join us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

6th Boy: (once audience rises, move in front of other scouts and start every saying the pledge)

(Once the pledge is over, the boys holding the flags can put them in the flag bases which have been covered with fake snow if you like.)



JANUARY

EXPLORING ALASKA

CLOSING CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster, Song Leader, and 3 Cub Scouts.

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EQUIPMENT: Song sheets for all who are attending.

ARRANGEMENT: Cubmaster, Song Leader and Cub Scouts are in front of audience, and it is recommended that they all practice together before leading the group.

CUBMASTER: Tonight we have explored Alaska. For those who have been to Alaska, they have found it a place of beauty. We would like to close our meeting tonight with a song called "Our Alaska". The song is to the tune, "Deep in the Heart of Texas".

"Our Alaska"

(Tune: Deep in the Heart of Texas)

The stars at night
are big and bright
(Clap, clap, clap, clap)
Up here in our Alaska..

The arctic sky
Is twice as high
(Clap, clap, clap, clap)

Up here in our Alaska.

There's sun at night
And northern light
(Clap, clap, clap, clap)
Up here in our Alaska.

So don't berate
The biggest state
(Clap, clap, clap, clap)
And that is our Alaska!

CUBMASTER: Thanks for exploring Alaska with us this evening. Until next month, Good night.



ADVANCEMENT CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster, Assistant Cubmaster, Den Leaders and Cub Scouts who are advancing.

EQUIPMENT: Dog Sled made out of a heavy cardboard carton and light rope or strong cord. The box should be big enough to place several stuffed "dogs" into the box along with any awards which will be handed out. Use several strips of cardboard as the runners for the sled. Use the rope as the pull rope for the sled.

ARRANGEMENT: The Cubmaster and Assistant Cubmaster are standing in the front of the room. The Den Leaders are in the back of the room. As the ceremony begins, the Den Leaders will prepare to pull the sled up to the front.

CUBMASTER: This past month, our scouts have been Exploring Alaska. Several of them have even been on the "Colorado" version of the 1,200-mile Alaskan sled dog race. They have been racing from one achievement to another and some of them have even made great accomplishments and have earned awards for this evening's meeting.

ASSISTANT CUBMASTER: It looks like I see our dog sled team coming around the bend now. (The Den Leaders start to pull the dog sled from the back of the room to the front of the room). It looks like the dogs have given up, but our Den Leaders are still going strong.

CUBMASTER: (Once the Den Leaders get up front). What happened? Why are the dogs in the sled instead of pulling the sled?

DEN LEADER: They just could not keep up with our Cub Scouts this past month. We have all made great progress and are glad that the journey is over.

CUBMASTER: We appreciate everything that our Den Leaders do for our boys. Here, (pointing to the audience) why don't you all just have a seat and rest up for next month.

JANUARY

EXPLORING ALASKA

ASSISTANT CUBMASTER: (Pulling awards out of the sled). It sure looks like we have a lot of awards to give out this month. Some of our scouts have been real busy. For starters, we have some Bobcat badges to present tonight.

CUBMASTER: Will (cub scout's name) and his parents please come forward. (Parents and scout come up to the front of the audience.) The Bobcat badge is the first badge that a Cub Scout must earn. There is one small minor detail associated with the Bobcat badge, and that is it must be pinned on your uniform upside down. And the only way to get the badge turned right side up, is to do a good deed. Now, since the badge needs to be pinned on upside down, we are not going to turn the badge upside down, we are going to turn the Cub Scout upside down. Ready?
(Hand badge and pin to parent (mother) and have the father turn the Cub Scout upside down so that the badge can be pinned on his shirt pocket.) Help me congratulate (cub scout) and his parents on their achievement.

ASSISTANT CUBMASTER: Next we have some Wolf badges to hand out. Will (cub scout name) and his parents please come forward. (Hand badges to parents).

CUBMASTER: As with any level of Cub Scouts, we believe that the scout cannot advance without the help and guidance of the parents. Parents, if you will please present your son with his Wolf Badge. (Parents pin on the badge to the shirt pocket.) Please join us in congratulating (cub scout) and his parents on their achievement.

ASSISTANT CUBMASTER: Next we have some Webelos badges to hand out. Will (cub scout name) and his parents please come forward. (Hand badges to parents).

CUBMASTER: (Cub Scout's name) has been with our Pack now for ___ years and has earned his (list badges). At the rate (cub scout name) is going he will be eligible for his Arrow of Light in ___ of this year. Parents, if you will please present your son with his Webelos Badge. (Parents pin on the badge to the shirt pocket.) Please join us in congratulating (cub scout) and his parents on their achievement.

RIDDLES

Why do lazy Cub Scouts have to go to school?
Because it won't come to them.

Why do astronauts go to the doctor before they're launched into space?
To get their booster shots.

What cleans Saturn's rings from the bathtub?
Hailey's Comet.

Why did the Cub Scout eat the dollar bill?
It was his luck money.

Why does the mood go to the bank?
To Change Quarters.

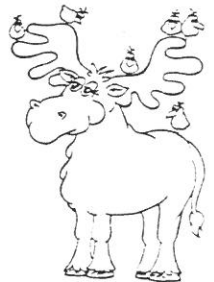
Why did the javelin thrower practice in the music store?
He wanted to break a record.

What's worse than a giraffe with a sore throat?
A centipede with athlete's feet.

What holds the sun up?
Sun-Beam.

What has hands but never washes its face?
A clock.

What is musical about an icy sidewalk?
You must C-sharp or you'll B-flat.



FEBRUARY

BLUE AND GOLD TRADITIONS



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SONGS

THE BANQUET

(Tune: "On top of Old Smokey")

Our Blue and Gold Banquet's
The best one in town!
We celebrate Scouting
While gulping food down!

Cub Scouting's a pleasure,
And eating is too!
So pass the fired chicken,
Yea, Gold and Blue!

**BANQUET/BIRTHDAY SONG**

Tune : "on Top of Old Smokey"

We were all at the banquet, on Blue and Gold
Day,
The whole family came there, to eat and to play.
Then somebody told me we're more than fifty
years old?
I could not believe what I had been told!

Then they brought out the cake, with candles a-
top,
I counted the candles and I didn't stop.
Now, how could a Cub Scout be that many years
old?
If I live that long, I'll be starting to mold!

Then somebody told me an astonishing fact,
That the Boy Scouts are older than that!
My den leader told me that I shouldn't fret,
That's the age of Scouting - I'm not that old yet.

FINEST PACK OF CUB SCOUTS

Tune: "Yellow Rose of Texas"

We're the finest pack of Cub Scouts
That you have ever seen,
We're loyal and we're honest,
We're never rude or mean.
We're proud to wear our uniform,
We like the gold and blue,
You know that you can count on us
To live our Promise true.

We follow our Akela,
We always do our best,
We work on our advancement,
We rarely stop to rest.
Cub Scouts know more than most,
We learn to be good citizens
About that we can boast.

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**STUNTS, APPLAUSE AND EVEN
A RIDDLE OR TWO**

Overeater's Applause - Looking uncomfortable, rub stomach and say slowly: "I can't believe I ate the whoooooooooole thing."

Clam Clap - Ask everyone to roll up his sleeves in preparation for this strenuous applause. Double up your fists with your left arm in front of your face and right arm overhead. Then silently open and close your right fist.

Pack Yell Applause - "Clap your hands!" (clap 3 times); "Stomp your feet!" (stomp 3 times). Pack ____ can't be beat!!"

Flapjack Applause - Pretend to pry a spatula under a pancake, then throw it up into the air, nod your head three times up and down as if watching the pancake flip, and then catch it on the spatula.

Can you make it knot? - Ask if anyone can take the ends of a 4 ft. rope, one end in each hand and without letting go tie a knot in the middle. Solution: First fold your arms and then take hold of the ends of the rope. Unfold your arms and the knot is made.

Acrobatic Matchbook - Using a paper clip and empty matchbook, try to make the matchbook automatically turn crazy somersaults. Open matchbook and clip onto the striking strip. Close cover, bend slightly across the middle. Stand matchbook on end with paper clip up and watch it flip.

It Can't be Done - Tell your friends that you can jump backwards farther than they can jump forward, if they do exactly as you do. Prove it by grasping your toes and hopping backward a few inches. When assumming the same position, they find they cannot budge.

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Milk Carton Hold-Its

Ideal project for the Blue and Gold banquet table for nuts or mints or both. You can also use a centerpiece with flowers placed in the Hold-Its.

Materials Needed:

Cardboard milk cartons - Quart size for snowman and lion. The half gallon size for the teddy bear and elephant. (wash out and let dry).

Felt - Bear (brown, lt. brown, black, pink and blue).

Elephant (dr grey and lt. grey).

Lion (gold, orange, yellow and lt. brown).

Snowman (black, red and green).

Trims - Bear 15mm eyes, Elephant (buttons, 3/8" - lace, 1/2" wide - 1/8" wide ribbon - Ribbon rose - peanut. Lion - 1/4" half round bead, eyes, satin cording, permanent fine line marker. Snowman - permanent fine line marker, 3/8" xmas ribbon, yarn.

School Glue - It washes out of clothing.

Step 1 TRANSFERRING THE PATTERN TO THE MILK CARTON.

Trace pattern onto tracing paper. Turn over and pencil outline the pattern on the reverse side. Place pencil side down onto the milk carton. Trace over original lines. (The pencil will act like a carbon and you will see light lines of the pattern as you trace.) You can make the depth of the holder any size you want. Simply measure with a ruler all the way around so the sides will be even. Make sure that the face of the design is taller than the sides..

Step2 CUT OUT MILK CARTON DESIGN. Using scissors, cut out the milk carton. Try to cut nice even edges, as it will be easier to cover with felt if the edges are even.

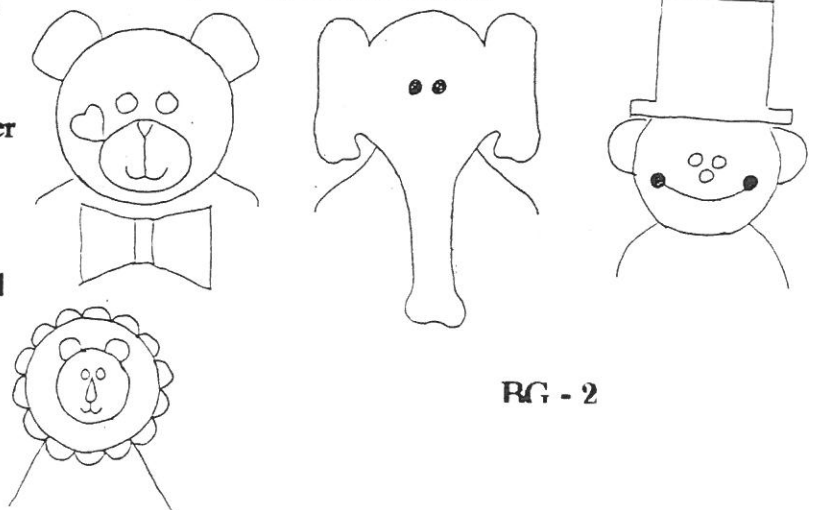
Step 3 COVERING CONTAINER WITH FELT. To cover container with felt or fabric, lay the milk carton onto the felt (or wrong side of fabric), with pencil or pen, sketch outline of carton onto the felt. Do not draw the outline to dark, just enough to see. Do the same to each side. Cut the felt out. Place glue onto one side at a time. Use a scrap of cardboard as a squeegee for an even application of the glue. Place the felt onto the glued area. If the felt is a bit too small, remove felt and slightly stretch the felt (it has a little more give), and reattach to carton before the glue dries. Glue the eyes, nose and other trims into place.

TO MAKE SNOWMAN. Transfer pattern for snowman onto carton same as above Step 1. Cut the carton side corners down to the base of the carton. The carton will be flat with the four sides spread out. Spray paint both sides of the carton, letting each side dry in between. When completely dry, glue the trims onto the carton, use the picture as a guide. To hold the carton together, paper punch holes at each corner. Thread yarn through the holes and tie bows. Fill with goodies.

Other suggestions for Blue and Gold decorations and favors are:

Place mats
Napkin Rings
Place cards
Corsages for Moms
Boutonniere for Dads
Party favors for brothers/sisters

Don't forget to Make Invitations for Parents, Grandparents, Special Guests.



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BLUE AND GOLD ADVANCEMENT

Props: Rocking Chair

ASST. CM: I would like to introduce to you, our Special quest tonight. Mr. Blue N. Gold.

OLD MAN (Cubmaster)

Back in my day, the trail of the Wolf had many Challenges. The way took effort and work. You learned about the flag, home, the community, conservation and safety. It challenged you with skills, knots, and collections. It taught you about good health and books. And you had fun at the same time. Then for the Cub Scout that wanted more, there were the many challenges of the arrow points.

ASST. CM: Cub Scouts, line up over here while I tell Mr Blue N. Gold something. Mr. Gold.

OLD MAN: Mr Cubmaster, it's about time you called me Blue. My father was Mr. Gold.

ASST CM: OK Blue. Today's Cub Scout program has all you mentioned and we certainly challenge the Scouts with the requirements. These Scouts have gone further up the Scouting trail by earning the Wolf rank, the second rank in Cub Scouting. Blue, will you help me honor them?

OLD MAN: I didn't know that. I'd be honored to help. (Gives awards and sits back in rocker.) Well, I guess you can learn something, even at my age. Let me continue, the next rank was the Bear. And I suppose the requirements today are as challenging as those were then.

ASST CM: Will the following Scouts please join us. (Reads names of boys to receive Bear rank. Have them sit around Blue.)

OLD MAN: To earn the Bear rank during the early days, the Scouts had to overcome bigger challenges requiring more skills and effort than for the Wolf. It should be that

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way because the older Cubs needed more of a challenge. They had to learn about ropes, woodworking, conservation,, American Heritage, and the folklore, along with whittling and games.

ASST. CM: Cubs, come here for a moment. Blue, I'm proud to tell you these Cub Scouts have done all that and more. They have come even further up the Scouting Trail beyond the Wolf to earn the Bear Rank, the third rank of Cub Scouts. Blue, you have the honor of presenting these awards.

OLD MAN: Well, I am impressed and proud to give these awards. (presents awards and sits back in rocker.) I think I've got you now. The Lion rank really required a lot. I'm sure you Cub Scouts haven't worked nearly as hard for their Lion badges.

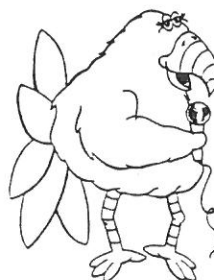
ASST. CM: Blue, I know that in the past there was a Lion badge program that was quite a challenge.

OLD MAN: You can say that again, Sonny.

ASST CM: However, we have a program called Webelos - a separate program for the older Cub Scouts that prepares them for Boy Scouts. It has crafts, sports, outdoor activities, camping and hiking.

OLD MAN: Sonny, it sounds great!! If these boys work hard they will be Webelos Scouts before you know it.

Well, I'll be going now. I'll see you. So long folks, and keep up the good work Cub Scouts!!
(Old man exits, waving to the audience as he move off stage.)



FEBRUARY

AN OPENING CEREMONY

(A Cub Scout Stands blindfolded, gaged and bound.)

CUBMASTER: This is an American Boy.
The American Revolution won him freedom.
(remove binds)

The Constitution guarantees him freedom of
speech. (Remove gag)

A free education gives him the ability to see and
undertstand. (remove blindfold)

Cub Scouting helps to teach him to preserve and
to enjoy his glorious heritage and to become a
good citizen.

Turn out lights, spotlight on American Flag,
and lead in the salute to the flag and Pledge
of Allegiance.

A SALUTE TO PACK LEADERSHIP

The Blue and Gold Banquet is an excellent
time for giving a salute to the leaders for
their service to the pack for the year. A
token of thanks will be appreciated and will
act as a new burst of energy for the events
yet to come.

Remember the old stand-by admonition - the
key slogan of the program - K.I.S.M.I.F. -
"Keep it simple, make it fun!"

How about a Hand-shaped award (for a pat
on the back).....

Cut out a hand-shaped piece from leather or
other appropriate material. Add pack
number, date and a appropriate saying.
Punch a hole and string on a strip of leather
or other craft strip. Make the loop long
enough to go over the head.

Or - how about cutting out the shape of a
sailboat for "smooth sailing" through the
year.

Or - a bear shaped cut-out, with "It was you
who make the year bearable"

Any way you can think of to thank those
who have helped though the year. Don't
forget about the parent(s) who help you to
drive somewhere, or was always handy with
treats for den meetings or pack meetings, or
always willing to stay with the den when
another adult was needed.

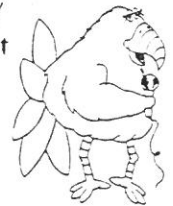
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CUB SCOUT THANKS PLAQUE

Materials: Wooden plaques. Thin wood
or paneling, Scrapes, Jigsaw, Stain,Paints,
Glue, Permanent pen marker. Hanger.

Stain the border and paint the front of the
plaque light blue. Paint on camp site and
flag.

Cut out insignia and Cub Scout "heads".
(using a nickle for a pattern). Draw a semi-
circle for cap. Paint heads and insignia.
Glue in place on the plaque. Add the Cub
Scout's names on the heads and the leaders'
name on the insignia. Add date and present
with words of praise and thanks.



SOME FUN THINGS

When Indians in the movies sneak up on the
cowboys, why don't the cowbowys hear
them?

Beacuse they walk on their Teepee-toes.

How is an airport like a closet?
It's full of hangers.

Why is a dogs tail like the heart of a tree?
Because it's the farthest from its bark.

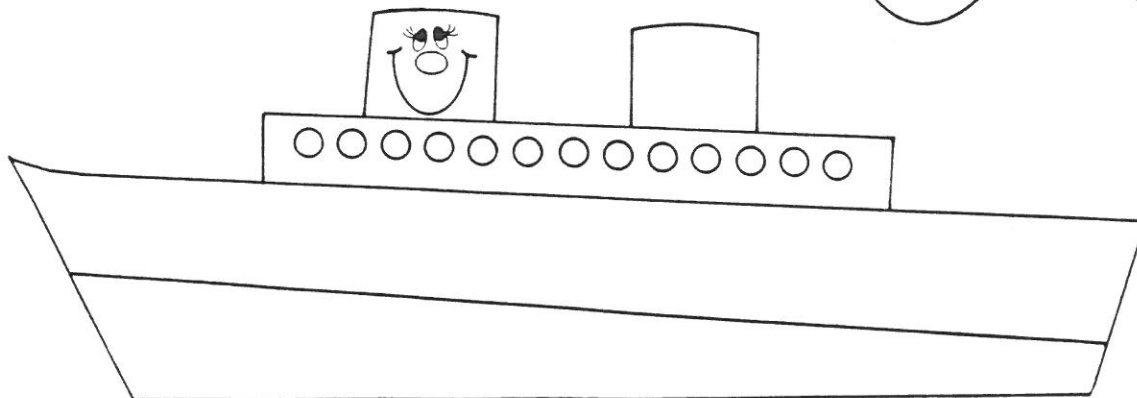
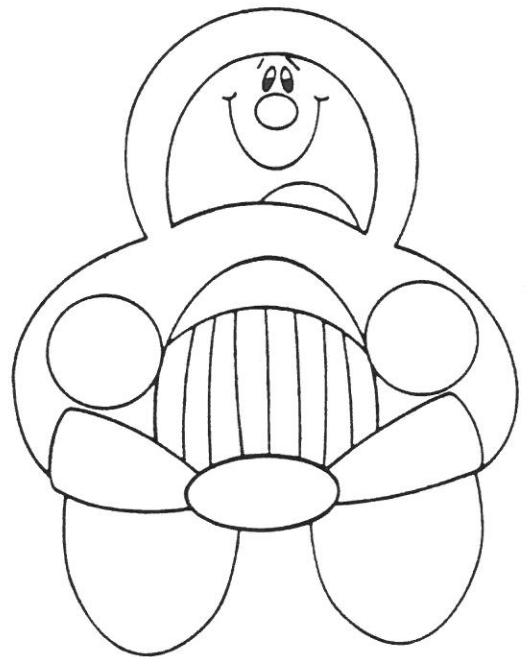
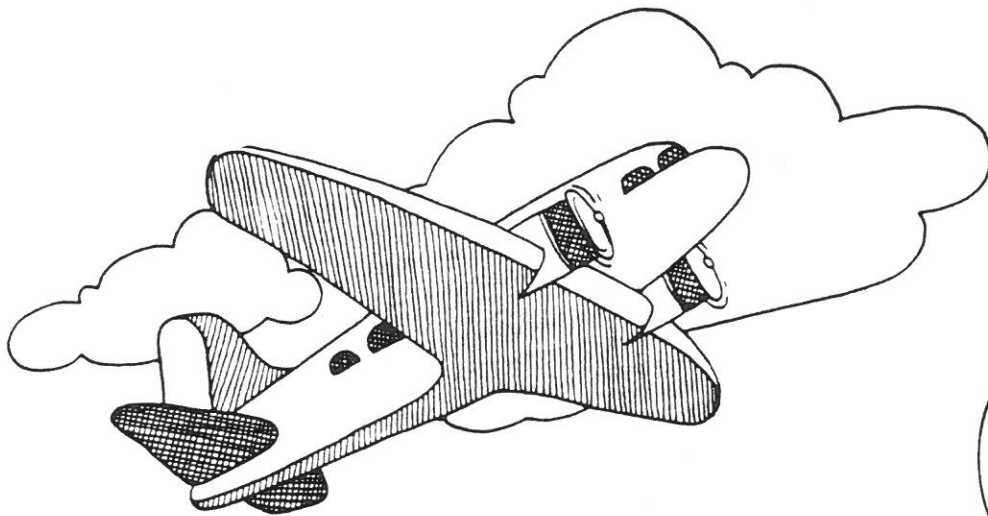
APPLAUSES

Tortilla: Slap hands together alternating one
hand and the other from top to bottom. On
every 4th clap, shout "Ole".

Siesta Cheer: Remain seated and pull
imaginary sombrero over your face while
snoring loudly.

MARCH

**WINGS, WHEELS AND
RUDDERS**



MARCH

STUNTS, TRICKS, PUZZLES

Each of the fictional characters below made a famous trip. By what means of transportation?

Casey Jones	Locomotive
3 wise men of Gotham	bowl
Cinderella	pumpkin coach
Hans Brinker	ice skates
Huck Finn	raft
Phinneas Fogg	balloon
Eliza	foot
Winken, Blinken, Nod	wooden shoes
Ulysses	ship
Butcher, Baker	tub
Candlestick maker	tub
Owl and the Pussycat	beautiful green boat

DO YOU KNOW CARS?

Each of the definitions below describes a type of car. Can you identify them?

Description

1. Our 16th president.
2. Riven in New York.
3. First colony in New England.
4. Indian Chief.
5. Theatre where Lincoln was shot.
6. Wild animals in cat family.
7. A young horse
8. A spotted horse.
9. A motherless calf.
10. A stinging insect.
11. A shooting Star
12. A bullfighter
13. French Tourist Spot.
14. Prince Rainers Country.
15. A Roman mythical God.
16. A tall building in New York
17. Deep sea fish
18. A hawk
19. A deer-like animal
20. A fast bird
21. A letter in the Greek Alphabet
22. A hundred years
23. A musical instrument.
24. A lady with a credit card.

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Answers to do you know cars?

Lincoln	Riviera
Hudson	Monoco
Plymouth	Mercury
Pontiac	Chrysler
Ford	Barracuda
Cougar/Jaguar	Falcon
Colt	Impala
Pinto	Roadrunner
Maverick	Omega
Hornet	Century
Comet	Coronet
Matador	Charger

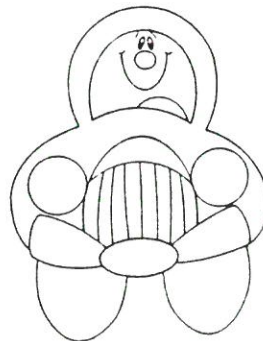
GO CART APPLAUSE: Move hands in a down-hill motion and shout "SWOOSH".

MOTORBOAT APPLAUSE: Knife hand out from you in a swishing manner while fluttering tongue on roof for your mouth.

MOTORCYCLE APPLAUSE: Start with foot, rev up take off with hands out like on handlebars, yelling "VAROOOOOOOM"

STEAMBOAT APPLAUSE: Use both hands to make large rotary motion as if they were paddle wheels on an old side-wheeler. At the same time, say: "CHUG-A-CHUG - CHUG", then reach up with right hand and pull down saying, "TOOT! TOOT!".

SPACESHIP APPLAUSE: Countdown "10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1, BLAST OFF!" Using hand motion, attain orbit and say "BEEP-BEEP-BEEP-BEEP".

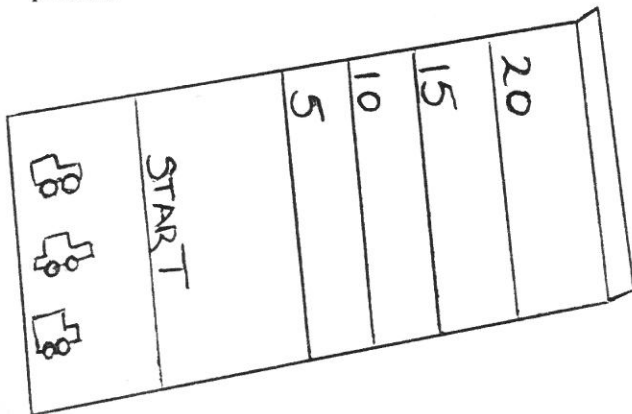


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GAMES

PARK YOUR CAR

Mark out a parking lot on a driveway, floor, or tabletop and push pinewood derby cars or toy cars into the parking space. Count the score from the area where the front wheels sit. Call the space where you will park and if the car stops there, score an extra 10 points.



STEAMBOAT RACE

Dens line up relay style. Each boy locks his arms around the waist of the boy in front of him and holds on during the race. On "GO" signal, each group or den moves off as a body, walking or running in step. They race to a given point and back again. First "steamboat" to puff into port wins. For extra effects: Give first boy in each group or den a bell or whistle to use during the race; Give the last boy rattles to simulate stern paddle wheels.

TIRE BOWLING

Use discarded tires in place of ball, with milk cartons, tin cans, or detergent containers for pins. Arrange "alley" on the ground with the bowling line 20 or 30 feet from the "pins". Each bowler rolls two tires. Score as in bowling.

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HITTING THE TARGET

This game requires skill, coordination, timing and marksmanship. Four to six coffee cans or other receptacles are set up about 15 feet apart in a straight line along a 100 foot course. Each Cub Scout is given one small object (marble, bottle cap, stone) for each of the cans. Den members follow each other down the course at average speed, dropping one object into each can. The winning den is the one with most hits after all have run the course.

SONGS

OUR CAR

TUNE: Canptown Races

Pinewood derby's here again,
Oh Boy, Oh Boy!
Dad and I would like to win
Oh Boy, we will try!

CHORUS:

My pop's thumb is sore,
From the carving knife,
Wish he'd let me try it too,
You can bet your life!

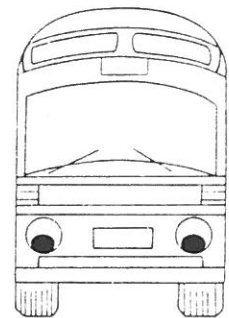
Our car looks a little weird,
Oh my Oh my!
Glad it doesn't have to be steered,
Oh my, time to go!

CHORUS

Now it's racing down the track,
Hurry, Hurry!
We're close to the finish line,
Hurry up and pass.

CHORUS

We on the trophy, Dad and me,
Hurrah, Hurrah!
See the smile on old dad's face,
cause we won the race!



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SONGS

WHEN YOU TRAVEL

TUNE: *Clementine*

When you travel, don't unravel!
Plan your trip ahead of time.
Those who go around in circle,
Never leave and stay behind.

RACE YOUR CAR

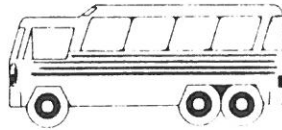
Tune: *Row, Row, Row Your Boat*

Race, Race, Race your car
Swiftly down the track,
If we don't place first this year,
Next year we'll be back!

PINWOOD DERBY SONG

Tune: *Camptown Races*

Cub Scouts all join in the song
Doo-dah, doo-dah!
Pine car track is mighty long
Oh, doo-dah day!



CHORUS:

Going to run so fast,
going to get ahead
bet my money on a blue pine car,
somebody bet on the red.

Red cars, blue cars, green and gray,
Doo-dah, doo-dah!
Running on the track today.
Oh, doo-dah day!

CHORUS

Pinewood cars have lots of class,
Doo-dah, doo-dah
Even though they don't use gas,
Oh, doo-dah day!

CHORUS

They're the pride of all the lads,
Doo-dah, doo-dah!
Built by Cub Scouts and their dads,
Oh, doo-dah day!

THE BIG WHEEL

(Audience Participation)

Dived audience into four groups to respond to
the following words in the story:

BIG WHEEL: SPIN, SPIN
CANOE: PADDLE, PADDLE
CARS: RATTLE RATTLE, BANG
AIRPLANE: ZZOOOOOUMMM

WINGS, WHEELS AND RUDDERS

Man has invented many different things that go and have provided him with transportation down through the years. The Indian made his CANOE that took him from place to place and served his purpose well. Men like Henry Ford invented CARS which today is the most popular type of transportation. There were men like the Wright Brothers who pioneered the invention of the AIRPLANE. And then there is a group of people called the BIG WHEELS who really don't go anyplace or do anything, but they like to feel important.

This story is about one of those BIG WHEELS who just sat and spun his wheels and felt so important while he was doing nothing at all. Everyone around him was working on new and better types of CANOES, designing new and more efficient CARS and designing and testing new and faster AIRPLANES. But our BIG WHEEL just sat around feeling important, not doing anything to help anybody, while everyone else was doing the work.

Somehow he always seemed to get by and fooled people into thinking that he was important because everyone around him was making progress. The BIG WHEEL depended on their brains and energy to make him look good. Finally, one day something happened that changed things overnight for the BIG WHEEL.

Everyone who had been working on the CANOES, the CARS, and the AIRPLANES decided it was time to teach the BIG WHEEL a lesson. They were tired of him doing nothing except acting important. So they all became very busy and didn't pay any attention to him. When something came up, the BIG WHEEL found he couldn't rely on the others to answer questions and make him look important. Finally the BIG WHEEL realized that he could not accomplish anything without help from others. He realized he was making no contribution to the world at all. He was just sitting there spinning his wheels, while the other accomplished a lot on CANOES, CARS and AIRPLANES. BIG WHEEL felt very bad.

It was a terrible feeling when BIG WHEEL finally realized something he should have known all along. If you're going to get anyplace in this world, you can't expect other people to do all the work. You must learn to do your part and paddle your own CANOE.

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CRAFTS

WHITTLE A BOAT

Whittle 3 pieces of balsa wood for thick hull. Glue together. Carve top of boat from other soft pieces of wood. Make several boats. Ask your boys about carving their own boats for the Raingutter Regata.

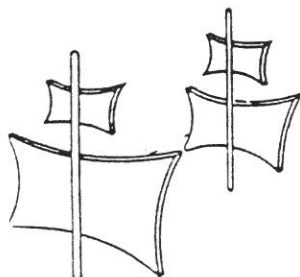
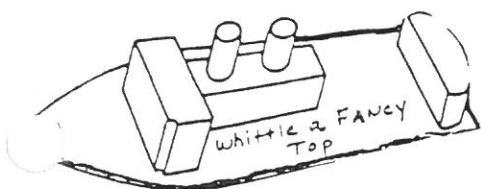
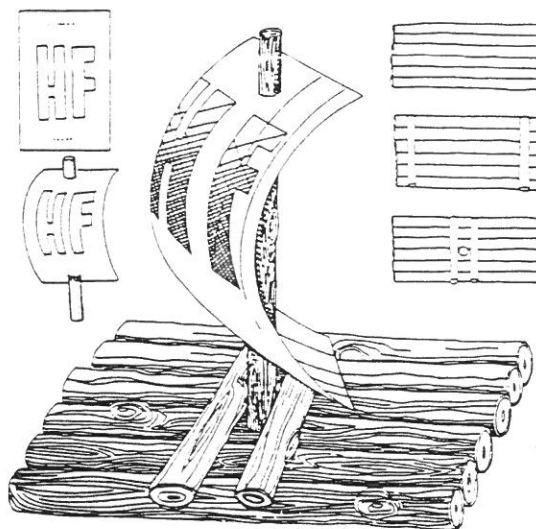
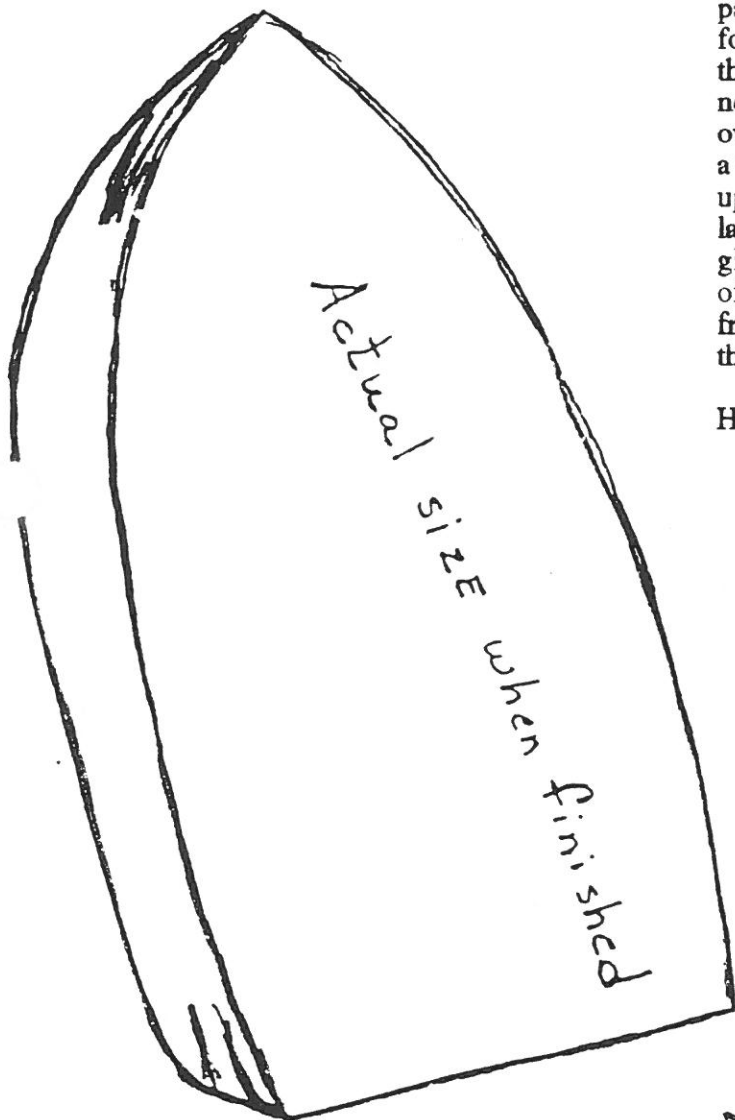
WINGS, WHEELS, RUDDERS

HUCK FINN'S LOG RAFT

Materials: 11 twigs of equal thickness, liquid white glue, 1 sheet of white paper, colored crayons or markers, wax paper.

Cut twigs a little longer than logs shown in illustration. Place six twigs on sheet of wax paper. Glue the twigs together with glue to form raft. Cut two twigs to fit the width of the six glued twigs. Glue these two twigs near the ends of the raft. Let the raft dry overnight. When dry turn upside down. Cut a twig to form the mast and glue it, standing up to the center of the raft. Cut and form the last two twigs to fit the width of the raft then glue the remaining two twigs to both sides of the mast. Dry overnight. Cut the sail from white paper, decorate. Push sail through standing twig.

Have a den race with the boats.



MARCH

OPENING CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster and 6 Cub Scouts.

EQUIPMENT: 6 large cardboard cutouts of ships, on which have been printed the following words: SCHOLAR-SHIP; FELLOW-SHIP; FRIEND-SHIP; WORKMAN-SHIP; STATESMAN-SHIP; and SPORTSMAN-SHIP.

ARRANGEMENT: 6 Cub Scouts hold large cardboard cutouts of ships, and enter one at a time. The Cubmaster is at the front of the audience.

CUBMASTER: Tonight, Den ____ would like to tell you about the six ships of Scouting. These are ships which were launched in America strong and mighty...ships that will last forever.

1st boy: SCHOLAR-SHIP. This ship is very important on the sea of Education. On her deck stands such officers as Ambition, Determinations, Intelligence and Application. Her flag bears symbols of the letter "A" and the plus sign.

2nd boy: FELLOW-SHIP: This ship stands for good spirits, fine cooperation and never-failing unity. Its flag floats high - the flag of Scouting.

3rd boy: FRIEND-SHIP: This is the most handsome ship of all. It is true blue and its flag is golden - since friendship itself...is golden.

4th boy: SPORTSMAN-SHIP: This is the ship that's fair and square. It never veers from its course. Its flag is never at half mast.

5th boy: WORKMAN-SHIP: This ship's every line, every part, every mast, represents the best that a person can give. Its flag bears a laurel wreath.

6th boy: STATESMAN-SHIP: This ship represents wise guidance, constant course, unselfish interest and sincere endeavor. Its flag is white for purity.

WINGS, WHEELS AND RUDDERS

CUBMASTER: And there you have six strong and sturdy ships to brave the sea.

CLOSING CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster and Cub Scout Den of 4-8 boys.

EQUIPMENT: American and Pack flags.

ARRANGEMENT: The audience is silenced after the ceremonies and other activities which have taken place during the Pack meeting. The Cub Scout Den marches in from the back of the room and stands next to the flags. The Den follows the orders of the Cubmaster and the meeting is dismissed.

CUBMASTER: (To audience) Will you please rise for the retirement of our colors. (Designated scouts remove flags from the flag bases)

CUBMASTER: Color guard, retire colors. (Boys march out of the room with the flags. Extra boys follow in single file)

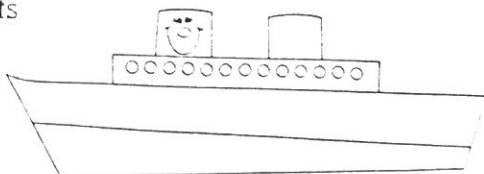
CUBMASTER: (To audience) We thank you for attending this evening, and look forward to your return next month.

ADVANCEMENT CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster, Cub Scouts who are advancing and parents of Cub Scouts.

EQUIPMENT: Awards, Felt board with a race track simulated on board, Pinewood Derby car made out of felt.

ARRANGEMENT: The Felt board is placed on an easel at the front of the room. The race track has markers for Bobcat, Wolf, Bear and . As each rank of boys comes up to advance, the race car will move from the START line towards the FINISH line advancing to the appropriate marker. The Cubmaster is at the front of the room next to the board and is wearing a Checkered Flag vest of some sort.



MARCH

CUBMASTER: Cub Scouts, start your engines. (Waving checkered flag) Tonight we are here to witness the accomplishments of some of our Cub Scouts. First coming up to the START line is our Pinewood Derby # (pack #)

And he is off. Down the straight away to the first stop which is Bobcat. (Move felt car to the Bobcat marker. If you don't have any Bobcats, go on to the next rank)

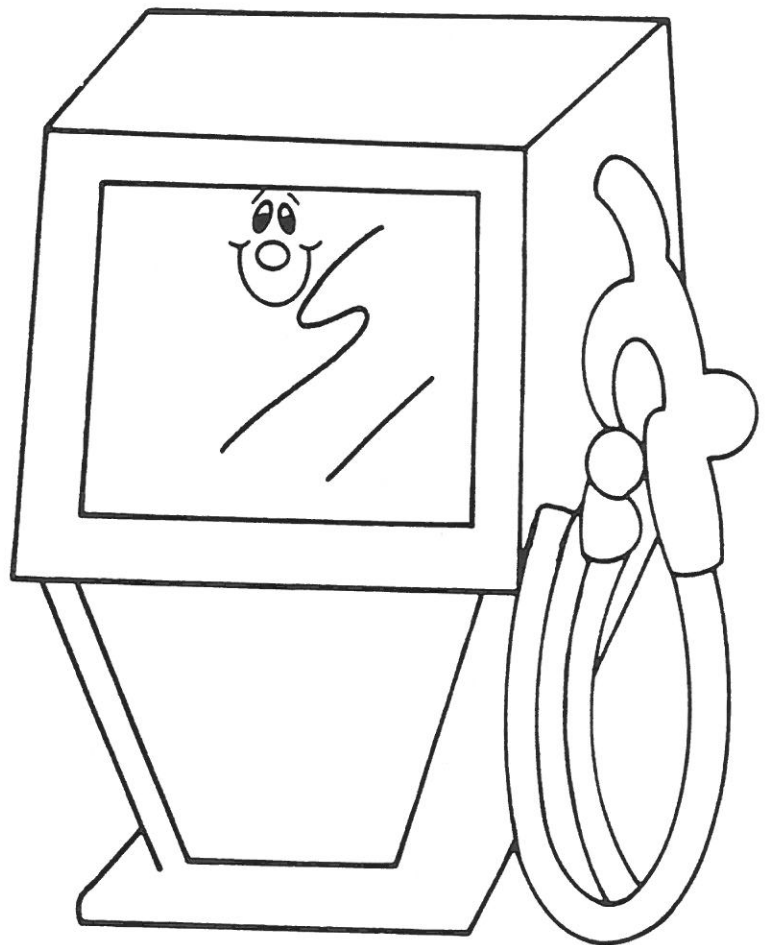
Tonight we have ___ boys who have earned their Bobcat badge. Will (Cub Scout's name) and his parents come forward. (Present the Bobcat badge with the traditional ceremony that your pack uses.)

And now we have our Pinewood Derby Car going down the straight away to the next stop which is the Wolf stop. (Move the car to the Wolf marker.) Tonight we have ___ boys who have earned their Wolf badge. Will (Cub Scout's name) and his parents come forward. (Present the Wolf badge with the traditional ceremony that your pack uses.)

Next stop for our race car is the Bear stop. And here he comes now. (move car to the Bear marker.) Tonight we have ___ boys who have earned their Bear badge. Will (Cub Scout's name) and his parents come forward. (Present the Bear badge with the traditional ceremony that your pack uses.)

And the last stop tonight for our race car on his way to the finish line is the Webelos stop. (Move the race car to the Webelos marker.) Tonight we have ___ boys who have earned their Webelos badge. Will (Cub Scout's name) and his parents come forward. (Present the Webelos badge with the traditional ceremony that your pack uses.)

As we have witnessed our race car headed down the track to Boy Scouts, we have recognized our boys who have worked hard to advance down the Cub Scout trail to Boy Scouts.



For another easy table decoration for Tiger Cubs, read on---

Supplies needed: Empty 1 or 2 lb. cheese box
Scraps of orange crepe paper streamers
Construction paper - orange, black
Black marker
Stapler
Old newspaper
Orange tissue paper

- Step 1. Cover both sides, front and back end of cheese box with 2 strips of orange crepe paper streamers. Attach on one end with staples.
- Step 2. Draw face of Tiger on const. paper. Width of face should be no less than width of one end of cheese box. Cut out face and attach to end of cheese box opposite from end where streamers were stapled.
- Step 3. Cut yarn as desired and make a tail. Attach to box where streamers were stapled.
- Step 4. Crumple newspaper and stuff into box. Newspaper should stick above edge of box to create body of Tiger.
- Step 5. Cut orange tissue paper slightly larger than size of box. Use this to cover crumpled newspaper and tuck in along inside edges.
- Step 6. Use marker to draw stripes on sides and top of Tiger body.

This decoration may be used a holder for names of people at the Tiger Cubs' table or simply as a centerpiece. Keep in mind the age and skill level of your Tiger Cub group before planning any craft project. It has to be simple and easy enough for the adult team member to help too!



APRIL

SHAPE UP



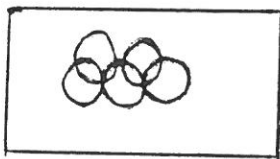
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PHYSICAL FITNESS ACTIVITIES

If you are tired of the same old Pack picnics, try this for something fun and different.

CUB SCOUT FAMILY
OLYMPIC GAMES

SIGN: Make an Olympic flag (sign) to place where the games will be held. It will help people find your group, especially if its in a large park.



Use red, blue, green, yellow and black for the circles.

MEDALS: Make the medals from poster board and cover one side with either gold, silver or bronze colored metallic contact paper or foil. Cut the metallic paper with pinking shears. Punch hole through the tops of the circles and put a long string trough the holes, so they can be hung around the neck. If you want to make it really special, make the medals from gold foil covered chocolate candy. Use a darning needle to lace the string through the candy.

ACTIVITIES AND GAMES: Divide the boys into groups of 4 (6 if your pack is very large). Have parents and leaders at each event to keep score. A whistle can be used to begin and end the events. At 10 or 15 minute intervals the boys should move to a different event. Let the boys choose 3 or 4 events that they want to participate in, if you don't have time for all boys to do all events.

50 YARD SWIM: A paper cup and plastic spoon are needed. This event is done in pairs. One person spoon feeding the other one water as they race toward the finish line.



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STANDING BROAD JUMP: have each boy stand on a line and jump as far as he can.

DISCUS THROW: Write each boys name on a paper plate which is used as the discus. Have them throw it like a discus, not like a Frisbee.

HIGH HURDLES: Use cardboard boxes as hurdles.

HIGH JUMP: Hand a bell in a tree. Have each boy jump up and try to ring the bell.

SALOM: Use boxes or cones to form a figure 8 running course.

50 YARD DASH: Fastest runner.

SHOT-PUT: Fill an old sock with sand and secure the top. Have the boys throw it like a shot. not like a ball. Longest throw is the winner.

BOOT KICK: A large size old boot or shoe is launched from the boy's bare foot.

When all games are finished, hold an awards ceremony to award the medals. Any Cub Scout advancement could be done at the same time.

Here is more fun for the Cubs to to to keep fit.

WATER FUN: Suggests a time full of sheer pleasure, but there's a more serious purpose too -- to help Cub Scouts become at home in and out of water and especially to improve their swimming kills. Swimming can become a lifelong source of recreation and fitness training as well as perhaps a lifesaving skill for your Cub Scout. As a minimum goal seek to make all of your boys swimmers. If that is too difficult, at least help them overcome fear of the water and begin to feel at home in it.

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SWIMMING TIPS FOR CUB SOUTS:

1. Swim in a safe, familiar, inspected area.
2. If you can't swim, take lessons. If you swim a little, learn how to swim better.
3. Always swim with a "buddy" who can help if you get into trouble.
4. Respect the water, and know your limitations.
5. Wait an hour after eating before swimming. Do not swim while overheated or overtired.
6. Swim in a safe place and in the presence of lifeguards, or competent adult swimmers. Stay away from the area immediately in front of the diving board.
7. Be sure rescue equipment such as bouys, boats, and reaching poles are readily available at your swimming area.
8. In case of trouble, assume face-up floating position, keep your hands under water, slowly move your feet up and down and move your hands in a gentle, circular motion.
9. Whenever a storm approaches, get out of the water - it is a conductor of lightning.

Organize a swimming party for the afternoon at pool or waterfront. Have a period of swimming safety and instruction as well as swimming for the fun of it.

BICYCLE SAFETY PROGRAM

Designated to teach Cub Scouts how to keep bicycles in safe operating condition and how to drive safely, using turn and stop signals and learning rules of the road and traffic signals. The bike program includes a safety inspection of riding assembly, brakes, pedals, tires, wheels, steering assembly, lights and visibility equipment. Den



meetings include a discussion of rules of the road, practice in skills, plus bike games and activities to help cycling more fun. Now that the bicycle is recognized as a vehicle and not a toy, every rider is a driver and is expected to conduct his actions as a good citizen would. This is essentially the Golden rule in action and can make cycling safer and more enjoyable for all.

Some fun things to do when the rules are learned. Hold a bike rodeo, in a local parking lot, have the police or fire department there to help license the bicycles and give instruction.

OPENING CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: 7 Cub Scouts in exercise outfits.

EQUIPMENT: Various exercise equipment easy enough for the boys to lift. Not necessary for equipment for every boy. Music to exercise to, American and Pack flags.

ARRANGEMENT: The music starts and the boys jog in with two of them carrying the flags. The boys place the flags in their bases and then they all start to do exercises. After a few seconds, the boys recite the following verses.

1st boy: To keep you body strong and healthy, Is more important than being wealthy.

2nd boy: When you are fit, you feel so good. And try to do the things you should.

3rd boy: It helps us lend a helping hand, To needy folks around the land.

4th boy: Eating right is always wise, And everyone needs some exercise.

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5th boy: Stand on tiptoes, one, two, three,
Touch your toes, don't bend a knee.

6th boy: Run awhile, then slow your pace,
Practice will help you win the race.

7th boy: Scouting builds boys into men,
Cub Scouting is where it all begins.

CLOSING CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: 7 Cub Scouts in exercise outfits.

EQUIPMENT: 7 sets of barbells made out of a broom handle and paper mache balls on the ends. Each set of barbells will have two letters that will spell out MUSCLE BUILDER. The first boy would have M and U and so on.

ARRANGEMENT: The boys come up to the front and stand in a line and recite the following verses.

1st boy: Muscles some think are really a must,
unless you want to be a bust.

2nd boy: So flex your muscles and raise those weights high, cause it will make you a healthy guy.

3rd boy: Lift all of the load you possibly can, else you could be called a shrinking man.

4th boy: Buckle down and lift your share of the load, unless you want to be a shirker on life's road.

5th boy: If you always do your part, lifters you will be from the start.

6th boy: Do your best to lift your share, everyone showing that they care.

7th boy: Reaching always a little out of reach, since that's the best philosophy to teach.

SHAPE UP

ADVANCEMENT CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster, Den Leaders and Cub Scouts advancing.

EQUIPMENT: Advancements.

ARRANGEMENT: Cubmaster is standing at front of audience. As the Den Leaders are called, they join the Cubmaster at the front.

CUBMASTER: This month's theme is "Shape Up" and our Cubs will advance according to their strength. As men must train to be an Olympic Champion, our Cubs also must grow in strength and ability to obtain their rank advancement. Tonight we have (cub scout name) who has achieved their Bobcat rank. (Call leader up to give the scout ceremony for Bobcat.)

CUBMASTER: For a boy to earn the Wolf rank, he must increase in ability by practice, just like an Olympian must train and get in condition. Tonight we have (cub scout name) who has trained and has gotten in shape to get his Wolf badge. (Call leader up to give ceremony for Wolf Badge.)

CUBMASTER: Training must continue for an Olympian to strengthen his body. Tonight we have (cub scout name) who has continued his training and has increased his ability and has earned his Bear badge. (Call leader up to give ceremony for Bear Badge.)

CUBMASTER: To be the Champion in Cub Scouts, our champion received the Webelos awards. Tonight, Webelos Scout (name) has become one of the Olympic gold medalists of Pack ____.

Tonight during our advancement ceremony we have seen Cub Scouts increase in ability as Olympians and being physically fit too. Let's have a round of applause for all Cubs who have advanced in rank.



MAY

BACK TO NATURE



MAY

CRAFTS

WORMERY

Material needed: 2 pieces of Plexi-glass
 3 pieces of 1/2" wood to form frame.
 Length of wood depends on desired size of wormery. 2 pieces of scrap wood for base. Glue. Different kinds of soil (sand, gravel, etc.) Piece of black plastic or plastic coated cardboard. Earthworms or night crawlers. (These can be dug up out of the back of your house or bought from a bait and supply store.)

Use glue to form frame and mount Plexiglas onto base. Fill wormery with different layers of soil - each layer should be sprinkled with water. Add dead leaves and grass clippings to the surface. Place black plastic or plastic coated cardboard on top. **DO NOT LEAVE WORMERY IN SUNLIGHT!!!!!!**

SPONGE MONSTER

You need a round natural sponge. Soak in water then squeeze out. Drop seeds into holes. tie a string around the middle. Sprinkle with water. Every day herbs work great!!

CUB HIKING STICK

Choose a sturdy stick. Paint it with bright designs or pictures that fit the markings and textures of the stick. Finish with shellac or fast-drying clear acrylic spray paint. It would be fun to have everyone sign each others stick with a permanent marker. Look in the "CUB SCOUT LEADER HOW-TO BOOK" under crafts to learn about Indian coupsticks!

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CUB COLLECTOR

Go on a den walk. Each boy should have a small bottle of glue and a small flat board. Collect natural objects and glue a collage as you travel along.

3-D FUN

1. You need a piece of thin plywood or heavy cardboard...(a roof shingle works well).
2. Spread a thin layer of glue across board surface.
3. Pour un-cook barley over wet glue to completely cover board, press gently with fingertips.
4. When glue is dry pour off loose barley.
5. Paint a picture on the barley with tempera paint. A coat of clear acrylic spray paint adds to the protection.
6. Frame is optional.



LEAF DEN

The greater the assortment of leafs - the better!!! (try a tree nursery or county and state parks usually have a wonderful assortment of trees.) Use leaf for the bodies as shown. leaves can also be cars, monsters, houses, etc.

MAY**CUBS IN THE KITCHEN****WORMS IN DIRT**

Gummy worms
Oreo cookies

Crush cookies for dirt. Hide gummy worms inside.

CHOCOLATE SPIDERS

1 8oz milk chocolate bar
2 cups crisp rice cereal
1/2 cup shredded coconut



Melt chocolate bar in microwave on 50% power or in double boiler. Stir rice cereal and coconut. Drop from a teaspoon onto waxed paper. Refrigerate until set.

BUTTERFLY SANDWICHES

Fix your favorite sandwiches on soft bread. Cut diagonally. Cut a whole dill or sweet pickle into fourths lengthwise. Use one quarter for the body. Place the sandwich halves on each side of the pickle for wings. Place pretzel sticks on the top for antennae.

BUG JUICE

Add 7-Up or Sprite to 1 pkg. green Kool-Aid that has been prepared according to package directions.

ANTS ON A LOG

Celery stalks, cut into thirds or fourths
Cream cheese or peanut butter
Raisins

Spread cream cheese or peanut butter onto the celery stalks.. Top with raisins.

BACK TO NATURE**NO SQUIRM WORMS**

1 cup peanut butter
1 cup dry milk powder (not instant)
1/3 to 1/2 cup honey
1 tsp. vanilla
Cocoa powder

Mix peanut butter, milk powder, honey and vanilla in a plastic bag. Mix with fork or spoon, or squeeze plastic bag until the ingredients are well mixed. Shape into long worms. Roll in cocoa powder. Place on cookie sheet or plate. Cover or wrap and chill in refrigerator for about 1 hour, or in freezer for 15 to 20 minutes.

PEACH BUG

1 large peach cut in half.
1 carrot, sliced into thin sticks
Raisins
pretzel sticks

On plate place half of peach, cut side down. Insert carrot sticks for legs, pretzel sticks for antennae, and raisins for eyes.

CRAWLY PUNCH

1 pkg. lemon-lime Kool-Aid
1/3 cup sugar
1 quart milk
1 pint ice cream
1 large lemon-lime carbonated drink

In a large bowl mix drink powder, sugar and milk. Stir until powder is dissolved. Add ice cream by spoonfuls. Carefully pour drink over all.

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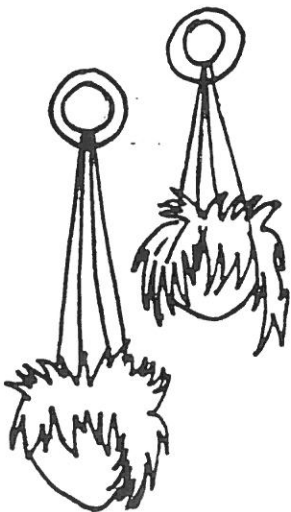
MOTHER'S DAY

HANGING PLANTERS

These small hanging baskets of greenery are made from the sections of a plastic egg from L'eggs hosiery.....

Heat an icepick or nail (holding it with pliers) over a candle and melt three holes around the top of the egg half. Attach colorful yard to ring and attach ends evenly to holes in egg by pulling yarn from outside to inside and knot inside.....

The L'eggs come in several colors, or they can be spray painted the color of your choice. Put 2 tablespoons of gravel in bottom of container and then fill with potting soil to within 1/4" of top. Put a hole in soil and plant a rooted plant cutting. Pack soil around plant...A decal can be added to the side of egg...**HOW TO MAKE A PLANT CUTTING** and save some money..Suggested plant: Philodendron, purple passion, Ivy, vines, creeping Charlie(swedish ivy) are easy to start. With scissors, or sharp knife, cut a healthy length of vine from just below a leaf. (this will not ruin the mature plant as new shoots will begin to grow from the cutting area). Remove leaves from the lower part of the cutting and submerge this part of the stem into the water of the jar. In 4 to 6 weeks healthy roots will appear: plant into soil, and make a new cutting for rooting.. Seek cutting from relatives, friends, and your own plants. This way, the boys will be working with a variety of plants.



BACK TO NATURE

PICNIC FORK RECIPE HOLDER

Invert a spray can lid and fill the center with modeling clay or plaster. While still soft, insert a plastic picnic fork (tines up) into the clay or plaster. The tines will hold the recipe card. Decorate by sticking small plastic flowers in the clay.



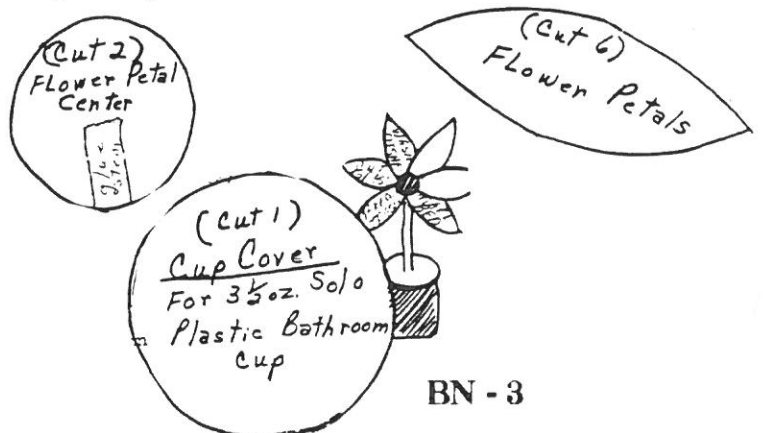
KEY RING

Leather scraps (sold at Tandy's)
Safe lock rings
Sponge the leather to moisten and have the boys tool in the word "MOM"
Lace together, stain, make hole for ring.

MOTHER'S DAY FAVOR FLOWER

Materials: Glue, ball-point pen, needle to punch hole for stem: Construction paper, two colors(petals & cup, center of flower) 6 inch pipe cleaner or chenille stem: 3 1/2 oz. Solo plastic bathroom cup

Cut out all pieces, glue end of stem into center of Flower petal center, with ball-point pen, label jobs on petals, glue petals to flower petal center on top and let dry Start hole with needle in center of cup cover for stem. Thread stem through hole in cup cover & coil end for gluing or taping to bottom of cup cover, glue or tape cover to top of cup.



MAY

OPENING CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster, Assistant Cubmaster, 2 Den Leaders.

EQUIPMENT: Camping gear and outfits for each of the participants and 1 pair of binoculars. American and Pack flags.

ARRANGEMENT: The flags are in the front of the audience. The group of participants are off to one side and slowly walk through the audience to the front where they will ask everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

CUBMASTER: (Everyone starts walking slowly) It sure is nice to be here in the outdoors. All these trees, animals and fresh air.

ASSISTANT CUBMASTER: (Looking through binoculars) Hey, I think I see a big Red bird up there! (1st Leader takes the binoculars away while everyone continues to walk slowly to the front.)

1st LEADER: Here, let me see. Naw, it's a huge white bird of some sort. (2nd Leader takes the binoculars away while everyone continues to walk slowly to the front.)

2nd LEADER: Boy, you don't know what you are talking about. It's not Red or White. It's Big and Blue, and... what's this?!?! It has stars! (Cubmaster takes the binoculars away and everyone stops.)

CUBMASTER: Here, let me see what you are all talking about. (Looks through the binoculars). Come on you guys. (Motions everyone to follow as they walk up to the front.) It's not a Red Bird, or even a White Bird. What you were looking at is our nations' flag. (Turns to audience) Will you please join us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

BACK TO NAUTRE

CLOSING CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster

EQUIPMENT: A small potted tree of some sort or a cardboard tree

ARRANGEMENT: The Cubmaster is at the front of the room with the "tree".

CUBMASTER: Did you ever pause to think about how helpful a tree is? It provides a nesting place for birds, shade from the sun and protection from the rain. It discards it's dead branches, providing wood for fires, and cooking food. It adds beauty to the countryside. We must admit that a tree gives a lot more than it receives. We can learn a lesson from the tree... by doing our best to always be helpful to others by putting others first and ourselves second. Remember the lesson we learn from a tree, to give to others more than we receive.

Good night, thank you for coming, and have a safe trip home.

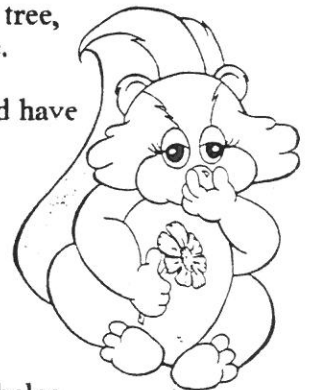
ADVANCEMENT CEREMONY

This ceremony is intended for use of advancing Bear scouts into Webelos.

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster, Assistant Cubmaster, Webelos Den Leader, Webelos scouts, Bear scouts and their parents.

EQUIPMENT: Ceremonial board consisting of a split log with three candles in the log, for each Bear scout advancing to Webelos, the Webelos colors, neckerchief, and slide will also be needed.

ARRANGEMENT: The Ceremonial log is placed on a table at the front of the room. The Cubmaster and Assistant Cubmaster are standing in front of the audience next to the table. As each Bear scout is called up with his parents, they are to form a line to the left of the stage when viewing the stage from the audience.



MAY

BACK TO NAUTRE

CUBMASTER: We have several Bear Cub Scouts who are eligible to join our Webelos den. Will they please come forward and stand to my right as I call your name. (Read off list of Bear scouts who will be advancing.)

ASSISTANT CUBMASTER: To welcome them, we have asked the current Webelos den, its den leader to come and stand on my left.

CUBMASTER: Bear Cub Scouts, we light this first candle as a symbol of the hard work you have done as you reached Bear rank and became eligible for our Webelos den. (Light first candle. The Assistant Cubmaster should pickup the Webelos neckerchiefs and slides in preparation of passing them out to the parents.)

CUBMASTER: We light the second candle in honor of your parents who have helped you this far along the Cub Scout trail. At this time, parents will you please remove your son's neckerchief and slide and replace them with the Webelos neckerchief and slide. (Assistant Cubmaster passes out the neckerchief and slide to each parent and the parents exchange the items.)

CUBMASTER: We light the third candle in honor of the Webelos den. Its members welcome you and want to help you still further along the Scouting trail so that you earn your Webelos badge and the highest honor in Cub Scouting--the Arrow of Light. (Assistant Cubmaster hands the Webelos colors to the Webelos Leader)

CUBMASTER: At this time I will ask (Webelos Den Leader), to pin your new Webelos colors onto your uniform shirt. (When this is done, the den leader shakes hands with each boy and his parents. The current Webelos scouts should follow down the line, shaking the hand of the new Webelos scouts.)



JUNE

STRONG FOR AMERICA



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"Her almighty lakes, like oceans of liquid silver; her mountains with their bright serial tints; her valleys, teeming with wild fertility, her tremendous cataracts, thundering in their solitudes; her broad, deep rivers, rolling in solemn silence to the ocean; her trackless forests, where vegetation puts forth all its magnificence; her skies, kindling with the magic of summer clouds and glorious sunshine---no, never need and American look beyond his country for the sunshine and beautiful"

Washington Irving

AMERICA IS BEAUTIFUL WORD

What do you see when you look at the word America? What mental picture do the seven letters create in your mind?

The Capital " A " suggests our magnificent snow-covered mountain peaks, and the wigwams of the original Americans.

The " m " symbolizes the broad shoulders of our pioneers; shoulders-to-the-wheel pushing our frontiers westward; broad shoulders swinging axes, building a Nation.

The " e " might be the lariats of the cowboys riding the plains; lariats of Kit Carson or Buffalo Bill.

The " r " is a man with outstretched arms in friendship and cooperation toward all who love freedom, justice and peace.

The " i " represents the individual American with his right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

The " c " is a bent bow from which an arrow has just sped toward the stars of mankind's highest ideals.

The final " a " is a man on his knees in prayer, symbolizing a Nation, which recognizes its Creator and gives thanks for His blessings.

Yes , America is a beautiful word.

CRAFT

Place a large piece of plain paper (not newspaper) on ironing board. Lay four pieces of plastic wrap, cut to the size desired, on top of the paper. Position colorful leaves on top of the paper, allowing one inch space between the leaves. Cover the leaves with four more layers of plastic wrap and top off with another piece of plain paper. Iron at low setting to melt the plastic together and around the leaves. Remove the paper and set the laminated leaves aside to cool for a few minutes. Cut or trim to size. Be sure to leave at least 1 inch between edge and leaves so the plastic will not pull apart.

TIN CAN ICE CREAM

1 - One pound coffee can
 1 - Three pound coffee can
 1 - 3 3/4 oz package instant pudding
 2 - 6 oz cans evaporated milk
 1 to 1 1/2 cups of regular milk
 Rock Salt
 Crushed Ice

Place the pudding and evaporated milk into the 1 pound coffee can and mix well.

Add enough regular milk into this coffee can to fill it 3/4 of the way full. Mix very well.

Cover tightly and place it into the 3 pound coffee can.

Fill the 3 pound can with ice and rock salt, making sure that the 1 pound can is surrounded with ice and salt on all sides, cover tightly.



JUNE

STRONG FOR AMERICA

Ice Cream (con't)

Now for the fun. Have campers or Den form tow lines opposite eqch other and roll the can back and forth to one another for about 15 to 20 minutes. Scrape the ice cream from the sides of the small can and recover. Check to see if more ice and rock salt are needed in the 3 pound can. Cover and continue until the ice cream is set.

ENJOY

Fresh fruit, canned fruit, chocolate chips can be added to the ice cream mixture for fun. Vanilla pudding with peaches, strawberry pudding with strawberries, Chocolate or vanilla pudding with choc. chips, butterscotch pudding with butterscotch chips.

BAKED APPLE

- 1 Apple
- 1 Tbl brown sugar
- pat butter
- cinnamon



Core the apple. Fill the hole with brown sugar, butter and cinnamon. Wrap in foil and bake in hot coals for 10 minutes.

YUM YUM

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW ABOUT OUR FLAG?

1. What virtues do the colors of the flag represents?
2. When is Flag Day?
3. How many white stripes are in the flag?
4. What shape should the flag be folded to form?

5. The flag is raised (a) slowly, (b) briskly, (c) at any speed that is comfortable.

6. If you carried the flag in a parade before the President of the United States, you would dip the flag slightly in salute to the President as you walkded past him. True or False?

7. If you are a Cub Scout you always give the Cub salute to the flag wheather or not you are in uniform. True or False?

Answers to questions.....

1. Blue is for justice; white is for purity; and red is for the blood of those ready to die or live worthly for their country.
2. Flag Day is June 14th
3. There are six white strips.
4. It should be folded to form a triangle.
5. Briskly, it's a happy occasion.
6. False, the flag is never dipped to anyone.
7. False. When you are in civilian clothes you remove your hat and place your right hand over your heart when the flag passes.

OPENING CEREMONY

This is a patriotic ceremony which may be adopted for any time of year.

EQUIPMENT: Tall blue candle, 10 smaller white candles, American Flag.

PERSONNEL: Narrator with 9 cubs.

ARRANGEMENT: Narrator is at center stage with small table in front of him and the American Flag to his right. The Blue candle is on the table. Using one previously lit white candle, the narrator lights the blue candle. Cub Scouts enter single file. Each lights the white candle he holds from the flame of the blue candle, speaks his lines, then joins the others to form a semi circle behind the flag.

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NARRATOR: "Tonight we recognize (lights the blue candle) our freedoms. Our nation has been kept strong and free only as we have been a Government of the people, by the people, and for the people. Each of us have a sacred obligation to vote, to do all that we can to preserve the freedoms for which thousands of our forefathers have died. Here are the freedoms guaranteed us in our Constitution.

CUB SCOUT #1: The right to worship God in one's own personal way.

CUB SCOUT #2: The right to free speech and press.

CUB SCOUT #3: The right to peaceable assemble.

CUB SCOUT #4: The right to petition for a redress of grievances.

CUB SCOUT #5: The right of habeas corpus--the freedom from excessive bail.

CUB SCOUT #6: The right to privacy in our homes.

CUB SCOUT #7: The right to trial by jury-- a man is innocent until proven guilty.

CUB SCOUT #8: The right to move about freely at home and to go abroad.

CUB SCOUT #9: The right to own property.

NARRATOR: To maintain our freedoms and pass them on to succeeding generations is the responsibility of every American. Keep your freedom. Vote as you think; serve your jury duty, if called. And finally, fly the Flag on Holidays. Let the world know that you believe in all of the rights it represents.



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(As the last sentence is spoken, each Cub Scout holds his candle straight above his head. After a brief pause, they blow out the candles and walk off stage.)

CLOSING CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster and Assistant Cubmaster.

EQUIPMENT: None.

ARRANGEMENT: Cubmaster and Assistant Cubmaster are standing in front of the audience.

CUBMASTER: Tonight we have recognized our freedoms, and have honored our countries flag. But what is this flag that we honor?

ASSISTANT CUBMASTER: The American flag is an honored symbol of our nation's unity, its hopes, achievements, glory and high resolve.

CUBMASTER: The flag of the United States of America is such a symbol...of Freedoms bravely fought for and hardly won...of Protection under the Constitution of the Rights and Privileges of all Americans...of promises of fulfillment of all their hopes and principles and ideals.

CUBMASTER: The flag of the United States of America is such a symbol...of Freedoms bravely fought for and hardly won...of Protection under the Constitution of the Rights and Privileges of all Americans...of promises of fulfillment of all their hopes and principles and ideals.

ASSISTANT CUBMASTER: It is also a symbol of the duty of all its citizens to serve in time of need, to speak out for what each considers right, and to help correct under the law that which is honestly believed to be wrong.

CUBMASTER: Throughout the ages, man has developed character, courage, and strength by devotion to the symbols he believed in. That is the heritage he left to us.

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ASSISTANT CUBMASTER: On behalf of (Cubmaster's name) and myself, we thank you for attending tonight and ask that you join us next month.

ADVANCEMENT CEREMONY

This ceremony emphasizes family participation in Cub Scouting. If you have more than one Cub Scout receiving awards, have all boys and parents come forward when the scouts name is called. This ceremony can be used for all ranks.

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster, Den Leaders, Cub Scouts, and parents.

EQUIPMENT: Badges and straight pins.

CUBMASTER: Cub Scouts and parents, tonight we want to honor those Cub Scouting families who are advancing in rank. Den Leader (name), one of the Cub Scouts in your den is ready to receive his _____ Badge this evening. Will you please call the scout and his family to the front.

DEN LEADER: Will (name) and his family please come forward. We're real glad that you have reached the _____ rank in cub scouting. It's one more step up the ladder.

CUBMASTER: Mr. & Mrs. (name), we are glad to have you here tonight. We want to tell you how much we appreciate the cooperation which you have given. Without it, your son might not have reached this rank. Cub Scouting is a family program and that means not only your son is advancing to this rank, but the whole family has taken another step upward, too.

As the Cubmaster, I have not earned the privilege of presenting the badge to your son, so I am giving it to you to present to your son and ask you to pin the badge on his left shirt pocket. (present to parents and they pin the badge on their son's pocket)

(to audience) Will you please join me in congratulating (name of scout) and his family.



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GAMES

Indian Shinny or Field Hockey

Here's how the the Dakotas played shinny. Use a broomstick about 30 inches long, a ball of rags (about the size of a grapefruit) covered with tape, and two goal stakes 10 feet apart at each end of the playing field.

The ball is placed in the center of the field, and the teams start to drive it, as in hockey. No one may touch the ball with his hands. The first team to drive the ball through the other team's goal wins the game.



Pony Express Relay

Each den is given a paper bag full of crumpled newspaper and is divided into two groups. They should be separated as far as possible. On signal the first "rider" in each den grabs the bag from the floor and races to the other group and puts the bag down. The first "rider" in the other line then races back to the start. This continues until all "riders" in the den have finished. First den through wins.

Coyote and Sheep

One BOY is the shepherd, One the coyote, the rest sheep. The shepherd and sheep form a line, hands clasped around the waist of the BOY ahead, with the shepherd at the front. The coyote says, "I want fat meat!" and the shepherds extends his arm. The whole line weaves this way and that TO AVOID THE COYOTE. When the coyote tags the last sheep, the shepherd becomes the coyote and the next boy in line becomes the shepherd.

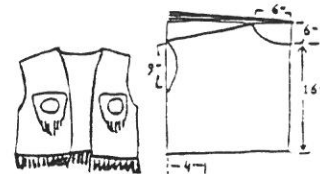
COSTUMES

You can make some quick and easy Western costumes with just brown paper bags and wrapping paper. These costumes could be used for playtime or to dress for pack meetings.

To give some of you costume pieces a leather-like appearance, crush and re-crush the paper with your hands until it is softened and wrinkled as much as possible. Then, spread out the paper and iron with a luke warm iron. To decorate your finished garments, use crayons or felt markers.

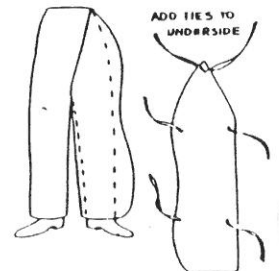
Cowboy Costumes

Vest: Use a large grocery bag, with the bottom of the bag for the shoulders, slit the grocery bag up the front; then cut openings for the neck and arms, as shown by the dotted lines



Now, crush the bag and Iron it for a leathery look. Cut fringe around the bottom of the vest. For added decoration, glue on paper circles with fringe added at the centers. If you want you could also draw on cattle brands.

Chaps: From brown paper, cut each leg of the chaps; taper it at the top, as shown. Crush and Iron the paper. To attach the chaps to your belt, staple, tape, or ribbon ties to the top. Also add pairs of ties as picture, to the underside of the chaps, to tie around your thighs and below the knees.

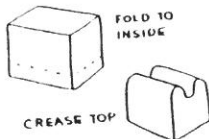


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Add paper circles, with fringe at center, for decoration.

Hat: You will need two brown paper bags for this hat. For the crown, use a bag that fits loosely over the child's head. Use a 10" x 16" bag for the brim. For the Crown, fold in the top edge of one bag until you have the height desired. Invert the bag and push in the top of crown for a crease, as shown.



For the brim, cut off the bottom of the other bag. Flatten so you have two layers about 16" square, with the seam running down the center of the underside. Brush glue between layers, press together, and let dry thoroughly.

SONGS

Columbus Song

Tune: Yankee doodle

In fourteen hundred and ninety two
Columbus sailed from Spain,
With three small ships and eighty men
Across the bounding main.
(chorus)

Columbus was a sailor fine
He know his navigation
And even though his men were scared,
He was their inspiration.
(chorus)

Don't be frightened men he said.
"Just think what's on the shore,
silks and spices, jewels and gold,
What sights there are in store."
(chorus)

All night long he kept his watch
The ship tossed to and fro
And when the light of dawn appeared,
The first mate yelled: "Land Ho"

CHORUS

"Sail on", he said "Sail on and on,
There's nothing you should dread;
We'll find the New world soon I'm sure.
Just think what lies ahead".

Brave Pioneers

Tune: Battle Hymn of the Republic

Who were the fearless pioneers
Who helped carve out our land,
Who traveled down the rugged trails
They were a fearless band.
They braved the weather and the wilds,
Those men and women bold,
Their story should be told.
(chorus)

Buffalo Bill and Daniel Boone
Two of the very best;
Zebulon Pike, Kit Carson, and Jim Bridger
and the rest.
Brave pioneers who risked their lives to
make this country grand.
We thank you for our land.
(chorus)

CHORUS

Traveling to an unknown land,
A very brave and daring band,
Pioneers, we think you're grand,
For lending us a hand



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OPENING CEREMONY



PERSONNEL: 8 Cub Scouts.
EQUIPMENT: 8 separate cards with a letter on the front that spells PIONEERS.
ARRANGEMENT: American and Pack flags are already placed at the front of the room. The Cub Scouts enter from the side and form a straight line facing the audience and their cards should spell PIONEERS. The boys then read the following statement which should be on the back of each of the respective cards.

P is for the People, who were our countries first pioneers.

I is for Indians, the native Americans that the pioneers met in their travels.

O is for Overland Trails, Pioneers traveled these trails on horseback and by wagon train as they headed West.

N is for the New Frontier, the place where pioneers could go in search of a new way of life.

E is for Escape, many pioneers left their homes in the East to escape the hard times and find a new life on the frontier.

E is for Explore, the pioneers were always exploring, for gold, for food, for water, and for a place they could settle down and call home.

R is for Rough times, the pioneers experienced many rough times with the weather, the land, and the people.

S is for Salute, as we salute our forefathers for the courage they displayed in exploring the frontier and finding new homes for their families, so let us salute tonight the one thing that brings all American families together, Our Flag. Please join me in the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

(All scouts turn to the flag and salute as the last scout starts off the Pledge of Allegiance.)

BUCKSKIN PIONEERS

CLOSING CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster, 5 participants from the audience.
EQUIPMENT: 5 index cards with the verses printed on them for the participants to read.
ARRANGEMENT: Have the 5 participants line up in a row behind the Cubmaster. After they read their verse, they can stand to one side.

CUBMASTER: I asked myself a question today: "What does it mean to be an American?" There were several answers... and they were all good. Being an American means I have a multitude of freedoms: (Stand to one side)

1st person: Freedom to think and say what I think (Move to the side opposite the Cubmaster. Move down far enough so others can stand next to you.)

2nd person: Freedom to worship (stand next to 1st person)

3rd person: Freedom to move about (stand next to 2nd person)

4th person: Freedom to try, and freedom to fail (stand next to 3rd person)

5th person: Freedom to stand up straight and look the world in the eye

CUBMASTER: These freedoms were not of my doing. They were here long before I was born. My forefathers, and yours, fought to win them, I have four guarantees they will remain: the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, my fellow Americans and myself. No man could ask for more. Thank you for coming this evening and we look forward to seeing you next month.

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ADVANCEMENT CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster is dressed as an Indian Chief; an adult is dressed as a medicine man, and another adult is dressed as an old fur trader with saddle bags. Medicine man and Indian Chief at front of room.

MEDICINE MAN: There are several braves here tonight who have worked hard since we last met, and have earned awards for their efforts. I sent an order to the trading post last week and it should be here by now. I don't know what happened, but they have not arrived. I fear we will have to wait until next month.

FUR TRADER: (Looking wild, wooly and hurried, enters room carrying saddle bags). Is this the meeting of Cub Scout Pack ____?

CUBMASTER: Yes, it is. Who are you?

FUR TRADER: I'm the rider from the trading post.

MEDICINE MAN: I'm heap glad to see you.

FUR TRADER: Well, I hope you're ready to trade.

MEDICINE MAN: Hmmm. I have 3 blue beads for (name) who has earned the Bobcat rank.

FUR TRADER: Good enough. Where is the varmint?

CUBMASTER: Will (cub scout name) and his parents please step forward? (present the badge to parents to present to boy) Congratulations on your hard work!

MEDICINE MAN: I have 3 red feathers for (name) who has earned the Wolf rank.

FUR TRADER: Good deal!

CUBMASTER: Will (cub scout name) and his parents please step forward? present the badge to parents to present to boy) Congratulations on your hard work! (Continue presenting awards in similar manner.)

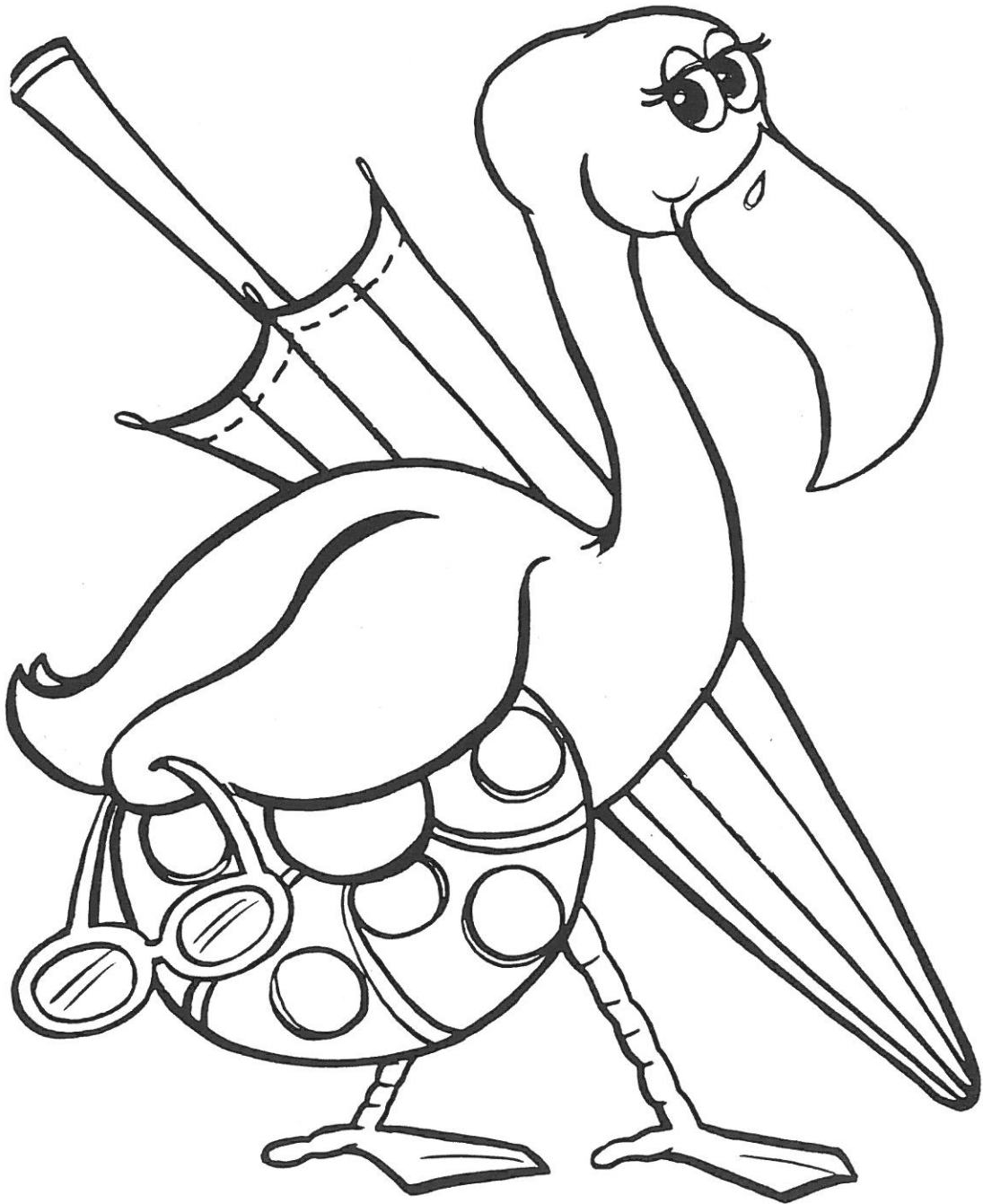
CUBMASTER: (To Fur Trader.) Thanks for getting here on time with all our awards. The boys really appreciate it.

FUR TRADER: My pleasure son. Now I gotta be gettin' along. So long Chief! (He exits)



AUGUST

WATER FUN



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WATER PISTOLS

Have a sunny day water fight with your friends. Rinse out two plastic containers for dish washing detergent. Fill the containers with water and replace the caps. Then go outside, stand back to back with your friend, slowly take three paces forward, turn around, and squirt!!!

WATER SCOPE

Cut out ends of 3 fruit juice cans. Place can ends to end and fasten with wire, or cold solder, and cover seams with waterproof tape. Insert this cylinder into a jar, or clear plastic cup or wrap end with saran wrap, or put cylinder in baggie. Tape up tightly to keep out sea water. To Use: Simply push end that has the cup, or plastic down into water and look down through the cylinder, you will see all kinds of underwater life have fun.

RUBBER BAND POWERED PADDLE WHEEL

Cut hull and wheel house from 1/2" pine. Hull is 8x4" with pointed bow and U-shaped stern. Cut a 2 3/4" x 1 1/2" hole in stern to accept the 2 1/2" x 1 1/2" paddle wheel. Glue wood block wheel house sections to band on either side of lap-jointed paddle wheel and slip washers over ends of rubber bands. Insert paddle wheel, looping rubber band ends over notches in stern "legs". Finish with waterproof varnish.

WALKING TURTLE

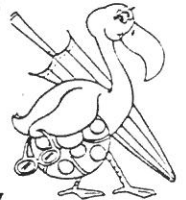
This clever little turtle's shell is half of a plastic egg from nylon hose. Cut his head, legs and tail from brightly colored felt and glue them to the shell. Draw the features and decorate the shell with permanent markers. Place a golf ball under the turtle, give him a slight push and watch him go!. Make several and the kids can hold a turtle derby.

WATER FUN

THE RAIN GUTTER DINGY DERBY

The Dinky Derby is a fun and simple twist to the popular Raingutter Regatta. Unlike a lot of other Derbies, this requires no advanced preparation on the part of the Cub Scout and his family.

Materials - on for each participant
Small Styrofoam plate
toothpick
piece of paper approximately 1 1/2" long by 1" wide
Enough scissors for sharing!



The boats are made right here at the pack meeting. They are instructed to cut out a triangle from the Styrofoam plate for their boat. They use the toothpick for the mast and the paper threaded through the toothpick for the sail. Allow 5 to 10 minutes for assembly.

The Dingies are propelled by the boys blowing into the sails. Hint: Tell the boys the boats sink if blown on too hard. Soft and steady blowing wins the type of race! The race course varies depending on your resources. Portable wading pools, raingutter, swimming pool, pond or lake. In the case of the wading pools or raingutters it is advised to have one set per den.

You'll need a parent for supervising the racing in each den. Racing begins with each boy racing their dinghies against the other boys in his den to see which boat and boy will represent their den in the finals. This activity will be noisy with all the dens racing at the same time.

Have a pit area where the boys who win can go and get new masts or sails to prepare for the next heat. The pack is reassembled for the finals. Den Spirit is heightened as each Den sends their representative to the finals. The Dinky Derby is meant as a Den Victory, so we recommend that the winner not be awarded individually, but with a prize for each in the winning Den or a ribbon for the Den Flag.

August

WATER FUN

OPENING CEREMONY

It is recommended that this ceremony be performed in conjunction with a family swim day and picnic.

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster, and 1 Den Leader.

EQUIPMENT: Large wash tub filled 1/4 of the way with water, fishing pole, plunger head, fishing outfit for the Den Leader, 6 sheets of cloth with the following words written on them: PLEDGE, THE, I, FLAG, ALLEGIANCE, TO. (1 word per cloth) Board of some sort to tack the cloth's on.

ARRANGEMENT: Cubmaster and Den Leader are standing in front. Den Leader has his fishing line in the tub of water with the plunger head on the end. The cloths are placed in the tub. When the Den Leader pulls one out he pulls them out randomly so that when he is finished, the words spell out I Pledge Allegiance To The Flag.

CUBMASTER: We have a ceremony specialist here tonight to help us get started. He is Professor Plop from M.F.T., Mighty Fisherman Tech. The Professor tells me that he has a lesson for all Cub Scouts.

PROFESSOR: I think I have a big one here. (struggling with fishing pole.) Do you think you can help me out? Here, hold the pole while I pull him out. (Hands the pole to the Cubmaster and reaches down and pulls out one of the cloths that has one of the words on it. He then squeezes the water out and gives to the Cubmaster and takes the pole from the Cubmaster. The professor then goes back to fishing for the next cloth.)

CUBMASTER: Well, it is a sign that says _____ (whatever one it may be) Let's put this up here and see what else the Professor can catch.

(repeat this next verse until all the cloths are out)

PROFESSOR: Oh, oh. I got another big one.

Here help me out again. (The professor hands the pole to the Cubmaster and pulls the next cloth out. The Cubmaster hands the pole back to the Professor and hangs the cloth up next to the first one. The professor then goes back to fishing.)

CUBMASTER: Professor, I don't understand. You keep catching words. There has to be a message to this somewhere.

(Repeat Professor catching all the cloths and then...)

CUBMASTER: Professor, I think what the fish are trying to tell us is that in order for us to be good Cub Scouts, we need to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Will you start us off this evening?

PROFESSOR: Sure. I'd be happy to. (Recites the Pledge of Allegiance.)

CLOSING CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster, and same Den Leader that was in opening.

EQUIPMENT: Same equipment as used in the Opening Ceremony. Except this time, only 1 cloth with the words "THE END" written on it and placed in the tub.

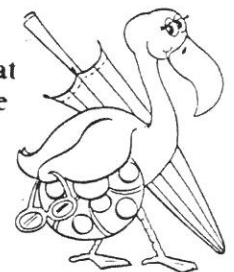
ARRANGEMENT: Cubmaster and Den Leader are at the front of the audience. The Den Leader (Professor) has his fishing line in the tub. This time, the cloth is attached to his line.

CUBMASTER: Well Professor, I see that you are back to fishing. Do you have one more lesson for us?

PROFESSOR: I sure do! (He pulls the cloth out of the water and hands it to the Cubmaster.)

CUBMASTER: (He wrings out the water and holds the cloth to the audience and says) The End! Thanks for coming.

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AUGUST

WATER FUN

ADVANCEMENT CEREMONY

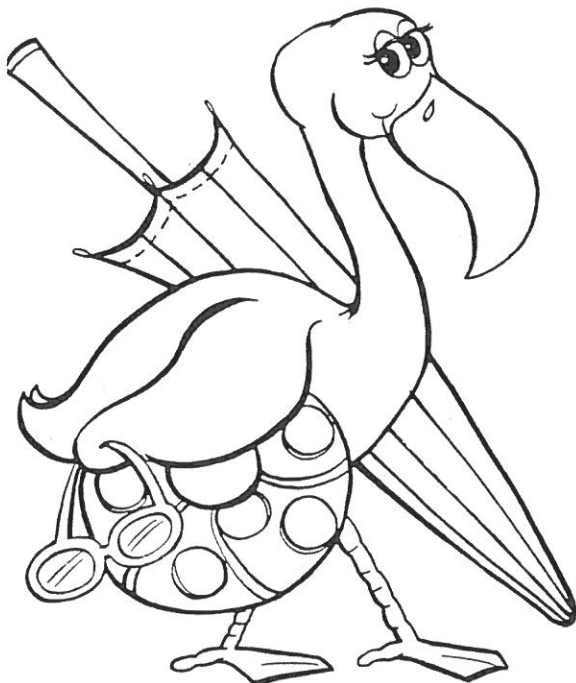
PERSONNEL: Cubmaster dressed in either a pirate or lifeguard outfit, 2 Cub scouts dressed similar to the Cubmaster, and the Cub Scouts who are advancing.

EQUIPMENT: Costumes for Cubmaster and 2 Cub Scouts, and a cardboard box shaped like a treasure chest with imitation jewels on the outside of the box with awards inside of box..

ARRANGEMENT: Cubmaster is standing in the front of the audience. As the two Cub Scouts are instructed to enter, they do so carrying the treasure chest which has the awards in it to be handed out.

CUBMASTER: Since our theme this month is Water Fun, we decided to have 2 of our Cub Scouts go exploring to see what they could find in the depth of Cub Scouting. Look, here they come now. Let's see what they have...

(2 Cub Scouts enter carrying the treasure chest which they place either on the ground by the Cubmaster or on a table by the Cubmaster).



CUBMASTER: Thanks boys, lets see what you have here. (Cubmaster opens chest and pulls out the first award to be handed out.) The first treasure I have found are _____ badges for (cub scout's names). Will (cub scouts) and their parents please come forward. (Cubmaster says something special about the rank being earned) Parents, we are pleased at the progress your son has made, and know that he could not have done it without you. I present to you, his _____ badge and ask that you present it to him. (Present the badges to the parents to hand to the scouts. Once this has been done, turn to the audience.)

CUBMASTER: Help me congratulate these boys by giving them a (select an appropriate applause) applause.

(If there are additional awards to give out, go on to the next reading.)

CUBMASTER: (Reaching in the box for additional awards) Let's see here. Next we have _____ Badges for (read off cub scout's names). Will they and their parents please come forward. Parents, we are pleased at the progress your son has made, and know that he could not have done it without you. I present to you, his _____ badge and ask that you present it to him. (Present the badges to the parents to hand to the scouts. Once this has been done, turn to the audience.)

CUBMASTER: Help me congratulate these boys by giving them a (select an appropriate applause) applause.

SEPTEMBER

**EXPLORING YOUR
NEIGHBORHOOD**



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EXPLORE YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Suggested Pack Service Project

Write letters for seniors at a nearby Senior Center. Collect clothes for a home for Battered Women and Children. Clear litter away in the neighborhood.

Den Activity

Council Meeting, find out when and where they are held in you community. Write letters to the Mayor, or you City Council Member, share responses with pack. Pack a lunch and go exploring in the neighborhood. Bike hike. Visit a History Museum.

SCOUTING IN OUR COMMUNITY

POLICE STATION: A Cub Scout tries to obey laws of his city. A Cub Scout tries to be honest. A Cub Scout tries to follow bicycle safety rules. A Cub Scout tries to be a good citizen. A Cub Scout shows respect to his Country and his Flag.

FIRE STATION: A Cub Scout follows fire safety rules. A Cub Scout learns the Outdoor Code. A Cub Scout learns "911" and uses it in an emergency.

SCHOOL: A Cub Scout works toward being a scholar. A Cub Scout learns more about his City, State and Country.

PARK: A Cub Scout has FUN. A Cub Scout tries not to litter. A Cub Scout learns and practices water and bicycle safety. A Cub Scout tries not to pollute water.

HOSPITAL: A Cub Scout tries to keep himself clean. A Cub Scout learns and tries to practice good health rules. A Cub Scout learns home First Aid. A Cub Scout places emergency numbers near home phone.

GROCERY STORE: A Cub Scout helps recycle aluminum cans. A Cub Scout learns to be helpful, like caring out groceries or putting groceries into the car and later at home. A Cub Scout learns to eat healthful foods.

CHURCH: A Cub Scout tries to practice the religion his family has chosen.

OFFICE BUILDING: A Cub Scout is always curious!

- What is in that tall building?
- What job will I have when I grow up?
- I wonder what my mom and/or dad do when they go to work?

HIKE

A Cub Scout hike is merely a "Walk with a Purpose." The purpose can be one of adventure, learning, or simply a means to get from one place to another and having a good time doing it.. Boys should be properly clothed, depending on the season. Suitable footwear is important. Use the buddy system when hiking, with a Leader or a Den Chief at the front and another Leader at the en of the line.

Here are some suggestions for different types of hikes:

Baby Hike - List all the babies seen(Birds, Fern, Leaf, Snail, etc.)

Bubble Gum Hike - Give each boy a piece of bubble gum and a plain piece of paper. As he chews and hikes, he can use small pieces of his gum to attach interesting objects to his paper.

Coin Hike - At each intersection, flip a coin Heads go left, tails go right.



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EXPLORE YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

HIKE (con't)

Color Hike - Look for all the different colors of nature; or try to find everything you can of one particular color.

Craft Hike - Gather nature items to use for craft projects.

Homes hike - Look for spider webs, nests, holes and other homes. Make a list of the different homes you find.

Knot Hike - along a path tie ropes around trees using knots. Instruct the boys in advance which direction to go when they identify a particular knot.

Rain Hike - Hike in a gentle rain. Be sure all boys have waterproof rain gear. Note how plants and animals conduct themselves and appear in the rain.

Sniff Hike - Be Snoopy... Be Aware... Explore everything, collect anything: seeds, leaves, fossils, dried weeds.

Stop Look & Listen Hike - Hike for 5 minutes or for a certain number of steps, Stop and write down all that you see and hear. Make several different stops.

String Hike - Follow a string along which object have been put on to identify.

Track or Sign Hike - Look for different kinds of signs or tracks left by animals. Follow the signs to see where they go.

Tracking Hike- Strap and open can of baby powder on a boy's leg. As he takes each step, a trail is left behind. The other boys then try to follow the train.

Wool Sock Hike - Each boy wears a pair of wool socks. As he hikes, his socks will gather interesting objects.

RULES FOR ENJOYING NATURE TREASURES.

1. First of all,, always remember to TAKE CARE of natural things.
2. NEVER DESTROY THINGS! Do not peel bark or break branches off of a living tree, or pull up plants by their rood or kill animals.
3. When you are looking for materials for nature projects, take only fallen leaves, branches or sticks laying on the ground, dried up weeds.
4. Get to know the laws in your areas for picking wild plants and flowers or for picking up rocks and shells. In many states it is against the law to take these things from their natural habitats. If you area does permit picking stick things, take just a very few and leave the rest undisturbed.
5. On a few occasions you may wish to pick live flowers or grasses for drying or making arrangements. Do this only if it is NOT forbidden by law.
6. If you're planning an adventure with bugs and spiders or worms or frogs or other animals capture them carefully and don't let them die. Always take care of the animal while you have it and give it, its freedom after a short while.
7. Learn how to enjoy nature's treasures without using them up. Take pictures of things often. Identify plants and animals, watch natural happenings, ask question, study books about outdoor life and ecology. All these things can be done without interfering with natural processes.
8. For you own safety - NEVER, EVER eat or taste plants or berries you find and DO NOT touch animals unless you are very sure they are safe.



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RULES (con't)

9. When you go off exploring, do these things for your won safety:
- get permission from the leader in charge.
 - tell someone where you are going and how long you want to be gone
 - take someone along with you
A BUDDY

10. ALWAYS clean up after you've done an outdoor activity. Don't leave trash or footprints or junk scattered around. Do not go into a natural place and rearrange it by moving rocks, logs or things around. Try to have this as your motto:

"WHEN I LEAVE SPACE, NO ONE WILL BE ABLE TO TELL I WAS EVER THERE".

CRAFT

Litter Basket Slide

Materials: Jet dry basket, piece of black plastic,, pipe cleaner, paper, glue

Thread pipe cleaner through basket and form ring for slide. Glue black plastic into basket to form a trash bag. Make a little sign with paper that says "LITTER" and glue to front. Fill basket with wadded paper scraps and glue.

SONG

The Bug Song

They go wild, simply wild over me.
They go wild, just as wild as they can be.
Every morning, noon and night,
Every minute how they bite --
The spider, mosquitoes, and every fly in sight.

Every morning my pillowcase,
pillowcase.
There's a daddy longlegs stare me in the face, in the face.
In my bathing suit and shoes
Bugs assemble for a snooze.
They go wild, simply wild over me.

They go wild simply wild over me;
They go mad, just as mad as they can be
No matter where I'm at
All the chigger, lean and fat,
The tall ones, the small ones --
I scratch them off like that !!

Every night, how they fight over me.
They just run from my head down to my feet.
Though I use some salty grease,
I can never rest in peace --
They go wild, simply wild over me...

Gopher Guts
Tune: Old Gray Mare

Great geen gobs of greasy, grimy gopher guts.
Multilated monkeys meat,
Little hairy piggy fet.
French Fried eyeballs flating in a pool of blood,
Don't you wish you had a spoon or a straw...
Slurp, spoon or straw
Slurp
Spoon or straw...
Slurp!!!



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OPENING CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster, Assistant Cubmaster and possibly some City Government officials.

EQUIPMENT: Index cards with the following phrases written on them.

ARRANGEMENT: The American and Pack flags should be in the front of the room. All participants should also be in front off to the side. As it is each persons to speak, they should come up to the front and read their lines. They should them remain in front until after the pledge. At that time, the Cubmaster should introduce the visitors to the audience.

CUBMASTER: What is Cub Scouting?? There are many answers, but let's listen to a few of them now.

ASSISTANT CUBMASTER: Cub Scouting influences the development of character and encourages spiritual growth.

1st GUEST: It also develops habits and attitudes of good citizenship.

2nd GUEST: And, Cub Scouting encourages good sportsmanship and pride in growing strong in mind and body.

3rd GUEST: Cub Scouting strengthens the ability to get along with other boys and teaches respect of other people.

4th GUEST: It also fosters a sense of personal achievement by developing new interests and skills.

5th GUEST: And, Cub Scouting shows young boys how to be helpful and do one's best.

CUBMASTER: But most of all, Cub Scouting provides fun and exciting new things for our boys to do. Will you please stand for the pledge to our Nations flag.



EXPLORE YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

CLOSING CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster and Assistant Cubmaster.

EQUIPMENT: 4 index cards with the Outdoor Code written on them.

ARRANGEMENT: The Cubmaster and Assistant Cubmaster are standing in front of the audience.

CUBMASTER: Tonight we have explored our neighborhood. Even though we may not think of our neighborhood as the outdoors, it truly is. We have trees, fields, rivers and streams. Therefore, (Assistant Cubmaster's name) and I would like to read you the Outdoor Code. As an American, I will do my best to ...

ASSISTANT CUBMASTER: BE CLEAN IN MY OUTDOOR MANNERS. I will treat the outdoors as a heritage to be improved for our greater enjoyment. I will keep my trash and garbage out of America's waters, fields, woods, and roadways.

CUBMASTER: BE CAREFUL WITH FIRE. I will prevent wildfire. I will build my fire in a safe place and be sure it is out before I leave.

ASSISTANT CUBMASTER: BE CONSIDERATE IN THE OUTDOORS. I will treat public and private property with respect. I will remember that use of the outdoors is a privilege I can lose by abuse.

CUBMASTER: BE CONSERVATION-MINDED. I will learn how to practice good conservation of soil, waters, forests, minerals, grasslands, and wildlife; and I will urge others to do the same. I will use sportsmanlike methods in all my outdoor activities.

CUBMASTER: This concludes our ceremony this evening and we look forward to you joining us next month.

ADVANCEMENT CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster, Assistant Cubmaster and Boys who are advancing.

EQUIPMENT: 1 van cut out of cardboard that the Cubmaster can carry. Make up 4 buildings which look like different buildings in your community (Hospital, Firehouse, Police Station, Bank, Store, etc.) Different costume pieces that the Cubmaster and Assistant Cubmaster can wear when the building's are displayed. Awards to be handed out for each rank.

ARRANGEMENT: The Cubmaster and Assistant Cubmaster are standing in the front of the audience. Have the cardboard van up front as well as the cardboard buildings. The Cubmaster will start out speaking, and then will pick up the cardboard van and walk around the audience back to the front. When the Cubmaster reaches the front, the Assistant Cubmaster should already be in a costume that matches the building being displayed. The costume pieces for the Cubmaster should be simple enough for him/her to put on quickly.

CUBMASTER: Since our monthly theme is Exploring your Neighborhood, we decided to take you on a tour of our city. We will visit 4 different locations, and we will look for many awards that our Cub Scouts have earned since our last Pack Meeting. Are we ready?? (Audience responds that they are ready to go!) Okay, let's get into our Cub Scout Van, and go to our first stop. (Cubmaster should pick up the van and leave the front of the audience. When the Cubmaster leaves the stage area, the Assistant Cubmaster should move the first building into place and put the costume pieces on. The Cubmaster should then proceed back to the front of the audience. Upon arrival to the front, the Cubmaster needs to put the costume pieces on.)

CUBMASTER: (To Assistant Cubmaster) Well (Assistant Cubmaster's name), I see you made it to (building's name) before I did. I guess we have some awards to hand

out. Who are they for? (Assistant Cubmaster retrieves the awards from the side of the building).

ASSISTANT CUBMASTER: It looks like we have some boys who have earned their Bobcat badge.

CUBMASTER: Well call them up along with their parents so that we can all congratulate them.

ASSISTANT CUBMASTER: Will (Cub Scout's name) and his parents please come forward. (Proceed with the regular Bobcat advancement ceremony)



CUBMASTER: Well it's time to go on to (next building's name). See you later (Assistant Cubmaster's name). The Cubmaster should then pick up the van and head out into the audience. It may be humorous if the Cubmaster makes sounds of a vehicle. The Assistant Cubmaster should then bring out the second building and costumes.)

CUBMASTER: (To Assistant Cubmaster) Well (Assistant Cubmaster's name), I see you made it to (building's name) before I did. I guess we have some awards to hand out. Who are they for? (Assistant Cubmaster retrieves the awards from the side of the building).

ASSISTANT CUBMASTER: It looks like we have some boys who have earned their Wolf badge.

CUBMASTER: Well call them up along with their parents so that we can all congratulate them.

ASSISTANT CUBMASTER: Will (Cub Scout's name) and his parents please come forward. (Proceed with the regular Wolf advancement ceremony)

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CUBMASTER: (To Assistant Cubmaster) Well (Assistant Cubmaster's name), I see you made it to (building's name) before I did. I guess we have some awards to hand out. Who are they for? (Assistant Cubmaster retrieves the awards from the side of the building).

ASSISTANT CUBMASTER: It looks like we have some boys who have earned their Bear badge.

CUBMASTER: Well call them up along with their parents so that we can all congratulate them.

ASSISTANT CUBMASTER: Will (Cub Scout's name) and his parents please come forward. (Proceed with the regular Bear advancement ceremony)

CUBMASTER: (To Assistant Cubmaster) Well (Assistant Cubmaster's name), I see you made it to (building's name) before I did. I guess we have some awards to hand out. Who are they for? (Assistant Cubmaster retrieves the awards from the side of the building).

ASSISTANT CUBMASTER: It looks like we have some boys who have earned their Webelos badge.

CUBMASTER: Well call them up along with their parents so that we can all congratulate them.

ASSISTANT CUBMASTER: Will (Cub Scout's name) and his parents please come forward. (Proceed with the regular Webelos advancement ceremony)

CUBMASTER: That concludes the tour of our city. Please join us in congratulating all of our Neighborhood Explorers.



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Achievement Parade

Den Doodles

Den doodles are an excellent way to stimulate advancement. They also make the den meeting and Pack meeting places more eye-appealing. You and your boys will have some good ideas of your own. The main thing to remember is to use some object to recognize each BOY'S advancement.

When additions are made to the doodle, it is nice to use a short ceremony in the den. You may wish to give each BOY the opportunity to color or paint his own additions to the doodle. Be sure to take your doodle to Pack meetings for display. This will give the parents an idea of where their BOY stands advancement-wise in the den and Pack.

The floor model doodle is usually fastened to some type of pole, such as a broomstick or dowel. The base can be a large can filled with plaster. If you wrap the stick with foil or grease it with petroleum jelly and insert it when the plaster is soft, you can remove the stick after the plaster is hard. This makes for easier handling and transporting from place to place. The plaster-filled can serves as a weight so the doodle won't topple over.

A table top doodle can be made with two pegboards (whatever size you need), ice cream sticks for nameplates, yarn and push pins, paper fasteners or small bolts for achievements. Using yarn, tie boards together at top and bottom to form easel, as pictured. Write each BOY'S name on ice cream stick. Glue name plates across the top on both sides of easel. Insert doodles in rows under each BOY'S name as goals are achieved. Use as many rows as necessary for each boy. Use a different type of doodle for each different type of achievement.

A hanging doodle can be made by attaching jar lid nameplates to board, 1/2" thick, to hang on the wall. The length of the board depends on how many nameplates you are attaching. Using a hammer and nail, punch out boy's initials on the jar lid. Paint the lid. Pound nail in board on which to hang each jar lid. To recognize achievements on this board, use painted bottle caps (puncture centers with nail) or pieces of hardware. Tie one to a strand of yarn each time the boy achieves a goal. Keep adding doodles to same strand for that boy. Attach yarn to board under name with screw eye. To hang, insert screw eye at ends. Knot ends of long strand of yarn to eyes.

Any number of things can be used to recognize advancement on the doodle; examples: colored beads, spools, wood cutouts, cardboard cutouts, peanuts, modeling dough beads or objects, pine cones, heads made from cardboard rolls or modeling dough or walnut shells, etc.

SONGS

Hey, Look Me Over!

Hey, look me over, Lend me an ear,
 Watch me advance in Scouting every year,
 First I'm a Bobcat, then a Wolf and Bear,
 Soon I'm a Webelos and I'll go from there
 A-singing,
 Hey look me over, lend me an ear
 Join me in a song and sing out loud and clear,
 That our Cubbing advancement is the way to
 grow,
 Stand back parents here we go!

Advance in Rank

Tune: *There is a Tavern in the Town*

Advance in rank is what you do, what you do,
 Cub Scouts can be lot of fun for you, fun for you,
 Bobcat, Wolf, Bear, and Webelos, too,
 Come join our happy, happy crew!



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GAMES



Master of the Ring

A circle is drawn on the ground. The players stand shoulder to shoulder, inside the circle with arms folded either on their chests or behind their backs. When the signal is given, players try to push one another out of the circle. When a boy steps on the circle, he is out. He is also out if he unfolds his arms or falls down. The last player to remain is the "Master of the Ring."

Object Passing Tag

The den selects some object whis is passed from one boy to the other. This may be a ball, neckerchief, or small stone. One can only be tagged when he has this object in his possession. Another player must take it as soon as it is offered to him, and if he refuses to do so, he is immediately "IT."

Advancing Statues

All players stand in a line, except one. He satnds some distance ahead of the line and covers his eyes as he counts from 1 to 10. The players try to get from one side of the room to the other while "It" is counting to ten. As soon as "It" reaches ten, he looks up suddenly. Any player caught in motion must go back to the starting point. The others hold whatever position they happen to have at the time, statue-like. The first player to cross the room becomes "It" or has the privilege of selecting the next "It."

Spud Spear Relay

Divide the den into teams for a relay race. Provide each team with a fork. Potatoes are arranged on a course from four to twenty feet apart, depending on the space available. Runner #1 runs to the first potatoe, spears it with the fork, carries it back and drops it in a basket before handing the fork to his next teammate. #2 gets the second potatoe in the same manner. The team first to get its last potate back home and in the basket wins.

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Spud Spear Relay (con't)

The hand must not touch the potato at any time.

Sardines

One player hides in a closet, behind a door, under the steps, in a cavern, behind a big rock, in a clump of trees or bushes. The rest scatter and hunt, each player hunter singly. As a player finds the hidden player, he hides with him. However, he is careful not to tip off the hiding place to the others so, if he observes others near at the time, he may go on as if still seeking and come back at a more favorable opportunity. Imagine the fun when ten or more boys crowd into the same hiding place. The game is good fun either indoors or outdoors.

Word Search

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| CAMP | SIGN |
| CUB | TRIPS |
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| DEN | WOLF |
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ADVANCEMENT

What do we plant when we plant a tree?
 We plant the ship which will cross the sea.
 We plant the mast to carry the sails,
 We plant the planks to withstand the gales;
 The keel, the keelson, the beam, the knee;
 We plant a ship when we plant a tree.

What do we plant when we plant a tree?
 We plant the houses for you and me.
 We plant the rafters, the shingles, the floors,
 We plant the studding, the lath, the doors,
 The beams and siding, all parts that be;
 We plant a house when we plant a tree.

What do we plant when we plant a tree?
 A thousand things that we daily see.
 The paper for books from which we learn,
 Tools to help us do a good turn,
 The wood for a Pinewood Derby car,
 For Model planes that we can fly far,
 We plant the staff for the flag of the free,
 Yes, we plant all these when we plant a tree.

But what do we plant when we plant a lad?
 With the help of his mother and his dad,
 We plant a Cub who'll become a Scout.
 We plant ideas that will round him out.
 The skill, the games, the joy to be had,
 We plant a Scout when we plant a lad.

(From here the Cubmaster goes into a standard awards ceremony. Narration could be done by Committee Chairman and Awards Chairperson during the Ceremony. When awards have been given out, these last two lines are said by the narrator.)

What do we plant when we plant a lad?
 We plant a Scout when we plant a lad.

Congratulations to all of you.

Props: If you want, you could have awards tied to a tree branch.



ACHIEVEMENT PARADE

DEN ADVANCEMENT CEREMONY

Set up the den doodle in a convenient spot where all the boys can see it. Have the boys stand facing the den doodle, in a circle around it, or in a semi-circle or line facing it.

Den Leader: We have a boy (or boys) today who is ready to add another achievement doodle to his string on our den doodle (or who has completed three more achievements and has earned a bead to wear on his thong.) He has been working hard on achievements to earn his (Wolf or Bear) badge.

Will _____ please come forward. Our assistant Den leader _____ will present him with his doodle which he will add to his string (or bead to be added to his thong.)

Asst Den Leader: (Presents boy with recognition.) Congratulations _____. You're doing fine on your achievements. Keep up the good work.

Den Leader: Now, while _____ is adding his doodle to his string on our den doodle (or adding his bead to his thong), our Den Chief _____ is goid to lead us in the Den Achievement Pledge.

Den Chief: Let's all give the Cub Scout Sign and repeat with me:

We the boys of Den # _____
 Promise to do our best
 To keep working on our achievements,
 And make our den stand out from all
 the rest!

Den Leader: Now, let's give _____, # _____ Big How's (Match the number of How's to number achievements or number of boys being recognized.) How! How!, etc.

This ceremony can be changed for variety and sometimes the boys could give the den yel or sing the den song instead of the pledge.

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OPENING CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster, Assistant Cubmaster, Committee Members and Den Leaders, 1 Cub Scout from each Den/Patrol, and 2 other Cub Scouts.

EQUIPMENT: American, Pack and Den/Patrol flags, and some sort of elevated flag base for Den/Patrol flags showing a different height upward for each level of scouting.

ARRANGEMENT: Cubmaster and Assistant Cubmaster are standing in the front of the room. The Committee members and Den/Patrol Leaders are seated in the audience. The two extra Cub Scouts are carrying the American and Pack Flag. The Cub Scout from each Den/Patrol are standing in the back of the room holding their Den/Patrol flags lined up behind the American and Pack flags. As the Cubmaster speaks the entire flag procession will walk toward the front of the stage.

CUBMASTER: (Puts Cub Scout sign in the air to signal silence) Will you please stand for the presentation of our Colors. (Audience rises)

ASSISTANT CUBMASTER: Color guard present colors. (Color guard marches forward through the audience to the flag bases. The Cub Scouts carrying the Den/Patrol flags line up in front of the audience in a semi-circle fashion.)

ASSISTANT CUBMASTER: Color Guard, Halt. (Cub Scouts stop.)

ASSISTANT CUBMASTER: Color Guard, post colors. (Cub Scouts place flags in stands, take one step backward, and salute their flag.)

CUBMASTER: Please join me in the Pledge of Allegiance. (Recites the pledge and then asks audience to be seated. This includes the Cub Scouts used in the ceremony. The Cub Scouts carrying the Den/Patrol flags should place them in the flag holders at the front of the room.)

CUBMASTER: This month our theme is "Achievement Parade". Since we have just starting a new school year and we have just recently recruited several new scouts and their families, we want to introduce to you the leadership of Cub Scout Pack ____.

Cubmaster should introduce him or herself, Assistant Cubmaster, Tiger Cub Organizer, Den/Patrol Leaders starting with the lowest in rank. Assistant Cubmaster should introduce the Pack Committee starting with the Chairman and working the way down through the different individuals.)

CUBMASTER: As you will see this evening, the Cub Scout program has many different levels of scouting which will be recognized here tonight.

CLOSING CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster, and Assistant Cubmaster.

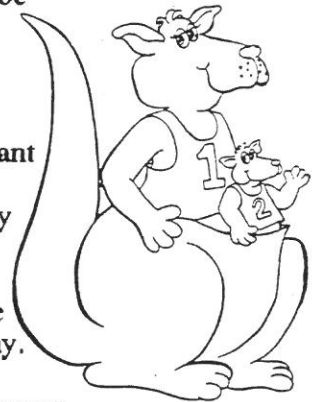
EQUIPMENT: Den/Patrol Flag display from opening.

ARRANGEMENT: Cubmaster and Assistant Cubmaster are standing in the front of the room next to the flag display.

CUBMASTER: Tonight we have taken you through the ranks of Cub Scouting. From the Tiger Cub level (placing hand over the Tiger Cub flag), to the Wolf level (placing hand over the Wolf flags), on up the line to the Bear level (placing hand over the Bear flags) and finally to our Webelos level of Cub Scouts. (place hand over the Webelos flags.)

ASSISTANT CUBMASTER: Each of our Cub Scouts works hard each month to achieve the goals of his Den or Patrol. And, as you know, they cannot achieve these goals without the help of all of you.

CUBMASTER: So, in conclusion this evening, the advancements given out this evening were not only awarded to the Cub Scouts themselves, but were also awarded to you, their scouting partners. Thanks for being with us this evening and have a good night.



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ACHIEVEMENT PARADE

ADVANCEMENT CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster, Assistant Cubmaster, and all boys from each rank who are advancing.

EQUIPMENT: Awards and straight pins.

ARRANGEMENT: The Cubmaster will announce the award and the Assistant Cubmaster will present the award to the scout receiving the award.

CUBMASTER: Tonight we have several scouts who have advanced up the Achievement ladder in Cub Scouts. Our first advancement is for the Bobcat badge. Regardless of the age in Cub Scouts, any new scout must first earn his Bobcat badge before he can earn the badge for his rank. Tonight we have ___ scouts who have earned their Bobcat badge. As I call your name, please come forward with your parents. (Read off the names of the boys earning the bobcat badge. Proceed with standard Bobcat ceremony).

CUBMASTER: Next we have some advancements to the Wolf Badge. Will (cub scout's name) and his parents please come forward. (Proceed with standard Wolf ceremony).

CUBMASTER: Next we have some advancements to the Bear Badge. Will (cub scout's name) and his parents please come forward. (Proceed with standard Bear ceremony).

CUBMASTER: Next we have some advancements to the Webelos Badge. Will (cub scout's name) and his parents please come forward. (Proceed with standard Webelos ceremony).

CUBMASTER: Our next and highest award is the Arrow of Light. The Arrow of Light is given to Webelos Scouts who have completed a series of Webelos Achievements as well as Boy Scout requirements. These boys have expressed an interest to continue their scouting career onto Boy Scouts. Will (Webelos Scout's name) and his parents please come forward.

Perform standard Arrow of Light ceremony.)

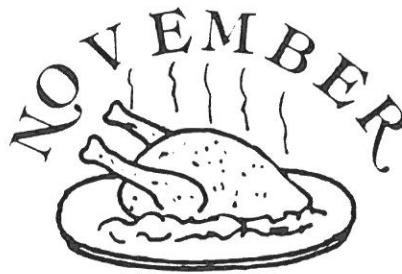
CUBMASTER: As you have seen here this evening, we have had our own "Achievement Parade". We have advanced our Cub Scouts from Tiger Cubs all the way to Arrow of Light. Please join me in congratulating all of these boys who have advanced this evening.



NOVEMBER

**HARBORS, STATIONS
AND AIRPORTS**





Skit---TURKEY!

SCENE: Turkeys are sitting around a farmyard.

(TURKEY #1 struts back and forth. Others talk to group and try to ignore TURKEY #1.)

TURKEY #1: I'm the biggest. I'm the best. (shoves TURKEY #2)

TURKEY #2: Wanna play basketball?

TURKEY #3: (pointing to TURKEY #1) No, he'll just hog the ball.

TURKEY #1: Yeah I'm the biggest. I'm the best. (shoves TURKEY #3)

TURKEY #4: Why don't you pick on someone your own size?

TURKEY #1: Nobody IS my size. I'm the biggest. I'm the best.
(shoves TURKEY #4)

TURKEY #5: Do you want to trade baseball cards?

TURKEY #1: I've got more cards than any of you. I'm the biggest.
I'm the best. (shoves TURKEY #5)

TURKEY #6: Wanna play Nintendo?

TURKEY #1: Ha! I'm better than any of you. I'm the biggest. I'm the best. (shoves TURKEY #6)

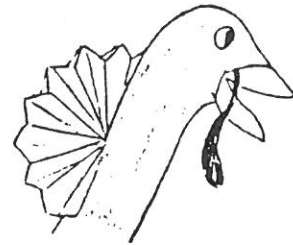
(Lights dim and TURKEY #1 leaves - lights come up. Hold up sign which reads: THANKSGIVING DAY. Turkeys look at one another.)

TURKEY #2: (shrugs shoulders) I guess he was the biggest turkey!

PUPPETS

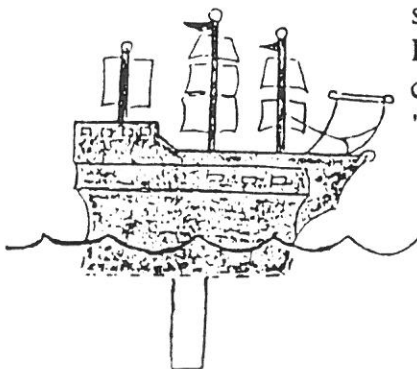
(See "Putting On A Puppet Show" in the Enrichment section, and additional puppet ideas in other monthly themes.)

SOCK PUPPET: Find an old, clean sock (no holes!). Put your hand inside with thumb in heel, fingers in toe. Pinch your thumb and fingers together for the mouth. Bend the four fingers down, add eyes (button or plastic). Sew an oval cloth piece inside for mouth. For **Turkey Day** make a turkey puppet with a snug fitting red or brown sock. Add a paper fan for a tail, with feathers.



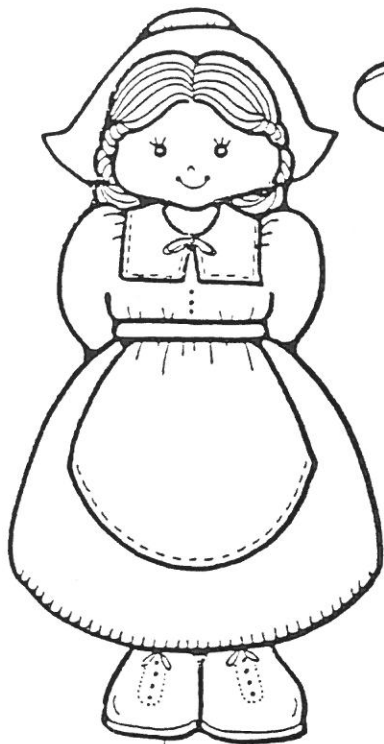
STICK PUPPETS:

Stories can be told with pictures glued on popsicle (or larger) sticks. These represent characters or scenery. Tell the story of the Pilgrims and the Indians. The Mayflower ship can "sail" across the churning waves to America. Later, flip the ship over to its "mirror" image and show it sail back to England!

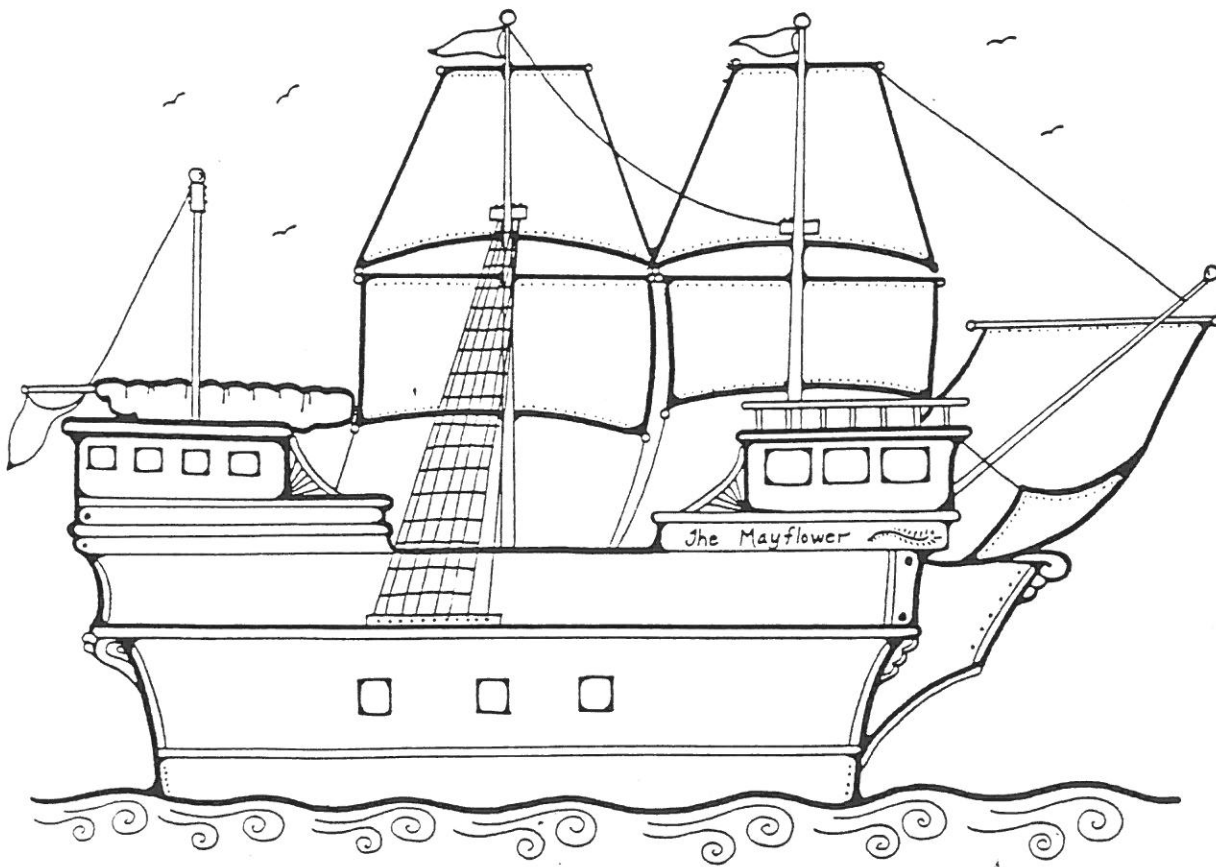
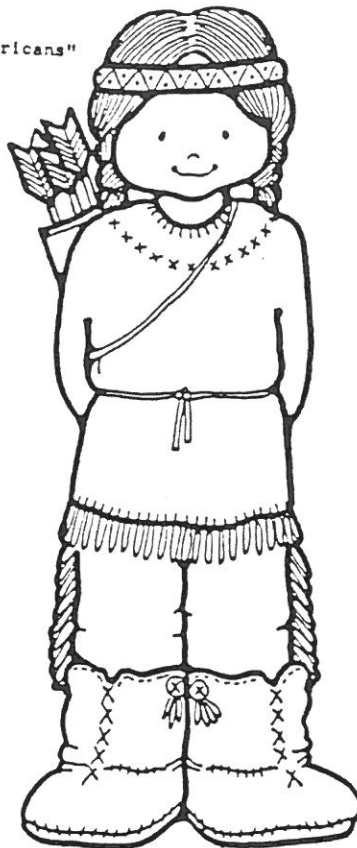
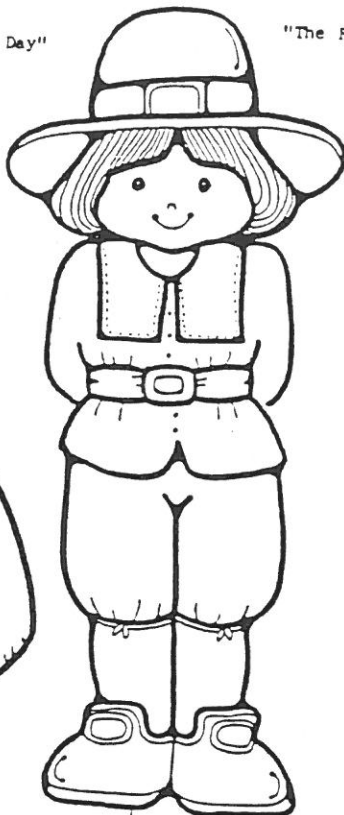


Stick Puppets

"Turkey Day"



"The First Americans"

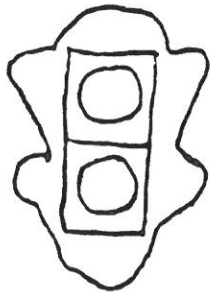


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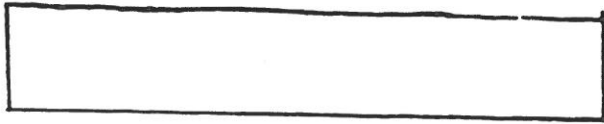
SLIDES FROM VINYL

Traffic Light

Draw lines with pencil
Brads are used for lights
Paint brads red and green

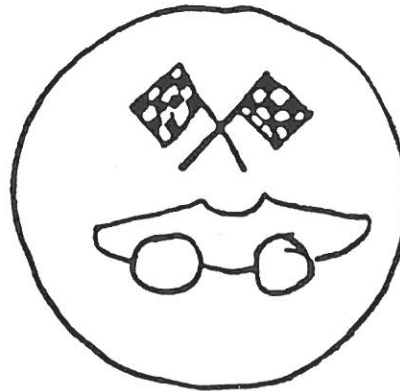


Vinyl strip to make ring for slides



Pinewood Derby

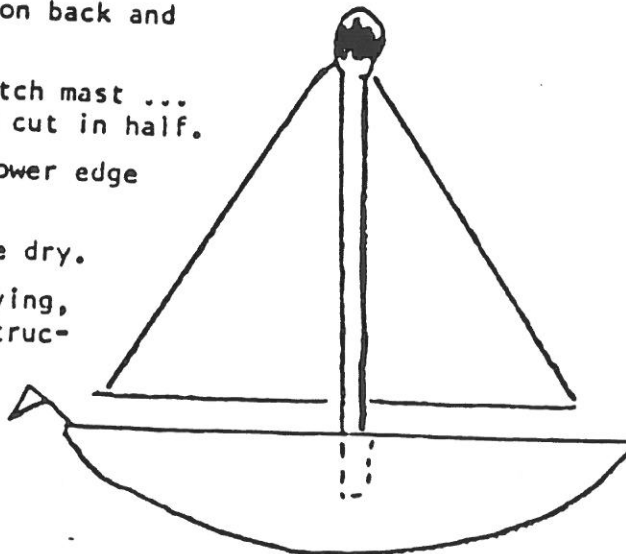
Cut out car of contrasting color
and glue onto vinyl backing
Brads are used for wheels. Racing
flags are decals



A YACHT SLIDE

The hull is whittled from white pine or balsa. The mast is a burned match. The boom is a toothpick. The sail is a triangle of white or red fabric.

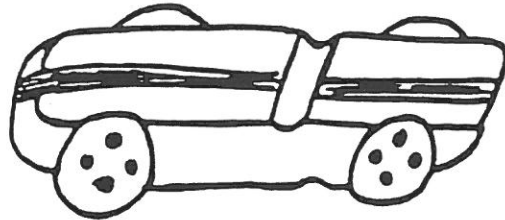
1. Whittle and sand hull. It is flat on back and curved on front.
2. Drill 3 holes ... one in top for match mast ... 2 in back for plastic or metal ring cut in half.
3. Glue mast in place. Glue boom to lower edge of sail.
4. Glue sail and boom mast and let glue dry.
5. Glue ring in place. While it is drying, make small flag for stern from construction paper triangle (tiny) glued to straight pin..



PINEWOOD DERBY SLIDE

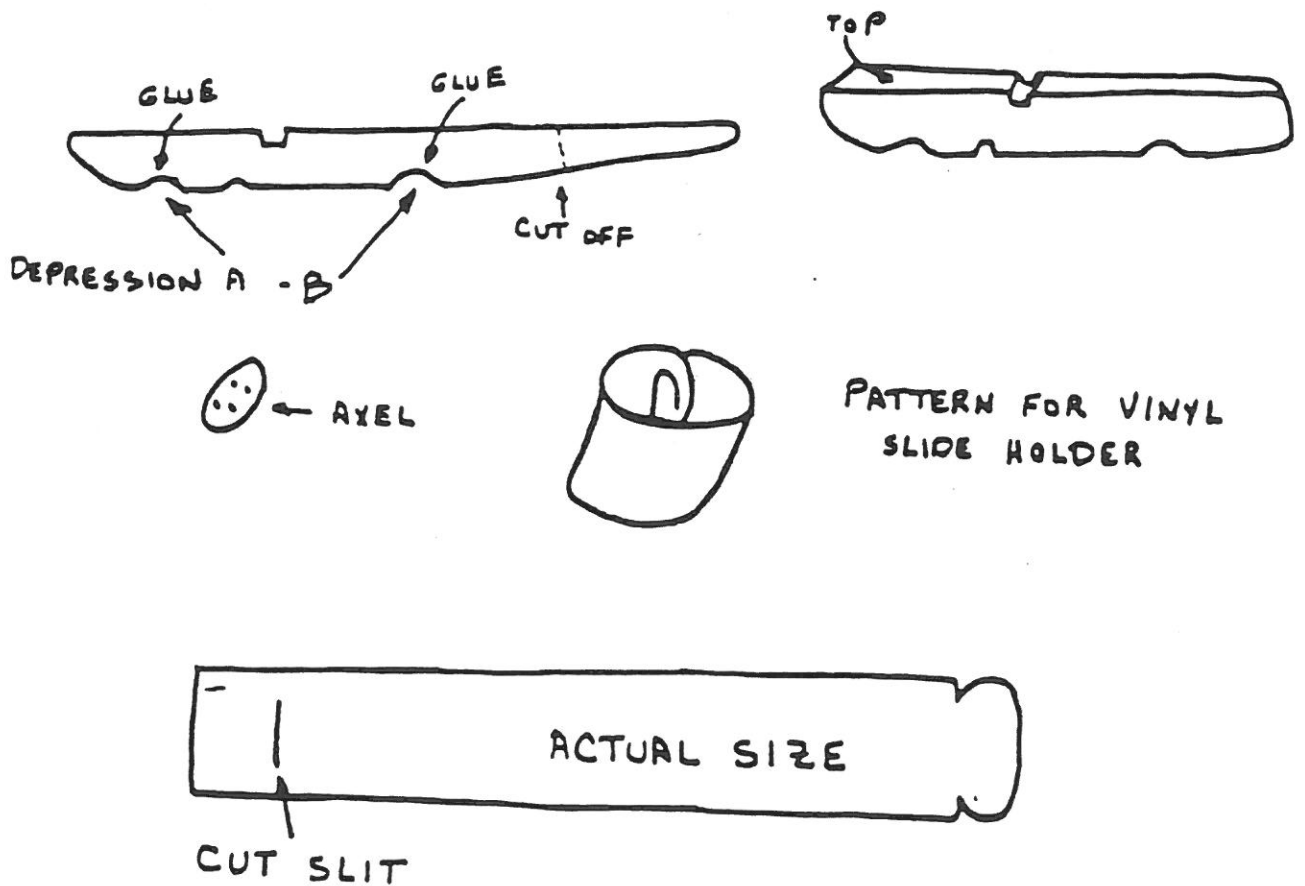
Materials:

- 1/2 section of spring clothespin
- glue
- 4 black shirt buttons
- 2 toothpicks
- thumbtack
- strip of vinyl or plastic for slide
- paint - color of your choice



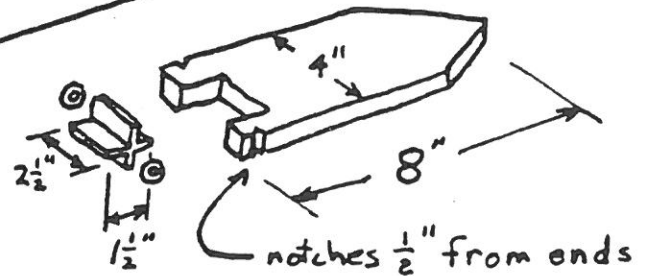
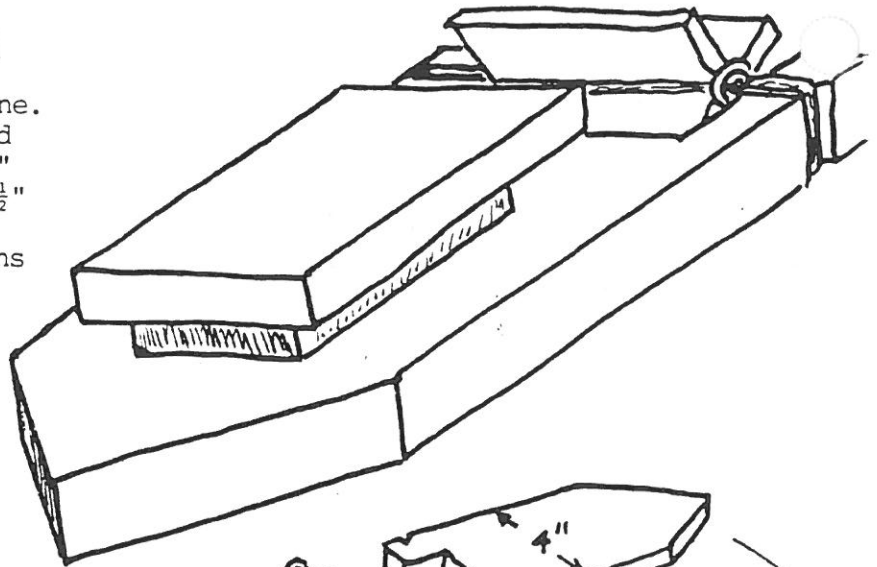
Place glue on 1 hole in button - push toothpick through as far as possible. Break off flush with patterned side of button. Leave scant 1/4 of toothpick on the other side making axel. Make four.

Place glue on flat side of pin as shown and fill depression A and B with glue. Holding car upside down, place axels and wheels on a let dry. Thumbtack slide holder to bottom of car.



RUBBER BAND POWERED PADDLE WHEELER

Cut hull and wheelhouse from $\frac{1}{2}$ " pine. Hull is 8x4" with pointed bow and U-shaped stern. Cut a 2-3/4" x 1 1/2" hole in stern to accept the 2 1/2" x 1 1/2" paddle wheel (See diagram). Glue wood block wheel house sections to hull with waterproof glue. Place rubber band on either side of lap-jointed paddle wheel and slip washers over ends of rubber bands. Insert paddle wheel, looping rubber band ends over notches in stern "legs". Finish with waterproof varnish.



WALKING TURTLE



This clever little turtle's shell is half of a plastic egg from nylon hose. Cut his head, legs and tail from brightly colored felt and glue them to the shell. Draw the features and decorate the shell with permanent felt markers.

Place a golf ball under the turtle, give him a slight push and watch him go! Make several and the kids can hold a turtle derby.



CUBS IN THE KITCHEN

November: Turkey Day

CORN BREAD

1 cup corn meal
1 cup flour
1 Tbls. sugar
1 Tbls. baking powder
Dash of salt
1 Tbls. shortening
1 cup milk
1 egg, beaten

Mix dry ingredients well. Add shortening, working in with fork until crumbly. Add egg and milk. Mix well. Bake in an 8" square greased pan in a 425 degree oven for 25 minutes or until golden brown.

HARVEST SOUP

Cans of tomato soup
Fresh vegetables

Ask each boy to bring his favorite vegetable, cleaned and cut up. Prepare the soup according to instructions on can. Add the cut up vegetables and simmer until tender. Noodles or meat can be added.

TURKEY SANDWICHES

Place sandwich fixings on plates and have each boy make his own.

GOBBLE-GOOD COOKIES

Large, round cookies
Vanilla wafers
Prepared chocolate frosting
Candy corn
Cinnamon candies
Raisins

Frost each large cookie with the chocolate frosting. Place candy corn around outer edge for tail. Frost vanilla wafers, one per large cookie. Place one wafer on

large cookie for head. Attach candy corn for beak. Place cinnamon candies under for wattle.

APACHE APPLE PUNCH

1 can frozen orange juice, 6 oz., thawed
1 can frozen lemonade, 6 oz., thawed
1 quart apple juice, chilled
1 large bottle ginger ale, chilled
1 pint orange sherbet

Mix the concentrates and apple juice in large bowl. Just before serving, add ginger ale. Spoon in scoops of sherbet.

HARVEST CREAM

Place a scoop of chocolate ice cream in a small dish. Sprinkle with candy corn and eat.

HARVEST APPLES

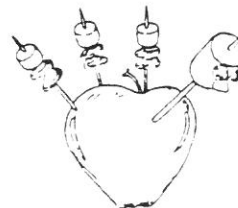
Make caramel apples according to directions on package. When cooled and hardened, put each apple in a cupcake cup. Cut a small Pilgrim hat or feather from construction paper and glue or tape to the stick.

POW WOW PUPS

Slice broiled franks crosswise and top with a small cube of cheddar cheese. Spear with a toothpick.

SWEET APPLE TURKEYS

Use apple for body. Make feathers by threading several toothpicks with tiny marshmallows, cranberries or raisins. Poke the toothpicks into the apple for the tail. Finish turkey with toothpick neck topped with large marshmallow head and two raisin eyes.



DECEMBER

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CHANUKAH Chanukah is the eight-day Festival of Lights. Each night one more candle on the menorah is lit until all eight are burning brightly. This recalls the "miracle of the lamp," when the victorious Hebrew army returned to worship in its damaged temple to find only enough oil for the "eternal light" to burn for one day...but, instead, it lasted for eight--until a messenger brought more. Today's families play games and exchange gifts on each of the eight nights of Chanukah.

Menorah

For a simple but attractive menorah, flatten a ball of clay into a circle about an inch thick. Cut it in half and join together. Poke eight candle holes in the base and one at the top for the Shamus, the candle that lights the others.

The hero of the Chanukah story is Judah Maccabee, who for three years led his tiny band of soldiers against the powerful Syrian army of Emperor Antiochus IV. The Macabees' clever strategy was to set up a "dummy camp" to fool the Syrians. They then hid in the neighboring hills in order to surround the enemy when they attacked the "camp."

Mural Draw a mural depicting the story, using such figures and symbols as the temple with an altar, and oil lamp, Judah Maccabee, army shields with the Star of David insignias, Antiochus and the dummy camp.

Chanukah Game

You could also reenact these early days with a game. The leader, Judah Maccabee, stands in his camp a circle drawn on the ground; the other players, the Syrians, tease him by

running in and out of the circle trying not to get caught. Judah may not leave his camp until he tags a Syrian; then that player becomes the next leader.

Chanukah Treat

Whether you're having a holiday party or just a family dinner, no Chanukah meal is complete without **POTATO LATKES!**

You need: 4 potatoes, grated

1 egg

1 small onion (optional)

salt

1 tablespoon flour

You Do: Mix all ingredients well; then drop by large rounded spoonfuls onto a hot skillet (greased generously with melted margarine). Fry on both sides until brown. Serve piping hot with sour cream or applesauce

Dreidels Dreidels make festive party favors or decorations. A dreidel is a four sided wooden or plastic top...but you can easily make one out of a square cardboard box and a pencil. There is a hebrew letter on each side.

These letters begin the words that mean "a great miracle happened there." Dreidels are most often enjoyed as a game. Who can spin theirs the longest? Which letter will land on top?

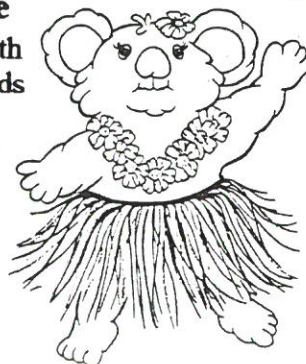
Chant this typical Chanukah song:

I have a little dreidel

I made it out of clay

And when it's dry and ready

Then dreidel I shall play.



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GAMES OF OTHER COUNTRIES

Afghanistan Stick Ball Using a soft sopping, plastic, or rubber ball and any suitable bat. A batter tries to hit the ball past a group of fielders, run to a goal and return without being tagged or hit by a thrown ball. The batter continues as long as he can. The fielder who puts him out becomes the batter. One of the fields serves a pitcher and, as in baseball, the batter gets three strikes. Sometimes the game is played as a team sport with one side batting until all have been tagged out.

Catch the Dragons Tail: This game is played in many parts of Asia. Six or more players form a line, each person holds the belt of the player just in front of him. The front player attempts to sing around and catch the last player. The tail attempts to elude the head without breaking the line. If the line breaks, the head becomes the tail. If the head catches the tail, a new tail--the player who was next to the end--takes his place.

Kangaroo Hop: Divide into teams. Give each team an old pillowcase. The members of each team line up behind one another. At a given signal the first player pulls the pillowcase over his feet and hop to a finish line. He then turns around and hops back to his team. He passes the pillowcase to the next player to hop, and so on down the line. The first team finished wins the game.



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Swaggie's Bag: In Australia swaggies were hobos. For this game, wrap old pieces of clothing in newspaper. Use baggy pants, a battered hat, anything a swaggie might wear. Put the newspaper bundles in a bag. Have the guests sit in a circle, and pass the bag to music. When the music stops, the guest with the swaggie's bag unwraps one of the packages. Then he has to put on what ever he finds in his package.

Boomerang Throw: Each guest makes his own boomerang from cardboard. Have ready some pencils, scissors, and patterns to trace. The boomerang pattern is a curved L-shape, one inch wide. When the guests finish making their boomerangs, have a contest outside to decide the champion thrower. Allow time to practice.

To Throw the cardboard boomerang, lay it flat across a book. Let one end extend over the book edge. Hold the book slanted upward and with a pencil or your finger, give a sharp tap to the end of the boomerang.

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Each Cub Scout hold an article representing the country he has chosen, while he reads or recites the lines. Or instead, have each boy hold a cardboard cutout of the country he represents.

IRELAND: The building of grotto for the Nativity scene is a family project in Ireland. A Dublin fruitcake, covered with thick almond-flavored icing and decorated with green gum drop shamrock is the popular food.

SCANDINAVIA: Children, parents and even grandparents all join in making interesting straw and balsa wood ornaments in shapes of stars, angels, reindeer and goats. They begin making these holiday decoration on Little Christmas, the last Sunday in November.

POLAND: Here the Christmas tree is a symbol of friendship and peace and is heavily laden with pretty ornaments. Poppy seed rolls filled with ground poppy seed and honey paste are prepared on the night before Christmas.

AUSTRIA: Greens and apples signify hope for the coming spring and are used in the twilight tree with candles to celebrate the holidays. Linzer cake and nut butter rounds are their Christmas delicacies.

ENGLAND: Punch and Judy puppet shows are very much a part of the British Christmas. Plum pudding, spicy ginger cookies shaped like cornucopias filled with whipped cream are delightful foods.

ITALY: Instead of a Christmas tree, Italy has the pyramid-shaped Ceppo. The manger (nativity) scene of hand-carved figures is placed on the lower shelf and small gifts for the children on the next shelf. Golden bread of VERONA and Sicilian torrone, a multicolored candy loaf, are special pastries.



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GREECE: St. Basil, who distributes Christmas toys, makes his rounds in a boat instead of a sled. New Year's bread with a coin baked inside is served at the stroke of midnight on New Year's Eve. Father cuts a portion of bread for each member of the family in the order of their ages. Whoever gets the piece with the coin will enjoy a year of good luck.

MEXICO: In Mexico the pinata with candy is always a favorite at Christmas time. The children strike it until it cracks and the goodies spill out for all to enjoy. The main celebration at Christmas is Las Posadas. Posada is the Spanish word for inn. For nine nights, families and friends go from house to house, just as Mary and Joseph went from inn to inn, looking for hospitality. There are songs, and prayers and a pinata party.

AUSTRALIA: Father Christmas brings gifts on Christmas eve and they are opened at the breakfast table the next morning. When they return from church services, they might have a roast turkey dinner with plum pudding or they might take a picnic basket and head for the beach for it is a hot, dry, summer sizzler in Australia.

OPENING CEREMONY

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster, 2 Cub Scouts to carry American and Pack flags.

EQUIPMENT: American and Pack flags.

ARRANGEMENT: Cubmaster is in front of the audience and the 2 Cub Scouts are at the back of the room. Flag bases are placed on the floor in front of the stage.

CUBMASTER: Audience please rise, color guard present colors. (Audience rises, color guard marches forward through the audience to the flag bases.)

CUBMASTER: Color Guard, Halt. (Cub Scouts stop.)

CUBMASTER: Color Guard, post colors. (Cub Scouts place flags in stands, take one step backward, and salutes their flag.)

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CUBMASTER: Tonight as we gather, let's all keep in mind, Our flag and the meaning therein we can find.
 The red is for blood of Americans true, Who gladly would give up their lives for you.
 The White is for purity, in both thought and deed. A rule of conduct we all might well heed.
 The blue is for justice, for all not just one. A tenent we fought for and so dearly won.
 The stars are a symbol of God;s guiding hands, Over the union in this mighty land.
 There isn't a one our flag won't protect, Don't you think we could show it greater respect?
 Please join me in the Pledge of Allegiance. (Recite the Pledge.)

CUBMASTER: Color Guard dismissed.
 You may be seated.

ADVANCEMENT CEREMONY

THE GREAT WATER

PERSONNEL: Cubmaster, Webelos Leader, and Webelos Scouts receiving their Arrow of Light.

EQUIPMENT: Webelos Scarf for each Webelos advancing that has had the Webelos emblem removed, 1 lit candle, 1 small pot containing 40% Acetone and 60% Water, 2 coat hangers with safety pins on the ends.

ARRANGEMENT: Have a small table placed at the front of the audience with the candle lit. The pot should also be on the table along with the coat hanger rods. The Cubmaster should be dressed in an Indian Chief head dress, and should enter with the Webelos Leader. The lights in the room should dim upon the Chief's arrival to the front.

CUBMASTER: Many, many moons ago in the regions of the soaring eagle, the might bear and the Spirit of the Great White Buffalo, I, _____ (insert Indian sounding name) learned the power of the medicines and the spirits of the Indian.



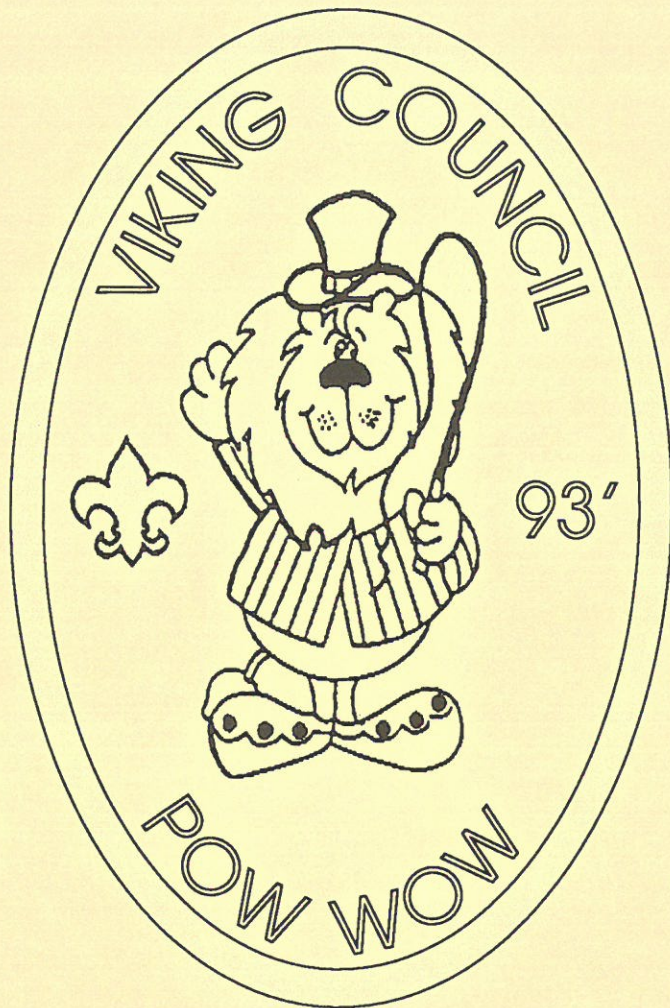
For I was not always a great warrior. As a young man, I grew up with the ways of the Indians, and was lucky enough to have as my teachers some of the great medicine men of their time. I was especially guided and nurtured under the strong but loving wing of the great Indian Chief Left Hand.

Many were the nights when we lifted our teepees by the swift waters of the Gitchigoomi. As night would fall, and the wolves bayed at the moon, I sat at his side, our faces lit by the glow of the dying campfire, and listened as the Great Chief Left Hand told to me the secrets of the wild. He taught me about the magic water, known only to the great medicine men, which came from the sacred burial ground of the Great White Buffalo along the bank of the Gitchigoomi. This water was used in ceremonies of the young braves to prove their worthiness of joining the ranks of the warriors.

A garment belonging to the brave was dipped in the water and passed through the flame. If the garment burned, and turned to ashes, it meant that he had not completed his mission as a young brave and was not yet ready to enter the realm of the warriors. For if the brave had learned well, and was truly ready, the garment would become engulfed in fire but would be protected by the spirits and would not burn. (Webelos Leader fastens scarf to the coat hanger rods)

I was given this crystal clear water by the hand of my brother, Left Hand, and I bring it to you tonight to test the worthiness of this Webelos, (boy's name) to cross over from his Pack, _____, into the world of Troop _____ and to carry on the spirit of Scouting to all men. (Webelos Leader dips scarf, wrings the majority of the Magic Water from the scarf, and the Chief spreads the neckerchief out.) If you are truly worth of becoming a member of Troop _____ your neckerchief will be protected by the spirits. But if your neckerchief should turn to ashes, you must stay in the Pack for three more years to learn your lessons well.

(Chief passes scarf over the flame. Poof!)
 Applause.....applause.....then go on to bridging ceremony. CC - 4



Viking Council

Pow Wow 1993

Welcome to the 1993 POW WOW!

On behalf of the many volunteer people who have worked many hours to bring this 1993 POW WOW to you -- we welcome you and hope you find it beneficial.

Our thanks to Kim Smith who has produced and done all the layout work for this year's book!

Our format this year is similar to the past year's and is designed to fit in your notebook and be a part of your total resources.

***B-CRAFT FUND RAISING PRODUCTS** has been a Friend of Scouting in helping units with fund raising programs. This is the sixth year they have helped with the major portion of the printing costs of this book. Please see the last sheet of this booklet for information about some of their products. Our thanks to them in this sponsorship.*

We hope you enjoy the POW WOW and we remind you of the monthly district round tables.



Ginny Kagol
Training Chair

Seven parts of a Cub Scout Den Meeting

1. Before the meeting
2. Gathering
3. Opening
4. Business items
5. Activities
6. Closing
7. After the meeting

What Do You Do at a Meeting?

If you plan for these seven basic parts of a Cub Scout Den Meeting you will have a balance, accomplish a purpose, and provide fun for the boys.

The basic meeting activities can be planned at the pack leader or den leader coach monthly meeting. There are so many resources available! Plan ahead and use the Cub Scout reference books, district Roundtable ideas, Pow Wow books, library resources, and of course, ideas from other experienced den leaders.

Weekly Den Meeting Planning Sheets are available which show this seven part basic outline. Fill in the details with the help of the assistant leader and the den chief. This will relieve the stress of last minute planning for activities and searching for supplies. A written plan of exciting things to do will also cut down boy behavior problems.

1. **Before the Meeting:** At this time the den leader, the assistant, and the den chief should review program and make any final preparations.
2. **Gathering:** All the boys don't arrive at the same time, so it is good to have an activity to keep them busy until the meeting begins. Some ideas include tricks, puzzles, and games. Games should be able to be played alone or in pairs, or be of the type that other boys can join in as they arrive. Some den leaders take attendance, collect dues, and mark off achievements now.
3. **Opening:** A simple opening ceremony announces that the meeting has begun, and can provide opportunity for the leader to reinforce Scouting ideals. Typically, there is a flag ceremony, songs or applause stunts, theme-related roll call, and repetition of the Cub Scout Promise.
4. **Business Items:** This is a brief time of announcements about den and pack activities, discussion of the pack meeting assignment for the den or the introduction of a new theme. Snacks can be served during this time.

5. **Activities:** Include games and songs, easy crafts, tricks and puzzles and theme-related activities. During some meetings you will want to take hikes or go on field trips. This time also includes getting ready for the den's part in the next pack meeting. Whatever you do, remember to Keep It Simple, Make It Fun (KISMIF). Often den meeting activities result in the boys completing some of the advancement requirements.
6. **Closing:** This ceremony is usually a quiet, thoughtful time where the aims of Scouting (citizenship training, character building, and personal fitness) can be emphasized and tied with the month's theme.
7. **After the Meeting:** After the closing ceremony the boys should go directly home, not hang around to talk or play. The denner should help clean up the meeting room, if needed. The den leader, assistant, and the den chief review the meeting and note assignments for the next time.

Why Use Themes?

Each year, *Cub Scout Program Helps* suggests 12 monthly themes for Cub Scouts, and provides program ideas to use. The themes are selected and planned to appeal to boys his age, and to offer opportunities to achieve the purposes of Cub Scouting.

The recommended themes are the subjects which will have the most program support available to you: *Boys Life* magazine features each theme idea, your district roundtable meeting will provide you hands-on experience with program ideas, and the yearly Pow Wow provides training on theme use.

Packs do not have to use the recommended themes; however, you can see there are many benefits to be gained by doing so.

The themes provide a framework for den activities and make program planning simpler. Themes open the door to fun and adventure, and provide opportunities for the boys to express personal abilities and to learn new interests. During the month all the den activities focus on this theme. The pack meeting is culmination of the focus, as boys show off what they have done with the theme by exhibiting crafts, performing skits with costumes, or other fun activities.

The Webelos dens do not use the pack's monthly theme for their activities, but rather, work on the related activity badge. For example, during the month of the Cub Scout Bird Watcher theme, the Webelos are working on the Naturalist or Forester Activity badges. At the pack meeting, separate time will be given to the Webelos for performance or demonstrations.

Cub Scout Themes and Related Webelos Activity Badges

The Cub Scout themes in this Pow Wow book are arranged in monthly order.
Webelos activity badges are arranged alphabetically in the back section.

1993-94 Month	Cub Scout Theme	Recommended Activity Badges	
		Fourth-graders	Fifth-graders
November	Under the Big Top	Craftsman	Citizen
December	Holiday Magic	Draftsman	Citizen
January	Exploring Alaska	Fitness	Readyman
February	Blue and Gold Traditions	Scholar	Engineer
March	Wings, Wheels, Rudders	Handyman	Engineer
April	Shape Up	Sportsman	Athlete
May	Back to Nature	Outdoorsman	Family Member
June	Strong for America	Traveler	Artist
July	Buckskin Pioneers	Naturalist	Forester
August	Water Fun	Aquanaut	Geologist

This Pow Wow book is unique in that its arrangement is based on the "Seven Parts of a Cub Scout Den Meeting." This pattern has been developed by the Boy Scouts of America and is promoted in all Cub Scout leader training courses. It works!

I hope that you will use these ideas as a springboard to plan fun activities for your den. Browse through the book and adapt *anything* to your specific needs. Feel free to take a bingo game idea found in one theme and adapt the rules to fit a different theme idea. Be creative! You *and* the boys will have more fun.

In this book, each of the monthly themes contains the following sections for den leader resources:

Pre Opening

A wide variety of activities are given, ranging from word searches which Cub do by themselves, to paired learning with flash cards. Pre openings are the easiest to adapt from one theme to another.

Openings

Two types are given: those suitable for den meeting openings and others suitable for your den to perform at a pack meeting.

Games

You will find many unique games to play which are actually "hands-on" use of the monthly theme. Notice that the emphasis on "winning/losing" is underplayed. Some games only emphasize completion of the instructions by the whole team. Others provide reward in the form of new opportunities: being first in line for snack, or the challenge to make up a new cheer.

Crafts

The emphasis on this section is on *simple* crafts, most of which can be completed during the den meeting time. (Simple, but not "baby" crafts.) You don't have to be an expert to teach these crafts.

If you need help with techniques, making templates, etc., invite some den parents to work with you on specific projects.

Tie Slide

Easy tie slide directions are included with the themes. Make a new slide every month! There are a variety of ways to make the slide loop part, so read different directions and experiment with materials you have available.

Skits

Two types of skits are provided: Skits with only a few boys, which can be performed during a den meeting, and also skits which can be used for pack meeting entertainment.

Since each den will have a different number of boys, combine parts if needed, or add more! Use the skit for a puppet show instead. Skits are easy to adapt to your situation.

Yells

Yells and applause stunts are a great way for the boys to let off steam and build den spirit at the same time. Theme-related cheers are easy for the boys to make up.

Songs

Singing can add a feeling of togetherness, or create a patriotic mood. The songs in this Pow Wow book are part of the long-standing Cub Scout tradition of singing new words to "old" songs.

Snacks

Everyone loves to eat, but the importance of snacks will vary depending on the time of day you hold your den meeting. This book contains creative food ideas related to each month's theme.

Try different methods of food preparation. Have one boy bring snack each week; invite a parent to prepare the snack during the meeting; let boys work together to make the snack as part of the activity time; or collect dues to cover the cost and then you to prepare or buy the food ahead of time.

Closings

The closing ceremony will inspire and motivate the Cubs during the week to come. Involve boys reading parts or asking them to stand in a circle. Start your own den tradition - maybe sing "Taps," or join in the Living Circle.

Ideas in this book are suitable for den use and for pack meeting presentation. Adapt as needed.

Advancement Ceremony

Recognition of the Cubs' work is a very important part of the pack meeting. Theme-related ceremonies reinforce the Cub Scout program, and involve the boys and their parents. Never underestimate the power of a simple, but impressive ceremony!

Winning Attitudes

Be Enthusiastic! Your enthusiasm will go a long way toward getting others excited about Cub Scouting, as well as toward overcoming obstacles in the pack.

Think Positively! Use the "Can Do" approach to achieve more than you ever thought was possible.

Take the Initiative! Go the extra mile to finish the job or to assist another leader who needs help.

Take Pride in Your Work! No matter what your job in Scouting, take pride in the fact that whatever you do you are helping boys and their leaders.

Cooperate with Others! Teamwork is essential to getting things done in a volunteer organization such as Scouting. Use the team approach to prevent burnout caused by doing everything yourself.

Be Open to Change! Be flexible, in other words. Accept changes in the national Scout policies and programs, as well as changes in local pack and den plans.

Learn from Others! Be open to new ideas and suggestions. "It's what you learn after you know everything, that really counts."

Be Tolerant! Work on accepting and appreciating the differences among volunteers. Everyone has a different experience in Scouting, and different talents to use.

Have a Sense of Humor! This can lighten the day and make everyone's job seem a little easier. Remember KISMIF...Keep it simple, make it fun!

Do Your Best! Efficiently, knowledgeably, courteously and enthusiastically.

**Thanks
for
being a
Volunteer!**

Pre Opening

Tightrope Walk

Stretch a 12 foot rope across the floor. Each Cub tries to walk forward and backward along the rope, heel to toe. Does it sound too easy? Try it while looking through the large end of a set of binoculars!

Circus Peep Show

Write these ideas on slips of paper and give one to each boy. Ask Cubs to secretly prepare their peep show at home during the week. Use a shoebox and cut a small peep hole. Write the title on the box top.

Everyone brings their boxes to the next meeting to show off for the pre opening. The peep show can also be used at the pack meeting for a gathering time activity for boys and adults.

1. Famous Hole in One (Doughnut)
2. Strongest Head in the World (Hammer)
3. Bonaparte (Broken wishbone pieces)
4. A Diamond Pin (A dime and a pin)
5. Old Pair of Slippers (2 banana skins)
6. Fountain of Tears (Two onions)
7. Hawaiian Native (Coconut)
8. The Lost Chord (Piece of string)

Did You Know?

Check out circus books from the library. As the Cubs arrive, ask them to look at a book and write down two interesting facts.

For the opening ceremony, ask each boy to read one of their facts. Use the other during the closing ceremony.

Opening

S-M-I-L-E

Draw clown faces on a paper plate. On the front is the smiling clown, on the back is the sad one. Hold up the plate while reading this poem.

If your life is to be as happy
As a circus, bright and gay,
There is something you can do
As you hurry through each day.

Be happy and be cheerful
And remember not to frown,
But give freely of your smiles,
And you'll be happy as a clown.

For a smile costs so little,
But to others means so much,
So if everyone keeps smiling
Our lives will have that happy touch.



Stars of the Show

Ask your den to pretend *they* will be stars when the Greatest Show on Earth comes to town this month. Go around the circle and ask each Cub to describe what amazing feats he will do for the circus. (Lion tamer, clown, ringmaster, etc.)

Roll Call

As Denner calls out each name, the Cub must respond by imitating a circus animal—roaring, growling, scratching, pacing, etc. When all have responded, guess what animal each one imitated.

History

In earliest records of all civilizations, from Egypt to England, from China to Rome, there are stories and pictures showing performers doing what we recognize as circus acts—balancing on ropes, somersaulting, training animals to dance, or swallowing swords. All these things have been done for thousands of years yet we, the audience, are still amazed.

In 1778 Charles Dibdin of London, gave the name "circus" to a new style of entertainment made popular by Philip Astley. Sergeant-Major Astley, a riding master, erected a 42-foot diameter ring and was the first man to combine horsemanship and comedy. He also had street performers in the program.

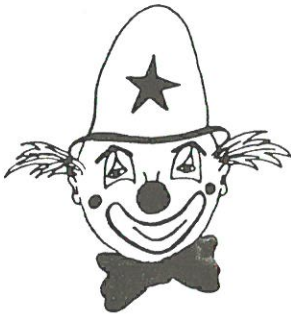
In the 1940's in the United States, the Ringling Brothers, Barnum and Bailey Circus used 109 railway carriages to carry their enormous four ring Big Top show around the country. In the Soviet Union, there are 62 permanent circus buildings, and one of the finest circus schools in the world.

Big Top

Games

Clown Dress-Up Relay

Divide den into two teams. Give each team a suitcase filled with old clothing such as a large necktie, an old hat, shoes, vest, scarf, and baggy pants. Both teams should have the same number of articles. When signal is given the first two players on each team run forward carrying the case with them. At the marked point, stop. One boy opens the case and pulls out the clothing while the other boy puts them on. When he is all dressed he runs back to the starting line and then returns. He removes the clothes and the first boy puts them back into the case. Both boys run back to the team carrying the suitcase. Repeat with pairs of boys until everyone has had a chance to dress up.



Feed the Clown

Draw a clown face on the side of a large cardboard box. Cut out a large mouth. Divide into teams and toss bean bags from a distance. The team who "feeds" the clown the most is first in line for den snacks.

Circus Words

Using the letters below list things that you will see and hear at the circus. Example: C - clowns

C _____	C _____
I _____	L _____
R _____	O _____
C _____	W _____
U _____	N _____
S _____	S _____

Lion Chase

Draw two parallel lines on the playing field about 50 feet apart. One player is chosen as the Lion. He goes into his den which is behind one of the lines. The other players venture as close to the line as they

dare and challenge the Lion: "Lion, Oh, Lion, come out of your den. The one you catch will be one of your men."

The lion charges out of the den and tags as many players as possible before they run back across their line.

All players tagged now become Lions.

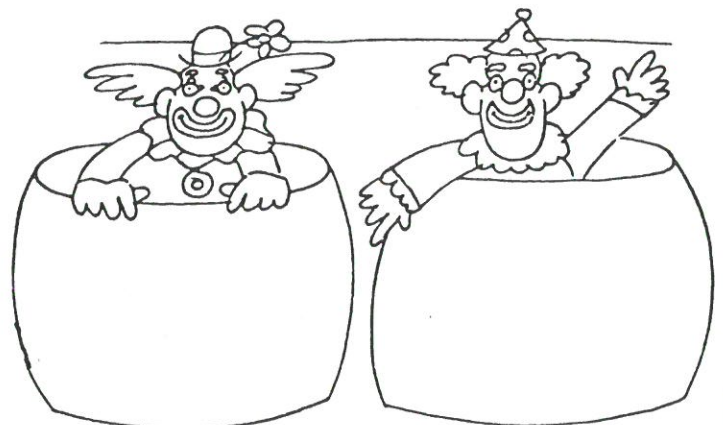
Once again the remaining players taunt the Lions. All lions join hands and run out trying to catch boys by forming a "net" around them (joining hands).

Feed the Elephant

Roll up a sheet of paper like a megaphone and tape the end to hold it together. Make one for each team. One boy acts as the elephant and stands at a distance holding the megaphone to his mouth. Team members are each given the same number of peanuts to throw. Count which team feeds their elephant the most peanuts by landing them in the megaphone.

Circus Capers

Find these circus words forwards, backwards, up, down, acrobat wagon juggler parade elephant truck trapeze cotton candy



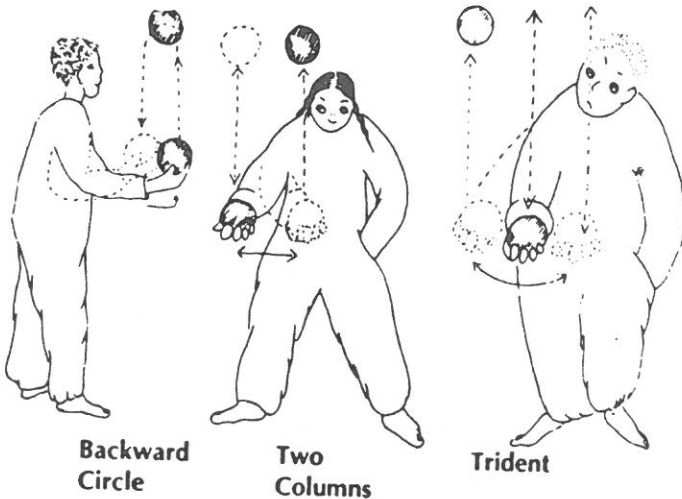
Crafts

Juggling Bags

For each bag cut rectangles 3½" x 7" from brightly colored material. Use ziploc bags to hold the pebbles, beans, cat litter, or other filler you choose. Zip the top and squash out all the air.

Work with the Cubs at the sewing machine. Fold fabric over the baggie, forming a square. Sew the three sides together. Use pinking shears to finish the raw edges.

Practice these different patterns for juggling. Show off at the pack meeting!



Many of the crafts this month will involve working on costumes for the big pack circus show. *The Cub Scout How-To Book* features costume ideas in Chapter 4. One fun idea is to make pretend barbells using a broomstick with two small boxes on the ends. Paint 500 lbs. on the boxes for the Cubs to show off their strength.

Want to do a puppet show instead? Look for puppet ideas in Chapter 6. Make a special stage or circus curtain. Write your own script.

Other ideas in the book include games to make for a midway, tie slides, masks, and flags. Circus themes are popular with groups, so ideas can also be found at the school or public library.

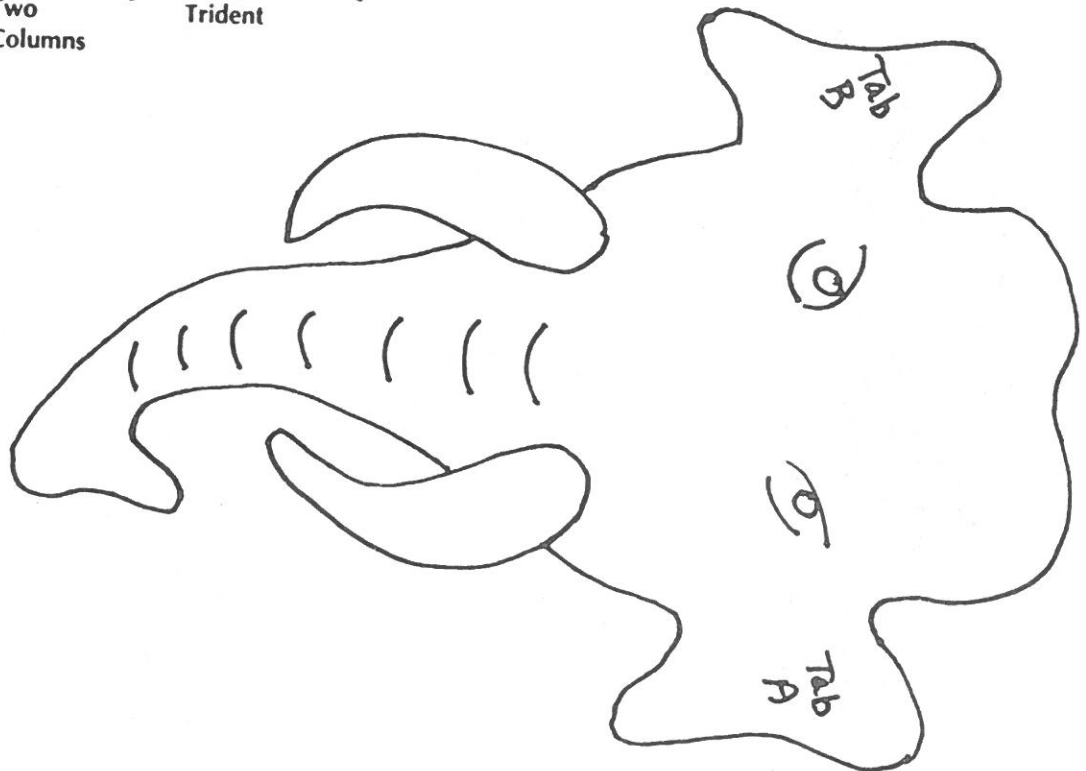
How about a magician's show? Make some simple props to use. See the *Cub Scout Magic Book*.

Tie Slide

Elephant

Full size outlines are given on this page and the next for an elephant tie slide. First cut out the paper shapes and make cardboard templates for the Cubs.

Cubs can use a pen to outline the templates on leather-like fabric. Cut out the shapes, then cut the two slits on the ear section. Insert the tabs on the face section into these slits to form the tie slide.



Did you hear about the dog who went to the flea circus and stole the show?

Songs

Clown Marching Song

(Tune: When Johnny Comes Marching Home Again)

The Cub Scout circus comes to town. Hurrah! Hurrah!
The elephants, monkeys and the clowns. Hurrah! Hurrah!
The big brass band, the merry-go-round,
The midway acts with lots of sound!
And we'll all be there when,
The Circus comes to town!

Circus Parade

(Tune: When Johnny Comes Marching Home Again)

The circus parade has come to town, Hurrah! Hurrah!
With lions and tigers and bears and clowns. Hurrah! Hurrah!
The acrobats will do some tricks.
The juggler performs with balls and sticks,
And we'll all be glad when the circus comes to town.

The African lions growl so loud
They make me quake.
The tightrope walker walks so high
He makes me shake.
I laugh at the clowns as they perform,
Eat peanuts, candy and hot popcorn.
Oh, join in the fun when the circus comes to town.

Circus Fun

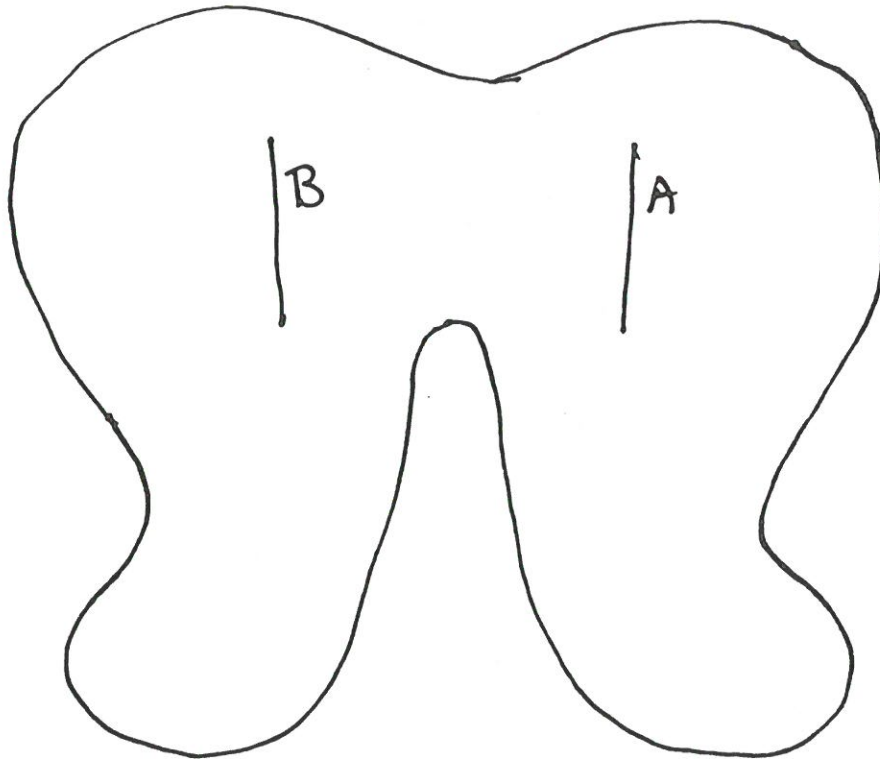
(Tune: Clementine)

At the circus there are lions
And they roar so very loud.
They send shivers sharp as slivers
Through the anxious waiting crowd.

Oh, the circus, yes, the circus,
Lots of fun for young and old.
Eat peanuts, popcorn, cotton candy,
Till your mouth no more can hold.

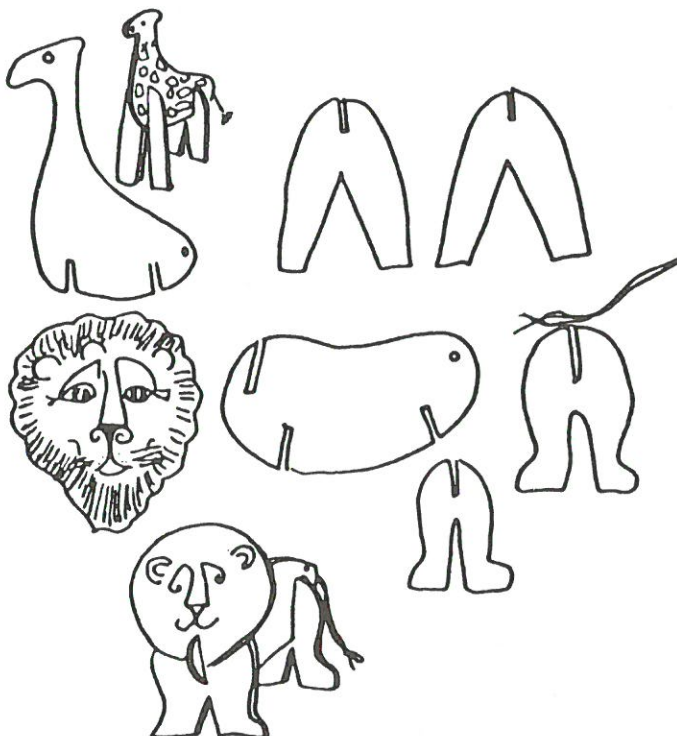
At the circus there are elephants
That parade and swing and sway,
As they work hard, never stopping
With mere peanuts as their pay.

At the circus there's excitement
With many acts of daring skill.
There's a clown who has a frown,
And a smiling one named Will.



Circus Parade

Cut animal pieces out of light weight cardboard. Color with markers or crayons. Use for table decorations or take to the pack meeting to display.



Skits

We're Going to the Circus

Cubs repeat everything and follow the motions which the leader illustrates.

Let's go to the circus! (Slap hands on thighs as in footsteps.)

Coming up to a big tent...a great big tent! (Lean way back and look up.)

Can't go around it. Can't go over it. Can't go under it. Guess we'll have to go through it. (Lean down, lift the tent flap, and slip in.)

Well now, here's a ladder. Can't go around it. Can't go under it. Guess we'll have to climb it. (Pretend to climb the ladder.)

Oh, no! It's a tightrope! Can't go around it. Can't go under it. Guess we'll have to walk it. (Pretend to walk, balancing carefully.)

Whew, we made it! Now let's get down out of here. (Pretend to climb down and start walking again.)

We're coming to cage...a big cage. (Lean way back and look up.)

I wonder who lives in here? (Pretend to open the heavy, screeching door and look in.)

Grrrr! A lion! Oh, no! Let's get out of here! (Pretend to run slapping thighs, climb the ladder, walk the rope, climb down the ladder, run out of the tent.)

What a day at the circus!

Pantomime

Setting: Performers are in the circus ring doing acts as indicated. Ringmaster holds up signs announcing the acts.

Clowns: Walk around in baggy pants and floppy shoes, making faces, doing tricks, getting feet stuck in buckets, and doing somersaults.

Lion Tamer: Crack whip, walk around holding chair, train lions to jump through hoops.

Lions: Snarl and bat paws at the lion tamer.

Acrobats: Do somersaults, cartwheels or balancing acts.

Tight-rope Walker: Pretend to walk one foot at a time on a wire. Use umbrella for balance.

Strong Man: Bend iron bar (rubber hose painted black) and lift heavy weights (empty boxes).

Jugglers: Pantomime juggling balls and add more until hands are moving very fast. Or juggle with a second person.

Snake Charmer: Play a flute and watch snake weaving up from the basket.

Clowns

Actors: four to eight Cubs. Two are dressed as circus performers. Skit opens with a boy pretending he's cracking a whip. Second boy comes in.

2: What are you doing?

1: Practicing.

2: Practicing what?

1: Practicing my act as a lion trainer.

2: Where's your lion?

1: He hasn't arrived yet.

2: I can pretend to be your lion.

1: Hey, that's a good idea.

Second boy gets down and pretends to be a mean lion while the first boy practices his act.

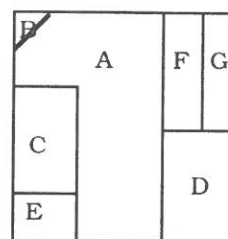
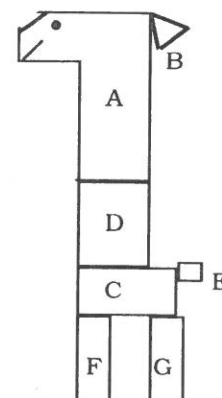
A group of boys come in and watch for a few minutes, then they all start to laugh.

One of the group members says: "This must be the place, we've found the clowns!"

Snacks

Giraffe Cake

Bake a 9" square cake. Cool. Cut cake according to the diagram and rearrange pieces to form the giraffe. Frost with chocolate frosting and sprinkle with coconut. Use a gumdrop for eye, and a licorice strip for the mouth.



Cookies

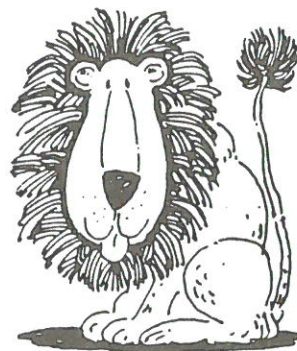
This snack takes a lot of preparation before the den meeting. Also, be sure to invite several parents to come to the den meeting to help out.

Bake or buy enough large sugar cookies for each Cub to decorate two. Make up several batches of frosting and divide into smaller bowls. Add food coloring to each. Gather an assortment of decorating items - sprinkles, gels in tubes, licorice, etc. Put some frosting in decorator bags with tips for the boys to use.

At snack time...have fun decorating cookies!

Circus Time

Ask several parents to dress up as carnival workers and give out food during your den meeting. For more fun, distribute tickets to Cubs as they arrive for the meeting. Assign "prices" for all the food. Serve typical circus menu: hot dogs, lemonade, popcorn, peanuts, candy, shakes, etc. Take breaks several times during the meeting and allow the boys to "buy" their snacks from the parents.



Closings

Here Come the Clowns

Five Cubs dressed as clowns enter carrying signs.

Each sign has a large letter facing the audience, and the words written on the back for the boy to read. Have the Cubs write their own little script. Pick short circus words like clown, lion, tent, etc.

Example: C is for our Cubmaster, the best ringleader of Pack # __!

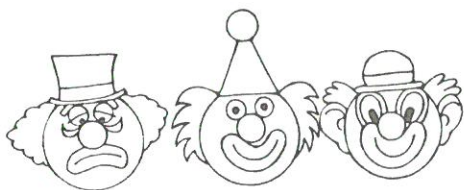
Jack-in-the-Box

Two clowns pull a box to the front of the audience. "Jack" (the Cubmaster or other leader) is already inside the box. Clown #1 pretends to turn the crank in one direction, but nothing happens. Clown #2 pretends to turn the crank in the opposite direction, but still nothing happens. Clown #3 enters and very dramatically show the others how to do it correctly. (Play "Pop Goes the Weasel" music while he is demonstrating.) Jack jumps up out of the box to say thanks for coming to the circus and good-night!

Three Ring Closing

Divide the pack or den into three circles. Leader compares the circles to the three rings of a circus: the performers in the ring dedicate themselves to putting on the best circus for others.

Leader then describes the rings as the Living Circle of Cub Scouting. Cubs dedicate themselves to putting their best foot forward and helping others. Repeat the Cub Scout Promise or Law of the Pack.



Advancement Ceremony

Circus Theme

This is a basic idea for an advancement ceremony which you can adapt to fit your own pack's needs. The Cubmaster is dressed as a Ringmaster.

Ladies and Gentlemen, you are about to see a parade of achievements like you have never seen before! For our first act tonight, we have a group of Bobcats with their trainers (parents). They will come to the center ring and perform some of the feats which they have mastered. (Bobcats and parents come forward. Cubmaster has them do several of the requirements before presenting the badges.) Notice how well these Bobcats have been trained. Let's have a fine round of applause for them.

Repeat for Wolves, Bears, and Webelos. Use circus banter to call the boys and parents forward. Have them do a short illustration of one of the badge requirements.

Right before your very eyes, we have presented one of the most exciting, most stupendous shows in the history of Pack # __. This will be hard to top next year, won't it? And now, ladies and gentlemen, on with the show!

Yells

Ringmaster

Stand up and point saying, "Ladies and Gentlemen! Ladies and Gentlemen!"

Human Cannonball

Yell "Ka-boom." Shade eyes with your hand and watch the human cannonball fly across the room.

Lions

Divide group into two sections. When you raise one hand that section roars; raise the other hand and the other section roars. Raise both hands and everyone roars.

Pre Opening

Santa's Bag

Place about six items in a large cloth bag and tie it shut. Cubs can feel the bag and try to guess what the objects are. Use holiday items: ball, toy car, pencils, ornament, package bow, etc.



Jokes

Have the denner entertain the Cubs as they arrive with jokes from *Boys Life* magazine. Here are a few good ones for the holidays.

1. What do Eskimos buy a Christmas? Christmas seals.
2. Who gives everyone five cents on Christmas? Saint Nickel-as.
3. What does Tarzan sing at Christmas? Jungle Bells.
4. What nationality is Santa Claus? North Polish.
5. What do you call the rockets that fire from the feet of Transformers and Gobots? Missile Toes.

Christmas Songs

As Cubs enter the den meeting, tell them to look around the room for clues to the names of some Christmas songs. Have them write down the names of songs they find.

Some examples: three kings from a deck of cards (We Three Kings); masking tape over the mouth of a chess set knight (Silent Night); bunch of bells tied together (Silver Bells); paste a picture of a person sleeping onto a piece of construction paper. Write "Christmas" in white crayon over the head (I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas).

For the den opening, sing two of the songs.

Fancy Flower

How many words can you make from the letters in the word POINSETTIA? There are over 100!

Openings

Greetings

Leader reads the words while Cubs do the actions.

Glad to see you here tonight. (Shake head approvingly.)
 Reach out your hand to a friend left and right.
 Everyone smile and shake with your hand.
 Everyone nod to another man.
 Together now, stand up on your feet.
 I'd like you now to take your seat.
 Now that we're all friends, we'll start the show.
 Goodwill is a feeling we all like to know.

Christmas Tree

Beforehand make a large poster of a Christmas tree. Cut into five slices so each boy can carry one. For the ceremony, the following words are read. Each boy carries in a part of the Christmas tree to attach to the wall with tape.

- #1: Christmas is presents under the tree. (Carries in the trunk of the tree.)
- #2: Christmas is good friends we're longing to see. (Carries in the lowest section of the tree.)
- #3: Christmas is cookies, cakes and candy to. (Carries the mid-section.)
- #4: Christmas is carols sung by a tune. (Carries in the top of the tree.)
- #5: Most of all, Christmas is goodwill to all. (Adds the star to the top of the tree.)

Do Your Best

Do unto others as you want them to do to you. This is called the Golden Rule.
 You are all Cub Scouts of Gold and Blue,
 And the Pack Law is your special tool.

The best way we know to celebrate this season,
 Is by doing your best and giving to others,
 And now we wish you, for that very reason,
 Happy Holidays and more! May we all be brothers.

Recipe for Den Holiday Magic

6-8 boys	1 den leader
3 cups eagerness	1 gallon patience
2 cups devilment	3 cups love for each
2 cups courtesy	1 cup ability to do crafts

Mix well together. Add cooperation from each boy's parents. Serve one hour each week. (Makes generous portions to serve others.)

Yells

Cheers

Here's for the red of it.
 Here's for the green of it.
 Here's for the cheer of it.
 Let's give a shout!
 Hooooo-rraaaay!

Baby Doll Applause

"Mama, Mama, Mama"

Santa in the Chimney Applause

Wiggle, grunt and groan. Then slide down to ground and say, "Oommpfff!"

Games

Snowball Toss

Draw a large tree on a piece of poster board. Cut out five holes and mark them with letters. Boys will toss snowballs (crumpled paper balls) toward the tree and say which hole one went through. Have five bowls ready, one for each letter. Write directions on strips of paper. Cubs choose a slip from the bowl with matching letter and then do what it says.

Examples could relate to the Holiday Magic theme: Name one present you want to give someone, How much money should parents spend on kid's toys?, tell about a family holiday tradition, name your favorite kind of holiday cookie, where is your grandmother's house?

Hanukkah Spelling Game

Cut 16 small triangles for every 2 kids who will be playing. Glue them together to form eight Stars of David. Print one letter of the word HANUKKAH on each star. Mix up the stars and pass out eight stars to each two kids.

The game is played by having Cubs trade stars until they can spell the whole word Hanukkah. You may want to hang a paper with the correct spelling shown.

Who is Santa?

(Audience participation)

Number blank cards from 1 to 25 using the directions below. Pass out cards to the boys and have them fill them in. Help if needed. Read the story, saying the number. Pause for the Cub to fill in the blank with his word. What a silly story!

Once upon a time way up on the North #1 (place), there lived a man named Santa Claus. He always wore a #2 (color) suit with #3 (color) boots. He carried a #4 (size) sack full of #5 (thing) to give to all good girls and boys.

To help him make all those things Santa had little #6 (creatures) work day and night. This year they made a #7 (thing) for #8 (name of a boy in your den). They also made a #9 (thing) for #10 (name of a boy in your den). Santa asked for one more #11 (name of a toy). The #12 (creatures) made a #13 (thing) especially for #14 (your den leader's name).

Santa sure kept them busy until the big day arrived when he loaded his sack and hitched up his #15 (kind of car) to his eight reindeer. Now, these weren't just any old reindeer...they were named #16, #17, #18, #19, #20, #21, #22, #23 (all names of pets).

Finally everything was all set for the big holiday called #24 (holiday other than Christmas). Santa and his reindeer flew up and out sight saying, "Merry #25 (holiday other than Christmas), and to all a good night!

Cranberry Yard Dash

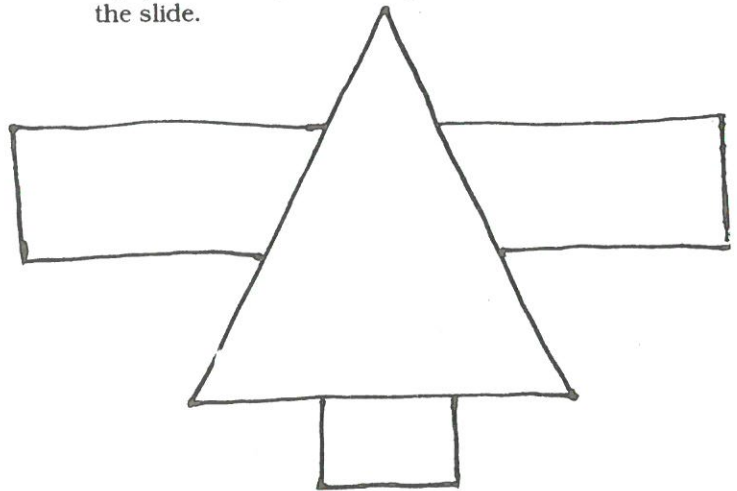
Divide the den into two groups. Lay two yardsticks on a table and give each player a cranberry and a toothpick. On signal, one player at a time lays his cranberry at one end of the yardstick. He must roll it to the other end, using the toothpick--no fingers. If the cranberry rolls off the yardstick (it probably will) he must use the toothpick to get it back on. The team who finishes first gets to make up an official Cranberry Cheer for the den meeting.

Tie Slide

Leatherworking

Make a template by drawing a simple pattern of a Christmas tree about 2" wide on a piece of cardboard. Add two short "arms."

Have boys trace the outline onto a small piece of leather. Cut out and decorate using leather stamping equipment. Staple arms together in back to form the slide.



Crafts

Thumbprint Santa Ornament

Materials needed: Clay, toothpicks, paints, clear acrylic spray, cording.

Instructions: Roll a small piece of clay into a ball. Set the ball down on the table and push your thumb down into it. Slide your thumb out of the clay, pulling toward you. This will make the beard. Make a small hole with a toothpick at the top. Let clay dry and harden until next den meeting.

Paint a tan circle for Santa's face in the thumbprint. Paint his beard and trim all around his face with white paint. Use black paint to make a mustache and two eyes.

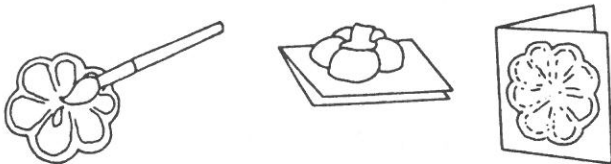
Spray with a clear acrylic coating and let dry. Insert cord for hanging.

Pipe Cleaner Candy Canes

Materials needed: Red or white pipe cleaners, small red and white beads.
 Instructions: Use red or white pipe cleaners and thread beads over the end, alternating colors. Fold the ends of the pipe cleaner over the first and last bead to secure. Bend to shape.

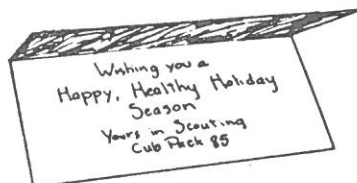
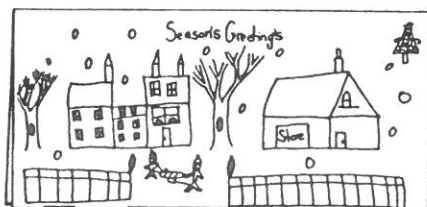
Party Announcements

Send special invitations to your den or pack holiday party. Pretty snowflake prints can be made from green peppers. (Yes, that's what I said!)
 Cut a green pepper in half crosswise. Clean. With a brush, paint white paint on the cut edges. Press the pepper firmly onto dark construction paper. Fold the paper into a card after the paint has dried.
 Another decorating idea is to use thumbprints. Use several colors of stamp pads for the Cubs to experiment with. Make the prints, and then use markers or pens to add details.



Christmas Cards

Ask the Cubs design some special greeting cards from your den. Send them to the Cubmaster, pack leaders, school principal or minister where your den meets, Boy Scout district executive, charter partner representative, Boy Scout council office, mayor of your town, or to the newspaper.
 Use stencils, sponge painting or spatter painting, glue on glitter, or a multitude of other crafty things.



Santa's Face

Materials needed: Red and white yarn, scissors, 4" macrame hoops, and beady eyes.
 Instructions: Cut white yarn into pieces about 6" long. Cut red yarn into pieces about 10" long. Put piles in the middle of the working table. Each Cub ties white yarn in a square knot over the bottom of his hoop. Slide knots together until white yarn forms a beard.
 Turn hoop around and tie red yarn in the same manner. To form Santa's hat, gather red yarn together and tie off forming a small tassel.
 Tie one white piece of yarn across the width of the hoop. Tie on a small piece of white yarn for the mustache, then glue on two beady eyes.



Gift Bags

Bags to hold gifts can be made any size. Cut long rectangles of Christmas print fabric. To form a bag, fold in half with right sides together. Sew up the two sides by hand or machine. Turn right side out. Use colorful ribbon to tie bags shut. You can also fold with wrong sides together, sew up, and then use pinking shears to finish the outside edges.
 These bags can also be made out of plain colored fabric or muslin. Before sewing, stencil with potatoes or sponges, decorate with fabric pens, or spatter paint using small cardboard tree outlines.

Eyelet Wreaths

Thread about 8½" of eyelet onto a colored 5" pipe cleaner. Twist ends together to close. Glue together the edges of eyelet where they meet. Glue on a ribbon or other Christmas miniature. Thread on a ribbon to hang.

Find More Craft Ideas

Use the *Cub Scout How-To Book!* Chapter 3 lists tips on painting, enlarging patterns, kinds of adhesives, and material resources...not to mention numerous patterns and ideas for gifts.
 Also visit local fabric shops or craft stores to look at sample. Most stores hold demonstrations or give out directions for small crafts at holiday times.
 The local library can be a wonderful resource for books of children's crafts. Why not try something unique like quilting Christmas ornaments, or making stuffed animals using a den assembly line.
 Browse in gift shops to get ideas for crafts to do with your den.
 Be sure to invite parents to help with craft time. They can be great one-on-one help with the Cubs. Maybe they have some easy ideas for you to use.

Skits

Cub Scout in a Toy Shop

The leader tells the story and asks the den to follow all the gestures. Every gesture should be continued until the end of the story.

This is the story of a Cub Scout whose mother left him in the middle of a big department store while she went to look at clothes. This lad had been waiting for some time, so he began to tap his right foot to show his irritation. (Tap right foot.)

After 15 minutes, he got bored waiting for his mother, so he walked into the toy department. There he saw a small toy lion whose head was nodding up and down. As he began to watch it, he too started to nod his head. (Nod head up and down.)

On the next shelf there was a toy trumpet that looked so shiny and new. He picked it up and tried to play a tune. (Wiggle fingers on right hand to play the trumpet.)

Right beside the trumpet was a toy drum, so he picked up a drum stick to make more music. (Drum with left hand.)

The Cub Scout was having so much fun he entirely forgot about his mother. He climbed up on a hobby horse and rocked merrily away. (Rock back and forth.)

Pretty soon his mother was done shopping, and found him. "I thought this is where you would be! Let's go home now."

"Okay," he said, "but first let me show you what I want for Christmas!"



Christmas Morning

Two boys work together to make one "body" for this skit. One boy sits on a chair and the other boy stands behind it. Cover the boys with a sheet. Cut a hole for the head of the boy sitting down, and leave his legs showing. Cut holes for the arms of the second boy.

The announcer describes the story of this Cub Scout waking up on Christmas morning. The "boy" illustrates the motions: Stretch and yawn, brush teeth, blow nose, comb hair, do exercises (jumping jacks), eat a cookie or bowl of cereal, sing a Christmas song, bow and salute audience.

Christmas All Around

Props: Each boy carries an item or picture of his part of the poem.

#1: You can see it in the windows
Of the houses and the stores
Where holly wreaths and Christmas trees
Look in and out of doors.

#2: You can smell it in the kitchen
Where the tangy scent of spice
Gets mixed with nuts and citron
And everything that's nice.

#3: You can hear it in the music
That echoes down the street
And at the crowded counters
And in the busy feet.

#4: You can sense it in the whisper
Of secrets in the air
And in the happy eagerness
That twinkles everywhere.

All: Shiny lights on fir trees,
Voices that resound,
Goodies in the oven,
Secrets that abound.
You can see it. You can smell it,
And you hear it all around...
Christmas has come to town!

Looking for Christmas

As the narrator reads the story, Cub Scouts arrive with the appropriate item and stand on the stage.

Once upon a time there was a den of Cub Scouts. The boys decided to go out and look for Christmas so they could bring it back to their den.

The first Cub Scout thought he had found Christmas, and came back with a Christmas tree.

The second Cub Scout thought he found Christmas, and came back with a gift for his family.

The third Cub Scout thought he found Christmas. He came back with a stocking.

The fourth Cub Scout found Christmas, too, and came back to the den singing a carol.

The fifth Cub Scout thought he had found Christmas, and he brought back some snow.

The sixth Cub Scout was sure he found Christmas, and he came back to the den with Santa Claus.

Now the seventh Cub Scout searched a long time, but he couldn't find anything he thought really described Christmas. So he came back to the den with nothing in his hands.

But this boy, more than all the others, had truly found Christmas—right in his heart. It was full of love and goodwill, not just at Christmas, but all year 'round. He knew that holiday magic was inside each and every person.

Songs

Santa Had a Sleigh

(Tune: Old MacDonald)

Santa Claus he had a sleigh,
Ho, ho, ho, ho, ho.
And in his sleigh he had a ball,
Ho, ho, ho, ho, ho.
With a bounce, bounce here,
and a bounce, bounce there.
Here a bounce, there a bounce,
Everywhere a bounce, bounce.
Santa Clause he had a sleigh,
Ho, ho, ho, ho, ho.

As you sing, go around the circle and each boy fills in a verse with the name of a toy that Santa would have in his sleigh. The toy should have a noise or description (like bounce, bounce). Remember to name all preceding toys and sounds with each verse.

Bobcat Christmas

(Tune: We Wish You a Merry Christmas)

We wish you a Bobcat Christmas.
We wish you a Bobcat Christmas.
We wish you a Bobcat Christmas,
And a Wolf badge next year.
Good tidings we bring to all Bobcats true.
We hope you earn your Wolf badge
And arrow points, too.

Holiday Thoughts

(Tune: She'll be Coming Round the Mountain)

We will decorate the house on holidays.
We will decorate the house on holidays.
We will write down special wishes
And polish special dishes.
We will decorate the house on holidays.

We'll prepare a special feast on holidays.
We'll prepare a special feast on holidays.
We will make the cakes and pies
That smell good and tempt your eyes.
We'll prepare a special feast on holidays.

We'll thank God for all his love on holidays.
We'll thank God for all his love on holidays.
We'll share presents with our friends,
And hope the spirit never ends.
We'll thank God for all his love on holidays.

The Cub Scout Christmas Song

(Tune: The Christmas Song sung by Nat King Cole)

Cub Scouts sitting around the Christmas tree
Making wishes big and small.
Christmas time is a beautiful time,

When love's available for all.
And Cub Scouts know
That loving is the greatest gift;
It flows so freely from their hearts.
So they say, with a smile on their face
That Christmas is the time for cheer.
They know that Scouting really works.
It makes them close and friendlier each day,
And when another is in need of help
They jump right to it
And will help him right away.
As our spirit grows,
And Christmas times comes into view,
Please learn this lesson from your Scout
As he smiles and he says to the world:
"Merry Christmas to you."

Snacks

Cashew Crunch

This is a fast den snack to make right at the meeting or it can be made for gift-giving. Make the crunch right in foil pie pans, break it up, and give the gift right in the same pan. Each batch makes about one pound of crunch.

Ingredients:

1 cup granulated sugar
½ half cup light or dark corn syrup
1 cup cashew nuts halves (or other nuts)
1 tsp butter or margarine
1 tsp vanilla extract
1 tsp baking soda

Line a cookie sheet with foil and lightly grease with vegetable cooking spray. Have a greased spatula ready.

Mix sugar and corn syrup in a 1½-2 quart glass bowl. Microwave on high 4-5 minutes until sugar dissolves and mixture is bubbling.

Stir in cashew and microwave 3-5 minutes more until mixture is a medium golden color. Stir in butter until it melts. Add vanilla.

Add baking soda, stirring thoroughly until mixture is foamy. Immediately pour it onto the prepared cookie sheet and spread with the greased spatula to ¼ inch thickness.

Let cashew crunch stand about one hour until cool. Peel candy off the foil and break it into chunks. Store in an airtight container.

Classic Desserts

Ask around your den to see if a family makes special Christmas breads or food such as stollen, julekage, fruitcakes, etc.

If so, request a demonstration or taste testing for your den. Learn about the ethnic heritage of the food or the story of what the food represents.

Closings

Merry Christmas Scramble

Several dens can work together to do this skit. All together 14 boys are needed. Each carries an alphabet block or poster with a letter on it. The letters spell out Merry Christmas (3 R's; 2 S's; 2 M's, one each E, Y, U, C, H, I, T, A.)

Boys enter the stage carrying the letters all scrambled. Boys look puzzled. Den leader or Den Chief enters, looks at the boys, scratches head, and begins to rearrange the letters/boys. After making several errors, the boys huddle all together. One boy goes over to the leader and whispers the answer. The leader then proceeds to properly arrange the letters to spell "Merry Christmas" from left to right. When all the letters are in place, the den leads the audience in "We Wish You a Merry Christmas."

Happy Holidays

Each Cub carries a picture or symbol of his holiday.

- #1: I like holidays full of good cheer. I like the special days at the end of the year.
 - #2: I like Halloween with ghosts big and small, and witches on broomsticks, and cats on the wall.
 - #3: I like Thanksgiving with turkey and other food, but it's a time we all eat a just little more than we should.
 - #4: I like the festival of Hanukkah with candles so bright they all seem to glow. What a beautiful sight!
 - #5: Holidays, holidays, both great and small. Holidays, holidays, I like them all.
 - #6: But the one that I really, just really, enjoy is when I can say Christmas greetings to each girl and boy.
- All shout "Merry Christmas to Pack __!"

Wise Thoughts

- Do something for others even when you don't have the time.
- Make others happy when you would rather be alone.
- Don't be irritable when others interrupt you.
- Be honest and just, but also understanding and compassionate.
- Be patient and kind regardless of the circumstances.
- Look for ways to make others happy, no matter who they are.
- Choose to be consistent through hard experiences.
- Find joy in God, not only in the circumstances.

If you do these things, you will surely discover what holiday magic really is...love.



Advancement Ceremony

Props: Paint a wooden or cardboard tree about three feet tall. Tape a string of Christmas lights on the back and cut holes to push the bulbs through. Unscrew most of the bulbs just a little—leave a few to be turned on. Plug in the lights before the ceremony.

Cubmaster: As we look at our Cub Scout Christmas tree tonight we see that it needs more bright lights to make the decorations complete. I wonder if there are some Scouts here tonight who have earned awards and can help turn on the lights?

The first step in Scouting is the Bobcat rank. Would (boy's name) and his parents come forward please? (Shake hands and congratulate him. Have him tighten a bulb near the bottom of the tree. All parents and boys remain up front during the ceremony.)

After a Scout receives his Bobcat rank, he is ready to climb. As in climbing a tree, he works hard. He learns new things about his family and his world. He moves higher in the branches with each achievement completed. Would (boy's name) and his parents come forward? Congratulations on a job well done to earn your Wolf rank. (Have him tighten a bulb slightly higher up the tree.)

As a boy grows older and stronger, he is able to climb higher in the tree. Of course it is harder work, and the Bear rank offers harder achievements for Scouts to try. Would (boy's name) and his parents come forward. Congratulations for working hard on your Bear rank. (Have him tighten a bulb higher up the tree.)

The Webelos Scouts are the oldest and have 20 activity badges which they can earn. Would (boy's name) and his parents come forward. He has completed all the requirements for Citizen, etc. Congratulations on all your work. (Have him tighten bulbs higher up the tree.)

All these Scouts have worked hard this month but they haven't worked all alone. Their leaders and parents have guided them along the way. By their help they have turned on more lights for the boys. (Leaders and parents tighten bulbs around the tree.)

Now our tree is brightly lit for the holiday celebration. As you have seen, it takes the boys plus their parents and leaders helping in order to complete the work in Scouting. Thank you all for the fine job.

Pre Opening

Map Study

Use the pre opening time this month to learn more about Alaska. Make up interesting lists of places or sites for the boys to find on a state map.

Here are some of the regional festivals and celebrations in April and May. Can you find the towns? What do you think they are celebrating?

International Curling Bonspiel (Fairbanks)
Alaska Crab Festival (Whittier)
Goldrush Stampede (Skagway)
Little Norway Festival (Petersburg)
Miner's Day Celebration (Talkeetna)

Use a globe and find Anchorage. If you were to follow the meridian of longitude (north-south) around the world what cities would you pass through?

Crossing the Yukon

This game can be played by any number of boys, with new ones joining in at any time as they arrive. Ask your Den Chief to supervise.

Form the Yukon River by stretching two ropes close together on the ground parallel to each other. Boys line up and take turns jumping or leaping over them to the opposite side. After everyone has crossed, widen the river by about three inches. This continues until everyone "gets wet."

For variety, before jumping have each boy name an item to take on a trip to Alaska.

Match Up

- | | |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. Anchorage | A. means Great Land |
| 2. Juneau | B. state capital |
| 3. Kodiak Island | C. Indians of central Alaska |
| 4. Alaska | D. Indians in southeastern Alaska |
| 5. Tlingit | E. Eskimos |
| 6. Dawson City | F. first settled by Russian trappers |
| 7. Kenai | G. largest city |
| 8. Athapascan | H. first settlement |
| 9. Aleuts | I. world's greatest gold strike |

- (1.) G (2.) B (3.) H (4.) A (5.) D
(6.) I (7.) F (8.) C (9.) E

Yells

Chinook Salmon Applause

Put your hands and arms together and pretend to be wiggling like a fish. Jump up the rapids and then yell, "I made it!"



Polar Bear Hug

Wrap your arms around your body and give yourself a big bear hug.

Prospector's Cheer

Pretend to be swinging a pick, groaning on each hit.

Openings

The Land

A is for Anchorage where farming is done.
L is for the land we know as the Midnight Sun.
A is for a wilderness area we think of as cold.
S is for settled by men with thirst for gold.
K is for Kotzebue—what a name to say!
A is for a state I'd like to visit someday.

Alaska

Some came to Alaska seeking gold.
Some came to build empires, so I'm told.
They're keeping the land pure and free,
So there is a future for you and me.

Eagles

Cubs hold pictures or posters of eagles. Tape these words to read onto the back of the posters.

- #1: You will see Bald Eagles in many parts of Alaska. At the Chilkat Bald Eagle Preserve near Haines about 3,500 Bald Eagles feed on spawning salmon.
- #2: The eagle is one of the largest and most powerful birds in the world. It has a wing span of up to seven feet. It weighs 8 to 13 pounds and is about 35" long.
- #3: Eagles have very keen eyes. They sight their prey while flying high above the ground.
- #4: The United States chose the Bald Eagle as its national bird in 1782. Our country's insignia and many of our coins have the eagle on them. It is also usually perched upon the top of the flagpole. Let us rise as the color guard brings in the flag. Join me in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Games

Snowshoes

Equipment needed: Two sheets of white paper for each team, masking tape. Mark a start and a finish line across the room from each other.

Scene: It's really cold and the snow is very deep and you have to get to town for supplies. Get out your snowshoes and do the best you can!

Place the snowshoes (papers) down on the snow (floor). The first person in line puts one foot on each paper. To move forward, lift one foot, move showshoe forward with hand, then place foot back down on it. Move each foot forward in this manner until you have reached the town (finish line).

The team who gets all of its members to town first wins "blubber," chewing gum wrapped in paper and marked blubber.

It's Cold out Thar!

Alaskans have found that the layered look provides the most comfort in winter. The idea is to trap insulating air between layers of loosely worn clothing. Clothers can be shed or added according to the temperature.

Gather items for each team such as long underwear, wool pants, shirt, sweatshirt, scarf, hat, two sets of gloves, two pairs of socks, and boots.

Make up a relay game with teams. The idea is to dress up in all the clothes and then do something like unwrap a piece of gum, or run from a bear.

Gold Rush

Spray some small rocks with gold paint. Spread them around in your back yard. Line up all the players on one side and fire a cap gun to begin the Gold Rush.

Set a time limit for the Cubs to gather gold. The one who finds the most gold can be first in line at snack time, can trade it in for a shiny new fifty cent piece, etc. Make up your own reward.

Eskimo Tie Slide

Use a bottle cap as the base. Pour plaster in the back and insert a small curtain ring for the slide part. Let dry then pop out.

Paint the face and add nose, eyes and other features. Apply glue to the side edges. Press on cotton or fake fur for the parka.



Crafts

Scrimshaw

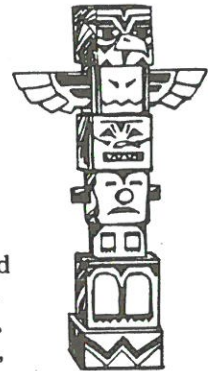
Scrimshaw is a craft of the Eskimos and the whalers of the North Sea. They carved designs on whale teeth and on animal horns. You can make imitation scrimshaw with plaster.

Mix up thick plaster and put a blob onto wax paper. It must be thick enough to stay in a lump and not run. Flatten the lump and use a pencil to make a hole for the string. Let the plaster dry for a while. While it is still slightly soft, use a nail to scratch a design. Use a brown felt tip marker to go over the lines for the scrimshaw look. After the plaster completely dries, varnish it for a shiny, bone-like appearance.

Totem Poles

Totem poles are actually a story carved in wood and used as a decoration. They have social significance, not religious significance. Totem poles are "read" from the top down.

A single pole represents a simple short tale, a whole series of events in history, or a legend. Certain symbols were developed to portray characters in Indian legends such as ravens, eagles, owls, bears, frogs, wings, teeth, and paws.



You can carve your own totem pole from soft balsa wood or from a bar of soap. Or, draw your pole on a piece of paper and tape it around a paper towel tube. Tell the story of your totem pole to your den, just as the Indians would tell when their pole was raised.

X Marks the Spot

In 1896 George Carmack and two Indians dipped their pans into the shallow waters of Rabbit Creek south of the Klondike River in the Yukon. They came up with gold! When news of the strike hit the state mainland the following year, the great Gold Rush was on. Nearly 18,000 prospectors clogged the area to stake their claims.

Pretend you have struck gold and need to make a map in order to claim your stake. Use a piece of white notebook paper (unruled) and draw your map. Show creeks, landmarks, mountains and other interesting information about your claim. Rub a wet teabag over the entire page to make it look "weathered," then crumple the paper in a ball.

After the paper has dried, open it up and brush lightly with cooking oil. This will complete the parchment look for your stake.

Skits

Eskimo Joe

(Audience Participation)

Eskimo Joe: It's so cold! Sled: Swish, Swish
 Bear: Grrr! Huskies: Yip, Yip, Yip
 Alaska: Bigger than Texas Spear: Ouch!

Let me tell you about ESKIMO JOE who lived way up in ALASKA with his HUSKIES. One day ESKIMO JOE was almost out of food for himself and his HUSKIES, so he decided it was time to go hunting for a BEAR with his SPEAR.

ESKIMO JOE hitched his HUSKIES up to his SLED. ESKIMO JOE picked up his SPEAR, jumped onto the SLED and yelled "Mush" to his HUSKIES.

Now in ALASKA there are always a lot of BEARS around. In fact, hunters come from all over America to hunt for BEARS in ALASKA. But on this day, poor ESKIMO JOE could not find any BEARS to throw his SPEAR at.

ESKIMO JOE rode all over ALASKA on his SLED pulled by his HUSKIES. Finally he spotted a BEAR fishing on the ice. ESKIMO JOE stopped his HUSKIES, jumped from the SLED, and threw his SPEAR. But alas, ESKIMO JOE missed and his SPEAR fell into the water. What would poor ESKIMO JOE do without his SPEAR?

But no need to fear! There is plenty of food for the BEARS in ALASKA, so the BEAR invited ESKIMO JOE and his HUSKIES to leave the SLED and join him for a fish supper.

That's why to this day the BEAR, ESKIMO JOE, and his HUSKIES all live as friends in ALASKA.

But just BEAR-ly.



Stand Up Comedy

Cub Scouts dress in a variety of Alaskan outfits: gold panner, ice skater, Indian, Eskimo, fisherman, tourist, mountain climber, etc. Each boy comes on stage and tells a joke.

What do you call an iceberg? A permanent wave.

What do you get when you cross a salmon with a feather? A fish that's tickled pink.

Which winter sport do you learn in the fall? Ice skating.
 Why are salmon poor tennis players? They don't like to get too close to the net.

Why is the Yukon River so rich? It has two banks.

If I threw a white stone into the Bering Sea what would it become? Wet.

Why do Eskimos wash their clothes in Tide? It's too cold to wash them out-tide.

Why was the hockey player insulted? The ice kept making cracks.

What do you get when you cross a hill with a stove? A mountain range.

Tongue twister: A big black bug bit a big black bear and the big black bear bled blood!

Knock, Knock.

Who's there?

Alaska.

Alaska, who?

Alaska to come inside if you promise not to tell any more knock-knock jokes.

Game Show

Characters: A game show host and two contestants. One is dressed in a Cub Scout uniform and the other one is dressed in regular clothes.

This is a good ad-libbing skit with a game show theme. Let the boys really ham it up. Make up appropriate banter with the host and contestants, and use the following questions for the game.

Of course, the Cub Scout always gets the answers right because he has learned a lot from the den theme, Exploring Alaska. He wins the game, and the grand prize is something related to Alaska—a trip to watch a zookeeper feeding polar bears, a year's supply of Blizzards, etc.

- Alaska is the largest state in the United States. Comparing it to Texas how much larger is it?
 A. 1½ times larger B. 2 times larger
 C. 5 times larger
- In February, Anchorage has 11 hours of daylight and about the same average high temperature as Minneapolis.
 A. True B. False
- Which city has the largest population?
 A. Fairbanks B. Nome C. Anchorage
- Alaska has almost all of the active volcanoes in the United States, as well as the highest mountain peak. How high is Mount McKinley?
 A. 14,680 feet B. 20,320 feet C. 35,679 feet
- Secretary of State William Seward bought Alaska from Russia in 1867 for seven million dollars. How much did that average for the cost per acre?
 A. \$5.00 B. \$640.00 C. \$0.02
- The Arctic is an area of tundra and barren mountains inhabited almost entirely by Eskimos. How much of the state is north of the Arctic Circle?
 A. Half B. One-fourth C. Most of it

Answers: (1.) B (2.) True (3.) C (4.) B (5.) C (6.) B

Alaska

Songs

Our Alaska

(Tune: Deep in the Heart of Texas)

The stars at night
Are big and bright
(Clap, clap, clap, clap)
Up here in our Alaska.
The arctic sky is twice as high
(Clap, clap, clap, clap)
Up here in our Alaska.

There's sun at night
And northern lights
(Clap, clap, clap, clap)
Up here in our Alaska.
So don't berate
The biggest state
(Clap, clap, clap, clap)
And that is our Alaska!

Mush Your Huskies

(Tune: Row, Row, Row)

Mush, mush, mush your dogs
Through the ice and snow.
Freezing, breezing, wheezing, sneezing,
Over the ground we go.

Home in the Snow

(Tune: Home on the Range)

O give me a home between Fairbanks and Nome
Where the moose and the caribou play;
Where nothing will grow
Cause it's covered with snow
From June to the following May.

Home, home in the snow
Where it's mild when it's 90 below.
The tundra's for me, by the great Bering Sea,
And the life of a tough sourdough.

Snacks

Ice Cream Cups

When you think of Alaska you usually think of cold. And cold reminds you of ice cream! Before the den meeting, slice refrigerated cookie dough and line muffin cups, shaping with your fingers. Bake per directions. Cool. Scoop ice cream into the cups and serve with a spoon.

Baked Alaskas

Invite a parent to come to the den meeting to prepare Baked Alaskas for the boys. They will be amazed! Find the recipe in your favorite cookbook.

Snowballs

Make a batch of the Rice Krispie/marshmallow recipe and shape it into snowballs. Lightly grease your hands first so it doesn't stick.

Closings

All One

Even though Alaska is not directly connected to the rest of the United States, it is as much a part of America as we are in Minnesota. The hands of friendship, culture, and natural resources keep us as one unit. Cub Scouting keeps us together in one unit, too, regardless of whether we are in Alaska or Minnesota. Just as the states are part of the United States of America, our pack and dens are part of the whole Boy Scouts of America program.

Our Flag

The 48 star flag remained our nation emblem for more than 46 years and was carried by the armed forces in two great World Wars. Following the admission of Alaska as the 49th state, President Eisenhower issued an executive order establishing a new flag with seven rows of seven stars. This flag was officially hoisted on July 4, 1959 in an impressive ceremony at old Fort McHenry in Baltimore, Maryland.

This flag was short-lived however, with admission of Hawaii as the 50th state during the next month. This called for a new design of the stars, and President Eisenhower issued another executive order in late August, 1959.

Let us stand and remember all the changes our country has seen over the last two hundred years. Changes in boundaries, and states, and yes, even our flag. (All rise.) Let us salute our great flag and say the Pledge of Allegiance before we go home tonight, proud of what our country has become.

Advancement Ceremony

Igloos

Build a small igloo out of styrofoam or plaster. Put all the awards inside. Cubmaster can dress as an Eskimo and tell interesting facts about his way of life between pulling out awards.

Blue and Gold History

Parent-Cub dinners were being suggested as early as 1933 in *The Cub Leaders' Round Table*. A variety of potluck dinners, father-son dinners, etc. were detailed in early Scouting literature. By the early 1940's some packs began calling the event the Blue and Gold Banquet. The idea gained popularity and changed intent.

Now, every February we celebrate the anniversary of Scouting with a birthday party we call the Blue and Gold Banquet. This banquet is held in place of the February pack meeting. All of the Cub Scouts and their family members join in this annual celebration. Special guests might include the District Scout executive, Unit commissioner, Scouting Coordinator, Scoutmaster of associated troop, representative of the charter partner (minister, rabbi, PTA president, school principal), former Cubmaster or pack alumni.

Recognition is one of the most important features of the banquet because recognition of efforts, large and small, is important to the growth of boys, as well as adults. Cub Scouts, adult Scouters, and adults interested in Scouting are recognized at the banquet by receiving certificates, badges or applause.

There is a bonus at the banquet for parents. They get to meet and know the people with whom their son will work and advance through his Scouting career. Friendships that are formed between Scouting families are important to a boy's growth.

Planning the banquet

1. Plan early.
2. Plan details.
3. Involve the parents and the Cubs in planning.
4. Delegate responsibilities.
5. Reserve the banquet site.
6. Decide on the meal-potluck, catered, etc.
7. Plan the order of the program.
8. Invite special guests.

Pre Opening

In Other Words

Cub Scouts around the world say happy birthday to Scouting! (Work on Wolf Elective 22, Say it Right.)
 Look at pictures of Scout uniforms in other countries.
 Learn about things they do during their meetings.

Happy Birthday!
 Bon Anniversaire!
 Feliz Cumpleanos!
 Gevurtstagswunsche!
 Buon Compleanno!



Word Search

Find these words hidden in the puzzle. Look forward, backwards, diagonal, up, and down.

advancement	arrow	awards	banquet
Baden-Powell	bear	birthday	blue
Bobcat	country	Cubmaster	den
den leader	dessert	family	flag
food	gold	pack	Scouting
Tiger Cub	Webelo	Wolf	year

P M B J K K Q A L U Y F L A G L C A
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 H I D V D S P D S Y T A T M I X O N

Who's Who at the Blue and Gold?

Make up the following list on a Bingo-type grid. Go around looking at uniforms and gather signatures for each square. Find a Cub Scout who is wearing:

- a tan shirt
- Den 2
- a navy shirt
- Den 4
- Wolf badge
- a yellow neckerchief
- 1 red bead
- at least 5 activity pins
- Tiger Cub patch
- a temporary patch

Blue and Gold

Openings

Den Meeting Fun

Leader: Some of the people who have been involved in Scouting during the past have become famous. Do you recognize any of these people?

Franklin D. Roosevelt (President)

John Kennedy (President)

Neil Armstrong (First man on the moon)

Henry Fonda (Actor)

Bob Hope (Comedian)

Walt Disney (Who could he be?)

Hank Aaron (Baseball homerun king)

Terry Bradshaw (Pittsburgh Steeler quarterback)

This month we are looking at Blue and Gold Traditions and these men are part of Scouting's tradition. You too, are part of Scouting tradition leading into the future. As we take roll call, stand up and say your name...and what *you* will be famous for some day.

Blue and Gold

Use boys from all the dens for this opening ceremony. They carry signs with the letter on the front and the words on the back. Boys enter one at a time and read their part, standing in a line to spell BLUE AND GOLD.

B is for boys...Bobcats, Wolves, Bears and Webelos.

L is for leader...the Cubmaster who guides us.

U is for understanding...we love to help others.

E is for excellence...we learn to do better each time.

A is for anniversary...Cubbing's 84th year.

N is for neighborhood...where Cub dens meet each week.

D is for den chief...a Scout who helps us in many ways.

G is for goals...for which Cubbing stands.

O is for opportunities...for boys to learn and do.

L is for liberty...we understand from our forefathers.

D is for den leaders...who love and help us toward Boy Scouting.

Will everyone please rise and join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Cub Scouting Purpose

The Cubs make cards with letters to spell PURPOSE.

Write the following words to be read on the reverse side.

For a fun time, have the boys bring their parents to the stage with them. Have the parents read as the boys hold the cards.

P is to provide fun and exciting things for boys to do.

U is to foster understanding within the family, an idea not new.

R is to respond to good sportsmanship and prepare Cubs for the Boy Scout program.

P is for pride in growing strong in mind and body; toward becoming a man.

O is to open new areas where boys can be helpful and do their best.

S is to strengthen boys' abilities to get along with others, and be accepted by the rest.

E is to encourage the development of habits and attitudes of good citizenship each day.

Invite the Pack to stand and say the Cub Scout promise.

Games

Blue and Gold Pass

Materials needed: 12 clothespins painted gold, 12 painted blue, and two empty boxes.

Directions: Line up two teams, each person holding the hands of the person on either side of him. On signal, the first boy in the line picks up one clothespin from his pile (one has gold, the other blue). He passes the clothes pin down the line. Each person passes it without dropping hands. The last person puts the pin in the box. If the pin drops to the ground, players must pick it up without letting of hands.

Musical Money Relay

This is a good way to obtain money for the World Friendship Fund. Each table is given an empty paper cup. Music is played while the cup is passed from person to person around the table. Each time the music stops, the person holding the cup must put a penny in it. Continue as long as desired.

Neckerchief Relay

Line up dens as teams. Each team will use one of the boys' Cub neckerchief. Across the room have pack leaders seated, one for each team.

At starting signal, the first Cub runs up to his person, places the neckerchief around the neck, puts tie slide on, salutes, takes the slide off, removes neckerchief and returns to his line. The following boys repeat the procedure. The first den to complete their salute to leaders leads the pack in a song or cheer.

More Games

Chapter 2 of *The Cub Scout How-To Book* has quite a large selection of games to try. They are organized by large group (pack), small group (den), quiet games, relays, circle games, chasing games, blind-fold games, physical fitness activities, water games, ball games, winter games, and games for the handicapped. There is something in this chapter for everyone!

Yells

Wolf Applause

Howl like a wolf four times, each time turning one quarter of a turn.

Bear Applause

Growl like a bear four times, turning half a turn each time.

Cubby Applause

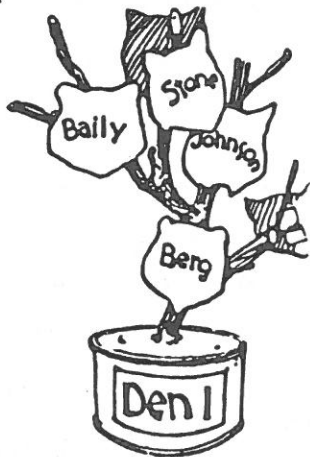
Leader yells, "Who's the best den?" Everyone answers by yelling their own den number.

Crafts

Den Family Tree

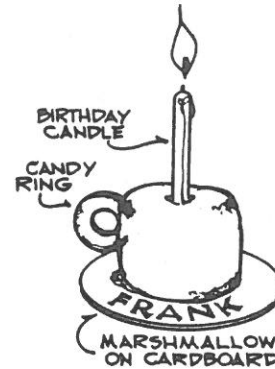
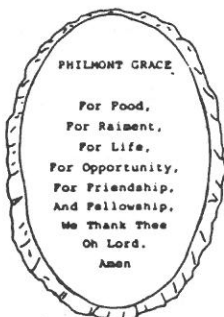
Fill a small coffee can with Plaster of Paris and insert a tree branch. While it is hardening, draw silhouettes of Wolf or Bear. Cut out two for each Cub, then write his name on each.

Tape the two sides together over a branch to form a den family tree.



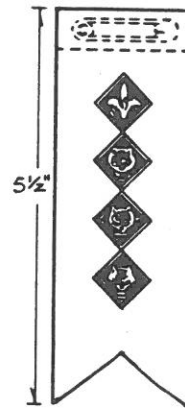
Philmont Grace Plaques

Type up the words to the Philmont Grace: For food, for raiment, for life, for opportunity, for friendship and fellowship, we thank thee, O Lord. Amen. Make copies for the Cubs to paste onto rounds of wood or small plaques from the craft store. Shellac over the top to seal the words on. Each boy can make one for his family to use at the banquet.



Place Holders

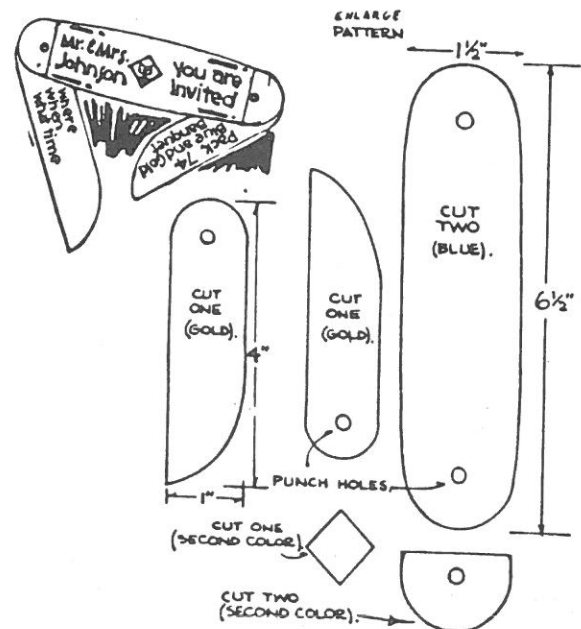
Make one for each family member coming to the banquet.



Mother's Ribbon

Cut from yellow or blue ribbon. Use the metal mother's pins, or draw copies on paper and cut out. Paste onto the ribbon.

Blue and Gold Invitation



Skits

Blue and Gold (Audience Participation)

Banquet: Let's eat! (Rub tummies)
Cubmaster: Signs up! (Show Cub sign)
Cub Scout: Yippee! (Jump up and down)
Den Leader: Oh, dear! (Hand to brow)
Parents: Us too!?? (Point to yourself)

Blue and Gold time had come again. CUB SCOUTS and DEN LEADERS searched for decorating ideas for their BANQUET table. The CUB SCOUTS all made invitations for their PARENTS. Each den made centerpieces and placemats for their table. Some of the PARENTS came to the meetings to help the Cubs.

The CUB SCOUTS were so excited; the CUBMASTER would surely be surprised when s/he walked into the room on the night of the big BANQUET and saw their decorations.

When the CUB SCOUTS arrived at the BANQUET hall, they laid out all the placemats and napkin rings on their tables. The PARENTS were happy to see how much work the CUB SCOUTS had done. And, boy, was the CUBMASTER surprised when s/he walked into the room for the banquet!

When the awards were presented, many CUB SCOUTS had earned badges and arrow points. Then THE DEN LEADERS and PARENTS received thanks for jobs well done. The CUBMASTER was also recognized.

Everyone decided this was the nicest BANQUET Pack ___ had ever had!

What Cub Scouts Are Made Of

- #1 Cub Scouts are made of young boys.
- #2 I'm 8.
- #3 I'm 9.
- #4 I'm 10.
- #1 Some are solemn and wide-eyed.
- #5 I'm solemn.
- #6 I'm wide-eyed.
- #1 Some are wiggly and giggly.
- #7 I'm wiggly.
- #8 I'm giggly.
- #1 They come in two varieties: Cub Scouts and Webelos.
- #2 I'm a Cub Scout; he's a Webelos (pointing into the audience)
- #3 Cub Scouts like to make noise (do den yell). We like to get awards (point to uniform badges) and play games (pantomime throwing a ball).
- #4 We love to sing silly songs (sing "Do your Ears Hang Low?"), make things (pantomime sawing and hammering), and just get together (arms around each other).

- #5 Cub Scouts dislike people who forget the refreshments (boo, hiss), being still (everyone wiggle), and being called sweet (make faces).
- #6 Cub Scouts are the quietest during grace (all bow heads), a flag ceremony (salute the flag), and listening for awards (hand to ear).
- #7 Cub Scouts do their best when they give good will and are friendly to everyone (shake hands all around).
- #8 Cub Scouts are most important for two reasons. They are the basic ingredients for good citizens and Cub Scouts are what Boy Scouts are made of!

What Time Is It?

Scene: A car parked with the driver taking a nap.

Narrator: After driving all night a tired man pulled into a rest stop for some sleep. There was a rap on his car window and the man awoke to find a jogger motioning for him to roll down the window.

Jogger #1: Excuse me, do you have the time?

Man: Yes, its 8:00.

Jogger #1: Thank you. (Jogs off and the driver rolls up the window and goes back to sleep.)

Jogger #2 + (Raps on the window and repeats the dialogue. Man answers a little more irritated each time. Move time ahead by ten minutes for each jogger.)

Man finally writes a sign, "I don't know what time it is!!" and holds it to the window while he goes to sleep again.

Last Jogger: (Raps on the window and the man unrolls it.) Hey mister, I know what time it is. It's 8:30.

Songs

Action Song

(Tune: If You're Happy)

If you're a Wolf Cub and you know it, stand up tall,
sit down.

If you're a Wolf Cub and you know it, stand up tall,
sit down.

If you're a Wolf Cub and you know it, then your life
will surely show it.

If you're a Wolf Cub and you know it, stand up tall,
sit down.

- If you're a Bear Cub and you know it, stand up tall, clap your hands.

- If you're a Webelos and you know it, stand up tall, turn around.

- If you're a parent and you know it, stand up tall, wave your arms.

- If you're a leader and you know it, stand up tall, hoo-ray!

Finest Pack of Cub Scouts

(Tune: Yellow Rose of Texas)

We're the finest pack of Cub Scouts
That you have ever seen.
We're loyal and We're honest.
We're never rude or mean.
We're proud to wear our uniform.
We like the gold and blue.
You know that you can count on us
To live our Promise true.

We follow our Akela.
We always do our best.
We work on our advancement,
We rarely stop to rest.
We learn while earning badges.
Cub Scouts know more than most.
We learn to be good citizens,
About that we can boast.

Cub Pledge

(Tune: My Country Tis)

Cub Friendships, pure and deep,
We promise we will keep
Our pledge to thee.
We'll honor and obey
Akela all the way,
And when we graduate
Good Scouts we'll be.

Cub Scout Pack

(Tune: You're a Grand Old Flag)

We're a Cub Scout Pack.
We're a high-flying Pack.
Down the trail of Akela we go,
From Wolf to Bear...
Bear to Webelos,
As into good Scouters we grow.

Every Cub is true
To the Gold and the Blue,
And he never forgets the fact,
That all the fun
A boy could want
He can find in the Cub Scout Pack!

Participation Song

(Tune: Clementine)

Each group stands as they are named.

We're the CUBBIES, (boys)
We're the CUBBERS. (leaders)
Here are both YOUNG and the OLD.
All together we're a CUB PACK
Having fun at Blue and Gold.

We're the BOBCATS,
WOLF and BEAR Cubs,
And the WEBELOS are we.
All together we're a CUB PACK
Having fun in harmony.

We're the MOTHERS,
We're the FATHERS,
Helping CUB SCOUTS as they go
Up the ladder of achievement,
Climbing higher as they grow.

Cub Scout Traditions

(Tune: Down in the Valley)

Cub Scouting traditions
Are really quite grand.
Boys who are Cub Scouts
Are the best in the land.
The best is the land,
The best in the land,
Boys who are Cub Scouts
Are the best in the land.

The Banquet

(Tune: On Top of Old Smokey)

Our Blue and Gold banquet's
The best one in town.
We celebrate Scouting
While gulping food down.

Cub Scouting's a pleasure,
And eating is too.
So pass the fried chicken.
Yea, Gold and the Blue!

My Favorite Things

(Tune: These Are A Few of My Favorite Things)

Hiking in summer and snowballs in winter.
Working with wood till my hand's full of splinters.
Sitting round campfires and starting to sing,
These are a few of my favorite things.

Bring a snake home to show my den leader,
That's the best way to show her I need her.
She screams, "A snake to our meeting don't bring."
It's sure not one of her favorite things.

Yelling at sunrise and kicking my brother
Get me in trouble with dad and my mother.
They just don't understand what fun that brings
And that they are some of my favorite things.

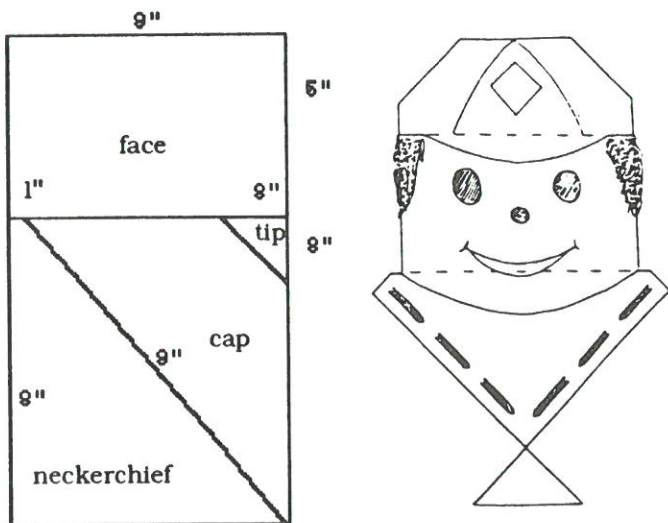
When the frog croaks, when the loon sings,
When I'm camping out,
I simply remember my favorite thing
Cause I am a good....Cub Scout!

Blue and Gold

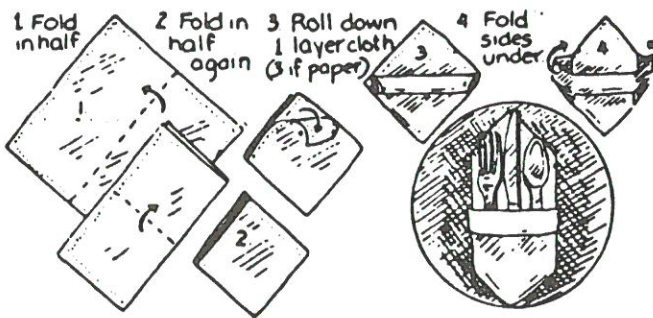
Snacks

Cub Scout Cake

Bake a 9x13 cake, any flavor. Cut as indicated. Arrange on a foil covered tray and frost. Use pink icing for the face, yellow for the neckerchief and trim on cap, blue for cap and neckerchief trim. Add gumdrops for face and nose, coconut for hair, licorice for mouth.



4. Stir in special guests until mixed evenly.
 5. Fold in an entertaining program of skits and awards.
 6. Pour mixture into a birthday cake mold and "bake" for at least one hour under the watchful eye of the Cubmaster.
 7. "Frost" with blue and gold. Serve with style.
- (Special Note: This recipe contains no cholesterol, no artificial ingredients, and NO calories!)



Tie Slide

Wolf or Bear

Before the meeting draw a simple Wolf or Bear outline about two inches wide on a piece of cardboard. (Look at the handbooks for shapes.) Omit the ears from the face, and make them as a separate piece joined by a strip (for the slide loop).

Cut out the templates. Make a sample to check your sizes and to show the boys. Boys trace around the templates laid on imitation leather or furry material, then cut out. Cut small slits on the face section to insert ears from behind to form the slide and staple them together.

Blue and Gold Cupcakes

Try this for your den meeting...if you're brave! Add blue food coloring to a white cake mix to make blue cupcakes. Add yellow food coloring to the frosting. Or for a less disgusting menu, make yellow cupcakes and add blue food coloring to the white frosting. Insert a birthday candle in each cupcake before serving. Have the Cubs sing "Happy Birthday" to Scouting.

After Dinner Applause

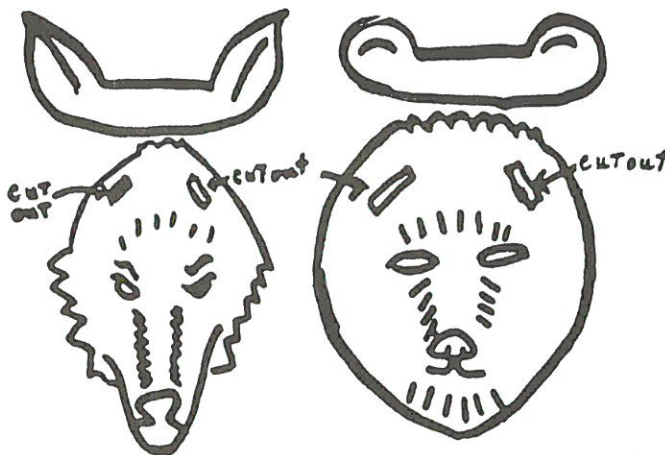
Plop, plop, fizz, fizz. Oh, what a relief it is!

Overeater's Applause

Rub stomach and say, "I can't believe I ate the whole thing."

Recipe for Blue and Gold

1. Heat one cafeteria to comfortable temperature.
2. Line up ingredients on tables: centerpieces, name cards and placemats, balloons. Don't skimp on anything!
3. Mix together generous portions of Cub Scouts and families.



Closings

Bedtime Story

Make a large, over-sized birthday book from poster board. Cut the poster board in half crosswise and punch holes along one side. String together with colorful yarn.

Draw a birthday cake on the front cover. Page one starts out, "Once upon a time..." The last page says, "The End."

In the middle pages, write some of your pack history.

When was it started? Who were some of the Cubmasters? What activities has your pack done?

The Cubmaster sits in a rocking chair to "read" the story about Blue and Gold traditions. Comment how this banquet will be added to the pages of this birthday book for those in the future to remember.

Close the book saying, "And they lived happily ever after."

Did You Know?

Did you know that millions of boys and men have been part of the Boy Scout movement since its beginning in 1910? Many of you dads were Scouts (let's see your hands), and today your sons are Cub Scouts.

What a vast force to be crusading each day at work or play for those things America holds dear. As we light the candles on our birthday cake think of the spirit of Scouting-Boys Scouts, Cub Scouts and Explorers.

Let us resolve that as someone someplace helped us get started in Cub Scouting, so will we help more boys join Cub Scouting. Will you do your best? Repeat: We'll do our best!

Baden-Powell Closing

Baden-Powell had a vision
Which he made come true
So that we enjoy Scouting
And have fun while we do.

He wasn't an American,
But he's famous to us all
For he has earned in America
Our admiration and our trust.

May the Spirit of Scouting
Be with both young and old
As you never forget
The Blue and Gold.

May you strive for truth and spirituality
In the warm sunlight under the sky above.
May you bring good cheer and happiness
To others
And have steadfast loyalty and love.

Have I Done My Best?

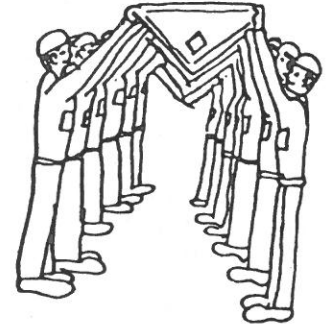
We've had a lot of color, excitement and merrymaking at our Blue and Gold Banquet tonight. That's what Cub Scouting is—lots of fun and excitement.

Let's all remember though that amidst the fun and excitement, Cub Scouting has a deeper meaning. It is helping you boys to become better citizens. Ask yourself: "Have I done my best today?" If you can answer yes then you will know that you are becoming better.

Advancement Ceremony

Neckerchief Arch Ceremony

Boys form a line facing each others. Wolves remove their handkerchief (or have a new one) and hold it in their right hand. On signal they hand the loose end of the neckerchief to the boy facing them. All neckerchiefs are raised to form the arch.



Inductees pass under the arch. As the boys pass to the end of the arch, a scarf is placed around their neck. (Tiger Cubs become Wolves; Wolves become Bears; Bears become Webelos; Webelos become Boy Scouts.)

Giving Gifts

Set up: All awards have been individually wrapped in blue and gold paper and ribbons, names printed on tags. Stack awards on the table.

Cubmaster: Tonight being the 84th birthday of Cub Scouting, I have a few gifts to present to some of our Cubs. But these aren't really gifts given freely to anyone. They are symbols of what you receive from Scouting when you work hard on achievements and electives and activity badges.

Our first presents go to Cubs who are new in Pack ____.
Read names and have them come forward to receive their gift. (Stand in line until ceremony is over.)

To celebrate their efforts, I'd like to award (Wolf, Bear, Webelos) badges to the following Cubs. (Call forward.)

Now you've all heard that it is better to give than to receive. Please take this symbol, this gift you have received from Scouting, and share it with others. Pass on good will and service to God and your country, to other people and this pack. Your gift will become more meaningful the more you share it with others.

Leader Recognitions

The Triangle

Equipment needed: Three pieces of tree branch about one inch thick and two feet long, binder twine, Pack Leader Appreciation Certificates.

Scouting Coordinator or pack committee chair performs the ceremony.

(Speak while lashing two branches together.) You have all heard many times that Cub Scouting is a family program. To be successful, our pack needs active concerned parents as well as boys. So here I have those two elements. One branch represents the boys and one the parents. But it looks incomplete, doesn't it? That's because one element is missing. I will now add it.

(Begins to lash the third branch into a triangle shape.) The third essential is the leaders. Our triangle is now complete with boys, parents and leaders. As you Webelos Scouts have learned in working on the Engineer activity badge, the triangle is a very strong structure. Our pack is strong too, because our leaders are dedicated and faithful. And so it is a great pleasure for me to honor them tonight.

Speak briefly about the service each leader has given as they are called forward. Present certificates. After all have been recognized lead the pack in giving three big "Howls."

Singing Den Leaders

Cast: All the den leaders in the pack. They can work in groups, dressed appropriately for the verse they sing.

Everyone is hidden off stage, then one group comes in at a time. All remain on stage, joining in the song after the first line of each verse.

#1: (Head wrapped with an Ace bandage.) Sings, "I've got that Cub Scout spirit up in my head."

#2: (Phony arrow taped at 90 degree angle to heart.) Sings, "I've got that Cub Scout spirit deep in my heart."

#3: (On crutches, foot wrapped in bandages.) Sings, "I've got that Cub Scout spirit down in my feet."

#4: (Carrying a big paint brush, clothes are covered with paint.) Sings, "I've got that Cub Scout Spirit all over me."

Special Awards

Cut out awards from leather or paper. Add pack number, date and appropriate saying. Punch a hole and string on leather thong. Tie loop to wear as a necklace. Hand shape: For a pat on the back.

Sailboat: For smooth sailing through the year.

Bear shape: You made the year "bearable."

Give out gag gifts with meaning:

Helping Hand: rubber glove blown up

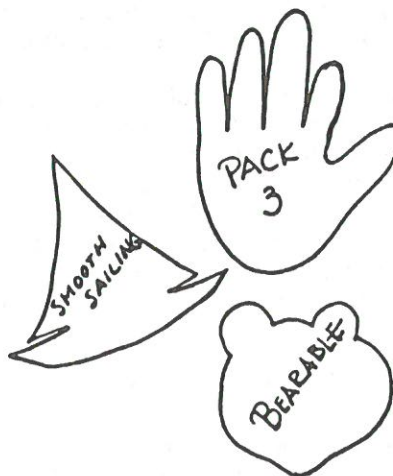
Diamond Pin: a dime and a pin

Five Carat Necklace: 5 carrots on a string

Good Egg: Hardboiled egg with a smile drawn on it.

Package of Steaks: tent stakes

Dinner for two: Two eggs in a basket



Anniversary Week

On February 8, 1910 the Boy Scouts of America was officially incorporated by Chicago publisher, William Boyce. That means Scouting in America will be 84 years old this year.

To celebrate the birthday, the BSA has designated the week of February 6-12, 1994 as Anniversary Week. Many local councils will schedule special observances and thousands of Cub packs, Boy Scout Troops, and Explorer Posts also will have special activities. Here are some ideas for your pack to help celebrate:

Have a pack open house. Invite the pack alumni to return for an evening of reminiscing, songs, skits. Display photographs of pack activities in bygone days.

Ask the Cub Scouts to wear their uniform to school on February 8th.

Attend a religious service on Scout Sunday or Scout Sabbath. In some churches and temples, Cub Scouts have a part in the service.

Raise and lower the U.S. flag each day at school or lead the Pledge in the classroom.

Stage a special display of Cub Scout skills or games after school in the gym and invite schoolmates to come.

Fill a school display case with Pinewood Derby cars, crafts, handbooks, photos, and other information about your pack.

Do a Good Turn for your Chartered Partner.

Crafts

Derby Invitations

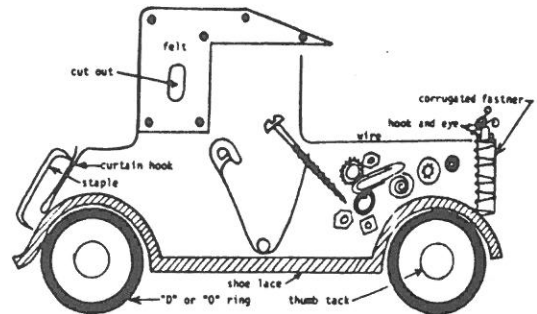
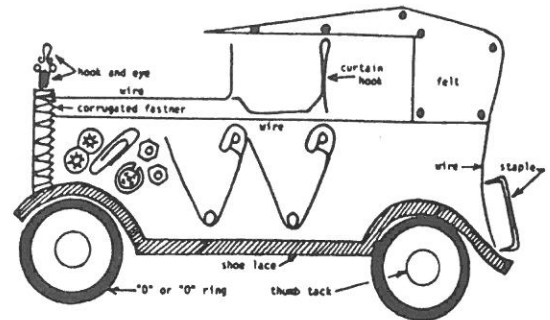
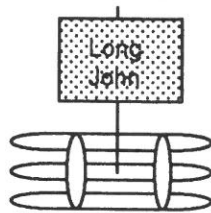
Cut small invitations out of white paper. Fold in half. Cut three slits vertically on one side, then weave strips of black paper through them to make a checkerboard pattern. Glue black strips at the ends to hold in place.

Open card and write Pinewood Derby date, time and place. Invite the parents, grandparents, school principal, minister, car dealer, or police chief.

Wooden Rafts

Glue ten ice cream sticks together in pairs, one on top of the other. Use three of these strips to form the base. Cut the other two strips the same length to form the cross bars of the raft. Glue the two bars onto the base, spacing the base strips evenly. Color the raft with permanent markers.

Use a small screw to make a hole in the center strip. Glue a thin dowel mast in the hole. Cut a square paper sail and decorate it with the ship's name. Punch holes in the top and bottom of the sail and insert onto the mast.



Junk Cars

Make a construction from screws, thumb tacks, wires, felt, staples, etc. from the home workshop. Attach pieces to a small board with tacky glue or hot glue. (Have lots of parent help for this part.)

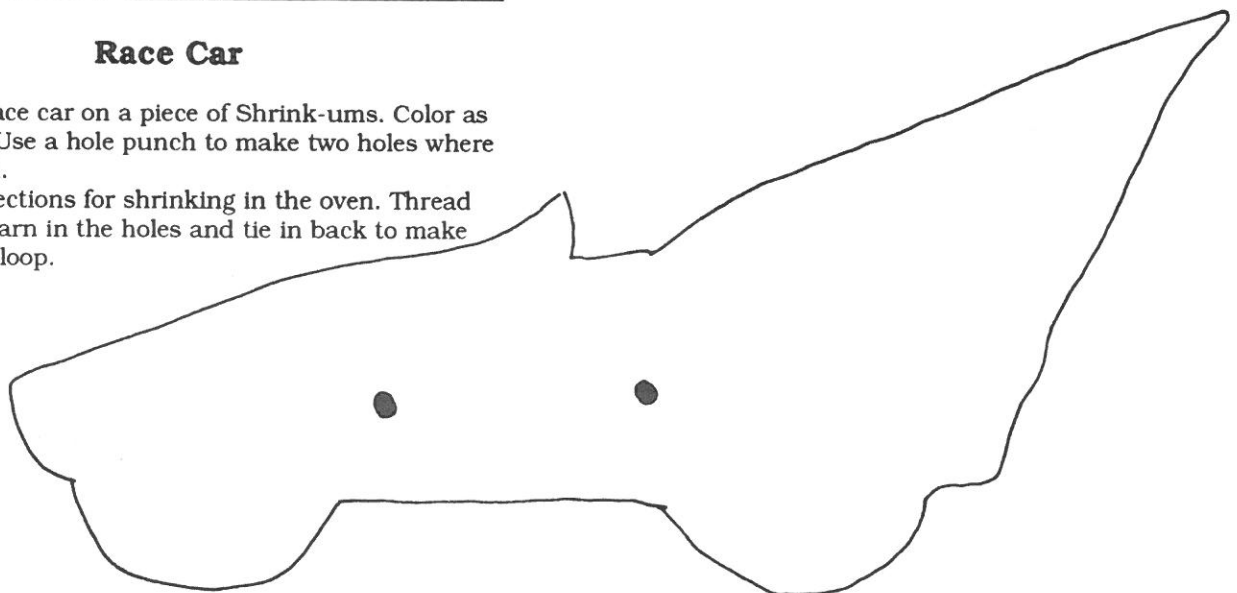
Write the "name" of your vintage model with marker or try woodburning.

Tie Slide

Race Car

Outline this race car on a piece of Shrink-ums. Color as desired. Use a hole punch to make two holes where indicated.

Follow the directions for shrinking in the oven. Thread colored yarn in the holes and tie in back to make the slide loop.



Wings, Wheels, Rudders

Skits

"Wheels" Game Show

Actors: One Cub Scout, one boy in regular dress, game show host.

Scene: Use one of the outgoing boys for the game show host. He can ad lib while giving the questions.

The Cub Scout wins though because he has learned so much in his den this month. Grand prize could be a shiny red Corvette. (model, of course)

- American Indians carried their goods atop two wooden poles dragged by dog or horse, called:
A. Travois B. Trailer C. Pack frame
D. Caboose
- The inventor of the wheel is unknown but the first record of a wheeled vehicle goes back 5,000 years to ancient _____:
A. Babylonia **B. Sumer** C. Egypt
D. Greece
- The wheel is a form of the simple machine called a:
A. Pulley B. Wedge C. Screw
D. Lever
- Oxen were first used to pull loads, but were gradually replaced by a animal that could walk twice as fast:
A. Water buffalo **B. Horse** C. Llama
D. Elephant
- A major improvement to the wooden wheel was:
A. an iron rim B. axle lubrication
C. harder wood D. flat area elimination
- Around 1830 a new kind of wheeled vehicle began to appear:
A. Steamboat B. Cars C. Stanley steamer
D. Steam locomotive
- The split rim on train wheels enables them to fit snugly between two rails. Such wheels are called:
A. Lock-in **B. Flanged** C. Self-guiding
D. Split

Derby Time

All boys in the den line up in front of the audience. Each holds his Pinewood Derby car in one hand and the appropriate tool behind his back with the other hand. Bring it forward while speaking.

- #1: This is the knife I used to carve and carve my car until it was just the right shape.
- #2: This is the coping saw I used to shape my car. I made the lines just the way I wanted them.
- #3: This is the sandpaper I used. I wanted my car to be smooth so that no resistance would slow it down.
- #4: This is the awl I used to make the hole right here in the middle to put in the driver. I think he really adds a lot of style, don't you?
- #5: This is the hammer I used. I was ever so careful as I gently tapped these wheels into place so my car would sail right down the track.
- #6: This is the paint brush I used to achieve this terrific paint job on my car. I'm proud of how it looks.

- #7: This is my Mom/Dad, the best tool I had. S/He helped me use the other tools and taught me how to do it right. Our car is bound to win some races tonight! (Bring up adult from the audience.)

Wings, Wheels, Rudders

(Audience Participation)

Wheels: Turn hands like bike pedals, saying "Whrrrrr, Whrrrr."

Wings: Move arms up and down saying, "Flap, flap."

Rudders: Hold hands together like a swimming fish saying, "Swish, swish."

Cub Scout Johnny was a real wheeler-dealer. He had some things with WHEELS and other things without WHEELS. He had things with RUDDERS, but even more without RUDDERS. Johnny was missing one thing. He didn't have anything with WINGS! WHEELS made things go; RUDDERS guided things in the water; and WINGS were needed to fly. Johnny couldn't fly without WINGS. Johnny fixed his bike WHEELS so he could ride to the river. He used a boat with a RUDDER to go fishing. He would watch the birds fly with their WINGS, and wish he had WINGS to fly, too.

One day he found a real deal. He traded some of this things with WHEELS, and some of the things that didn't have any WHEELS, and two things with RUDDERS for a very special plane that had WINGS. He was the happiest boy ever, for now he had something with WINGS, something with WHEELS and something with RUDDERS!



Crime Doesn't Pay

(Driver pretends to be driving the bus and pulls up to the first stop. Opens the door.)

- Cub #1: Hi. How much is a bus ride?
Driver: 75 cents.
Cub #1: Okay. Here you are. (Pretends to drop money in the box. Takes a seat.)
(Driver continues to next stop and opens door.)
Cub #2: Hi. I'm Tom Crime.
Driver: Okay, take a seat.
(Driver continues to next stop and opens door.)
Cub #3: Hi. I'm Mike Crime.
Driver: Okay, take a seat.
Cub #1: (Walks up the aisle to the driver) Hey, how come when I got on the bus I had to pay 75 cents and all these other guys get on and they don't have to pay?
Driver: Oh, those guys. That's easy. Everyone knows that Crime doesn't pay.

March Theme

Pre Opening

Word Search

Find the following car models - up, down, diagonal, forward, or backwards. (Yes, these are *old* models but they form a nice car! P.S. How old is a Simca?!)

Pinto	Volkswagen	Opel	Datsun
Vega	Dart	Toyota	T-Bird
Nova	Simca	Fiat	Renault
Capri	Comet	Rebel	

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Word Scramble

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|-----------------|----------------|
| 1. niart | (train) |
| 2. rac | (car) |
| 3. kbie | (bike) |
| 4. elcryootm | (motorcycle) |
| 5. sbu | (bus) |
| 6. eectplhiotqr | (helicopter) |
| 7. tkcru | (truck) |
| 8. aosledrrllbe | (rollerblades) |
| 9. mepssaiht | (steamship) |

Related Den Activities

- Visit a lumber yard to look at wood for making a Pinewood Derby car.
- Visit a carpentry shop and watch the work.
- Visit an automotive body shop.
- Visit the Department of Motor Vehicle licensing office. What do you have to do to get a license?
- Invite a model car enthusiast to bring a car to your meeting and tell about the hobby.
- Have Cubs do a "Show and Tell" of any models they have put together.
- Do a mock purchase of a car. Look through the newspaper and choose a car. Compare mpg, horsepower, price, etc.



Openings

Wings, Wheels, Rudders

For roll call ask each boy to tell about a wing, wheel, or rudder mode of transportation he has been on (travelling or just touring).
Examples could be train trip, airplane ride, space rocket, tethered hot air balloon, submarine, etc.

Pack Travellers

Attach a large United States map to a foam board and prop it on an easel. Have colored map pins in dishes with mode of travel marked (yellow, wings; red, wheels; blue, rudder; green, other).
As families arrive ask them to put a pin on the map where they have travelled by one of these modes.

Pack Opening

Props: Each Cub has appropriate dress or gear to illustrate his line.
Cubmaster: There are a lot of ways to have fun with Wings, Wheels, Rudders. Let's see a few in action:

- #1: I have fun riding my bicycle.
- #2: I like to go rollerblading.
- #3: I like to go sailing in the summertime.
- #4: Trains are my thing.
- #5: Making paper airplanes is lots of fun.

Cubmaster: As you can see there are many ways for Cub Scouts to have fun with things that have wings, wheels and rudders. Boats, and planes and trains are more than just fun, though. They were all important in the development of our country. Let's stand and honor their inventors as we say the Pledge of Allegiance.

What If?

I can't imagine what fun it would be
If a bicycle had no wheels.
I can't imagine how far it would go
If an airplane had no wings.
I can't imagine the great sea adventures
If a boat had no rudder.
I can't imagine how life would be
Without Cubbing for a boy like me.

Jokes

Why doesn't a bicycle go as fast as a car? It's two tired.
Where do good little engines wash themselves? Behind their engineers.
Why don't they make an electric car that will go from coast to coast? They can't find an extension cord that long.
My den leader drove Minneapolis to New York City with a flat tire. How could he do this? The flat was the spare tire in the trunk.

Games

Snail Ride

Divide den into two teams. One bicycle from each team starts at the same time. The object of the "race" is to see which rider can travel the slowest in a straight line to cross the finish line. The next player begins his ride when first one crosses the line.

Transportation

Divide den into two teams. Give each team a pencil and paper. Set a time limit for the boys to make words out of TRANSPORTATION. Score 2 points for two letter words, 3 points for 3 letters, and so on. Give a bonus of 10 points for each word related to transportation, such as airport.

Auto Race

Boys make a circle with one boy in the center. Have him give names of car models to the boys. Pairs of boys should have the same model.

To play: The boy in the middle calls out the name of a car. The first Cub with that car name to tag him and return to his place wins the race. When rotating the boy in the middle, have all the boys change places in the circle, too.

Travel Bingo

Before you leave for your den trip, make a list of things to look for as you travel. Use items that are common and some that are rare. Each car works on the checklist. Compare notes when you arrive.

dog in a car	red pickup truck
teenage driver	four people in a car
Iowa license plate	road named for a tree
moving van	red barn
grocery store	tractor parked in field
license containing "1 and 3"	

This could be used as a pre opening activity where the Cubs make up their lists to use with their family. Lists could be on themes like stores, colors of cars, state licenses, letters of the alphabet, etc.



Aviator Test

Equipment needed: Two baseball bats.

To play: Divide den into teams. Cubs run up to the line, pick up the baseball bat. He puts one end on the ground and his forehead on the other end. Do three complete runs around the bat, drop it, and run back to team and tag the next person. (Caution: some people get very dizzy!)

Reverse the Engines!

Cut out shapes of airplanes from lightweight paper. Line up Cubs in a row and give each a straw. The object is to pass the shapes from boy to boy by sucking with the straws. It's hard!

Train Relay

Divide den into two teams. First Cub walks to the finish line and comes back. The next Cub "hitches" onto the first, and they both walk up to the line and return. Repeat with more boys. The last Cub is the caboose and he must "hitch" up backwards. Then everyone walks to the finish line and back.

Grand Central Station

Line up two rows of chairs facing each other. Leave space to stand in between the lines. Use two less chairs than boys.

To play: The conductor calls out "Change trains for (name of city)" and all boys move. The ones standing try to get a seat. Continue for several rounds. When the conductor calls, "Grand Central Station, end of the line" everyone must get up and run out the front end of the chairs, around the sides and into the back of the chairs to find a seat.

Automobile Relay

Large game for pack meeting. Form teams of eight persons to run the relay.

- #1 Has a flat right tire. Hops to the line and back on left foot.
- #2 Can only go in reverse. Walks backwards.
- #3 Has water in the gas. Goes two steps forward, then one step backward.
- #4 Has a flat left tire. Hops on right foot.
- #5 Must be cranked every fourth step. Stop and pretend to crank three times to start.
- #6 Won't go, so #7 pushes.
- #8 Runs perfectly fine.

Songs

My Derby Car

(Tune: Auld Lang Syne)

My derby car, my derby car,
Bright wheels and racing scars.
We'll run our race, so fast a pace,
Have fun with derby cars.

Wheels and Wings

(Tune: Row, Row, Row)

Ride, ride, ride your bike
Pedal for goodness sake.
Up and down, up and down.
How my legs do ache!

Ride, ride, ride the bus
Ride it here and there
Seeing all the pretty sights
Without the driving care.

Fly, fly, fly a plane.
It's really lots of fun
Gliding high up in the sky
To see the setting sun.

Cub Scout Travelers

(Tune: Home on the Range)

Oh, give us a train, or a boat, or a plane
That will carry us Cubs far away;
To Paris or Rome, let us wander and roam
And find new things to do every day.
Relax on a trail, float over the waves all day,
Or glide through the clouds, far over the crowds,
But be home before five every day.

On a broomstick we'll ride, in a rowboat we'll glide;
Take a trip to the moon in a rocket.
Our trip will be fun, but it soon will be done
If we happen to hit an air pocket.
Up, up, and away, let us orbit the far distant sun,
Or deep on the floor of the sea let's explore
And as Cub Scouts we'll always have fun.

Train Song

(Tune: Yankee Doodle)

I met an engine on a hill
All hot and broken-hearted,
And this is what he said to me
As up the hill he started.
I think I can, I think I can,
At any rate, I'll try.
I think I can, I think I can,
At any rate, I'll try.

He reached the top and looking back
To where he stood and doubted
He started on the downward track
And this is what he shouted:
I knew I could, I knew I could,
I never should have doubted.
I knew I could, I knew I could,
I never should have doubted.

When You Travel

(Tune: Clementine)

When you travel, don't unravel.
Plan your trip ahead of time.
Those who go around in circles
Never leave, but stay behind.

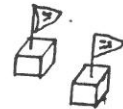
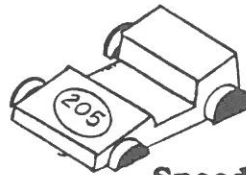
Snacks

Derby Car Cake

Anyone watching may think you're strange, but the objective is to bake a lopsided cake. Follow package directions for making a 9x13 cake. When putting it into the oven, raise one side by placing an inverted pie pan under one end.

Cut away chunks of the cake as shown. Frost cake, leaving the driver's area unfrosted for contrast. Use a half an Oreo for each tire. Use a round cracker for the steering wheel.

Add the pack or car number with frosting. For pack meeting, ask each den to make a cake and award prizes just like for the real race.



Speedy Snacks

Cut Cheddar and Swiss cheese into chunks. Insert race flags made from a toothpick with colored paper squares glued over the top. Serve with crackers.

Make official race decor for your serving tables: Buy black and white checkered fabric and serge the edges to make table cloth, runner, or napkins.

Nuts and Bolts

½ cup margarine	1¼ tsp seasoned salt
2 cups Corn Chex	2 cups Rice Chex
2 cups Cheerios	2 cups pretzels
1 cup mixed nuts	4½ tsp Worcestershire Sauce

Melt margarine in a large pan in the oven. Add seasoned salt and stir. Mix in remaining ingredients and stir until coated. Bake for one hour at 250 degrees. Stir every 15 minutes.

Closings

Travel Closing

Props: Draw appropriate pictures or use models or photographs of the items.

- #1: (Train engine) When engineering a project keep on the right track. This way you never will be caught slack.
- #2: (Covered wagon) The covered wagon served folks well in its day. But don't get in a rut-you won't get far that way.
- #3: (Airplane) To guide your life, like a good pilot you'll find, it's important to keep an open mind.
- #4: (Automobile) If spinning your wheels causes a terrible rumbling, you many not be moving-just sitting there grumbling.
- #5: (Spaceship) Just as an astronaut flies into space with lot of determination, you can go any place.

All together:

Just like the cars in a train
We're joined together as one.
We do our best to help the Pack go
While having Cub Scout fun.
And when it's time to part and each take a
separate trail,
We'll do our best for God and country.
In that we will not fail.

Coming Together

Form a circle around the derby track.

Cubmaster: Coming together is a beginning. (Now cross arms and hold the hands of people beside you.)

Keeping together is progress.

Working together is success. This is a quote for the famous car maker, Henry Ford.

All of the dens come together to form the beginning of our pack. Keeping together at our monthly pack meetings is progress.

Working together in Cub Scouting is surely a success story of which you each have a great part. Let's remember this in the coming months. Please repeat with me the Law of the Pack.

Thanks for coming out for our Pinewood Derby tonight.
We've worked together and made every boy in Pack ___ a winner!

Pinewood Derby

Each boy holds a card with the first letter on the front and the sentence to read on the back.

- DDads and sons tonight had some fun.
- EEveryone's car had a chance to run.
- RRaces were held tonight,
- BBecause all the cars were built just right.
- TThoughts of next year's race come to mind.
- IInspired are we to build a car for next year.
- M ...Most of us cannot wait to begin.
- EEveryone hopes to build the car that will win.

Advancement Ceremony

Pinewood Derby

Equipment: Put decals of the badges of rank on poster board squares. Attach to long sticks and tape the sticks to the side of your derby track. Put Bobcat near the bottom, then Wolf, etc. Have the Cubs' actual awards in envelopes on the floor by that sign.

Cubmaster: We've all had a great time watching the Pinewood Derby cars race down this track tonight. They really speed downhill, don't they?

Well, you can go uphill on this same track, too. It's a little harder, but it's worth the climb from Bobcat...to Wolf...to Bear...to Webelos and on to the Arrow of Light.

Pack __ Cub Scouts have been climbing this course and now we're going to show just how far they've gotten. Will the following Cub Scouts who have made the climb as far a Wolf please come forward with their parents? (Read names.)

When boys and parents arrive, give the badge to the parents, who then give it to their son.

Repeat for all the ranks and arrowheads.

Trains

Prior to the pack meeting, the advancement chairman makes up train tickets (sample below) for all who will receive badges.

Use large cardboard cutouts to represent the various train cars. Cubmaster acts as the conductor. Den leaders carry the cars as the train proceeds around the room. At each "stop" the Cubmaster says, "Boarding all (rank). Please have your ticket in hand." The ticket is exchanged for the award as the boy enters the appropriate train car.

When all awards have been given, the train proceeds "non-stop" to Boy Scouting.

Cub Railroad

Passenger: (Name of boy)

Car: (Name of award)

Point of Departure: (Den #)

Destination: (Next rank)

Fare: Good will to all

Pre Opening

Sporty Words

Each sport has five words listed with it. Cross out the one word which does not go with that sport.

Bowling: strike, alley, tenpin, spare, **helmet**

Baseball: bat, run, **skate**, outfield, catcher

Football: touchdown, pigskin, safety, **putter**, punt

Basketball: court, hoop, **pitcher**, foul, dunk

Hockey: goalie, **infield**, stick, puck, ice

Tennis: racquet, net, **mask**, set, match

Skiing: downhill, powder, wax, **snorkel**, slalom

Body Parts

Have the Den Chief work with the Cubs as they arrive asking these riddles. Each answer is a part of a person's body.

1. What a dog buries (bone)
2. School child (pupil)
3. Type of macaroni (elbow)
4. Place of worship (temple)
5. Edge of a saw (teeth)
6. Tropical tree (palm)
7. Used by a carpenter (nails)
8. Weapons of war (arms)
9. Keep tools in a (chest)



Be a Sport

Find these words in the puzzle. Lookup, down, backwards, forward, and diagonally.

archery	badminton	basketball	bowling
boxing	camping	football	golf
hiking	hockey	judo	karate
sailing	soccer	swimming	tennis
volleyball	yoga		



Openings

Keeping Healthy

- Cub 1: To keep your body strong and healthy is more important than being wealthy.
- Cub 2: When you are fit you feel so good and try to do the things you should.
- Cub 3: Keeping healthy and strong allows us to lend a helping hand to needy folks around the land.
- Cub 4: Eating the right foods is always wise, and everyone needs some exercise.
- Cub 5: Stand on tiptoes, one, two, three. Touch your toes, don't bend your knees!
- Cub 6: Run a while, then slow your pace, practice helps you win the race.
- Cub 7: Scouting builds boys into men, and this is where it all begins.

Do Your Best

Cub Scouts, some of you will make better scores than others in our physical fitness work this month, but that's not very important. What *is* important is that each of you do your best. Practice at home, too, to get in shape for the big pack meeting competition. Maybe our den will win, or maybe it won't. Either way, you will be proud because you have given it your very best.

Muscles

Make barbell props out of broomsticks and small boxes. Paint the boxes black and write "500 pounds" on them. Boys pretend to be lifting weights as they are saying their lines.

M ..Muscles can make you big and strong,
 U...Unless you try to use them all wrong.
 S ... So as we try with all our might,
 C ...Cub Scouting teaches us to use our muscles right,
 L ...Learning to build our muscles so healthier we'll be,
 E ...Each one doing his best to take care of his body.
 S ...And so the weights we're holding now, show off our muscles, and how!

Yells

Bowling

Pretend to throw the ball down the alley and watch carefully as it goes right for the pins. Yell, "Strike!!"

Muscle Man

Show off muscles, then bend over and pretend to lift a heavy weight.

Champions

Shake hands together over your head, then shake hands with those around you.

Games

Indoor Olympics

These games are humorous imitations of well-known athletic events.

Shot Put: Place a wastebasket ten feet from the line. Each boy tries to throw six marbles into it.

Hammer Throw: Try to see who can throw balls of cotton the farthest.

Foot Race: Teams stand in a line with feet heel to toe. Measure the length of all the feet together.

Sack Race: Each player has a paper sack. On signal, blow it up and pop it.

Hurdle Race: Mark lines on the floor about one yard long with masking tape. Boys race pushing a peanut along with their nose for the whole distance.

Pillow Case Race: Each person has a pillow and a pillow case. Race to put the case on and take it off again.



Mission Possible

When boys are in top physical shape they are ready to go on great adventures. Ask parents to come to the den meeting to man the stations. Boys are timed for the whole course.

Obstacle 1: Contestants start out running through the "Elephant Walk," several buckets lined up in a row. Boys must step into each bucket.

Obstacle 2: Climb the "Black Hills." Line up several sawhorses across the path for boys to climb over.

Obstacle 3: "Swing across the Canyon." Tie a length of rope onto a tree branch. Mark the canyon with pieces of rope on the ground. Hand Cubs the tree rope to swing across.

Obstacle 4: Go through "Cave Mounds" by crawling through a tunnel made from refrigerator cartons.

Obstacle 5: To make "Crocodile River" place a ladder flat on the ground. Boy must step on every rung.

Obstacle 6: At this obstacle, runners encounter a "Whirlpool." Make a curving path for the boys to run through with short garden fences or hoses laid on the ground.

Obstacle 7: "Under the Falls" is for brave Cubs. They must run under a spraying hose or through a water sprinkler.

Obstacle 8: Boys step onto an inverted wooden crate and make up a "Mission Possible" cheer.

Stop the timer when the Cub crosses the finish line.

Taste Testing

Shaping up not only includes physical exercise but also eating a healthy balanced diet. Play this game sitting around the kitchen table. Blindfold the Cubs and give them various food items to taste. Include foods from the different food groups - fruits, veggies, dairy, etc.

When everyone has sampled all the food, remove the blindfolds. Ask the Cubs to write down the names of items they sampled. The one with the longest list (the best memory) gets "seconds" on the food sample of his choice.

King of Physical Fitness

Start the game by naming a player to be King. He must accept any challenge offered, and remains King only if he defeats his challenger. The challenger names the contest. Try some two-person physical contests listed in the Bear Book. When the King is defeated, the other boy becomes King.

Feats of Skill

Ping Pong Throw: Who can throw the ping pong ball the greatest distance?

Squeezing Seeds: Serve watermelon for snack and save the seeds. See who can snap or squeeze the seeds the greatest distance.

Circles: Can you make clockwise circles with your right hand on a table and at the same time move your left foot counterclockwise on the floor?

Boys Life Pick Up: Stand on one foot and hold the other foot up behind you. Lean forward and pick up a *Boys Life* magazine from the floor.

Raise the Broom: Hold a broom in your right hand. Start at the top and work your way down to the brush using only one hand. Work back up to where you started.

Jumping Jimminy: Hold a stick in your two hands and jump over it.

Gobble Race: Lay donuts on the edge of a table. See who can eat the whole donut and then whistle first. No hands!

Sporting Jokes

In which part of the ball park do you find the whitest clothes? In the bleachers.

Where do catchers eat their meals? On home plates.

Why do people respect a seven-foot-tall basketball player? They have to look up to him.

Why did the silly basketball player bring a gun to the game? He wanted to shoot the ball.

What is a boxer's favorite bird? Duck.

What ring is square? A boxing ring.

Why is bowling a slow game? The players have time to spare.

Why are lollipops like a bad football team? Anyone can lick them.

Crafts

Medals

Materials needed: Three empty toilet paper rolls, foil, tape, plaster, gold, silver and bronze paint, ribbon and glue.

Instructions: Cut the paper rolls into three 1" sections. Lay roll on a small piece of foil and fold the foil up the outside. Tape if necessary. Mix up thick plaster and pour into the molds. Let set until hardened. Remove cardboard ring and dry thoroughly.

Brush with a thin mixture of glue and water to seal the plaster. Paint one gold, one silver and one bronze to use as awards.

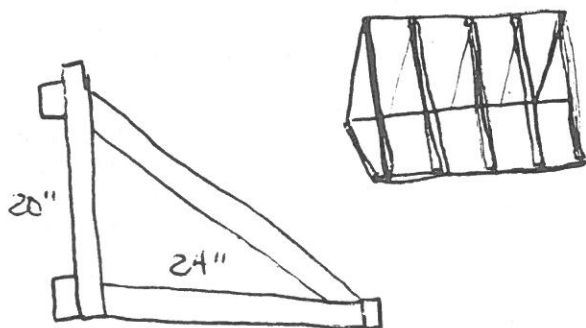
Cut a ribbon long enough to wear around your neck, and hot glue it to the edges or back of the plaster coins.

Give awards each week for your den physical fitness challenges.

Bike Rack

After you are done riding your bike getting in shape, park it in this simple storage rack which can be put anywhere. The rack consists of a series of slots where the front wheel of the bike rests to hold it upright. Construction involves braces attached to rails at the top and bottom.

To make a brace, form a 90 degree angle by nailing one 20" 2x4 to a 24" 2x4, both turned on edge. Build as many braces as needed (two for each bike wheel), then fasten them to a 1x6 rail at the bottom and a 1x4 rail at the top. Space the braces about 3" apart. (Adjust rails lengths depending on how many bikes you want to hold.)



Why not make a bike rack for your den meeting place. Paint each boy's name on the braces to mark their spot. Plan to hold a bicycle rally during one of your den meetings.

For more craft ideas, check out Chapter 9, Special Pack Activities, in the *Cub Scout How-To Book*. Many of the fitness events, derbies, etc. have wooden items you can make to use with the games.

Shape Up Games

Make your own board game to play your favorite sport on a rainy day. Use thin plywood to shape the field. Paint background color, then add applicable lines for the bases, goals, or other markers of the game.

Drill small holes to hold marbles for the playing pieces. Write the playing rules on blank cards. Use dice or a number spinner to determine the moves.

For a generic Shape Up board game, use a piece of poster board. Mark a curvy playing "road" and draw fitness pictures in open spaces. Mark off playing spaces and number them with a 1, 2, or 3. Make piles of small cards with the same numbers, and write directions on each. Examples: Do five jumping jacks; Name a dairy product that is good for bones; Do two sit-ups; Run to the end of the yard and back. Be creative and have lots of physical action in order to shape up! Don't forget to add instructions like Got kicked in the shins playing soccer so go back one space; Didn't eat breakfast so lose one turn, etc.

Roll dice to move along the road. Boys must pick a card from the pile that matches the number of the space he lands on. He performs the task before the next player takes a turn.

Tie Slide

My Sport

Cut a ping pong ball in half or use any other mold to make a plaster shape of half a ball. Insert a pop top ring or curtain ring in the partially set plaster for the tie slide.

When dry, pop the ball out and brush with a thin mixture of glue and water to seal the plaster. Decorate with paint to make a soccer ball, basketball or baseball.



Skits

Annual Physical

Characters: Doctor (wearing a white shirt backwards) and five Cub Scouts in t-shirts and shorts.

Setting: A desk with a large sign "The Doctor is In." Beside the desk is a large medicine bottle, a piece of cardboard with a rib cage (resembling an X-ray), pencil and index cards. Five chairs are placed near the desk. Doctor enters and sits at the desk. Cub Scouts enter together jogging and flexing their muscles.

Cub 1: (Talking to other Cubs) Well, today is the day for our annual physical. As Cub Scouts we should be do pretty good.

Doctor: Come in, come in. Please sit down.

Cub 2: Sorry we're late, Doctor.

Doctor: Doesn't your watch tell time?

Cub 2: Oh, no, I have to look at it.

Doctor: (To all Cubs) Let's check your sense of balance. Stand up and lift your left foot. Good, now lift your right foot. That's great. Now lift both. (Cubs jump up to lift both feet at the same time.) Hmmmm. (Rubbing chin). Tell me, do you have any special problems.

Cub 3: (Holding up X-ray) I'm worried because I swallowed a roll of film at our last den meeting.

Doctor: Oh, don't worry. I'm sure nothing will develop. Next?

Cub 4: (Holding up a bandaged finger) Tell me Doctor, will I be able to play the piano when my finger is better?

Doctor: (Analyzing finger) Of course, of course.

Cub 4: Oh, great! I could never play before!!

Doctor: (Looking at Cub 5) I see you look a little thinner.

Cub 5: Yes, I've been exercising regularly. Why, just this morning I touched the floor without bending my knees.

Doctor: Excellent. How did you do that?

Cub 5: I fell out of bed!

Cub 1: Doctor, what can I do for my black eye?

Doctor: Wow! Who gave you that shiner?

Cub 1: Nobody, I had to fight for it.

Cub 2: Doctor, my leg hurts.

Doctor: (Handing him the big medicine bottle) Here rub this on your leg. It will relieve the pain.

Cub 2: But will it make my leg smart?

Doctor: (Disgusted) If it does, try rubbing some on your head. It seems to me there's only one thing wrong with you boys. *Excess energitis*. (Pretends to write prescriptions on the index cards.) I recommend a balanced diet, daily exercise, fresh air, at least one den meeting a week, followed by a good rousing pack meeting with all your friends! (Cubs jump joyfully.)



Fitness Champs

Characters: Five Cub Scouts in uniform holding the props described.

Setting: All boys come on stage and speak their lines.

Everyone: We all excel in fitness. We're champs at that you see. Just listen to our stories, and I'm sure you will agree.

Cub 1: I hold the title of the strongest in our den. Do you suppose that it's because of my little friend? (Holds up a toy skunk, and others hold their noses.)

Cub 2: I'm known as the den's muscle man of the year. Most of my muscles are between my little ears. (Pulls out a small hat and tries desperately to put it on his head.)

Cub 3: I hold the title of the fastest one of all. I'm always the first in line when the chow basket calls. (Pulls out a bag of cookies and begins to eat them.)

Cub 4: I'm known as the champion of the high jump. But one time I missed, and got a big lump. (Rubs head with a painful expression.)

Cub 5: I'm the champion at making things disappear, you see. Watch us all disappear as I count to three. (Count slowly to three as boys run off stage.)

A Trip

How would you like to go to a baseball game? Okay, just do what I do and say what I say. Here we go!

We're going to the ball game. Come on, let's walk (Stamp feet up and down in rhythm and slap knees.) It's over the hill. (Point) We're almost there.

We're coming to the parking lot. Just look at the cars. (Hold hand to shade eyes while looking from side to side.) Can't go around them, can't go under them, can't go over them. Guess we'll have to go through them. (Hold hands together and weave body back and forth while stamping feet.)

We're coming to the main gate. What a crowded gate! Can't go around it. Can't go under it. Can't go over it. Guess we'll have to go through it. (Hold arms up tight against chest as if jammed together in a crowd. Push forward with a grunt.) Yes, we're in.

We're coming to the bleachers. Look way up there (tilt head back and shade eyes while looking up.) Pretty high, huh? Can't go around them. Can't go under them. Can't go through the. Guess we'll just have to climb them. (Stamp feet hard, while slowly rising to your feet.) Wheeww! (Look around as if dizzy.)

Better get some popcorn because I'm hungry. (Rub stomach.) Look at those steps. (Shade eyes looking down.) Can't go around them. Can't go under them.

Can't go through them. Guess we'll have to go down them. (Stamp feet while slowly sitting down.) Wheeww!

Look at that fly ball. (Point up and follow the ball across.) Wow, here it comes. Can't duck around it. Can't duck under it. Can't duck over it. Guess we'll have to catch it. (Hold hands up high, jerk back hard.) I caught it! I caught it!

Oh no, here comes the crowd. (Look around anxiously.) Better get out of here fast. (Slap legs as if running, push back through the gate, weave through the parking lot, then stop.) Wheeww! Now, I'm safe. (Wipe brow.) What a souvenir, a big league baseball. (Open empty hand.) Hey, it's gone! And so is our story!

Snacks

Eggs to You

Eggs are nature's fast food, complete in their own packages. In fact, no fast food is richer in protein or cheaper to buy than an egg. One egg contains 80 calories, and is full of protein, minerals, and vitamins your body needs for growth and strength. Usually eggs are breakfast food, but eggs are often the hidden ingredient in many other foods. Eggs are in waffles, mayonnaise, meatballs, cheesecake, ice cream, and much more.

Make hard-boiled eggs or deviled eggs for the den snack. Look at packages in the pantry or in recipe books and find what other items have eggs in them.

Cookies

They really should have included cookies in the new food pyramid! Hmmm! While your den is sampling the following selection of cookies, have the Cubs do this word search.

Butter	Chocolate Chip	Drop	Florentines
Ginger Snaps	Hermits	Ice Box	Krumcakes
Macaroons	Meringues	Molasses	Oatmeal
Praline	Shortbread	Sugar	Springerle
Wafers			

P	M	A	S	E	K	A	C	M	U	R	K
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C	D	A	E	R	B	T	R	O	H	S	G

Barbell Kabobs

Ingredients: Bananas, strawberries, grapes, cubes of Colby cheese, strawberry yogurt, wooden skewers. Prepare fruits first: Peel banana and cut into thick slices. Cut stems from the top of the strawberries. For each kabob, skewer a strawberry, banana slice, cheese, two grapes, cheese, banana and a strawberry. Dip kabob in yogurt before eating.

Songs

Fitness

(Tune: On Wisconsin)

Hurry Cub Scouts, Build your muscles,
Get in shape for play.
When we feel our very best
We'll do our best each day.
Keep on running, keep on jumping
Trying to improve.
Good exercise will build your strength and skill.

Building Muscle

(Tune: Daisy, Daisy)

One, two, three, four,
Cub Scouts stretching tall.
Let's all exercise
Together one and all.
Den Pals all together
Let's do a thirty yard run.
Getting in shape for fitness sake
Can be a ton of fun.

Toughen Up

(Tune: Clementine)

Do a push up, do a pull up,
Do a thirty yard walk-run.
We build muscles as we hustle
All the time we're having fun.

Running broad jump, do a high jump,
Throw the ball way out of sight.
Vault a fence and do a chin up,
Lift bar bells with all your might.

Watch'em flexing, watch'em bulging,
Watch our muscles growing strong.
Building muscles in our backyard
That will last a whole life long.



Closings

Good Sports

You hear a lot of talk about being a good sport, but just what does it mean?

A good sport learns the rules so he will not break them. He completes with all his heart, striving to outdo his competitors.

If he wins he doesn't act smug, but instead compliments the others for the fine job they did. If he loses, he should accept the fact and find out how he can do better next time.

A good sport accepts defeat, congratulates the winners, learns how he can improve, and determines to do better the next time.



Little Sprouts

Props: Several plants in a variety of sizes to illustrate the points below.

These plants represent Pack ___ and the boys in it. As the plant grows, so does a boy. This plant sprouted just like Pack ___ did. It will branch out as we have done and will continue to do so in the future. Small plants grow into large plants and maintain an important place in the garden. When a plant reaches maturity it will bloom for all to see and admire. But if not taken care of properly, though, a plant will perish.

A boy is the same as these plants. He will sprout and grow, branch out and develop into an adult. He will become an important member of his community and his country. Each boy will bloom into a leading citizen for all to see. But as with the plants, a boy will perish into nothing if his ideals and character are not nourished and helped along the way.

All of you boys here tonight are fortunate to be surrounded by leaders who are interested in you. Cubmaster X plans fun pack meetings for you and your parents; the Pack Committee arranges special events during the year; your Den leader meets with you every week to teach you things and to help you grow. All of these people and many more not mentioned are cultivating you in Cub Scouting. Stay involved!

Closing Thoughts

Cub Scouts keep themselves strong and personally fit, both for their own sake and for their country. Keeping fit helps them become useful citizens who can help the people around them.

If our country is to remain strong, its citizens must also be strong in mind, body, and spirit. These are goals that are attained by staying involved in Scouting.

Stick to It

(Hold up an envelope with a cancelled stamp on it.) Cub Scouts, the postage stamp you see on this envelope had an important job. It made sure that this piece of mail was delivered. The stamp is pretty small but in spite of its size, it did the job.

Now each of you has a job to do in your den. And like the postage stamp, it isn't your size that determines how well you do the job, but rather how well you stick to it.

Everyone isn't good at everything. Maybe you found that out this month as you went through the physical fitness activities. But remember the stamp. It did the job in spite of its size by sticking to the job. Make up your mind that you can do the same thing. Do your best, and stick to it until the job is done.

Advancement Ceremony

Physical Fitness

Cubmaster can dress for a favorite sport to give out the awards. Props can be used for the various ranks to illustrate training.

Just as adults must train to be good athletes, our Cub Scouts must also grow in strength and ability to obtain their ranks.

For a boy to earn his Wolf rank, he must increase in ability by practice and working with his muscles, just like a weight lifter must train to get in condition. Tonight we have (names) who have gotten in shape to obtain their Wolf rank.

Those who have continued their training and increased their ability have built up real muscles. Just as the runner receives his blue ribbon for excellence, the Bear advances on the track toward the championship. (Call names.)

After several years of practice tasks are easier because of self-discipline. The rewards are greater, too. Let's welcome the new champions of our pack, the Webelos. (Call names.)

During our advancement ceremony tonight we have seen that Cub Scouts increase in ability just as muscle builders and other athletes do. Let's give them all a round of applause for their hard work. Keep it up!

Pre Opening

Designs in Nature

All around you will see interesting shapes and patterns. Look at the way seeds are arranged in a sunflower, or the spiraling tendrils of a grape vine. What else can you find to look at?

Six-sided hexagons are the most economical shape. Look at a piece of honeycomb or ice crystals.

Spirals are common in nature, such as nautilus shells and ferns. Circles are seen in flowers, mushrooms, and water drops.

For a hands-on pre opening gather some of these items and have some magnifying glasses nearby.



Trim a Bird Tree

Lay out a loaf of bread and several cookie cutters. Cubs can cut shapes from the bread and spread them with peanut butter. Hang bread shapes on tree limbs for birds to enjoy. Look for birds during your den meeting.

Word Grid

Give a copy of this word grid to Cubs as they arrive and ask them to fill in the answers. The Cub with the most answers wins a big plastic bug.

S	P	I	D	E	R	
						a first name
						a city or state
						item in your room
						something outside
						an animal

Openings

Nature

For an outdoor ceremony paint each letter on a cardboard square and staple it to a wooden stake. Line up the stakes in the ground around the campfire circle. Speakers stand behind the letters.

Cub 1: N stands for your name. Be proud of it. As you advance from Bobcat to Webelos you will add new laurels to your name. Everything you do affects your good name and your family.

Cub 2: A is for attitude. As sunlight affects growth, so attitude affects your spirit. Cub Scouts with the right attitude are happy, willing, and fair.

Cub 3: T stands for task. As the beaver works hard at his task of building, so does each Cub Scout.

Cub 4: U stands for usefulness. Just as animals and birds are known for their usefulness, so you will be judged by the work you do to help others.

Cub 5: R means you are ready. As the squirrel gathers food for the future, so you have worked on your achievements getting ready for the day when you become a Boy Scout.

Cub 6: E stands for energy. As the bee is never idle, so you, too, keep busy giving goodwill.

Cub 7: The letters on these cards spell "Nature," God's way of telling us He cares. Let us always be grateful for the creation and for this great country of ours.

Music Inspired by Nature

Play one of the following musical pieces while the Cubs lay back and close their eyes. What do they "see?" This music could be used for craft time inspiration, snack time background music, or as part of a discussion about the effect nature has on people.

Flight of the Bumblebee, by Nicolai Rimsky-Korsakov
 The Four Seasons, by Antonio Vivaldi
 Le Mer (The Sea), by Claude Debussy
 The Rite of Spring, by Igor Stravinsky

Outdoor Code

Leader: As an American I will do my best to be clean in my outdoor manners.

Cub 1: I will treat the outdoors as a heritage to be improved for our greater enjoyment. I will keep my trash and garbage out of America's waters, fields, woods, and roadways.

Leader: Be careful with fire.

Cub 2: I will prevent wildfire. I will build my fire in a safe place and be sure that it is dead out before I leave.

Leader: Be considerate outdoors.

Cub 3: I will treat public and private property with respect. I will remember that use of the outdoors is a privilege and that I can lose by abuse.

Leader: Be conservation-minded.

Cub 4: I will learn how to practice good conservation of soil, water, forests, minerals, grasslands, and wildlife; I will urge others to do the same. I will use sportsman-like methods in all my outdoor activities.

Games

Kim's Game

Gather 20 nature objects such as kinds of leaves, grass, bark, flowers, a pebble, feather, etc. Put them on a card table and cover with a newspaper. Divide den into two teams. Remove the cover and allow 60 seconds to for the teams to view the items then re-cover. Give the teams two minutes to write down all the items they remember. The team with the longest list wins a sack of gummy worms to eat.

Hikes

Flat on Your Back Hike: Hike to a place and have everyone lay down. Spend ten minutes observing clouds, birds, planes, trees, falling leaves, etc. Stake Your Claim Hike: Each Cub brings a 5 foot piece of string on the hike. Choose one boy ahead of time to decide when to stop. He says "Stake your Claim!" and each Cub puts his string down in the shape of a circle. Spend time looking at items in the circle-colors, textures, movement, flower, etc. Animal Homes Hike: On your hike look for animal homes-holes in a tree, bird's nests, cocoons, snake holes, turn over rocks or look under leaves for bugs, etc. Rainy Day Hike: Wear your poncho and kick off your shoes. Discover the fun of a rainy day hike. Where do birds go when it rains? How dry is it under a tree? How fast does rain add up in a cup? Alphabet Hike: Write the letters of the alphabet on a piece of paper. Take a hike and have boys working in pairs writing down nature items that begin with each letter as they see them.

Word Search

Find the names of these fish in the grid below. Look across, back, up, down and diagonally.

- Carp, Catfish, Cod, Fluke, Guppy, Minnow, Perch, Piranha, Pompano, Salmon, Sardine, Smelt, Snapper, Sole, Sprat, Sturgeon, Trout, Tuna, Turbot

Grid of letters for word search: C O D P E R C H I S, S A L M O N A N N A, T H T R S P R A T R, U N T F G U P P Y D, R A U I I P V E W I, G R R R E S B A O N, E I B R N K H A N E, O P O M P A N O N L, N S T F L U K E I O, T R O U T T L E M S

Grasshopper Relay

Divide players into two teams. The first player of each team is given a ball to put between his knees. On signal he hops to the turning point and back. If the ball is dropped, he picks it up and puts it between his knees to continue. Serve Grasshopper Pie for dessert after the game, with the winners lining up first.

Pigeons and Squirrels

Using string mark a six foot circle on the ground. Make a 6" circle in the center and put two ping pong balls in it for the pigeon's eggs. Two Cubs are pigeons and are within the big circle. The other players are the squirrels and begin outside the circle. On signal, the squirrels try to remove the eggs from the nest without being pecked (tagged) by the pigeons before they get back to the outer circle. A squirrel who is pecked is eliminated. The pigeons win if they have at least one egg left at the end of a specified time, or after they have pecked all the squirrels.

How Things are Classified

Early attempts to classify living things were made by the ancient Greeks: Aristotle's work was extensive. He divided all living things into three groups: plants, animals and humans. The modern scientific classification system is based on the work of an 18th century Swedish botanist named Carl von Linne. He divided all living organisms into five kingdoms. Then they are sorted by phylum, class, order, family, genus, and species. An easy mnemonic is: King Philip Came Over For Ginger Snaps. This classification system works rather like the postal system. Your address shows country, state, town and street, then your house number. To see how the system works. Trace the lineage of your dog in an encyclopedia.

Yells

Spider

Walk two fingers of your right hand up your left arm. When the "spider" get to your neck, scream!

Bees

Spread arms straight out and pretend to fly while saying, "Buzzzzz, Buzzz."

Crafts

Moon Flip Book

The moon completes its cycle of changing phases every 29½ days. The moon does not generate its own light so we only see the part which the sun lights up. When there is a full moon, the sun is shining directly on the moon. At other times, the earth makes a shadow so that only part of the moon is visible.

Make a flip book of the moon's phases by drawing 16 moons on plain index cards. The four major phases are New Moon, First Quarter, Full Moon, and Last Quarter. Color in these phases and draw the variations in between them so you end up with 16 changing moons.

Arrange the cards in order and staple the left sides of the cards together. Flip the pages for a look at the moon's cycle.

Spider Webs

Before doing this craft you could take a hike to look for spider webs in the high grass or weeds. Look at the shapes and patterns the spiders form.

Materials needed: black construction paper, white paint, scissors, round cake pan, marbles.

Directions: Cut out a piece of black paper to fit inside the bottom of the pan. Put a glob of white paint in the middle. Make a spider web by rolling the marble around the pan, tilting it to go back and forth through the paint. Remove the paper and let paper dry.

Tape all the webs from your den onto a large wall mural. Take it to the pack meeting to tell about what you learned.

L'Eggs Planters

Decorate the plastic eggs with markers first. Form a base by hot-gluing a milk bottle cap on the bottom. Fill with dirt and plant some flower seeds.

Crayon Batik

Batik is an art method that comes from Indonesia. It is used to print designs on cloth by coating different parts with wax, and then dyeing the material. The wax resists the color.

Materials needed: Newspaper, white construction paper, crayons, dishpan, black tempera paint thinned with water, styrofoam meat tray, sponges cut into small squares, larger pieces of colored construction paper for mounting, glue.

Directions: Cover work area with newspapers. Lay down the white paper and draw a nature picture with crayons. It is best to not make a lot of tiny details. The whole paper should be completely covered by thick, heavy crayon.



Crumple the picture into a ball, then dip it into the pan of water. Squeeze out water then carefully spread out the picture on paper towels. Pat it with more paper towels to remove excess water.

Pour some thinned black tempera paint into a meat tray. Dip sponges in the paint and smooth over the entire picture. The black paint will be absorbed by the wrinkles in the paper. The wax crayon will resist the paint.

Lay the paintings flat to dry. Mount on a larger sheet of colored paper and take them to the pack meeting.

Before you do this activity you may want to look at nature's influence on art. Check your library for books on art or visit any art museum. There will be drawings, paintings, prints and sculptures created over the centuries. Look for still lifes, botanical illustrations, and impressionistic pieces.

Nature even has influenced architecture. Look up at some buildings around your town. Many decorative motifs were taken from nature.

Berry Ink

Before the ball point pen was invented, people used a fountain pen and dipped it in ink. Why not make some of your own ink?

Materials needed: Ripe cherries, blueberries, blackberries, or strawberries, small empty baby food jars with lids, paper towels, paper cup, and spoon.

Directions: Remove stems and leaves from berries and place them in the small jar. Press the berries into a pulp with the back of the spoon.

When the berries are crushed, add a little water. Not much, as the more water you add, the lighter the color the finished ink will be. Stir well.

Place a sheet of paper towel over the paper cup and push down to form a well. Very slowly, pour the berry mixture into the paper towel. Let all the liquid drain down into the cup.

Remove the towel and throw away the pulp. Pour the ink back into the jar. Dip a pen or small twig into the ink to write with. When finished, close the lid on the jar tightly.

Tie Slide

Rock of Ages

On your hikes look for some small, smooth, flat stones. (Near a riverbed is best.) Clean off any mud or dirt. Paint a sun or tree on one side. Hot glue a small section of PVC pipe to the back to form the tie slide.

Skits

Fishing Trip

Cub 1: I went camping with my dad last weekend.
Cub 2: Great! Is he going to take you again soon?
Cub 1: No, I don't think so. (Looking disappointed.)
Cub 3: Why not?
Cub 1: I caught four fish.
Cub 4: What's four fish got to do with it?
Cub 1: Dad said they were *his* fish.

Magic Mud

Setting: Sign in the center of stage saying, "Mud Puddle."
Boys are gathering around this sign as the narrator begins.

Narrator: As you pass a little stretch of mud and grass do you ever wonder what may be hiding there?
Boys, gather round and take a look, and like the pages in a book, we'll study it with open eyes. Can soil like this hold a surprise?
Cub 1: Here's a freshly patterned animal track where a rabbit hopped across and back.
Cub 2: I see a stream of busy ants carrying tidbits as they dance.
Cub 3: Look, a feather blue and gray just dropped off by a screeching Jay.
Cub 4: Sprinkled here are sprouting seeds from lofty elms and sprawling weeds.
Cub 5: A pebble smoothed by action slow, formed a million years ago.
Cub 6: In a puddled spot not yet dried out, a water beetle swims about.
Cub 1: And here an eager plant is set, an early blooming violet.
Cub 2: A wiggly worm comes up to twitch, but no one knows which end is which.
Cub 3: The mud itself, with food stores vast, is life that grew in ages past.
Cub 4: It's not all nature mud reveals. Here's a candy wrapper and two wheels.
Cub 5: There's something moving, what's that now? I'll pick it up...a bee...Yeoww!
Cub 6: Quick here's some mud upon the spot to take away the soreness hot.
Narrator: In mud there are stones and living things, healing power for bitter stings. Through it flows the earth's life blood. The soil in our neighborhood is really magic mud.

Picnic - Insects Only!

The scene is in the meeting hall of the International Insect League. Set up chairs in a row facing the front speaker. Cubs are costumed to the various represent groups of insects.

Chairman Termite: This meeting will now come to order. I'd like to welcome all of you delegates to the 754th

annual meeting of the International Insect League. Tonight we make our plans for this summer's insects only picnic. We don't have any minutes from last years' meeting - if you remember a frog hopped in and broke up the whole thing! We do have a treasurer's report, though. Mr. Grasshopper.
Mr. Grasshopper: As of today we have on hand two sacks of honey donated by the bees, 25 drops of blood courtesy of the mosquitoes, and five bread crumbs that the ants had left after taxes. Our treasury is *really* getting quite low.

Chairman: Thank you, Mr. Grasshopper. As you can see, gentlemen, we need your help. The picnic will be held in (your town name), and all of you have your assignments. Mr. Ant can you tell us how the plans for food are coming along?

Mr. Ant: We're crawling right along. (Laughing at his own joke.) We plan to hit a lot of human picnics and kitchens the week before. Our workers are out day and night, and I think I can promise you a really crumby time! Ha. Ha.

Chairman: Thank you, Mr. Ant. By the way, don't forget to throw in a toothpick or two for us termites. Mr. Caterpillar, may we have the report on the decorations.

Mr. Caterpillar: Yessirree. We promised you butterflies and we'll give you butterflies. My group intends to climb into their cocoons right after this meeting so we'll be ready for the big day. You'll have about 2,000 butterflies arranged on trees and bushes at the picnic. Yessiree. And the spiders have promised to spin a chain of webs between the butterflies. Yessirree. Really spectacular!

Chairman: We get your message, yessirree. And now for the lighting report.

Mr. Firefly: We were are never ones to sit back. No siree. If we did, no light. I have 10,000 fireflies checking their batteries right this very moment. Everyone is excited. Let's just say we're going to get a big charge out of doing our part for the picnic.

Chairman: That's the spirit. And now for the surprise you've all been waiting for. The entertainment... none other than the Beetles! (Much applause and screaming.) How are you fellas doing? (They hum a chord) That's just great. Now, how about a report from the invitation committee.

Mr. Grasshopper: Distributing all the invitations sure kept us hopping but we did it. Everyone's coming. We really have to watch the gate carefully though so no humans get in.

Mr. Ant: Yeah. They'll ruin our picnic.

Chairman. Well, I think we can discourage them. Let's put the wasps in charge of the door. (Great murmur of approval.)

Narrator: And so the plans for the annual picnic are well underway. Remember this the next time you are outside. Look around carefully, and you *just might* see the gathering of the International Insect League right in your own back yard!

Snack

Honeybees

Use your snack time to learn more about natural foods.

Buy whole honeycombs to show the Cubs. Spread honey on graham crackers for the snack.

Honeybees stay in their hives when it rains but once it has stopped and the blossoms on trees and shrubs have opened again, the bees will be out searching for nectar. Watch them safely from a distance.

Have you noticed bees doing funny loops in the air? A bee that has found a source of food communicates the location with a dance. The other bees watch for a circular dance (food close by) or a figure-eight dance (food farther away).

Biscuit Flowers

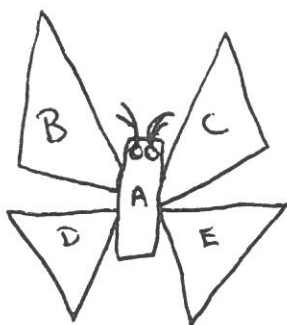
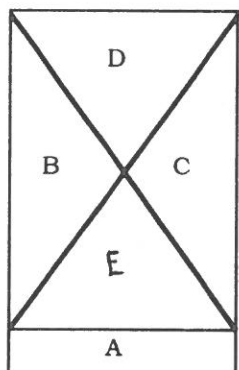
Open a package of refrigerated biscuits and separate them onto the baking sheet. Using kitchen shears, cut five short snips into each biscuit, not all the way to the center. Press your finger in the middle of the biscuit to make a dent. Spoon about ½ tsp of jelly into the dent.

Bake at 450 degrees for 8-10 minutes. (You might want to try making easy homemade jelly with strawberries you gather.)

Butterfly Cake

Bake a 9x13 inch cake. Cool. Cut off a one inch wide strip from the end of the cake. Then cut diagonally across the remaining cake to form four triangles for the wings.

Arrange as shown. Frost with colored icing, and sprinkle with coconut. Use gumdrops and licorice for markings. Curl licorice to make the antennae.



Songs

It's an Insect Covered World

(Tune: It's a Small World)

It's a world of centipedes, a world of moths.
It's a world of katydids, a world of wasps.
There's so much that we share that it's time
we're aware
It's an insect covered world.

Chorus:

It's an insect covered world. (4x)

It's a world of beetles, it's a world of fleas.
It's a world of caterpillars, world of bees.
In this world that we know there is so much
to show
It's an insect covered world.

The World Around Us

(Tune: She'll be Coming Round the Mountain)

If you're living in the country on a farm,
You'll enjoy to the fullest nature's charm;
Trees and birds, bees and flowers,
Animals, grass and showers.
You can be outside for hours on a farm.

If you're living in the city visit zoos,
Parks, museums, gardens, aviaries, too.
We can all get back to nature,
But protect it for our future.
Live in harmony and be sure, we can do.

Spider on the Floor

(Tune: If You're Happy)

There's a spider on the floor, on the floor. (2x)
Who could ask for any more
Than a spider on the floor?
There's a spider on the floor, on the floor.

Now the spider's on my leg. (2x)
Oh, he's just an awful plague,
This spider on my leg.
There's a spider on my leg, on my leg.

Other verses:

Stomach...Oh, he's just a dumb old lummock.

Neck...Oh, I'm going to be a wreck.

Face...Oh, what a big disgrace.

Head...Oh, I wish that I were dead.

Spoken: But he jumped off!!!

Closings

Naturalists

No matter where you live there is a world of undiscovered nature secrets still waiting to be explored. A naturalist studies natural history- things found in nature such as plants and animals. This month our pack has tried to get back to nature in our programming. There are many more interesting activities to help you Cub Scouts learn more about the world of nature. Go home and ask questions of your parents and school teachers, your church teachers, and Scout leaders. Read books and take time to explore nature yourself every day. Then you will surely develop a deep appreciation for it.

Investigating

A naturalist stands like Columbus on the prow of his ship with a vast continent before him. Except that the naturalist's world is right at his very own feet; a world to be investigated and discovered. It is as near as your own backyard, a nearby park, the wood and fields, or even a country road.

These places are inhabited by many kinds of insects, birds, plants, animals, trees and other forms of life. Continue exploring the world of nature and you will find many wonderful things that God has given us to enjoy.

Little Things

The other day in Colorado a great, stalwart tree fell. It was nearly 800 years old, a mere sapling when Columbus landed at San Salvador.

It had been struck by lightning 14 times. It had braved the storms of almost five centuries. It had defied earthquakes, and hurricanes. It had laughed in scorn at winter blasts and blizzards.

But in the end, tiny beetles killed it. They bored under the bark, dug into its heart, and one day...down came this mighty king of the forest. It is the little things that make or break us-in our business, our homes, our lives, and in Scouting. Keep on the lookout for the little things, and don't let them get you down.

Advancement Ceremony

Conservation

Props: Make a large tree from cardboard, or paint one on an appliance box. For each award to be given, cut out a green paper leaf. Write the Cub's name on the leaf and tape on his awards. Arrange the leaves on a table beside the tree.

Cubmaster: What do we plant when we plant a tree?

We plant a ship which will cross the sea.
We plant the mast to carry the sail.
We plant the planks to withstand the gale,
The keels, the keelson, the beam, and knee.
We plant a ship when we plant a tree.

What do we plant when we plant a tree?
We plant the house for you and me.
We plant the rafters, the shingles, the floors.
We plant the studding, the lath, and doors.
The beams and siding are all parts we need.
We plant a house when we plant a tree.

What do we plant when we plant a tree?
A thousand things that we daily see.
The paper for books from which we learn,
Tools to help us do a good turn,
The wood for a Pinewood Derby car,
For model planes that we fly so far.
We plant the staff for the flag of the free.
Yes, we plant all these when we plant a tree.

But what do we plant when we plant a lad?
With the help of his mother and his dad
We plant a Cub who'll become a Scout.
We plant ideas that will round him out,
The skills, the games, the joy to be had.
We plant a Scout when we plant a lad.

Cubmaster calls forward boys and parents at this time.
As awards are given, each boy tapes his leaf onto
the tree branches.

You have all helped make this tree more beautiful. It is a part of you. Just as Mother Nature's trees endure for many years, the things you have learned from your achievements and badges will last you a lifetime. May you always stand straight and tall like a tree, and be a worthy resource of our country.

What do we plant when we plant a lad?
We plant a Scout when we plant a lad.
Congratulations to all of you.



Jokes

What did the apple tree say to the farmer? Why don't you stop picking on me?
What did the leopard say when he finished eating? That really hits the spot.
How do you prevent a rhino from charging? Take away his credit card.
What do you call a duck that steals? A robber ducky.
What is the new drink for frogs? Croakacola.

Pre Opening

Presidential Top Secret

Unscramble the president names and then read the letters in the star spaces to reveal the secret word.

STNGWIAHNO - ☆ - - - - -
 OISMDNA ☆ - - - - -
 NDENYEK - ☆ - - - - -
 GNRAAE ☆ - - - - -
 IOLLNCN - ☆ - - - - -
 TRCRAE ☆ - - - - -
 RNTMUA - - - ☆ -

Answers: Washington, Madison, Kennedy, Reagan, Lincoln, Carter, Truman (The word is America.)

Nicknames

1. Rail Splitter of the West (Abraham Lincoln)
2. Rough and Ready (Zachary Taylor)
3. Tippicanoe (William Henry Harrison)
4. Rough Rider (Theodore Roosevelt)
5. Old Hickory (Andrew Jackson)
6. Sage of Monticello (Thomas Jefferson)
7. Father of His Country (George Washington)

Letters

Write short letters and send them to the White House: President and Mrs. Clinton, The White House, Washington, D.C. 20500

Openings

Outdoors

- Cub 1: America and Cub Scouting are just one big outdoor adventure.
- Cub 2: This is my country. I will use my eyes to see the beauty of this land.
- Cub 3: I will use my mind to think what I can do to make it more beautiful.
- Cub 4: I will use my hands to serve it and care for it.
- Cub 5: And with my heart I will honor it.
- Cub 6: Many immigrants to America had a really big adventure getting here.
- Cub 7: And on their adventure in this country they became loyal Americans.
- Cub 8: Let us be like them, loyal Americans. Please join me in the Pledge of Allegiance.

What's It All About?

You asked, "What's it all about?"
 Why, to turn a boy into a Scout.
 To take a boy so young and frail
 And start him up the Cub Scout trail.

From Bobcat and Wolf and Bear
 With all the awards and arrows share,
 Through Webelos and then into Scouts,
 Giving guidance through problems, fears, and doubts.

And on through school and into life he'll trod
 With respect and love for man and God;
 To watch him grow so tall and free
 Til one day a leader of our country be.

And then he too, like you and me
 Will take a boy so small and wee
 And will teach that boy
 With pride and joy,
 To be helpful, and to be a good Scout.
 Yes, that's what it's all about!
 Please stand and join me in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Our Flag

Tonight when you look at the flag during the Pledge, just imagine where all it has been.
 It rode with the men on horses in the Revolutionary War, and hung over General Washington's headquarters. It flew on wagon trains as they crossed the vast western prairies. Our flag flew over buildings in the Civil War while Lincoln was President.
 This flag went to Europe in World War I and to Japan in World War II. It went to Korea and to Viet Nam, and Operation Desert Storm. Our flag flies over United States Embassies all around the world.
 This flag is a very special part of our country, and a very special part of you. It symbolizes the great freedom you have in the United States: You can be a Cub Scout and live the kind of life you want.
 Yes, tonight when you look at the flag during the Pledge, you can be proud that it has travelled the world representing the ideals of our land. Please join with me now in the Pledge.

Freedom

The more a person knows
 And the more things he can do,
 The more he can be free
 To enjoy his liberty.

This month our Cub Scout theme was "Strong for America." In your den meetings you learned more about our country's history. Your leaders taught you fun games and projects to go along with the theme. Cub Scouting is proud to take an active part in helping boys become better citizens of the greatest country in the world. Please join me in the Cub Scout Promise.



Games

American Heritage

Make posters of well-known American symbols and place them around the room. Number each poster. Give each Cub a piece of paper with the numbers listed. Ask them to identify the posters and write the name beside the correct number. Suggestions include the American flag, White House, Lincoln Memorial, Eagle, Uncle Sam, your state flag, President Clinton, etc.

Stars and Stripes

How many word of two or more letters can you find in STARS AND STRIPES?

Nuggets in the Bag

This game is in memory of all the '49ers who travelled to California during the great Gold Rush. Put a number of different size stones in a cloth draw-string bag. Boys sit in a circle and pass the bag. Each boy is given 10 seconds to feel the bag. Boys write down their guess for the correct number of gold nuggets in the bag.

Independence Tag

As in all tag games, "it" pursues the other players and tries to touch one of them. When one has been touched, he must keep his hand on the spot where he was touched while pursuing others. He cannot be freed from this spot until he has tagged someone else. The idea is to tag players in inconvenient places like the ankle, knee, elbow, etc.

Figure This

What year was Thomas Jefferson born?

1. Write down the year Columbus discovered America. (1492)
2. Divide that number by 2. (746)
3. Multiply your answer by 3. (2238)
4. Multiply the number of states in the U.S. by the numbers of the letters in the last name of the man known as the "Father of His Country." Now subtract that number from the total you had in step 3. (50 states x 10 in Washington = 500. Then 2238 - 500 = 1738)

5. Add the number of letters in the last name of the second president of the USA. (Adams 5 + 1738 = 1743)

This is the year that Thomas Jefferson was born.

Geography

Divide into two teams, each with a United States road map. One team picks out a city on the map and calls out the name. The other team has 4 minutes to locate it on the map. If it is a small town, name the state too.

Another variation would be to find historical sites such as Valley Forge or the Alamo, or scenic splendors such as the Grand Canyon or Rocky Mountains.

Name that Place

The object of the game is to be strong for your community by naming the most businesses in your town within two minutes. (Drug stores, clothing stores, restaurants, grocery stores, plus more.)

Divide into teams and challenge each other in a specific category.

Fitness Circle

Being strong for America takes physical strength. Cub Scouts form a wide circle, all facing the same direction. The leader call out the various activities for Cubs to perform.

Start walking. (Cubs walk between all activities, never stopping completely until the end of the game.)

Start hopping.

Make yourself as small as possible and keep walking.

Make yourself as tall as possible.

Bend knees and grasp ankles.

Walk with stiff knees.

Walk on hands and feet like a dog.

Take giant steps.

Walk quickly, almost running.

Run lifting legs high.

Yells

Raise the Flag

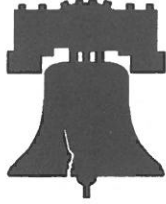
Stand at attention. Pretend to pull the ropes to raise the flag. Tie it up and then salute.

Liberty Bell

Ding, Dong, Ding, Dong.

Politician

Put one hand over the opposite shoulder and pat yourself on the back.



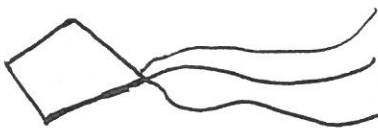
Crafts

Placemats

- Enlarge the design above to make a template of the Liberty Bell from cardboard. It should be large enough to be centered on a sheet of construction paper for the placemat.
- Have the boys trace the bell onto blue construction paper and then cut it out. Glue it onto red or yellow construction paper. Write, "Liberty for (your name)" along the side to personalize the mat.
- Cover the mat with contact paper to seal it and protect from wetness. Use the placemats during your den snack times then take them to the pack meeting to display.

Bean Bag Kites

- Materials needed: Rip Stop nylon pieces about 6" x10" and thin ribbon in assorted red, white and blue colors, small dry beans (½ cup per bag), scissors.
- Directions. Fold fabric in half and trace kite pattern onto it. Cut out two pieces. Baste three ribbons to the bottom of the front piece. With right sides facing and ribbons sandwiched between, sew front and back together. Leave a small opening at the top for turning. Turn kite right side out. Fill with beans. Tuck in raw edges and sew shut.
- For variety sew red and white colors together for the bag, and use blue ribbons, or any such variation.



Magnets

- Plastic candy molds are easy to use to make magnets with plaster. Many patriotic molds are available. Mix up plaster and pour into the molds. Tap the mold gently to release air bubbles. Let dry thoroughly. Paint with a mixture of white glue thinned with water to seal the plaster, then paint with colors. When paint is dry, glue on a small magnet piece.
- Also make magnets with stickers on poster board or on small blocks of wood. Buy magnet strips and cut to the size needed.

Tie Slide

Stamps

Many patriotic themes have been used on postage stamps. Cut small pieces of thin wood just a little larger than the stamp. Sand the rough edges. Paint with a color that complements the color of the stamp. Attach the stamp with white glue. When dry, coat with a spray lacquer to protect it. Glue a metal loop to the back to form the tie slide.



Skits

Flag Etiquette

- Contact your Senator or Representative to order a United States flag which has been flown over the Capital. You will receive an official certificate with the date. (It is also possible to request a specific date if you order well in advance.) This skit could be the official unveiling of the new flag for your pack. Perhaps the Senator or Representative could also attend.
- Stage this skit with the boys standing in a V-formation facing the flag. Each boy steps toward the audience when it is his turn to recite lines.
- Cub 1: Today as we gather, let's all keep in mind our flag and the meaning therein we can find.
- Cub 2: The red is for the blood of Americans true who gladly would give their lives for you.
- Cub 3: The white is for purity in both thought and deed; a rule of conduct we all might well heed.
- Cub 4: The blue is for justice for all, not just one; a tenant we fought for and so dearly won.
- Cub 5: The stars are a symbol of God's guiding hand over the Union in this mighty land.
- Cub 6: There isn't a one our flag won't protect. Don't you think we could show it greater respect?
- Cub 7: Tonight we are proud to present this new flag to Pack __. This flag flew over the United States Capital on (date). We have learned some rules of flag etiquette this month and we would like to teach you.
- Cub 8: Don't let the flag get dirty or torn. Don't let the flag touch the ground. Salute the flag as it is raised and lowered. When the flag is taken down fold it and put it in a safe place.
- Den X will now demonstrate how to do these things. (Lower the flag and fold it. Present it to the Cubmaster for use at future pack meetings.)

America Is

- Cub 1: America is the sound of fireworks on the Fourth of July.
Cub 2: America is the smell of freshly mown lawns on a cool summer night.
Cub 3: America is the red-orange hue of the desert sunset.
Cub 4: America is the sound of school children at recess.
Cub 5: America is the crunch of snow under a child's sled.
Cub 6: America is the peal of church bells on a quiet Sunday morning.
Cub 7: America is the smell of a country bar-b-que simmering over the fire.
Cub 8: America is!!



Trailblazers

- Narrator: (Wearing an Uncle Sam hat and opening a history book to read.) Come join me now for just a minute while we look in a history book to see who is in it. There are many trailblazers on these pages with tales of deeds down through the ages.
- Thomas Jefferson: (Make three-cornered hat from paper.) The Declaration of Independence I did write, helping our country in its freedom fight.
- Squanto: (Wearing Indian headdress.) I helped the Pilgrims to stay alive that first winter in their struggle to survive.
- Neal Armstrong: (Wearing an astronaut helmet.) I helped to blaze the trail into space for our land and I was the first person on the moon to stand.
- Abe Lincoln: (Wearing a stovepipe hat.) As president, my best to my country I gave, and helped in ending the War between the States.
- Thomas Edison: (Wearing a newspaper hat.) I did my best to help my land without wait, the electric light I did create.
- Paul Revere: (Wearing a tri-cornered hat and holding a lantern.) I made a famous ride to every farm to warn of the British and spread the alarm.
- Cub Scout: (In uniform.) All these men who blazed a trail did their best and did it well. We are the future trailblazers of this land, and you can bet we'll do our best to do our job grand!

Stand Up Comics

- Cub 1: Where was the Declaration of Independence signed? At the bottom.
- Cub 2: How do you spell Mississippi? Do you want the river or the state?
- Cub 3: How did Edison's invention affect society? If it hadn't been for him, we'd all be watching television by candlelight.
- Cub 4: What American had the largest family? George Washington. He was the "Father of Our Country."
- Cub 5: What do you call the row of cabs at the Dallas airport? The Yellow Rows of Taxis.
- Cub 6: What do you get when you cross a Northerner with an artist? A Yankee doodler.
- Cub 7: What do you call the final performance by General Custer's orchestra? Custer's last band-stand.
- Cub 8: Why didn't George Washington cross the Delaware again the next day? Because George was no double-crosser.

Freedom

- F: For people of all other lands the Statue of Liberty stands, with a flaming torch held high against America's sky, promising freedom from tyrant's demands.
- R: O'er the land of the free, flying high, Old Glory waves in the sky. Thirteen stripes and fifty stars, this banner is ours. To defend it, our heroes did die.
- E: Our bird is called the Bald Eagle. His power is mighty and regal. Within our fair land his emblem does stand. His seal is on all that is legal.
- E: We treasure our Liberty Bell. Our independence declaration it told to our nation as it pealed out the news, "All is well."
- D: Americans love the fair sight of the Capital dome gleaming white. Here we pass the laws to spread freedom's cause and guard against tyranny's blight.
- O: Should Uncle Sam beckon you to serve on his liberty crew then try with all your might to help win the fight for freedom, to pay what is due.
- M: The Star Spangled Banner is our song. To Americans it will always belong. Long may she wave o'er the home of the brave...these words we'll sing proudly and long.
- All: We are 50 states all in all, whose standards never shall fall. Our motto is just, "In God Do We Trust." If you need us, just give us a call.

Flags of America

- Each Cub chooses a state, and then draws that state flag on a piece of construction paper. On the back, he should write the state name, capital, description of the flag, state bird, and other information.
- For the skit, have all boys line up with their flags facing the audience. Each takes a turn telling his information.



Songs

I Love America

(Tune: Battle Hymn)

I love this great America,
The land that God has blessed.
Where the hope that stirs the hearts of men
Will never be suppressed.
Through the flame of faith came forth
A nation choice above the rest;
This great America!

Chorus:

Glory to the land of freedom. (3x)
I love America.

I love this great America,
The land of liberty,
For I know the price of freedom countless
others paid for me.
Do we hear their call and carry on and serve
as valiantly?
This great America!

May all men be united by the bonds of brotherhood.
May we learn to love each other
For in every man is good.
Let us live in peace upon the land
Where men of valor stood.
This great America!

I love God's great America,
All are equal in His sight.
May we be as one in spirit as we reach up
for the right.
And may we have humility to match our
power and might.
This great America!

Old Glory

(Tune: Scout Vespers)

Boldly flies our flag this day
Because of brave men's deeds displayed.
Freedom backed by words so strong
Written by forefathers gone.

We stand up straight and true and proud.
Hand salute Old Glory now.
Red and white, a field of blue,
Fifty stars that shine so true.

Fly Your Flag

(Tune: Row, Row Row)

Fly, fly, fly your flag
On our holidays.
Be a loyal citizen
In this and other ways.

Cub Scout Prayer

(Tune: Tannenbaum)

Lord, in this evening hour I pray
For strength to do my best each day.
Draw near to me that I may see
The kind of Cub that I should be.

In serving others let me see
That I am only serving Thee.
Bless me, O Lord, in Thy great love
That I may be a better Cub.

Snack

Stars and Stripes

Bake a 9x13 cake. Frost with white icing. Line up blueberries on the top left corner for the union. Line up strawberries in rows to form the stripes.

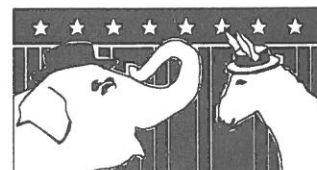
Ice Cream

Ice cream was invented in Italy in the 16th century, but when Dolly Madison, wife of James Madison (fourth president) served it in the White House it was still considered a delicacy. Since then it has become America's favorite dessert.

Invite a parent to bring an ice cream maker to the den meeting. Eat it on ice cream cones or have all the items on hand to make sundaes.

Cookies

Make up a batch of sugar cookies from your favorite recipe. Roll out and use cookie cutters in the shape of elephants and donkeys (Republican and Democrat). Frost as desired.



Closings

Citizenship Pledge

Cubmaster asks the Cubs to stand and repeat these phrases.

As future citizens, we will do our best to be prepared in body and will, in spirit and in skill.

We accept our obligation to God and will show by our actions we are willing to serve others and to be good members of the Scouting team.

Glow of Scouting

Each Cub lights a candle as he speaks.

Cub 1: This is my Scouting light. It is my enthusiasm. As light brings out the sparkle in diamonds, enthusiasm brings out the sparkle in Scouting.

Cub 2: This is my Scouting light. It represents what I know and what I can do. I'll do my best to do my duty to God and my Country.

Cub 3: This is my Scouting light. As we face each other tonight, let us look at the light and silently thank God for the brotherhood of Scouting we share here.

Cub 4: This is my Scouting light. If there is any good that I can do, let me do it now for I shall not pass this way again.

Cub 5: This is my Scouting light. Let each one of us take time to look back at where we've been and have pride in that past. Let us look forward to where we're going and have hope for that future.

Cub 6: As we blow out these candles and go home tonight remember the words that were said here. Cub Scouts do their best for their country.

The Flag We Fly

What do they mean, the stripes of red?

Courage that's bright and spirited.

What do they mean, the stars of white?

Each for a state shines starry bright.

What does it mean, the field of blue?

Heaven's the reach of the brave and the true.

Courage to do, and dare, and die.

Faith like the stars that light up the sky.

Honor and vision towering high...

That's what it means, the flag we fly.

Cherokee Indian Prayer

May the warm winds of heaven blow softly on this house, and the Great Spirit bless all who go from here. O Great Spirit, grant that I may never find fault with my neighbor until I have walked the trail of life in his moccasins.

Advancement Ceremony

The Presidents

Materials needed: Flannel board and silhouettes of presidents as mentioned.

Cubmaster: We are proud of the outstanding presidents to whom we are paying tribute tonight. Many of our well-known American figures were Scouts when they were young. We are equally proud of our Cub Scouts who are learning new skills and ideals which will help them in later life. It is very likely that some of these boys will become outstanding in American history some day.

The first rank in Cub Scouting is Bobcat. We will portray this rank with a silhouette of our first president, George Washington. Just as the Bobcat rank is important in getting a boy started on the Cub Scout trail, our first president was important in getting our country started off right. (Call the boys and their parents forward for the badge presentation.)

Next is the rank of Wolf. We will symbolize this rank with Thomas Jefferson, the author of the Declaration of Independence. When a boy becomes a Wolf he shows a little more independence. He demonstrates this by working on his own outside of the den meetings. (Call the boys and their parents forward for the badge presentation.)

When a Cub reaches Bear rank he has learned much from the challenging projects he completes. To symbolize the Bear rank we use Teddy Roosevelt, another outstanding president. Roosevelt accepted many challenges during his life. (Call the boys and their parents forward for the badge presentation.)

When a boy moves into a Webelos den he works on activity badges. These are even more challenging than achievements and electives. We will symbolize this with another outstanding president, Abraham Lincoln. He worked his way up from a poor lad in a log cabin to the 16th president of the United States. (Call the boys and their parents forward for the badge presentation.)

(For boys who are earning activity badges in the physical skills category.) We will symbolize the Physical Skills activity badges with the silhouette of John Kennedy. He believed in physical fitness for the youth of America, and he loved the outdoors. (Present badges.)



Pre Opening

Westward Ho Scramble

sdedla	(saddle)	ester	(steer)
lacror	(corral)	slosa	(lasso)
lafc	(calf)	xae	(axe)
erhos	(horse)	inrepeo	(pioneer)
bianc	(cabin)	erlif	(rifle)
neox	(oxen)	sonkcnio	(coonskin)

Word Search

wagon	fort	Indians	campfire
coonskin cap	bears	furs	traders
Sante Fe Trail			

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Tracking

Make up flash cards on plain index cards. Draw animal tracks on them using the *Boy Scout Handbook* for a resource. Write the animal's name on the reverse side. Have Cubs work in pairs learning to identify the tracks.

If you are fortunate to live near a swamp or wild area, look for some real tracks to identify.

Openings

America

Cubs draw the letters to spell AMERICA on eight posters. Write the words on the back to read.

What do you think of when you see the word America?

- A Do you think of our magnificent snow-covered peaks and the wigwams of the Native Americans?
- M Do you think of the broad shoulders of the pioneers pushing our frontier westward; their broad shoulders swinging axes, building a nation?
- E Do you think of Lewis and Clark exploring a vast unknown stretch of North America, documenting the wildlife and the trees and the sights they encountered?
- R Do you think of people from many nations on earth gathering together as immigrants living in the land of the free?

- I Do you think of the hard life of the pioneers as they built cities on the barren plains and worked the land to grow crops.
 - C Do you think of the lariats of the cowboys riding the plains? The lariats of Kit Carson or Buffalo Bill.
 - A Do you think of the early lawmen trying to keep order in a wild, new territory?
- Yes, all these images are part of America's glorious history. The pioneers before us and the pioneers of the future will be guided by the same high ideals: freedom, justice, and peace.

History Speaks

Our land is rich not only in material goods, but in history...in living legends of the people who left their mark on America. Our own past speaks to us, saying, "Hear me now. America was built by courage, endurance and faith. What was built was good. If you build the same way, the future will also be good."

Pioneers

Setting: Boys come on stage dressed as pioneers with coonskin caps, carrying muskets and powder horns.

They wore clothes of buckskin and homespun. They had lots of strength, courage, and patience. Mile upon mile they pressed westward. They crossed rivers, prairies, and mountains carrying their rifles, kettles and faith. Many had left family and comfort far behind, them for a future they thought would be good. They took little money, but lots of faith along with their courage, patience and vision. These were the things that really mattered. They were the pioneers. Please stand and remember them as we say the Pledge of Allegiance.

Yells

Jim Bowie

Make believe you are throwing a knife.

Paul Bunyan

Whoa there, Babe!

Johnny Appleseed

Rattle on a tin hat.
Shinny up a tree.
Johnny Appleseed,
Planted trees for me.

Games

Spinning Yarns

Make up a ball of yarn from short pieces of yarn or string. The Cubs sit in a circle. One boy starts the story and begins to unwind the ball. He continues the story until he comes to the end of the first string. Then he passes the ball to the next player who takes up the story where he left off. He also unwinds and continues the story until the yarn ends. Keep passing and storytelling as long as there is a ball.

Trick the Sentry

Many games like this have been played in America by colonial and Indian boys alike.

Lay newspapers on the floor in a circle. In the center is a blindfolded sentry. On his shoulder he carries a rolled up newspaper for a musket.

Two Indians are assigned to sneak across the newspapers to touch the sentry. The sentry listens for the sound of their approach and may sock them with his musket if he can. Any player who quietly touches the sentry becomes the new sentry.

Shoe Stew

All players remove their shoes and put them in a pile. Next everyone grabs one shoe that is not his own and puts it on. Cover the pile of shoes with a blanket and line up in two teams.

To play: The first player runs up to the pile and reaches under the blanket for a shoe. If it does not match the one he has on, he replaces it under the blanket, then runs back to the team.

If it is the mate to the shoe he has on, he puts it on the other foot and sits down at the side. Boys continue until all pairs have been found. The object is to end up with a pair of matching shoes, not necessarily his own!

Gold Nuggets

Teams line up side by side all facing the same direction. Each player holds the end of a plastic spoon in his mouth. The first player of each team has a gold nugget (Hershey Kiss) on his spoon. On signal he passes the gold nugget to the next player's spoon. Continue passing the nugget down the line without using hands. If a nugget falls, the team must begin again.



Indian Stick Game

Paint three popsicle sticks with acrylic paints. Paint two of the sticks red on one side and white on the other side. Make the third stick blue on one side and white on the other.

Players sit in a circle on a blanket. Each boy holds the sticks and tosses them into the air. Score the sticks as they have landed:

All white sides: 4 points

All colored sides: 4 points

2 red (Snakes) and 1 white: 6 points

2 white and 1 red (Snake): 6 points

1 white, 1 red (Snake), 1 blue: no points

Keep a tally of the scores. The first person who totals 50 points is the winner.

Deer Stalking

The deer and the stalker are blindfolded and placed at opposite ends of a long table. At the signal they begin to move around the table. The object is for the stalker to catch the deer. Neither may move away from the table.

Pecos Bill

Have all players except Pecos Bill form pairs and stand in a circle. When Pecos Bill says "face to face," the partners face each other. When he says, "back to back or side to side," his directions must be followed. If he says, "Pecos Bill," everyone including himself finds a new partner. The one left out becomes Pecos Bill and the game continues.

Paul Revere

Divide into teams. Choose a smaller boy to be the rider and the others act as horses. Horses spread out along the course at equal distances. On the starting signal the rider mounts the back of the first horse who carries him to the second horse. There the rider changes mounts, without touching the ground. The second horse carries the rider to the next horse, and so on until the rider reaches the finish line.

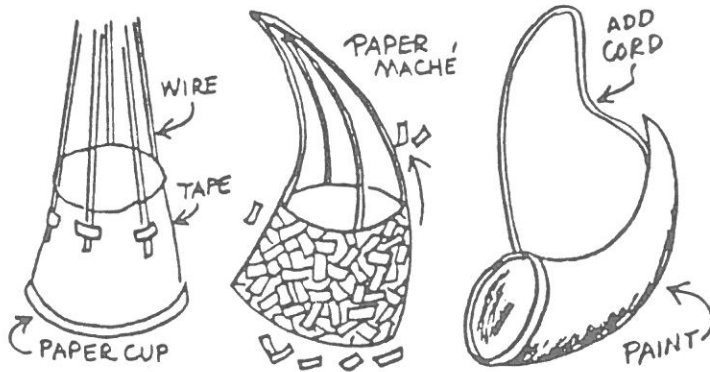
Storytelling

Divide den into two teams. Give the first member of the team a written message containing a number of facts about a well-known pioneer hero. Allow him to read the paper then give it back to you. On command the first member whispers the message to the next player. Pass the message down the line. The last player tells the facts as he heard them.

Crafts

Powder Horn

Tape six wires around a paper cup as shown below, curving ends to meet. Tape ends together. Paper mache around the entire cone using long strips of newspaper. Let dry then paint brown. Add a cord to hang around the neck in skirts.



Craft activities this month can center on home crafts of the pioneer days. While we go the grocery store for essentials such as lights, soap, and candy, youngsters of the days past would be making these as part of their home duties.

Soapmaking

In pioneer days making soap took a long time. Tallow or lard was boiled and mixed with resin and wood ashes or lye to make a crude yellow soap.

Today with a few shortcuts you can make your own soap. Have the Cubs save all their small pieces of soap during the month. Break the pieces into still smaller bits. On soapmaking day, soak the bits in a dishpan of very hot water. Use just enough water to cover the soap.

After about 15 minutes, pour off the water. Mold the soap around a heavy piece of twine to make a ball of soap. Or mold the soap into bar shapes. The soap will take several hours to dry.

For specialty soap, add lemon peel or strawberry extract to the soap before you form it.

Candle Dipping

Materials needed: Double boiler, empty tin can, paraffin, twine, small nails, dowel, clothes pins, crayon pieces.

Use the double boiler to melt the paraffin in the can. Never melt wax directly over heat, as it is very flammable. Add pieces of old crayon for color.

Pioneers used wicks made of rolled cotton, silky down from milkweed, or tow string. You can use heavy

cotton twine cut to the desired length. Be sure to allow extra line for clothespinning the wick to the dowel after dipping.

Tie a nail (for weight) onto the end of the candle where the base of the candle is to be. Dip the string into the melted paraffin. Continue dipping and cooling until candle builds up thickness.

After several dippings roll the candle on a hard surface while still warm to remove uneven places. Hang to dry with a clothespin.

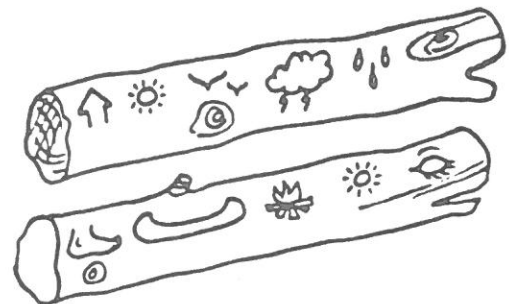
Folklore Photos

Set up a photo gallery for the pack meeting by painting a backdrop of a folklore scene. Paint on framed canvas or on a refrigerator packing carton. Make "Davey Crockett" life-size and cut out the hole for the face.

At the pack meeting invite Cubs and their families to have their pictures taken in the scene. Small children may need to stand up on a chair. Take Polaroid photos and charge a small amount to cover expenses.

Story Stick

Remove the bark from a stick about two feet long. Paint symbols with acrylic paint to represent a favorite folk story, or make up one of your own. Make up designs or use Indian symbols.



Tie Slide

Tree Rounds

Along with this project the boys can try to figure out the age of the tree. Did it see real Buckskin Pioneers in the area? Cut thin slices from a tree branch about 3" in diameter.

Each boy sands his wood round then writes his name, den, and pack numbers on the face with a marker or paint. Cut a short loop of leather and hot-glue to the back side to form the slide.

Buckskin Pioneers

Skits

Trailblazers All

Setting: Each Cub should be dressed to resemble his particular character. As the narrator talks, each character comes in and pantomimes the action.

Narrator: Good evening everyone. We want you to meet some of our greatest American trailblazers.

George Washington, it turns out to be,
Is known as the Father of our Country.
He did in a cherry tree with his handy ax
So let's remember to keep straight our facts.

Our next trailblazer was tall and skinny,
With his knowledge and forethought he helped many.
His trademark was a stovepipe hat and beard.
He freed the slaves and by many was cheered.
(Abraham Lincoln)

The British are coming, the British are coming,
Was this famous American's battle cry.
On his horse he rode across the countryside
Warning patriots Samuel Adams and John Hancock
to hide. (Paul Revere)

Back in history a long time ago
A man to the North Pole thought he should go.
He led an expedition to the Antarctic and gained
his fame.
Admiral Richard Byrd was his name.

Last by not least, our newest trailblazer me meet,
On the moon he planted both feet.
Neil Armstrong's name will forever be,
Listed in our books of history.

Narrator: There you have it ladies and gentlemen, people who took part in some of our country's most famous events. Let's hope the next several hundred years or more give us great leaders like those before.

The Ballad of Pistol Pete

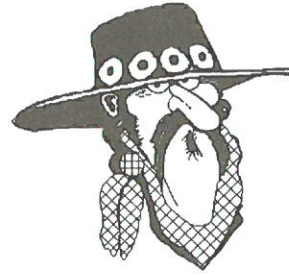
Setting: Along a street beside a corral fence. All actors are dressed in Western attire. Okie needs a stick horse to ride. Sound effects: dinner bell, hoof beats for Okie.

Narrator: Over the last hundred years there have been many songs written about the early pioneers. Listen carefully to this skit and see if you can hear some of the song names.

Bronco Bill: Shore is quiet here since *The Gunfight at the O.K. Corral*.

Pistol Pete: Yeh, *The Red River Valley* just ain't the same no more.

Maverick Mike: Say, what's that off in the distance, A



Mule Train?

Two Gun Tom: You mean there at the top of *The Big Rock Candy Mountain*? It looks like *My Darlin' Clementine* to me.

Bronco Bill: Naw, that ain't Clem. Looks more like a *Buffalo Gal* to me.

Shotgun Sam: Well, *She'll Be Comin' Round the Mountain When She Comes*.

Pistol Pete: Naw, that ain't Clem.

Okie: (Enters on stick horse and dismounts.) Jest call me *The Okie from Muskogee*.

Maverick Mike: Care to rest your *Boots and Saddle*, Okie?

Okie: Thanks pardner. I could use a little rest here on *The Streets of Laredo*.

Two Gun Tom: Where ya headed, Okie? *El Paso*?

Okie: Well, ever since I had a run-in with *Big Bad John*, I'll admit that *I've Got Spurs That Jingle, Jangle, Jingle*. It's gettin' on towards *High Noon*. Guess I'd better be movin' *Down In the Valley*. (Mounts horse and rides off.)

Pistol Pete: (As dinner bell sounds offstage.) Heard we're havin' hot dogs for supper, fellas. Guess we'd better *Get Along Little Doggie*. (Others look at him in disgust and pretend to raise hands to strangle him.) Now, now, fellas. Jes' remember to *Bury Me Not On the Lone Prairie*.

Maverick Mike: Then you'd better git *Back In the Saddle Again!* (Pete runs off with others chasing him.)

Singing Trailblazers of TV

Setting: Several Cubs can act as the choir singing the following verses to the tune of "Clementine." Other Cubs dress appropriately and come on stage one at a time.

I'm a worn out covered wagon.
Many times my shape you've seen
Rolling westward, ever westward,
On your television screen.

I'm the bad guy you've heard tell of
Cattle rustler, robber bold,
And the good guy always get me.
That's the way the story's told.

I'm a cowboy on my pony
On as endless cattle drive
Swallowing dust and crossing rivers.
It's a wonder I'm alive!

I'm a hardy Forty-niner
And my dreams are all of gold,
But so far I've been unlucky
And I'm still out in the cold.

I'm the sheriff of the county
With a star upon my chest.
On, I never shirk my duty.
I'm the best shot in the West.

I'm the pioneer who does travel
Cross the television screen.
Though I go through dreadful hardships
My hair is curled, my clothing clean.

I'm the television writer
Who concocts the western play.
But now something seems to tell me
I had best be on my way.

"On yer way" is right, young feller.
I'm the one who ought to know.
I'm a gen-u-wine Old Timer
From the West of long ago.

Now, the people all weren't handsome
I am sorry to relay.
But they had the will and vision
That made America today!

I can tell of deeds of bravery,
Sacrifice and sorrow, too,
As the wagon trains moved westward.
Best of all, my tales are true!



Brave pioneers who risked their lives,
To make this country grand.
We thank you for our land.

Covered Wagon

(Tune: Hush, Little Baby)

Though I followed lots of ruts
I guess that I had lots of guts.
Used by pioneers so bold
I'm a covered wagon from of old.

Creak, creak, clank, clank, bump, bump, squeak.
Creak, creak, clank, clank, bump, bump, squeak.
Creak, creak, clank, clank, bump, bump, squeak.
Creak, creak, clank, bump, squeak.

Indian Taps

(Tune: Taps)

Great Spirit come
With beat of drum.
Journey now, with each one, as we leave.
Till each one
Of our tribe
Reach their teepees.

Songs

Brave Pioneers

(Tune: Battle Hymn)

Who were the fearless pioneers
Who helped carve out our land?
Who traveled down the rugged trails?
They were a fearless band.
They braved the weather and the wilds,
Those men and women bold;
Their story should be told.

Chorus:
Traveling to an unknown land
A very brave and daring band
Pioneers, we think you're grand
For lending us a hand.

Buffalo Bill and Daniel Boone,
Two of the very best.
Zebulon Pike, Kit Carson, and Jim Bridger
and the rest.

Snacks

Old-Fashioned Taffy

This recipe makes about ½ pound of taffy, just enough
for one den meeting.

Ingredients:

1 cup sugar ½ cup water ⅛ tsp salt
¼ cup light corn syrup

First butter a platter. Stir together the ingredients and
heat slowly until sugar is dissolved. Bring to a boil,
stirring constantly. Have a cup of ice water handy
to test the candy. Candy is done when a small
amount forms a hard ball when dropped into ice
water.

Immediately pour candy onto buttered platter. When it is
cool enough to handle, gather it into a ball and pull
until it is white and firm. Butter hands lightly for
this part. Pull taffy into a rope, twist it, and cut it
into pieces with scissors.

The taffy can be flavored by adding a few drops of
peppermint flavoring or 1 teaspoon of vanilla just
before you start to pull.

Sunshine Lemonade

The way they made it before frozen juice mix at the
grocery store!

5 lemons 4 cups water ¾ cup sugar
Cut lemons in half and squeeze out the juice on a juicer.
Remove the pulp and seeds that are left. You
should have about a cup of juice now. Pour juice
into a pitcher and add water and sugar. Stir.

Closings

The Long Road

As we look back down the road Americans have travelled we see that many of their dreams have come true. We see the towns they built, the bridges they crossed, the mountains they climbed. We feel the hardships they endured. We see places where they hammered off the rough edges of their dreams so we would have a better life today.

The pioneers worked out a way of life, a life of personal freedom that held to the hope of tomorrow. They made history yesterday, but is it up to us to make it today. This is our land. Here men and women of the past lived and worked and died serving the great ideals of freedom, democracy and justice. None of us here tonight can fail to carry this great dream to his children and to his children's children.

Pocketknife

Cub Scouts, I hold in my hand a pocketknife. The buckskin pioneers guarded their knives because they were essential for life. They used knives for killing and preparing food, making items for their homes, and for medicinal purposes. Their knife was a valuable tool because it could be used for many things.

The knife was a dependable tool as long as the blade was kept sharp and free of rust, and the working parts were in good condition. If it was neglected and became dull and rusty, it became a dangerous tool.

The same principle will serve as well for us today. We have a body, which when kept in good condition, will work well for us. If we fail to take care of ourselves we can become rusty and dull like a neglected knife. Just as the buckskin pioneers took care of their tools, you can do your best to take care of yourself.

Happy Trails

The Native Americans explored the mountains first. Then our pioneer forefathers followed the mountain trails. Next came the European settlers. With each new person came new experiences and new challenges.

Cub 1: Our trail is the Cubbing trail.

Cub 2: Our experience is the fun and adventure of Cub Scouting.

Cub 3: Our challenge is to be good Scouts, good friends and good neighbors.

Cub 4: Our future is to explore the world around us, moving down the trail from Cub Scouts to Boy Scouts.

Let's join in singing, "Happy Trails."

Advancement Ceremony

Grandfather's Trunk

Props: Old steamer truck, rocking chair, braid rug, kerosene lamp, small items inside the trunk such as a wooden spoon, rag doll, cloth ball. Cubmaster is dressed as a pioneer grandfather/mother and is sitting next to the trunk which contains the awards.

Narrator: We hear many things about the character of our pioneer ancestors. One important trait was perseverance to get the job done. (Shows the braided rug.) They also had the faith to see the future of our great land. (Raises the kerosene lamp.) Our Cub Scouts have inherited many of these characteristics and we will award their badges tonight from this heritage.

(Rummages around in the trunk and withdraws the small items and lays them by the rocking chair with short comments. Finds the badges and calls the Cub and their parents forward.)

Up and Over

Just as the Buckskin Pioneers challenged many mountains on the way west, so too the Cub Scouts challenge the mountain of Scouting.

Bobcats, you have reached the first plateau of Scouting. When you look back it seems that you haven't gone far, but you have accomplished many things already. Doing your best is all you have to do to reach the top of the mountain of Scouting. (Call Cubs and parents forward for badge presentation.)

Wolves you are almost halfway up the mountain. Some of you have stumbled along the way, but the fact that you are here today means that you have what it takes to keep going.

Bears, you've now come far enough up the mountain of Scouting to feel a change. The air is thinner and there are fewer and fewer trees. The ridge where you now stand gives you a wonderful view of the world around you, but looking up you see that there is more to do. Other levels to climb. You are ready and your fellow climbers and leaders will be there to help and guide you.

Webelos, you are now trekking in the cold and snow but the sense of accomplishment you feel has made the trip worthwhile. The summit of the mountain looms before you and the skills you have gained have prepared you for what lies ahead.

Scouts, looking up you see the top of the mountain of Scouting, the Arrow of Light. The way has been far but the higher you go, the better the view of the world around you will be.

Pre Opening

Water Jokes

- What do sea monsters eat? Fish'n'Ships.
 What do you get when you cross a shark with a parrot?
 An animal that will talk your ear off.
 Who goes hunting for mice in the sea? A catfish.
 Why don't elephants play water polo? Because they
 can't swim.
 Why did the whale cross the road? To get to the other
 tide.
 I'm a horse, but I don't eat hay and I can't run. What
 am I? A sea horse.

Word Scramble

Unscramble these letters to find the names of swimming
 strokes. Some are two words.

acalcbrwk	(back crawl)
kkakrtcebsoe	(backstroke)
tertosbakre	(breaststroke)
eluftbryt	(butterfly)
dpldoaegd	(dog paddle)
rslyfete	(freestyle)
rtwcfrlnoa	(front crawl)
kierssoedt	(sidestroke)

Openings

Swimming History

Write each letter of the word SWIMMING on posterboard.
 Tape the words to read on the backside. Boys come
 in one at a time to read, then remain until the word
 is spelled.

- S: People have been swimming for thousands of years.
 Paintings from caves in Libya dating to about 9000
 B.C. show people swimming. In Greece and Rome
 swimming was part of military training.
- W: During the Middle Ages in Europe, very few knights
 and soldiers learned to swim. A lot of people
 thought swimming helped spread disease. Swim-
 ming became common for recreation and medical
 therapy by the 1400's.
- I: *The Art of Swimming* was one of the first known
 books on the sport. It was published in Europe in
 the year 1538! Japan first organized swimming
 nationally with an Imperial Order in 1603. Swim-
 ming was made part of the school curriculum, and
 inter-school competition was encouraged.
- M: Britain played a large part in the history of competi-
 tion swimming. In 1869 rules were drawn up by a
 group of clubs in London to distinguish between
 amateur and professional swimming competitions.
- M: Swimming was added to the Olympics for men in
 1896 and for women in 1912. Perhaps the greatest
 boost to swimming came in the 1930's when the

Olympic champion, Johnny Weismuller, "swam to
 fame" as Tarzan, King of the Apes.

- I: Americans have done well in Olympic swimming
 events as a result of swimming programs in cities
 all over the country. Many communities added
 pools after World War II when the suburbs were
 growing. Mark Spitz was a famous American who
 won seven gold medals in the 1972 Olympics. This
 was an all-time record.
- N: Training for swimming requires demands and
 sacrifices as you develop your body. Swimming also
 offers you fun, friendship and excitement, too.
 Many schools have swim clubs and YMCA and
 other institutions sponsor teams you can join.
- G: Raise your hand if you really like swimming. Just
 think—maybe someone here in this room will be the
 next swimming hero at the Olympics. See you
 there!

Doorway to Adventure

Let's follow the trail to adventure,
 The trail every good Cub Scout tries,
 With all of God's beauty around us,
 The trees, and the streams and the skies.

Let's open the door to adventure
 With achievements, electives, and fun.
 Cub Scouting is such an adventure
 It's exciting for everyone.

And after we've had fun in Cub Scouting
 Another door lies straight ahead.
 We're prepared for the Scouting adventure
 And so we have nothing to dread.

Opportunity

God created families. He also created our beautiful world
 for us to enjoy and care for. We have fun doing
 things together as families in Cub Scouting. We
 have many opportunities to work and play together.
 Today as we salute the U.S. flag which represents
 millions of American families, let us be thankful for
 our own families, and God's beautiful world in
 which we live. Please join me in the Pledge.

Yells

Swimming Applause

Imitate the breast stroke. As you "come up
 for air" yell, "Yay!"

Belly Flopper

Pretend you are diving, but hit in a belly flopper.
 Say, "Ooooffff!"

Water Fun

Games

Egg and Spoon Race

This race will test swimming skills, patience, and balance.

Divide den into teams. Boys hold a spoon in their mouth and place a hard-boiled egg on it. On signal they must swim a distance without dropping the egg. If it falls, they must start over again.

Water Spud

Boys line up around the side of a pool. The leader throws a potato into the water and calls out one of the boy's names. Everyone jumps into the pool.

The named boy recovers the potato while the others scatter around the pool. When he gets the potato, he tries to tag one of the others. He may swim or walk toward them, but should not throw the potato at them. Players may duck under water to be safe from a tag. When someone is tagged, everyone gets out of the water and repeats the game.

Cup and Bottle Relay

Form two teams. Place a bucket of water and a plastic cup at the head of each line. Place an empty two liter bottle at the end of the line.

On starting signal, the player nearest the bucket fills the cup with water and passes it down the line. The last player pours the water into the bottle then runs up to the head of the line. He fills the cup and passes it down the line. This continues until one team fills the bottle. The boys on the winning team celebrate...by drinking a glass of water.

Sing and Swim

This is a swimming race between two boys at a time. At the beginning of the race assign a short song to each team. During the race, each swimmer must sing his team's song loud and clear as he swims across the pool and back again. If a swimmer stops singing at any time, the other swimmer is the winner of the round.

Simon in the Water

When leader prefaces a command by saying "Simon says," each player must follow instructions immediately. If he gives a command without saying the words, no player may move. Commands may deal with any stunt in the water such as swimming,

floating, dunking head, touching the bottom, etc.

In the Pond

Draw a large chalk circle on the floor and ask the Cubs to form a circle just outside the line. One boy is in the middle to make the calls. When he says, "In the Pond," the Cubs jump into the circle. When the call is, "On the Bank," they jump out. If the call is, "In the Pond," when everyone is already in, they stay put, and visa versa. When the calls come fast and furious, the Cubs have a lot of fun.

Pirate's Gold

Paint several dozen washers with gold paint. Scatter them in an area of water that is between knee and waist deep. On signal, the boys wade in and recover as many gold pieces as they can in an allotted time.

Submarine and Destroyers

Players are divided into two groups. One is called the submarines and tries to keep a balloon in the air. The other group is the destroyers, and they try to burst the balloon with their feet or hands.

After the balloon is broken, the players change names and repeat with another balloon.

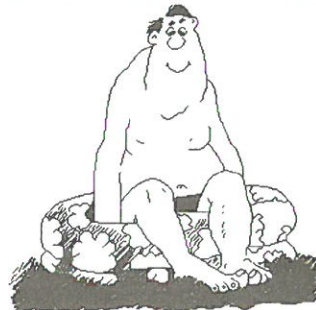
Rescue!

Place a ball in an old sock and tie it onto the end of a long rope.

Boys divide into teams. Draw a small circle on the floor about ten feet from "poolside." One boy at a time throws the line toward the "drowning victim." If the sock lands inside the circle the person is saved. Count how many throws it takes for each team to rescue the person.

Cork Retrieve

Cubs line up alongside the pool and lay their towel down to mark their spot. Scatter small corks in the water close to the far side of the pool. On signal, boys dive into the pool and swim over to the corks. They bring back one cork at a time and place it on their towel. Game continues until all corks are claimed. The player with the most corks wins.

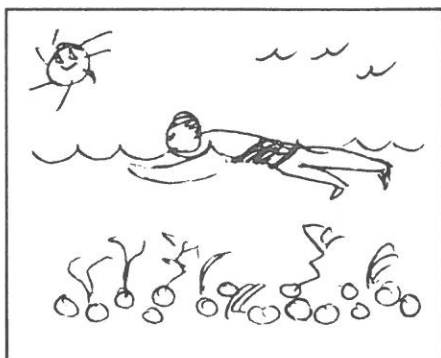


Crafts

Buddy Board

Make a simple buddy board for Cub swimming this month. Use a rectangular piece of wood and decorate it with the side view of a Cub Scout swimming. Paint a light blue sky with white clouds. Paint the water a darker blue, with some green plants and rocks on the bottom. Draw a swimmer with a bright red bathing suit.

Make the buddy tags from clear plastic margarine lids in the shape of fish. Personalize each one with boys' names. Drive small nails into the "water" to hold the buddy tags when a boy is swimming. Drive nails in a line on the rock bottom to hold the tags when not in use.



Sand Pouring

Gather some sand at the beach the next time you go swimming. When it is colored, you can make many beautiful designs with it.

Materials needed: Paper cups, sand, powdered fabric dyes, plastic spoons, paper towels, baby food jars, paper clips.

Instructions: Fill paper cups halfway with sand. Add water to each cup to cover the sand completely, then add the powdered fabric dye. Stir with a plastic spoon. Let sand sit in the dye for 15 minutes, then pinch the edge of the cup to pour out the water without spilling the sand. Spoon the sand onto sheets of paper towels, keeping colors separate. Spread it out and let dry.

To make designs, carefully spoon layers of colored sand, one on top of another, into a baby food jar. Open a paper clip to form a straight piece of wire and put it down along the side through the layers of sand. Gently remove the wire and see how it pulls the sand layers into each other. Make designs around the entire jar. When you are finished, spoon sand all the way to the top of the jar and screw on the lid.

Tie Slide

Fish

Draw outlines of fish or seahorses on heavy cardboard, then cut out. Color as desired, or cover with aluminum foil. Attach a safety pin to the back with tape. To use as a tie decoration, first tie a square knot in the neckerchief, then pin on the fish.

Songs

Seamen

(Tune: The Bear Went Over the Mountain)

The seamen sailed out to the sea (3x)
To see what they could see.
The sea is all they saw (2x)
The seamen sailed out to the sea,
See, all they saw was the sea.

The sea surged over the seamen (3x)
And all they saw was sea.
All they saw was sea (2x)
The sea surged over the seamen,
So sea was all they saw.

We saw the seasick seamen (3x)
See-sawing on the sea.
See-sawing on the sea (2x)
We saw the seasick seamen,
So now it's seasick me!

Skin Diver's Song

(Tune: Sailing, Sailing)

Diving, diving into the deep blue sea,
And many a fish we've scared away,
On that you will agree.
Diving, diving, into the ocean blue,
With flippers, and mask and oxygen gas,
We'll have adventures true.

Cub Scout Trail

(Tune: Long, Long Trail A-Winding)

There's a Cub Scout trail a-winding
Into a boy's land of dreams.
It's a trail that's long-remembered
As on life streams.
It's a trail of Wolf and Bobcat,
And Bear and Webelos, too.
With parents' help he'll walk
Down that Cub Scout trail with you.

Water Fun

Skits

Water Safety Seals

Characters: Ringmaster, six seals, and one clown.

Props: A cardboard ring about two feet high, large enough for all seals to stand inside. Paint outside to resemble a pool. As curtain opens, seals are in the pool flapping their arms. Ringmaster enters.

Ringmaster: And now, ladies and gentlemen, we present those barking aquanauts, those super swimmers of the sea, our very own Pack __ Water Safety Seals.

Seals: (Flap arms and sing to the tune of Clementine.)

In the ocean, in a home pool,
In a lake or in a tub
Where there's water, there is danger,
Even in the shower scrub.

If you plunge down to the bottom
Of the ocean, cool and green,
You must take some swimming lessons
For you're not a submarine.

Seal 1: (Clapping arms.) Arf! Arf! You'll get a big hand from us seals if you'll only swim where there is a lifeguard.

Seal 2: Arf! Arf! We'll applaud you if you always swim with a buddy. Never swim alone! (Clap arms.)

Seal 3: Arf! Arf! Encore! Learn to swim well, then learn some simple reaching rescues. Learn to give artificial resuscitation.

Seal 4: We seals say, by all means, enjoy your swim.

Seal 5: But be a smart seal—stay out of water during thunderstorms.

Seal 6: Stay out of the water when you have just eaten.

All: If you're in trouble, call for help, but only if you need it. (Flap arms and sing.)

If you plunge down to the bottom
Of the ocean, cool and green,
You must take some swimming lessons
For you're not a submarine.

(As seals are singing, the clown crosses the stage in front of them with a sign reading, "Don't Be Wet Behind the Ears." At mid-stage turn sign around to read, "Don't clown around in the water.")

Water Water

Scene: Sign that reads "Desert." A bucket is placed in center stage with rice or confetti in it. A large dipper hangs over the edge.

For a build-up the announcer carefully explains about the problem of finding suitable water in the desert, and spins a yarn about some lost prospectors.

Groans of a prospector come from off stage. He calls, "Waterrrrr," and gradually crawls into sight. When he reaches the bucket he dips the dipper and drinks a little. He then screams, "Poison!" and drops dead. Other prospectors repeat the sequence.

When the last prospector is about to drink from the dipper, the first prospector, supposedly dead, springs up and screams, "Don't drink that water, it's poison!" He grabs the bucket and hurls the rice into the audience.

The Boy Wash

Narrator: Wouldn't it be great if there were automatic boy washes just like automatic car washes? First we would take the average boy in from a day playing outside (Boy comes on stage as filthy and dirty as he can be.)

Then we would put him through the boy wash. Other Cubs line up across from each other simulating a car wash. Use squirt guns, blow soap bubbles on boy, and brush him front and back. Boy then enters a large cardboard box marked, "Dryer." Another boy who is hiding inside now emerges from the other side totally clean. Then he walks off stage. But, there is only one problem. In two minutes he will need to come back to the boy wash again! (Another boy appears, totally dirty.)

Closings

Our Great Land

Many of us will be on vacation trips this summer; others will take short treks. Every time I travel to other parts of our great land I think of the words of the song, "America the Beautiful." "O Beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain. For purple mountains' majesty above the fruited plain." Yes, our country is indeed beautiful: the charm of New England on the eastern coast to the deep blue lakes of our area, the towering mountains, the golden wheat fields, the roaring rivers, the expansive desert, and the giant Redwoods of California. There is beauty in each of our 50 states. Be proud of your America and help keep it great.

Gaelic Benediction

May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine upon your face.
May the rains fall gently upon your fields.
And until we meet again,
May God hold you in the palm of His hand.

Advancement Ceremony

Perform the ceremony in the pool. Cubmaster stands in the water about waist deep and calls boys forward to receive their badges. They must jump into the pool and wade over. Older boys can be asked to perform swimming strokes.



Activity Badge Groups

Physical Skills:

Aquanaut



Athlete



Fitness



Sportsman



Mental Skills:

Artist



Scholar



Showman



Traveler



Community:

Citizen



Communicator



Family Member



Readyman



Technology:

Craftsman



Engineer



Handyman



Scientist



Outdoor:

Forester



Geologist



Naturalist



Outdoorsman



Cub Scout Themes and Related Webelos Activity Badges

1993-94 Month	Cub Scout Theme	Recommended Activity Badges	
		Fourth-graders	Fifth-graders
November	Under the Big Top	Craftsman	Citizen
December	Holiday Magic	Draftsman	Citizen
January	Exploring Alaska	Fitness	Readyman
February	Blue and Gold Traditions	Scholar	Engineer
March	Wings, Wheels, Rudders	Handyman	Engineer
April	Shape Up	Sportsman	Athlete
May	Back to Nature	Outdoorsman	Family Member
June	Strong for America	Traveler	Artist
July	Buckskin Pioneers	Naturalist	Forester
August	Water Fun	Aquanaut	Geologist

Notes

Five Parts of a Webelos Den Meeting

1. Gathering
2. Opening
3. Activity Badge Fun
4. Preparation
5. Closing

What Happens at a Webelos Meeting?

If you plan for the five basic parts of a Webelos Den Meeting, you will have a balance, accomplish a purpose, and provide fun for the Webelos.

1. **Gathering:** All the boys don't arrive at the same time, so it is good to have an activity to keep them busy until the meeting begins. Some ideas include tricks, puzzles, games, contests, or practice of Boy Scout requirements led the Webelos Den Chief. Games should be able to be played alone or in pairs, or be of the type that other boys can join in as they arrive.
2. **Opening:** A simple opening ceremony announces that the meeting has begun, and can provide opportunity for the leader to teach important values. Typically the Scout Oath and Law are repeated and these become more meaningful to the boys.
3. **Activity Badge Fun:** The bulk of the meeting will let the boys have fun as they learn by hands-on method. Include instruction, practice, games and contests. Activity Badge Counselors can be very helpful in planning this part of your meeting.
4. **Preparation:** This time includes getting ready for the den's part in the next pack meeting. Perhaps the Webelos need to practice a skit, or decide what kind of display the den should exhibit. Props can be made, and ceremonies practiced. This period can also include games, songs or other fun.
5. **Closing:** Since announcements made at the end of the meeting may be remembered more easily, this is a good time for short business. The actual closing ceremony is a thoughtful time where the aims of Scouting are emphasized (citizenship training, character building, and personal fitness). Start your own den traditions - singing "Taps" or circling up.

Pow Wow Book Contents

Activity badges are listed in alphabetical order in this book. In order to help you plan creative den meetings for your Webelos the following sections have been included under each activity badge.

Careers and Speakers

The Webelos program is geared to the growing abilities and the changing interests of boys at this age. Introduction to 20 different activity badges will probably spark new interests at each turn. By inviting speakers to your den meeting, or taking field trips through places of work, the boys may enjoy beginning some basic career exploration.

Activities

Each activity badge chapter has a variety of fun ideas for you to choose from to plan an exciting den meeting. They include everything from field trips to resources, simple theme-related projects to gathering time jokes.

Games

You will find many unique games to play which are actually "hands-on" use of the activity badge material. Notice that the emphasis "winning/losing" is underplayed. Some games only emphasize completion of the instructions by the whole team. Others provide reward in the form of new opportunities: being first in line for snack, or the challenge to make up a new cheer.

Pack Meeting

This section provides ideas for skits, closings, presentations, and displays. Some involve educating the audience about the activity badge subject. This is where the boys really have a chance to show off what they have learned through the den meetings and field trips this month.

Award Ceremony

The Webelos Leader can take an active part in the activity badge presentations at the pack meetings each month. One active theme-related idea is given for each activity badge.

Tie Slide

Simple tie slide directions are included with activity badges where space permits. Make a new slide every month!

Notes



(Introduction from the *Webelos Scout Book*)

Aquanauts are people who are at home in and around the water. They respect the water, master it, and enjoy it.

Aquanauts know that water can be dangerous. They never take foolish chances or break safety rules. They know that rules protect everyone.

Aquanauts develop water skills. They know they are safe in and on the water. They know how to help others be safe and have fun, too. Swimming, floating, snorkeling, water rescue, and boating are all skills of aquanauts. The better they become, the more fun they have.

Careers/Speakers

Scuba diver, seaman, marine photographer, community pool operator, fish hatchery worker, oceanographer, boat repairman, lifeguard, employee for the Department of Natural Resources, Coast Guard, Marines, or Navy.

Activities

Scuba

Invite a member of a scuba diving team to come to your meeting and bring equipment to demonstrate.

Competition

Go to see a swim meet or diving competition at the high school or college. Talk to the coach.

CPR

Learn Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation through the Red Cross or other qualified instructor.

Boy Scouts

Invite several Boy Scouts to come to your meeting and talk about earning water merit badges. Ask them to tell about the summer camp waterfront activities they have enjoyed.

Search and Rescue

Visit your local police station and talk to the water search and rescue team. How often are they called out? What are some of the circumstances? What equipment do they take along?

Water Pollution

Do a report on the water pollution in area lakes or rivers. How does this affect our water recreation and water consumption?

Family Splash

At the end of the month, why not invite the whole family to a pool party? Webelos can demonstrate their proficiency in swimming, snorkeling and water rescue. Include water games that the whole family will enjoy playing.

Boat Shop

Take the den to a local boat shop. Ask the manager to show the boys different features on the boat. Find out when a Red Cross Boat Safety Course will be held in your area.

Jokes

If a skin diver loses his compass, how can he tell which way to go? He can look at the north starfish.

Authorship: A large seagoing vessel belonging to a writer.

Quiz

1. Water is made up of two parts of hydrogen and one part of __?
2. A cubic foot of water weighs about __ pounds?
3. An aquifer is an underground __?
4. The main users of water today are agriculture and __?
5. The world's total supply of water is increasing, decreasing, or unchanging?

Answers: (1.) oxygen (2.) 62 (3.) water deposit
(4.) industry (5.) unchanging

Tie Slide

Life Preserver

Materials needed: white 1½" plastic buckle (from a fabric store notions department), red acrylic paint.

Instructions: Use paint to make rope lines around the life preserver. Let dry before threading scarf through the buckle.



Aquanaut - Physical Skills Group

Games

Pirate's Gold Hunt

This is a good game for non-swimmers. Scatter pennies in shallow water. Cub Scouts line up at the edge of the pool. On signal, boys jump in and begin to gather pennies. Blow the whistle after a certain amount of time. The boy with the most pennies wins. Let the boys keep the pennies they find.

Ping Pong Race

Cubs line up at the starting line in waist deep water. Each has a ping pong ball in front of him. On signal, each must blow his ball toward the other side. Players should not touch the ball or move it by making waves.

Dog race

Divide den into two teams and line up at poolside. First racer barks like a dog three times, then jumps in and swims to the other side doing the doggy paddle. When he touches the other side, he barks again like a dog. The next racer answers (barking three times) and jumps in. Repeat until all the "dogs" on one team are on the other side.

Table Waiter Race

Divide den into teams and line up in the water at poolside. Each swimmer has to swim to a specified point and return with a paper plate containing a cork on it, held above the water. If the cork falls off, the swimmer may replace it. Repeat until the whole team goes.

Sing and Swim

Divide den into two teams. Assign an easy song to each team. On signal, the first boy dives in the water and begins to swim...while singing his song out loud and clear. He swims to the other side and gets out of the pool. Repeat with all team members

Find the Numbers

Mark 20 large flat, rocks with numbers ranging from one to five. Write the same number on both sides. Throw the rocks into water. On signal, all Scouts dunk and try to bring up as many rocks as possible to their station on shore. Only one rock may be carried at a time.
The player who collects the highest total when the numbers on his rocks are added up is the winner.

King Neptune

Divide den into teams. Boys enter the water on opposite sides of the pool with their air mattresses. The object is to try to push the opposing team members off their air mattresses without falling in yourself. Once a boy falls off, he must leave the pool.

Nail Driving Contest

Each team needs a hammer and a piece of 2x4 board. Give each boy three nails. For the race each boy must drive his three nails into the board...under water!

Nuts and Bolts

A good way to get used to being underwater is to toss a large bolt with a nut on it into waist-deep water. Scouts bend down to find the bolt and unscrew the nut while underwater.
If he can't finish the job, he must drop the bolt and come up for air. Then he goes down again. Hold up the two pieces when finished.

Pack Meeting

Exhibits

Mask, fins, snorkels, and wet suits.

Boat equipment and PFDs.

CPR dummy and instruction sheets.

Sea shells or pictures of fish.

Lifeline throw: Tie a beanbag onto a 25-foot rope. Mark a circle on the floor with chalk. Throw for accuracy.

Award Ceremony

#1

Webelos leader calls boys to come up one at a time to receive their badge, naming the stroke they are to demonstrate on the way up.

#2

Fish swim in water to survive, for that is what they breathe. Man must also be able to swim in water to survive, for he *cannot* breathe in it. The knowledge gained as an Aquanaut is a preliminary and vital part of this life-long learning.

These young men have accomplished this. At this time, would (boy's names) come forward to be honored with the activity badge?



(Introduction from the *Webelos Scout Book*)

You have worked with the tools of art all your life. You have used paints, crayons, pencils, and clay. At home and school you have made pictures and shapes.

For this activity badge you can learn more about how artists work. You will learn how they mix colors, make designs, and make mobiles and sculptures. You may not have a talent for art. But even if you don't, you will have fun learning how artists do it.

Careers/Speakers

Musician, painter, sculptor, photographer, actor, designer, magazine illustrator, piano tuner, television set designer, teacher, docent, commercial artist, gallery manager, curator, interior decorator.

Activities

Scents-able Design

Materials needed: Piece of heavy cardboard for each boy, white glue, brushes, and these spices in small bowls: (Red) red pepper, chili powder and paprika. (White) minced onions, sesame seeds, white pepper and salt. (Yellow) lemon peel, curry powder, mustard seed, mustard powder. (Green) chives or parsley flakes.

First cover the workspace with newspapers. While boys are drawing a design on the cardboard, dilute the white glue with a little bit of water. Stir to mix. Place it in a small bowl in the middle of the table to share.

Boys use paintbrushes to cover a small area of their design with the glue. Take a pinch of the desired spice and sprinkle over the glue. Shake off any excess. Continue in this manner until the design is completed.

Museums

Take a field trip to see the famous "Cherry on the Spoon" at the Minneapolis Sculpture Garden. Go to the Walker Art Center, University Art Museum, or the Minneapolis Institute of Arts.

Home Tour

Ask for a den parent to take the Scouts on a tour of their home, pointing out the styles of pictures, color combinations, and other decorating principles.

Primitive Painting

Make your own paintbrush by pounding the end of a twig, turning as you hammer. It will fray into many thin fibers like the bristles of a brush. Use natural paint made from berries and draw on homemade paper.

Arts Organizations

Invite people from these organizations to your meeting. Talk about how they got involved with the arts. What does the club do? Bach Society of Minnesota, Children's Theatre Company, Minnesota Citizens for the Arts, Minnesota Dance Alliance.

Store and Shops

Visit an art shop at Ridgedale or at one of the other shopping centers. Visit St. Paul Book and Stationery or an office supply store to see the variety of art supplies available.

Library Resources

Visit the library and browse through the arts section (call numbers in the 700's). Let each boy pick out a book that interests him.

At some libraries you can check out framed art for six weeks. Let den members choose a painting to "decorate" their den meeting place this month.

Natural Wonders

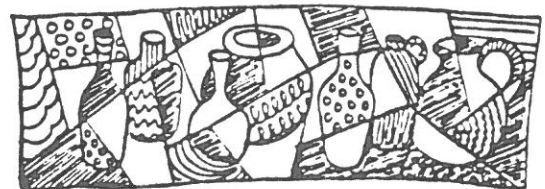
Take your den for a hike in the woods. Look at textures, colors, and patterns in nature. What color is the sky or sunset? What shape are the leaves? How are flower petals arranged?

Stop along the way and allow time for each Scout to sketch with a pencil in his notebook. It can be anything from a flower to a landscape. Show each other and tell why you picked that particular item to sketch.

Contrasts and Texture

Have boys copy a simple still life picture on white paper. Divide the paper into irregular areas by drawing straight and curved lines right through the picture. Next fill in each area with a solid color, tiny dots, loops, wiggly lines, etc. Leave some white space.

How many different contrasts and textures did the boys come up with? Spend some time looking at all the drawings and comparing.



Artist - Mental Skills Group

Games

Wiggles

Give everyone a paper and pencil and ask them to draw a zigzag line. Exchange papers with other boys and try to make the line into some type of picture. The one with the best picture is the artist of the night.

Match Up

Match the artist with his famous work.

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|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Gutzon Borglum | A. George Washington portrait |
| 2. John J. Audubon | B. Mona Lisa |
| 3. Michelangelo | C. Boys Life covers |
| 4. Edward Hicks | D. The Artist's Mother |
| 5. Leonardo da Vinci | E. Birds of America |
| 6. Norman Rockwell | F. Mt. Rushmore |
| 7. Gilbert Stuart | G. The Peaceable Kingdom |
| 8. James Whistler | H. Pieta |

Answers (1) F (2) E (3) H (4) G (5) B (6) C (7) A (8) D

Out of Sight!

Have Scouts sit up to a table. Give each a piece of construction paper. Blindfold everyone and give them each a crayon. Ask them to draw a picture of a clown. When all are finished, collect the papers *before* removing the blindfolds. Hang the picture up and ask boys to guess which is their own drawing. (You may want to write initials on the backside when you collect them. It's harder than you think!

Paper and Crayon

Divide den into teams. On signal, the first player runs up to the leader, who whispers the name of an object they must draw. They receive a paper and crayon, and run back to their team and begin to draw. The first team that correctly identifies the object scores two points. Continue until each player has drawn an object, then add up the points for the "most artistic" team.

Kim's Game

Cut out ten different shapes from ten colors of construction paper. (Packages of origami paper have a multitude of colors.) Write the name of the color and the shape on the piece. Place them on a tray, out of sight.

During the den meeting bring the tray out and let the boys look at it for one minute. Take the tray away and ask boys to list the colors and shapes together, if possible. Count up who has the most correct colors and who has the most correct shapes listed.

Flash Cards

Have Scouts make up sets of flash cards with questions relating to art: materials, styles, supplies, etc. Write the correct answer on the back side.

Work in pairs to test each other on the terms. Can also be done as team competition.

Crazy Artists

Form teams for a relay drawing contest. Provide each team with a crayon. The object is for the entire team to draw a house with each player drawing no more than two straight lines.

Each player runs up to the paper on the wall, draws his two lines, then runs back. The next person takes the crayon, and so on. (Depending on the number of boys on your team, they may need to take several turns in order to finish.)

The team with the best looking house wins a paintbrush or other small art tool for each boy.

Pack Meeting

Skit

An artist is seated by an easel drawing with a paint brush. Boy 1 comes in and asks, "What are you doing?"

The artist answers, "Drawing."

More boys enter one at a time, asking the same question. The artist gives same response.

When all the boys have arrived and are eagerly watching the artist, the first one asks, "Well, what are you drawing?"

Artist answers, "A crowd!"

Art Show

Make a display of all the art the den has made this month. Have a contest where audience can vote for their favorite picture. Count the ballots and award a blue ribbon at the end of the meeting.

Artist in Residence

Ask around to find if a parent does watercolor or other types of painting or artwork. Ask them to bring items to show including pictures, note pads with sketches, supplies, easel, etc.

Award Ceremony

Webelos leader is dressed in a painters smock and has the badges attached to the paint palette. With each name called, he/she says, "This boy is a master-piece," and hands him the badge.



(Introduction from the *Webelos Scout Book*)

Strength and good health are important to you now for sports and games. They will be important to you all of your life.

Soon you will be starting in Boy Scouting. You should be strong enough to take the rough, outdoor life of a Boy Scout.

The Boy Scouts of America has standards to test the strength and endurance of boys. The standards for 9-, 10-, and 11-year-old boys are shown (in the handbook.)

See if you can meet the standards. Maybe you won't be able to the first time you try. Don't let that stop you. The more you work on each test, the higher your rating should be.

Keep a record of all your scores.

Careers/Speakers

Professional ball player, gymnast, coach, community recreation director, umpire, swimmer, track and field runner, jockey, TV sports announcer, skater, manager of fitness center, sports trainer, sports injury doctor, orthopedist, physical therapist, referee, karate instructor.

Activities

Events to See

Take the whole den to see a high school athletic event, college event, or professional sporting event.

Watch the college gymnastic team practicing.

Visit with the local biking club as they gather for their weekend trip.

Jokes

Are Ted's feet big? I don't know. I've never seen him with his shoes off.

Why is a baseball game like a pancake? They both depend on the batter.

What do you serve, but never eat? A tennis ball.

What game do rabbits like to play? Hopscotch.

Action Songs

The *Cub Scout Song Book* has a section of action songs which would be appropriate to use this month. These include, "Head, Shoulder, Knees and Toes," "I've Got That Cub Scout Spirit," and "If You're Happy and You Know It."

Hennepin Parks

Check the quarterly publication, "Seasons in the Park," which lists activities your den might like to attend this month.

There are usually bike races, walks with the rangers, or something "athletic" going on. Invite parents to go along to get them involved casually.

Den Opening

Ask all the Webelos to lay down flat on their backs with arms folded across their chest. Talk about the importance of exercise and getting in shape to work on the Athlete activity badge. Then ask them to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance without using their arms. Can they do it?

Clean Your Plate

(Tune: Are You Sleeping?)

Eat your spinach.

Eat your green beans.

Clean your plate. (2x)

Drink that glass of white milk,

Grow up strong and healthy.

You'll look great. (2x)

Tie Slides

Olympics

Olympic commemorative postage stamps are readily available at stamp shops. Buy one for each boy.

Materials needed: thin piece of wood or plastic the size of a postage stamp, hot glue, white glue, acrylic spray, leather for tie slide ring.

Instructions: Sand the wood if necessary then glue the stamp to it. Cover with several coats of clear acrylic spray. Hot glue the leather ring for the slide part.

Barbell

Materials needed: two 20mm wooden beads, $\frac{5}{16}$ " dowel (Or size to fit inside the beads), hot glue, black, silver, and white paint, thin strip of vinyl for the slide itself.

Directions: Measure and cut the dowel rod about $2\frac{1}{4}$ " long. Paint it silver. Paint the beads black. Put a dab of glue in the bead and insert the dowel. Paint the ends to match the bead.

Paint a weight number on each barbell with white paint. Hot glue a narrow strip of vinyl to the back of each barbell to make the loop.

Athlete - Physical Skills Group

Games

You can make up your own games quite easily for the athletic theme. Here are some simple types of relays to add variation to your games.

File Relays

Webelos on each team line up one behind the other. Number 1 goes forward to the goal line and then returns to his team and tags number 2. This continues until all have had a turn. The team that finishes first is the winner.

Partner Relays

Teams should consist of an even number of boys. They stand side by side as partners. In the relay the first set of partners goes forward to the goal line in the manner prescribed by the game rules. They return to their team and tag off the next set of partners. Continue until each pair has gone twice or has completed a task such as filling a bottle.

Shuttle Relays

Boys count off and the even numbers line up in file formation with boy 2 at the front. The odd numbers line up with boy 1 at the front. Files are facing each other at opposite ends of the course. On signal, boy 1 runs and hands off a ball, etc. to boy 2. Then boy 1 goes to the back of that line. Boy 2 runs back to the other line and hands off to boy 3. He also goes to the end of that line. Continue the swapping until all boys are back in their original places.

8 6 4 2 1 3 5 7

Tagging off

This is a variation of the file relay. Instead of tagging the next teammate in line, the returning runner goes to the end of the line and passes the tag by touching the shoulder of the person in front of him. The tag is passed to the front of the line, and then next player may run.

Keep Away

Use a basketball, football or softball. Divide den into two teams. Establish boundaries for the playing area. One team starts the game by passing the ball among themselves while the other team tries to intercept. Players may not run with the ball or hold it longer than five seconds. No scoring is necessary, just a time limit on the play. Which team has possession when the whistle blows?

Squat Throw

Boys stand in squat position, legs spread apart with toes touching the starting line. He holds a bean bag in both hands behind his back, then throws it forward between his legs. Measure for the longest distance.

Mirror

Boys work together in pairs. Each boy gets down on all fours facing the other. They take turns as leader. The leader moves at random to the right, back, left, or other positions. The other boy must try to mirror his moves exactly.

Pack Meeting

Athletes

Invite a professional athlete to your pack meeting to discuss exercise training, rules, and how to get started in a career. Have him hand out the badges during the advancement ceremony.

Family Fun

Webelos can man fitness stations around the room for the pre opening time or for the last 15 minutes of the pack meeting. Invite mothers, fathers, brothers, sisters, etc. to take part in the simple tests. Make up scorecards that can be given to the people to carry around to the stations. Suggestions for fun events can be found in a variety of Cub Scout literature.

For a larger scale pack meeting, arrange with pack adults or with dens to set up booths for a health fair. Nurses could do blood pressure checks. A dietitian might hand out information about eating right. A shoe store manager might make a display of a variety of athletic shoes. An amateur golfer could bring clubs and teach people proper stance. Cubs can bring digital scales for people to weigh themselves. Invite Red Cross or other organizations to come with handouts. Some hospitals provide coloring books or information suitable for younger children.

Find ways to involve the Cubs-anything from making signs for the booths, passing out Mr. Yuk stickers, to actually helping with line control.

Advancement Ceremony

Have each Webelos do a standing long jump to catch the badge that the leader is holding out at arm's length.



(Introduction from the *Webelos Scout Book*)

In the Cub Scout Promise, you say you will do your duty to your country. This means being a good citizen. As you earn the citizen activity badge, you will learn what a good citizen is and does.

Careers/Speakers

Police officer, fireman, mayor, mail carrier, social worker, building inspector, government employee, census taker, bus driver, history teacher, volunteer for the historical society, garbage haulers, community service agent.

Activities

Word Scramble

Unscramble these names of famous men who signed the Declaration of Independence.

1. mothas fosenfrej (Thomas Jefferson)
2. njienbam rlifkann (Benjamin Franklin)
3. jnoh nakchoc (John Hancock)
4. uaslem cehas (Samuel Chase)
5. onhj saamd (John Adams)

Government

Invite the mayor of your town or members of the city council to come to your den meeting. Find out when your town formed a government; the structure of the present government; how are laws made; who enforces them; how do people get interested to run for an office? Is your town unique in any way?

Have the Webelos ask their parents about good citizens and mayors, etc. from earlier days. Invite someone to come to your den meeting to tell about stories from earlier days. How has your town changed?

Jokes

What did the Webelos say when the Statue of Liberty sneezed? God bless, America!
Where do Eskimos go to vote? The North Polls.
Who serves a four-year term of office, signs documents, and rattles? The President of the United Snakes.
Who rides a dog and was a Confederate general during the Civil War? Robert E. Flea.
Who invented the grandfather clock? Pendulum Franklin.
What do you call a souvenir bought in New Orleans? A Louisiana Purchase.

Good Turns

Plan a special Good Turn to do at the next pack meeting. Perhaps setting up chairs, cleaning up, bringing food or drinks.

Offer to help the school or church with the overflowing Lost and Found. If items have not been recovered at the end of the school year, sort and wash them and take them to Goodwill or another organization. Arrange for a tour to see how their organization helps other people.

Go around your neighborhood and remind people to fly their flags on the next holiday.

Ask at city hall what a den of Webelos could do to help the city with a job.

Scavenger hunt

Arrange a tour of a local government building. Make up a scavenger hunt based on the example below. Visit the building yourself to make up the game.

Upon arrival at the building, divide the Cubs into teams. Set a time limit and place to meet.

1. What is the town mayor's name?
2. Draw a fast picture of the state flag.
3. What is the name of the room where the city council meets?
4. What are the office hours of the Water Department?
5. Name an office on the second floor.
6. Find out what job one person does in the building.

Field Trips

Take the den on a trip to a historical museum, a memorial near your town, or a marker along the highway noting an event of importance in your area. Write short news articles about what you learn and publish a one page "Citizen's Newsletter" to pass out at the pack meeting.

Tell It Like It Is

Send a den letter to the President of the U.S.A!

The President and Mrs. Clinton
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Flag Ceremony

Volunteer as a den to do the flag ceremony for a local organization's meeting: VFW, Chamber of Commerce, League of Women Voters, Council of Churches, etc.

Ask to sit in on the first part of the meeting to find out what items are on their agenda. How are they being good citizens?

Citizen - Community Group

Games

Do You Know?

Match the names of famous Americans on the left with the correct word or phrase.

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|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| A. Abraham Lincoln | 1. Midnight ride |
| B. Alexander Graham Bell | 2. Spirit of St. Louis |
| C. Paul Revere | 3. Steamship |
| D. Charles Lindbergh | 4. Light bulb |
| E. Robert Fulton | 5. Gettysburg Address |
| F. Patrick Henry | 6. I have a dream! |
| G. Martin Luther King | 7. Give me liberty or give me death. |

Newspaper Hunt

Divide the Webelos into several teams. Give each team one complete newspaper. They have a time limit of 30 minutes to answer these questions based on the news they read:

1. Name three agencies which help people.
2. The name of the state governor.
3. A story about someone who broke a law.
4. The name of an American who is a good citizen.
5. The name of a person in another country who is a good citizen.
6. Two story headlines about natural disasters.
7. Three stories where our country helps other nations.
8. A story including police.
9. The temperature in Washington D.C. that day.
10. A cartoon that shows someone doing good deeds.

States

1. Which state has a ton? Washington
2. Which state starts with a pen? Pennsylvania
3. Which state has a tuck in the middle? Kentucky
6. Which state has a tan? Montana
7. Which state is a color? Colorado
8. Which state has a ham? New Hampshire
9. Which state is cut on the end? Connecticut
10. Which four states are new? New Hampshire, New York, New Mexico, New Jersey

American Heritage

Tape pictures of well-known buildings, symbols or people onto construction paper. Some examples would be the White House, Uncle Sam, President Clinton, Eagle, plus some harder ones like the Presidential Seal or your state governor. Number each picture and then hang it on the wall.

Give boys paper and pencil and have them list numbers down the side. Set a time limit and ask the boys to circulate, looking at the pictures and writing down the name. The boy with the most correct answers can lead the closing flag ceremony.



Citizen Test

Divide den into two teams. They line up facing each other with a wide space between them. The leaders asks each player a question from the list below. A correct answer entitles that whole team to take one step forward. An incorrect answer passes to the other team. The first team to cross the other's starting line are the Good Citizens of the Day.

1. Name one person who signed the Declaration of Independence.
2. Who was the first President of the United States?
3. What is the northernmost state?
4. Which state has Disney World?
5. What state/s had famous Gold Rushes?
6. Name one state along the Mississippi River.
7. Name the Empire State.
8. What were the last two states admitted to the U.S.A?
9. Who is the Vice-President of the U.S.A?
10. What state did the Pilgrims land in?

Pack Meeting

The Oath Opening

Just think, maybe we have the future president of the United States sitting right here in this room! Down through the years, the presidents have all taken the oath of office so let's practice tonight.

"I, (name) do solemnly swear that I will faithfully execute the office of President of the United States and will to the best of my ability preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States."

You know, even if we aren't presidents we can still do our best to live up to this oath as good citizens!

Flying Flags

Buy a bulk quantity of small plastic U.S. flags. Arrive at your pack meeting place early and stick them in the ground lining the sidewalks to the door. When the meeting is over, tell all the Cub Scouts to take one home and give it to someone who is being a "Good Citizen."

Award Ceremony

The Webelos leader dresses as a judge and pounds a gavel on the table saying, "Hear ye, hear ye. Today I present to you (boy's name), as the newest Citizen in our pack."



(Introduction from the *Webelos Scout Book*)

You are already a communicator. So is every other human being. A communicator is one who gives information. We all do that constantly. We tell or show what we know, how we feel, and what we think.

Every time you speak or write, you are a communicator. You communicate in other ways, too. When you yawn, smile, or frown, you are showing other people that you are sleepy, happy, or unhappy. You can also communicate by drawing pictures and by sign language and codes.

Sometimes we use machines or other devices for communicating over long distances—the telephone, telegraph, and computer. You might also send messages by code, using flags or lights.

Communications is a big field. You can sample that field as you earn the Communicator activity badge.

Careers/Speakers

Public Relations agent, sales, retail jobs, lawyer, teacher, travel agent, telephone operator, television reporter, writer, 911 operator, radio disk jockey, minister, newspaper reporter, editor, Scoutmaster or den leader.

Activities

Tours

- Visit one of the branches of the Hennepin County Library. Arrange for an explanation of their computer operations.
- Visit a police department and talk to the radio dispatcher. Find out how they communicate effectively to help calm down people when they call for an emergency.
- Tour a local television studio. If they are taping live programs, arrange to be in the audience.
- Visit the Courage Center in Golden Valley to learn more about the research and wonderful ways they can help speech- or hearing-impaired people.

Ham Radio

Arrange to visit a Ham Radio Club. Learn the requirements to be licensed. In October every year, the Boy Scouts hold a Jamboree on the Air (JOTA). Many local Ham Radio Clubs accommodate Scouts sending messages to other Scouts around the world for this special event.

Send a FAX

Have boys do a simple report on how a FAX machine works. Ask if one of the parents has access to machines. Take the boys there to see it in use, and then FAX a fun message to another machine. Send a baseball card or front page of a comic, or something that will interest the boys. Go to that office to "receive" the message.

KDEN 5

Make up your own radio station and write the scripts for a day. The boys might include disc jockey announcing records, interviewing the governor, a fake news report, weather forecast, celebrity interview, etc. Practice the parts and then record the show on a cassette tape. If you have access to a duplicator, send a copy home with each boy that night.

Mis-communication

- I have three feet, but no toes. What am I? A yardstick. Why is it bad to write a letter on an empty stomach? It's much better to write on paper.
- In what month do people talk the least? February, because it's the shortest.
- What word is always pronounced wrong? Wrong.
- What did the waterfall say to the water fountain? You're nothing but a little squirt.
- Last year the dynamiters' union held a New Years' Eve party and it was a real blast.
- Why did the cyclops have to close his school? He only had one pupil.
- Little Jimmy came home from his first day of school and told his mother he was never going back. "What's the use? I can't read, I can't write, and the teacher won't let me talk!"
- What three letters of the alphabet do you use to play hide and seek? I-C-U

Tie Slide

Headphones

Materials needed: 20 gauge stem wire, small pieces of scrap wood about 1" x 1¼," two 10mm black pom-poms, paint, ¾" wood staple for loop.
Instructions: Sand wood smooth. Paint the radio a solid color and use contrasting colors to make the details such as the knobs, dial, speaker, etc. Curve the wire over the top corners of the radio and glue the pom-poms over the wire ends along the side to form the headphones. Attach the wood staple firmly to the back.

Communicator - Community Group

Games

Directions

Have boys work in pairs. One looks at a simple drawing or geometric figure and gives instructions to the other boy on how to draw it. He cannot say the name of the picture or shape to draw, but must describe what direction the pencil should move, where to start, etc.

Compare the two pictures at the end and see how well the directions were "communicated."

Now for the News

After you've played telephone, you know how stories change dramatically as they are passed from person to person. In this game players pretend they are on-the-spot reporters adding to a news story as it unfolds without any planning.

Have everyone sit in a circle. The object of this game is for each player to add three words to a single story as it is passed around the group. The three words should help describe an incredible news story. The more absurd, the funnier.

Begin the story slowly. Example: *Just last night...* the second player then adds, *a green monster...* the third player adds, *ate New York.*

Pack Meeting

Roving Reporter

Reporter: Good evening, Ladies and Gentlemen. I am, Joe, your roving reporter with another on-the-street interview. Today we are going to talk about mountains. Here's a man right here. How do you do, sir? Can you tell me, what is your impression of the mountains?

Man: High.

Reporter: Hi, yourself. Now tell me what is your impression of mountains?

Man: Just like I said, High!

Reporter: Oh, ha, ha, ha. My mistake. When you said, "High," I thought you said, "Hi." Get it? Oh well, let's talk to someone else. Here's a teenager. Tell me, how do you feel about mountains?

Teenager: Well, I've never been there, of course, but if I had to feel about mountains, I'd do like always. I'd feel with my fingers.

Reporter: Ha, ha, ha. Seems like we have some jokesters here today. Well, now let's try our questions on this little boy here. Tell me, sonny, have you ever gone over the top of a mountain?

Boy: Oh yes, many times.

Reporter: My, I'm surprised to hear that. It must have been a hard trip for a youngster your age to actually go clear over the top of a mountain.

Boy: Oh, no, sir. I was in an airplane!

Reporter (to himself): This is getting ridiculous, but I'll try one more time. How do you do, sir? May I ask you a question?

Grandfather: Why sure, what's your problem?

Reporter: Tell me, sir, what's your impression of life in the mountains?

Grandfather: Well, from what I hear, it's a lot like an umbrella.

Reporter: An umbrella. I don't quite understand what you mean.

Grandfather: Yup, like an umbrella. Life in the mountains is either up or down.

Reporter: I can't believe it! I give up! Some days, you just can't win.

Cliff Jumpers

Boy 1 comes on stage and prepares to jump off a cliff. Boy 2 comes in.

Boy 2: What are you doing?

Boy 1: I don't have a story or picture for my newspaper, so I'm going to jump off this cliff.

Boy 2: Well, I just wrecked my car, so I'll jump with you. (Both prepare to jump as Boy 3 rushes in.)

Boy 3: Wait!! What are you doing? (First two boys tell their stories.)

Boy 3: I just failed a test at school, so I'll jump with you. (They all prepare to jump then boy 4 runs in... repeat for as many boys as you have in your den.)

Boy 1: Just a minute, I forgot something. (He rushes off stage and returns with a pencil, notebook and camera. The other boys get tired of waiting for him and jump without him.)

Boy 1: Wow, what a story this will make! (He pretends to take pictures and write madly as the curtain closes.)

Tomorrow's Computer

(Tune: Down by the Station)

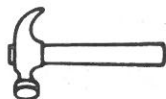
Out in the workshop
Early in the morning
See the Cub Scout genius
Busily at work.
Building a computer
Watch him push the buttons.
Buzz, buzz, flash, flash.
Won't compute!

Award Ceremony

Webelos leader uses sign language to tell the audience what the badge is. As each Cub receives his badge, he signs thank you to his leader.

ABC...XYZ

Webelos Activity Badge



(Introduction from the *Webelos Scout Book*)

Do you want to be a doctor, a carpenter, a lawyer, or a mechanic? It doesn't matter—you will want to know how to make things with tools.

Some people use tools in their regular work. Others enjoy hobbies such as working with wood, leather, or clay. As a Cub Scout, you learned how to use tools. You have made things with them. Now as a Webelos Scout, you should be a lot better at it. You should be able to make harder things.

Careers/Speakers

Watchmaker, carpenter, homebuilder, automobile mechanic, Furniture repair, sheet metal worker, TV repair, glazier, contractor, furniture refinisher.

Activities

Building Tools

1. We are the future builders of America. This is how we will shape tomorrow.
2. We will hammer out justice. (Hammer)
3. We will help cut out crime. (Saw)
4. We will pinch out poverty. (Pliers)
5. We will wrench out discrimination. (Wrench)
6. We will live by the Golden Rule. (Ruler)
7. We will plunge out hatred. (Plunger)
8. We will drill love deep into our hearts. (Drill)

Field Trips

Furniture factory, sawmill, cabinet maker, lumber yard, tannery, leather goods manufacturer, or hardware store. Ask to see the job-related tools, machines, clothing and various safety precautions in the workplace.

Tandy Leather Company will work with Scout groups to teach them leatherworking. (Fee for materials.)

Arrange to visit a home under construction. Talk to the workers at the beginning of the month, and look at blueprints. Visit again at the end of the month to see the progress made in that time.

Visit a bicycle shop. Learn about the different kinds of bikes. Ask about bike maintenance. At your den meeting, take apart an old bike then put it back together.

Trip to the Moon

Cut out a moon shape from thin wood. Paint white or silver. Attach screw hooks in various places. Write a different point number beside each hook.

To play: Each player throws five jar rings at the board, then counts up his points. The one with the highest points is "the man in the moon."

(The wood can be cut into any number of shapes besides a moon. Make up your own game story.)

Safety

Include proper safety instruction for the tools used in a den meeting. Invite a safety inspector to talk to the den about the role of safety in factories.

Cub Scout Resources

Use the *Cub Scout How-to Book* for craft ideas.

Chapter 2 Putting game, marble roll, turtle race, flipstick

Chapter 3: Wood projects galore!

Chapter 4: Skit, "Dad's Workbench"

Chapter 7: Tangram puzzle

Chapter 8: Porcupine planter, sundial, birdfeeder snowman

Jokes

Why isn't your nose twelve inches long? Because then it would be a foot.

What has a foot at each end and a foot in the middle? A yardstick.

Where can you always find a helping hand? At the end of your arm.

What do you get if you cross a termite with a house? An exterminator.

What did the painter say to the wall? One more crack like that and I'll plaster you.

Mr. Fix-it

#1 (Carrying a hammer) In Cub Scouts we learn to build character.

#2 (Carrying a plane) Through Cub Scouting we learn to remove the sharp edges of our personalities.

#3 (Carrying sandpaper) As we grow in Cubbing we become more refined and smooth in our manners.

#4 (Carrying a tool chest) Our talents are gathered together and we get a change to try them out when our den works on the different activity badges.

#5 (Walking with a parent) Our parents help us learn how to use the tools of life when they help us along the way.

All: Thank you for helping us grow into well-rounded craftsmen.

Games

Let's Jump

Cut 4 1/2" triangle from 3/4" plywood. Drill 15 holes about 1" apart. At the top of the triangle drill one hole. For the next line drill two, and so on until the fifth row has five holes. Use an 1/8" drill bit.

To play, insert 14 golf tees into the holes. Jump over a tee to an empty hole, then remove that tee. The object of the game is to end up with just one tee.

Word Search

Find these materials in the box below. Look forward, backwards, diagonal, up, and down.

- bolts cars caulk ceiling
cement door floors glue
hacksaw handyman light machine
mend nail nuts patch
plaster pliers putty repairman
rewire seal screwdriver sinks
solder tape tools vacuum
walls weld work wrench

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W E L D I N O W R E N C H P E G H D T

Tools

Lay out 15 tools on the floor. Include some unusual ones. Number them with index cards. Give boys a paper and pencil. Allow them three minutes to circulate and write down the names of the tools.

Review the correct answers and talk about the use of the tools.

Send the lists home with the boys, and ask them to check off which tools they have at their house.

Invite them to write down or bring in some unusual tools they have.

Pack Meeting

Singing Skit

Have boys dress up in working aprons and tool belts, safety goggles, gloves, etc. Each boy is demonstrating a different tool or craft while the group sings.

Cub Scouts whistle while they work.
(Whistle the tune for one line.)
They pitch right in, and laugh and grin,
And whistle while they work.

They hum a merry tune!
(Hum for one line.)
They hum all day at work and play,
They hum a merry tune.

Chorus:
Before they join the Boy Scouts,
They have to know the rule
Of being kind and courteous,
In both their home and school.

Cub Scouts whistle while they work.
They never, never shirk.
They do their bit, they never quit.
They whistle while they work.

Carpenter Skit

Two boys are taking nails out of a box. One boy keeps throwing nails away.

"Why are you throwing all those nails away? They're perfectly good."

"The heads are on the wrong end!"

"Silly, those nail are for the other side of the house!"

Closing

Webelos bring forward pieces of a wooden jigsaw puzzle they have made. They can describe how they designed it and then cut the pieces, painted, etc. to finish the puzzle.

Webelos leader says, "Just as these Webelos put together this puzzle, so we as parents must work to put together the pieces of the personalities of our Cub Scouts. Let us help them understand the goals we have for them through Cub Scouting-growing strong in body, mind and spirit."

Awards Ceremony

Webelos leader shows the Pack what crafts the den has been making as the Webelos come forward. "We've been working on these crafts, but we've made more than that - we've been making fine young men, tool



(Introduction from the *Webelos Scout Book*)

There are almost as many kinds of engineers as there are jobs to be done. Engineers take the raw materials of nature and change them for the use of humankind.

A civil engineer draws up the plans for a job and oversees all the work on it. Civil engineers also design plants that make our water safe to drink.

A mechanical engineer designs machines in a factory. Chemical engineers test new processes and check old ones in chemical plants. An electrical engineer plans new circuits and directs the workers in an electrical plant.

There are engineers in aerospace work, industry, agriculture, and many other areas. The engineering field gets larger every year. More and more engineers are needed.

In earning your Engineer badge, you will learn many useful things.

Careers/Speakers

Electrician, ironworker, heavy equipment operator, bricklayer, plumber, telephone lineman, sanitation worker, railroad engineer, surveyor, city engineer, traffic planner, grain elevator manager, draftsman, TV producer, architect, college professor.

Activities

Visit the municipal offices of the city engineer or surveyor. Look at a map of your town and try to find your house. Look at some of the surveying equipment and learn some of the simple math calculations.

Tour the city water works, sanitary facility or recycling center. Ask about the current workload, and the kinds of daily activities that go on. How do they handle emergencies?

Visit an operating draw bridge, grain elevator, ship or train loading operation, or other large industrial operation involving large cranes or other lifting equipment.

Visit a jeweler and look at various gems under the microscope. How does the pattern affect the way a jewel is cut?

Invite someone from the Orienteering Club to bring some topographical maps to your meeting. Learn how to read a map and pick out landmarks.

Visit Stearns Scout Reservation (Annandale) or Rum River Scout Camp (Anoka) to try out their permanent orienteering courses.

Ask your local Boy Scout troop to give a demonstration of some of the skills needed for the Pioneering Merit Badge. One particular item of interest would be to see a rope monkey bridge being lashed together.

Ask Webelos to look through books and magazines at home and bring in pictures of bridges. Note the differences in construction.

It's fun to water the grass! Gather a variety of watering devices and demonstrate them during the den meeting. Analyze how the water is distributed and what patterns are made. If a family has an underground sprinkling system, look at the layout of the heads and the connections needed to cover the whole yard.

Ask a parent in your den or pack who is an engineer to come and talk about their career. How did they get interested? Where did they go to school, what kinds of courses did they take? Have they moved up through several jobs to get where they are? What is their future?

Den Floor Plan

Invite the high school drafting teacher to your meeting. Learn to use T-squares, triangles, straight edges, and other equipment needed to accurately draw a floor plan.

Measure the dimensions of your den meeting place. Make a simple floor plan sketch, including location of doors and windows.

Survey Maps

The U.S. Department of the Interior publishes geological surveys of the whole country. Quadrangle maps can be purchased at The Map Store in downtown Minneapolis.

Look at a map which includes your town and try to find your house. What is the exact longitude and latitude of your home? Find your meeting place, nearby lakes, and other points of interest.

Tie Slide

Materials needed: $\frac{7}{16}$ " machine bolt about $1\frac{1}{2}$ " long, a nut to fit, 20 gauge stem wire, pliers.

Instructions: Thread nut onto the bolt a short way in from the end. Twist the stem wire around both ends of the bolt to form the slide loop. Use pliers to tighten the twists and cut off excess.

Games

How Does Your Den Measure Up?

Line the Webelos up in the following manner and then take measurements. Use a 50-foot tape measure. This would be fun to do as teams, too. See how they measure up!

1. Shoulder to shoulder.
2. One foot in a line, heel to toe with the next boy.
3. Arms out full length to sides, fingertips touching.
4. All boys laying down in a line, head to feet.
5. Palms only, one boy beside the other.
6. Add up the circumference of all heads.
7. Add up the hand to elbow distance of all boys.

Electric Current

Players form a circle holding hands while the "electrician" is out of the room. One player is designated to be the sender. He starts the current going around the circle by squeezing either the left or right hand of the next boy. The "electrician" returns and stands in the middle of the circle. He says, "Time to turn on the electric!" He then tries to locate the current being passed. If he can spot a squeeze, that person trades places with him. Repeat.

Word Lightning

Divide the den into two teams. The leader announces the category such as bridges, electric currents, engineer jobs.

Each team must say one word in that category, then the other team says a different word. Continue back and forth until one team is stumped.

Map Symbols

Line up in two teams for this relay. The leader stands at a table with a "topo" map. Teams take turns. One player at a time comes forward and the leader points to a symbol to identify or asks a question. If the boy is correct, he runs back and tags the next person. If he is not correct, the other team begins its turn.

Estimation

Materials needed: objects of various sizes, weights or lengths.

Instructions: Try your hand at describing small objects which are used or seen every day, such as a piece of rope, a kleenex box, a can of food with weight covered, five pound bag of flour, a belt, the leader's weight, a long board or pole.

This can be a team effort or done alone. Have boys write down their estimates. Measure or weigh to find who is the closest to the correct answer.

Pack Meeting

Displays

Bring some items which show what you have studied this month: survey maps, floor plans, topographical maps, measuring devices, pictures of bridges, block and tackle, electrical wiring plans, etc.

The Bottling Factory

Narrator: Our Webelos Den has been working on the Engineer activity badge, so we've made arrangements to take you on a tour of a soft drink bottling factory with us. Look for engineering activities which are used.

Divide audience into eight groups and have a Webelos teach each group the sound and action they are to make.

1. Loading dock - "Swish, crash, swish, crash" while pivoting back and forth as if loading empty bottles onto a dock.
2. Conveyor belt - "Lag a lag a lag" while holding arms straight out in front, fluttering hands up and down.
3. Bottle washer - "Shh, shh, shh" while stooping down and turning, as if you were a brush being twisted into a bottle, then stand up and repeat.
4. Lower conveyor belt - "Tinkle, tinkle, tinkle" while doing the same as the conveyor belt #2, but making hand movements smaller.
5. Bottler - "Shh, ptt, shh, ptt" while turning around pounding one fist into the palm of the other hand.
6. Large conveyor belt - "Lag a lag a lag" very loudly and exaggerating movement of hands (see conveyor #2).
7. Shipping room - "Crash, boom, crash, boom" while stooping to pick up loaded crates of soft drink then loading them onto a truck.
8. Tasting room - "Burp! Pardon me! Burp! Pardon me!" while covering mouth with hand.

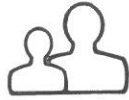
Start up your factory with #1 alone, then #2 alone, and so on, then have #1 start, #2 join in, #3 join in, etc. until the factory is running at full production.

Raining Marshmallows

Take homemade catapults to the pack meeting. Demonstrate how they work by shooting marshmallows into the audience.

Award Ceremony

Have several sizes of boxes arranged on the floor. As each Webelos comes forward to receive his badge, he picks up one and builds on another one. Boxes can be decorated with Scout logos or names of the Pack leadership.



(Introduction from the *Webelos Scout Book*)

A family is a group of people who care for each other and share with each other.

The family of many boys includes mother, father, and perhaps brothers and sisters. Other boys live with just one parent or grandparent. Still others live with guardians or in foster homes or boarding schools.

Your family gives you food, shelter, clothing, and love. It teaches you religious beliefs and helps you learn right from wrong.

In return, you should give the other members of your family your love. And you should learn how to do your share of the work that must be done around your home.

In earning the Family Member activity badge, you will discover how to show your love for your family.

Careers/Speakers

Social worker, day care provider, family counselor, parent, human services agent, ombudsman, YMCA activities planner, family education specialist, dietitian, cleaning person, community education director, congressman.

Activities

Coupon Book

During the den meeting boys can make up coupon books to take home to their family. Use small slips of paper and staple them into a booklet. Write a task you are willing to do if presented the coupon. Sign your name at the bottom of each coupon. Examples: Help carry clothes for two laundry days, fold towels from the dryer, prepare a family meal, dust the furniture, baby-sit for one hour.

Genealogy

Tracing your family roots can become a lifetime hobby. There are many books and classes on how to find information. Ask if any den parents have organized charts or have studied their heritage. Try to fill out a family tree for both your mother and father's family. Make a list of all the members of your family. What other relatives are living? (Grandparents, uncles, aunts, cousins?) Try to talk to them (or write) and ask them about their parents and grandparents. Ask for birthdays and year of death. Where they lived is also an important clue in your search.

Real Garbage

Many kids never realize what happens when food spoils. Take a few small items of garbage and place in plastic bags during the meeting. Use items that the boys are familiar with - bread, lunchmeat, cottage cheese, celery, lettuce. Show the items to the boys and then place the bags in your garage until the next week.

At the next meeting look at what has happened to the food. Discuss the importance of proper storage and handling of food and also of disposal.

Shopping

This is a variation of Kim's game. Fill a grocery bag with items from your cabinet before the den meeting. Close to the activity time, add cold items from the refrigerator.

To play the game, pull one item from the bag at a time, announce the name and lay it on the table. When the bag is empty put everything back in quickly. Give boys a paper and pencil and ask them to write down what items were on your shopping list.

Saturday Fun!

Have boys arrive early, like 6:30 a.m. Ask them to wear pajamas and bring sleeping bags. Enjoy a typical "family" Saturday morning.

Boys can watch cartoons, play board games or Leggos, or sleep. Have them help make a special breakfast like waffles or home-made yeast cinnamon rolls.

Talk about what their families do on a Saturday morning. Stress the importance of allowing each person to have freedom to do as they please to relax. Are there ways they can help by cooking or playing with their brothers and sisters?

Bills!

Ask your parents to help you set up a chart of the electric and gas use in your home. Write down all the ways you can think of which use electricity or gas.

Look at the bills for the last few months and write down the actual usage and the cost. Is the usage up or down? Why? If your parents have the bills from last year at the same time, compare them.

For a one month time, practice turning out lights and conserving in other ways. See how much difference you can make on the next bill.

The utility companies can provide you with a list of appliance usage/hour. Figure out how much it costs to dry a load of laundry, or to run your hair dryer or toaster.

Games

Word Scramble

Unscramble these words to find the names of people who are family members.

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|----------------|---------------|
| 1. etrhmo | (mother) |
| 2. rtefha | (father) |
| 3. irtsse | (sister) |
| 4. ohrrbte | (brother) |
| 5. tnua | (aunt) |
| 6. necul | (uncle) |
| 7. ionucs | (cousin) |
| 8. trnhmodegar | (grandmother) |
| 9. faetdghanrr | (grandfather) |

Keep It Clean

Materials needed: clothes (wet, if possible), clothespins in a hanging bag on the clothesline.

To play: Boys divide up into two teams. Place the basket at the starting line. Each boy in turn must carry one article to the line and pin it on. Then he runs back to the line and tags the next boy. Each team will be timed for how long it takes to hang up all the family laundry on the line.

Who Are We?

Ask boys to bring baby pictures and family pictures to the next meeting. Hold the pictures up one at a time and try to guess who it is.

Bring in family vacation pictures and try to guess where the family went. (Disney World, the White House, etc.) Think of other kinds of pictures the boys can bring to show off (first fish catch, riding a horse, talking to someone famous, etc.)

Take some den pictures and make up an album of your Webelos "family." OR take slides and play music while you are watching them.

Home Hazards

Before the den meeting, set up as many possible hazards around your house as you can. (Safely, that is!) Examples: Pan on the stove with handle sticking out over the front, metal pan in the microwave, bag of newspapers in the middle of the stairs, (empty) bottle of ammonia sitting in the corner, matches too close to the fireplace, gas can in the laundry room, pills (candy) laying on the counter.

When the boys arrive, give them a paper and pencil and ask them to write down any hazards they see.

During the opening period discuss the answers. Are there some that were not noticed? Ask them to take their lists home and check for similar things at their house.

Pack Meeting

Helper

(Tune: Farmer in the Dell)

A helper I will be, a helper I will be.
There's work to do, there's works to do
In our family.

I'm cleaning up my room, I'm cleaning up my room.
There's work to do, there's work to do
In our family.

The Webelos can make up more verses and then dress up and act out the parts of the song for pack meeting entertainment.

Buc Tuocs

Announcer: Boys, have you been feeling sluggish lately? Do you have that blue feeling? Well, I have the perfect answer for your woes. The product is called Buc Tuocs. We have some guests with us tonight who have tried it and are just wild about it! Here they are to tell us about it.

#1: When I turned eight, I needed something. I was out of touch. I tried Buc Tuocs and got the lift I needed.

#2: I couldn't adjust. My social life was falling apart. Buc Tuocs was the answer.

#3: I was plagued with the fear of growing old. Was life passing me by? Buc Tuocs gave my life a new purpose.

#4: Buc Tuocs has changed my life. Now there are new horizons for me.

#5: Girls were my problem. My kindergarten friends had gone in different directions. Buc Tuocs helped me find new acquaintances.

Announcer: Thank you boys, for your testimonials.

Remember, folks, try Buc Tuocs. That's Cub Scouts spelled backwards!

Recipe Book

Everyone loves new recipe books! Find several parents to coordinate this project. Pass out the information before the pack meeting. Request favorite family recipes to be donated toward the Pack's Recipe Book. You might also request some menus for entertaining, or specialty food gifts to make for Christmas, etc. Involve the Webelos den in tallying the recipes received, designing the cover, etc.

Den leaders should collect the recipes during the month, or have families bring them to the pack meeting. How about some samples for the pack to test at refreshment time?

This project will take time depending on what manner you use to print the recipe book. Plan to use the books as a fund-raiser for the pack.



(Introduction from the *Webelos Scout Book*)

Your body is a wonderful machine. It is much more complicated than the fanciest car or fastest computer. But your body needs the same kind of care that experts give to machines.

What does that mean? It means that you must give your body the right fuels—a balanced diet. You must avoid putting harmful substances into it. Your body needs rest and exercise, just as a car needs maintenance.

As you earn the Fitness activity badge, you will learn how to take care of the world's most wonderful machine—your own body.

Careers/Speakers

YMCA director, health class teacher, personal trainer, coach, CPR instructor, marathon director, Little League coach, instructor, camp staff, insurance company public relations.

Activities

Invite the grade school gym teacher to your meeting. Get to know them on a personal basis: Why did they become a teacher? What kind of background do they have? What sports are they currently active in? What do they like about teaching kids?

Arrange a visit to the YMCA or local health club. Tour the whole facility looking at all the machines. Meet briefly with various instructors to find out what they do. Look at a schedule of classes. Get some fitness tips from a personal trainer. Ask what they do for emergencies.

Find out if there is a nurse or doctor in your pack who would be willing to meet with your den to answer questions about health. (Have boys write the questions on cards so they are anonymous.)

Footprint Mural

Work in a large area like a garage. Roll out mural paper on the floor. Have pans of paint set up around the edges. Boys take off their shoes, step in the paint and start walking *slowly!* The only rule is they cannot walk on top of another footprint.

Have pans of water and towels available for clean up. Talk about proper foot care. Take the mural to the pack meeting as a backdrop for your skit.

Heartbeats

What is the fastest your heart can beat? $200 - \text{your age} = \text{the maximum heart rate per minute}$. Any physical activity that pushes your heartbeat up to 70% of its maximum rate and keeps it there for 15-30 minutes is good for your heart.

Compare yourself with these other animal heartbeats per minute:

Shrew	200	Canary	1000
Mouse	650	Chicken	200
Chihuahua	120	Cat	110
St. Bernard dog	80	Kangaroo	40-50
Elephant	25	Beluga Whale	15-16
Gray Whale	8		

Fitness

(Tune: On Wisconsin)

Hurry Cub Scouts, build your muscles.

Get in shape for play.

When we feel our very best

We'll do our best each day.

Keep on running, keep on jumping

Trying to improve.

Good exercise will build your strength and skill.

Get in Shape

(Tune: Rueben, Rueben)

Throw the ball to each other

Kick it high into the sky.

Get in shape for sports and games,

We can win one if we try.

It's Fun to Exercise

(Tune: Battle Hymn)

If I should climb a flight of stairs,

I'm absolutely beat.

I look just like an elephant

To everyone I meet.

My belly's sticking out so far

I cannot see my feet.

That's why I need to exercise!

Chorus:

Ride a bike or hit a baseball,

Jog, or walk, or kick a football.

Get your body moving, that's all.

It's fun to exercise.

Jokes

What do you call a cow who won't give milk? An udder failure.

Zinc: What happens if you don't know how to swim.

Calories: What dieters stop counting when their hostess puts a piece of pie in front of them.

Waiter, it's been half an hour since I ordered that turtle soup! Yes, sir, but you know how slow turtles are.

Games

Balanced Diets?

Make up a grid with the food groups listed across the top, plus "junk." On the side make six lines and list breakfast, lunch, and dinner for yesterday and today.

As the Webelos arrive, ask them to complete the form by filling in the name of the foods they ate. (Boys do not put their name on the paper.) Collect the forms and hang them up. Ask boys to circulate reading them and then vote for the most balanced diet shown. The winner receives a gift certificate for ice cream at a local store.

Betcha Can't

1. Put a paper on your forehead and write your name on it.
2. Twirl one thumb clockwise and the other thumb counter-clockwise.
3. Write a sentence with one hand and at the same time use the other hand to put coins into a cup.

Fitness Stations

Invite den parents to one of your meetings. Set up stations around the house and yard with one parent at each. Give boys an index card which the adults will sign upon completion of their activity. Stations could include: How many jumping jacks can you do in one minute? Push a balloon five feet with your head. Shot-put six beans into a can. Walk ten feet balancing an egg on a spoon. Think up some other fun ones to use.

Kim's Taste Test

Blindfold the Webelos and give them various foods to taste. Include nutritious food like fruits, vegetables, nuts, dairy products along with candy or chips. Cubs should not talk or comment on the food. Remove blindfolds, and ask them to write down the names of the items they sampled. The one with the longest list can be the first taste-tester for the den snack.

In the Garden

All Webelos stand in a circle. The leader calls out the name of a garden vegetable. If it grows below ground, boys sit down (beets, carrots, potatoes). If it grows above ground, boys remain standing (peas, tomatoes, beans). If boys do the wrong action, they are eliminated. Toward the end of the game use less common vegetables such as okra, eggplant, peanuts, endive. Last boy left is the healthiest eater.

Pack Meeting

Exercise!

Have your den make up an aerobic exercise routine to some Cub Scout music. (Boys can play a CD, or tape themselves singing a song.) Include a variety of fitness exercises. Invite the Cubmaster or den leaders to join in.

Toughen Up Skit

Sing this song and illustrate the words by dressing in athletic uniforms and pantomiming the actions. (Tune: Clementine)

Do a push-up, do a pull-up,
Do a thirty-yard walk run.
We build muscles as we hustle;
All the time we're having fun.

Running broad jump, do a high jump,
Throw the ball way out of sight.
Vault a fence and do a chin-up,
Lift the weights with all your might.

Watch 'em flexing, watch 'em building,
Watch your muscles growing strong.
Building muscles in our backyard
That will last a whole life long!

Opening Ceremony

Astronaut Edward White II was a father of a Cub Scout and himself a former Cub Scout and Boy Scout. He often stressed to young people the importance of training in physical fitness. He recognized that the challenges of our age call for top physical conditioning.

He asked all parents to help their boys acquire the best physical health. This can only be done by training, practice, and encouragement.

Speakers

Invite your local police to bring the drug sample box (under glass) to your pack meeting. This will help educate kids *and* parents.

Many hospitals have speaker's bureaus—Doctors and other health care professionals who can give programs geared to youth and fitness.

Award Ceremony

Have each Webelos do a several sit ups and reach out to get the badge held by his leader. Badge is attached to a colorful award ribbon.



(Introduction from the *Webelos Scout Book*)

What's a tree? Does that sound like a silly question? You'll answer, "Why, it's that big tall thing over there with all the leaves."

Of course it is. A tree is also a great sample of God's handiwork. It is one of the most useful things on earth.

A forester is someone who knows forestry, the care and growing of trees. As a Scout, you will spend a lot of time in the forest. You will find it more fun if you learn more about the trees around you.

In earning your Forester badge, you'll get started as a good woodsman. You will learn the kinds of trees. You will find out what sort of wood they make. You will learn how to plant a tree and how it lives and grows.

When you know this, you will be a better Scout. This is because you will always be among friends—both boys and trees.

Careers/Speakers

Forest ranger, greenhouse operator, forest fire fighter, forester, Fish and Game warden, park ranger, Bonsai club member, tree surgeon, Department of Natural Resources employee, Environmental Protection Agency employee, lumberjack,

Activities

Adopt-a-Tree

For a long-term project, adopt a tree in the back yard where you meet. Measure its girth, estimate its height if it cannot be measured, record when it buds, what color it turns, when it loses its leaves, bird's nest, etc. Keep the information in a diary. Measure the tree trunk every month.

Falling Leaves

If your den is working on this activity badge in the fall you can try this activity. Millions of trees end their growing season at this time by dropping their leaves to the ground in preparation for winter's rest.

Find a location under a tree where you can lay down. Choose a calm day when the leaves are falling. Watch the way the leaves fall naturally. Describe how they fall—spiraling, quickly, etc. Shake the tree a little and see if new falling patterns emerge.

Jokes

What do termites eat for dessert? Toothpicks.
Which tree is always unhappy? A blue spruce.
What is big, likes peanuts, and has a trunk? An oak tree with a squirrel in it.
What is green and pecks on trees? Woody Wood Pickle.

Directions

Can you walk a straight line? Nine out of ten people will veer sharply to the right if not focusing on a landmark. Now imagine what that means to a person who becomes lost in the woods.

Mark a line about 50 feet long with a flag at both ends. One at a time, blindfold the boys and have them start at the first flag, pointed in the direction of the second. After walking a given distance, tell them to stop and remove their blindfold.

Boys remain in that place, only moving slightly if a blindfolded boy is coming near. How many veered to the right? Who was the closest to the line?

Service Projects

Ask the Hennepin County Parks Department if your den can plant trees. The parks will provide the trees and designate where to plant them.

Field Trip

Arrange a trip to a lumber yard. Talk to the salesman about the different woods available for use. How is wood treated for gardens, etc. What are the standard sizes of boards and plywood? How does a contractor know how much wood it takes to build a house?

Visit the Minnesota Arboretum near Chaska, MN, a local nursery or tree farm, or an orchard in production.

Contact a local tree service and ask if you can watch their crew in action. Watch a tree felling or brush chipping operation. Find out about the safety features used.

Heartbeat

A tree is a living creature. It eats, rests, breathes, and circulates its "blood" much as we do. The heartbeat of a tree is a wonderful, crackling, gurgling flow of life. The best time to hear it is in the spring when the trees send up the first surge of sap toward the branches.

Choose a thin-barked deciduous tree at least six inches in diameter. Press a stethoscope firmly against the tree and be very quiet. Try several spots on the tree until you find the best listening spot.

Games

Arbor Day Treasures

Find the hidden tree names in the following sentences:

1. The ranger's map led us safely through the woods.
2. It's fun to tramp in every direction before enjoying a picnic in the woods.
3. Forest rangers wear white helmets.
4. Will owls hoot in the daylight if they see someone in the forest?
5. Many forest fires are caused by human carelessness, according to rangers.

(Answers: maple, pine, elm, willow, fir)

Tree Baseball

Divide den into two teams. Prepare a list of questions about forestry ahead of time. Write them on index cards. Rate them according to difficulty: single, double, triple, home run.

To play, the batter tries to answer the question. Advance according to the regular rules of baseball. Each team has three outs. Play until a pre-set score is reached. Try these true or false questions:

1. The Balsa tree has the softest wood. (True)
2. There are taller trees than the Redwoods. (False)
3. There are older trees than the Sequoia. (False)
4. Sassafras tree has a leaf shaped like a mitten. (True)
5. Red Cedar trees are used for baseball bats. (False, White Ash)
6. The Yew tree bears berries instead of cones. (True)
7. Evergreens are the hard woods. (False, Soft)
8. Live Oak keeps its leaves all year. (True)

Quiz Relay

Line up in den in two teams. The leader has about 15 tree leaves, color photos, samples of bark, etc. on the table. One Scout comes up at a time and is asked to identify one object of his choice. That article is removed if correctly identified. A Scout from the other team then comes forward.

Repeat until all items have been removed, or until both teams are stumped for identification.

Tongue Twisters

Ten timid titmice toiled in the tall, tall tree.

Six thick saplings of quaking aspen swayed in the thick of the forest.

Five frightfully frightened frogs frantically fled the forest fire.

Meet a Tree

Work in pairs. Blindfold your partner and lead him through the forest to any tree. Ask the blindfolded Scout to feel the tree so that he can identify it later without his blindfold.

After five minutes, walk him back to the starting place and remove the blindfold. Now the Scout must find the tree he explored.

Pack Meeting

Planting Trees

An Old Man is digging in his garden. Beside him on the ground is a young sapling tree which he is getting ready to plant. Two noblemen enter and stop to watch.

#1: What kind of tree are you planting, Old Man?

Old Man: (Stops digging and wipes his brow with a handkerchief from his pocket.) It is a fig tree, sir.

#2: (Astonished) A fig tree! May I ask how old you are?

Old Man: I am 90 years old.

#1: What! You are 90 years old and you plant a tree which will take years and years to give fruit?

Old Man: Why not?

#2: Surely you don't expect to live long enough to benefit from the hard work you are doing here. (Points to the tree.)

Old Man: (Leaning on the shovel.) Tell me, sir, did you eat figs when you were a boy?

#2: Certainly.

#1: Yes. Why?

Old Man: Then tell me this...who planted the trees from which those figs were picked?

#2: (Thinking) Why, why, hmmm.

#1: I don't know.

Old Man: You see, sir, our forefathers planted trees for us to enjoy. I am doing the same thing for those who come after me.

#2: You are very wise, Old Man.

#1: And we have been very foolish.

Old Man: Thank you, sir. May I ask your names?

#2: It doesn't matter.

#1: No. You are far more important than we are. Good-bye.

Old Man: Good-bye.

#2: Good-bye and good health.

Award Ceremony

The Webelos leader has all the badges tied to a branch of a tree. For each Cub he says, "I am presenting this badge recognizing that it is but a seed of knowledge. A seed which will grow your whole lifetime."



(Introduction from the *Webelos Scout Book*)

A geologist is a person who studies the history of the earth and its life. His history books are rocks. He learns their uses and those of other minerals. He also studies volcanoes, geysers, and earthquakes. He is interested in learning as much as possible about how the earth is made.

Many of the things he finds are useful. There are minerals, called *ores*, from which metals are made. He finds things like gypsum and sand, which are used in building. He looks for fuels like oil and natural gas, which are used in the heating of homes. He finds precious stones such as diamonds.

For this activity badge, you will learn things that a geologist must know. You will find out how the earth is formed and what is in it. You will find out what fossils are. You'll learn what they can tell us about the earth millions of years ago.

Careers/Speakers

Geologist, Soil and Water Conservation worker, water treatment plant operator, inspector for air and water purity, jeweler, oil driller, miner, assayer, rock collection sales, travel guide.

Activities

Clubs

Visit a rock collectors' club meeting. View the rocks on display. How did the people get interested in this hobby?

Other sources of assistance for this activity badge could be the college science department, museum, large industry concerned with mining or oil production, high school science teacher, or local rock shops.

Rock Creatures

Gather smooth flat stones. Wash them in detergent and dry completely. Plan the creature you will make and paint the rocks before assembling. Use acrylic paints.

Use contact cement to glue the rocks together. Saturate a small piece of cotton with glue and place it between the edges of the rocks; or use hot glue. Decorate with yarn, etc.

Genealogy of Your Rock Creature

Choose from the following classifications and print an official "certificate" on parchment paper to keep with your rock creature.

Genetic Background	Texture	Shape	Color
Igneous	Crystalline	Round	Dark
Sedimentary	Porphyritic	Flat	Light
Metamorphic	Fine-grained	Roly-poly	Gaudy
Out of this world	Crummy	Obese	Green
None	Holey	Weird	Gunky

Origin and History	Occurrence	Hardness
Beach sand into sandstone	Common	Hard
Sandstone into quartzite	Rare	Soft
Meteorite from outer space	Medium Rare	In between
Ocean ooze into slate	Raw	Icky
Unknown		

Appraised By	Comments
State geologist	David slew Goliath with something like this.
Assayer	Most remarkable rock I've seen in the last ten minutes.
Secretary	Your rocks have a great future...in concrete.
Office manager	
Night janitor	You and your rocks are well matched.
Visitor	To avoid fading, turn daily.
Salesman	Dispose of immediately.
Me	Your rock needs a bath.
	Are you sure this is a girl?
	You got took!

Make Your Own Fossils

The paleontologist uses this technique in reconstructing the shells of long-dead animals. Casts are especially useful in working with fossil footprints.

Materials needed: small cardboard box, clay, plaster and water, small snail or clam shell.

1. Cover the bottom of the box with modeling clay to a depth of several inches. This represents the soft mud found on the ancient sea floor.
2. Press the shell firmly into the clay. Lift out carefully so a clear imprint remains, making a mold.
3. Mix a small amount of plaster with water in a paper cup. Stir with a spoon until thick, and then pour over the mold.
4. After the plaster has dried, carefully remove it from the mold. This is now a cast of the original shell.
5. Compare the original shell with the plaster cast. Notice that even some of the more delicate markings have been preserved. Compare your cast to some real fossilized stones.

Games

Which Doesn't Belong?

1. Granite, marble, basalt, pumice
2. Shale, marble, slate, gneiss
3. Silicon, aluminum, iron, titanium
4. Sandstone, shale limestone, basalt
5. Volcano, glacier, faulting, earthquake

Answers

1. Marble is not an igneous rock.
2. Shale is not a metamorphic rock.
3. Titanium is not one of the common elements forming the earth's crust.
4. Basalt is not a sedimentary rock.
5. Glacier is not a constructional force.

Flash Cards

Cut out photographs of a variety of rocks and tape each one onto an index card. (You can buy "rock hound" magazines at Shinders, etc. and cut them up.)

Write the correct identification on the back.

Work in pairs to learn rock identification.

Concentration

Make up two cards of each of these words. Mix them up well and lay out on a table face down. To play, Webelos must find two matching words.

Obsidian	Feldspar	Pumice	Basalt
Sandstone	Quartzite	Coal	Topaz
Marcasite	Dolomite	Pyrope	Silver
Igneous	Sedimentary	Borax	Iron
Gold	Gypsum	Potash	Lead
Sand	Diamond	Zircon	Copper
Smelting	Refining	Metamorphic	Ore

Kim's Game

Use the list above and make up nine cards. Arrange in order on a table, three rows of three. Bring the Webelos over to the table and allow them to memorize the words for two minutes.

They return to their seats and try to write what they remember, in order as much as possible.

Award the boy with the most correct an inexpensive "gem."

Topo Symbols

You will find these mining and industrial symbols on maps. What do they mean?



Tie Slide

California Gold Nugget

Materials needed: gold spray paint, small rocks, PVC pipe sections or garden hose sections.

Directions: Spray rock with gold paint and let dry. Hot glue it very carefully to the pipe. Make up a story how you found "the big one."

Pack Meeting

Audience Vote

Play this following quiz game, allowing the audience to vote on the correct answer. Emphasize that learning new information can be fun.

1. The most abundant metal element in the earth's crust is:
a. Aluminum b. Copper (a is correct)
2. Zinc is mined in the United States in:
a. Tennessee b. Alaska (both are correct)
3. Silver is mined in about how many countries?
a. 24 b. 56 (b is correct)
4. The leading producer of copper in the world is:
a. Canada c. Chili (b is correct)
5. The United States is the world's largest producer and consumer of what metal?
a. Nickel b. Lead (b is correct)

Weather Rocks

Collect a quantity of "weather" rocks to pass out to every family at the pack meeting. Photocopy the following directions and sandwich between layers of clear contact paper. Give one with each rock. Make a big deal out of this wonderful present your den is giving away.

For best results, place your weather rock outside.

If your rock is wet...it's raining.

If your rock is white...it's snowing.

If your rock is moving...it's *really* windy.

If your rock is stiff...it's freezing.

If your rock is gone...sorry, you've been ripped off!

Award Ceremony

Webelos leader has several large rocks on the table, and pretends to hammer and chisel each one to remove the award.

Call each Webelos forward to receive it. Continue chiseling until all awards are presented.



(Introduction from the *Webelos Scout Book*)

When we say someone is a handyman, we mean that he can do a lot of different jobs. He knows how to clean things, how to take care of a house and lawn, and how to build things.

While earning the Handyman activity badge, you will learn some of these skills. You will learn how to take care of a car and your bicycle. Fixing things at home and taking care of tools are also part of this badge. When you become a handyman, you will be able to do many things that will help you and your family.

Careers/Speakers

Auto mechanic, refrigerator repairman, any servicing or repair job, factory worker, bike shop manager.

Activities

Den meeting Fun

Visit a service station. Ask an auto mechanic to show the different type of equipment they use. Watch a demonstration of preventative car maintenance.

Invite someone from the local bicycling club to tell about the upcoming trips. Learn about the kinds of bicycles that are used.

Tour a hardware store or garden store. Look for ideas on how to set up a storage area in your garage for garden tools and hand tools.

Visit a paint store and watch how colors are mixed. Look at the variety of brushes and the types of paint. Pick out a new color for your house and the trim.

Tool demonstration: Hold your meeting in a home workshop. Learn the uses of various power tools. Talk about the safety precautions in a shop.

Foot Scraper

To make a foot scraper for muddy shoes, start collecting pop bottle caps now. A piece of board about 6"x18" will take about 48 caps. Nail the caps upside down in rows across the board, starting about 2" from the end. Make twelve rows with four caps in each.

Keep this handy board by the back door to wipe mud from your feet on rainy days or when gardening. Occasionally spray it with a garden hose to clear off mud.

Bike Rodeo

Invite the Webelos to bring their bicycles to the next den meeting. First, have a safety inspection. Then learn how to change tires. See the *Cub Scout How-To Book* for ideas on bike rodeo activities.

In preparation for the rodeo encourage boys to cut out articles in the newspaper about bicycle accidents. Tape the articles on a posterboard leaving space to answer questions about the accidents. What happened? What safe biking rules were followed? Were any rules not followed?

Repairman Opening

One Webelos stands in front of the group. His hair is messed up and his face is dirty. His shirttail is pulled out in a messy way. He has a pronounced frown on his face and stands all slouched over. The Den Chief comes and stands beside him and says the following: "This Webelos is in need of repair and I think I have just the tools to do the job."

He picks up a hammer to which a sign is attached, "Do My Best." He pretends to hammer the boy. The Webelos tucks in his shirt and stands a little straighter.

Next the Den Chief picks up a screwdriver with the sign, "Do My Duty," and pretends to use it. The Webelos combs his hair and stands taller.

Next the Den Chief picks up the pliers with sign, "God and Country," and pretends to use it. The Webelos stands at attention and salutes the flag.

Next the Den Chief uses a saw which says, "Help Other People," and the Webelos washes his face.

Finally the Den Chief uses a plane labeled, "Law of the Pack," and the Webelos puts on his biggest smile.

Den Chief says, "Now this Cub Scout is really in good shape! Please join us in repeating the Cub Scout Promise."

Handyman

(Tune: Jingle Bells)

Handyman, handyman,
That's what we can be.
Clean it, fix it, paint it up
So it's nice and clean.
Handyman, handyman,
Always on the move
Taking all the broken things
To make them look brand new.

Award Ceremony

The Webelos leader rolls out an old tire. The activity badges are taped inside the tire. "We have in our midst several future mechanics."

Call the boys up one at a time to receive their badge.

Games

Word Scramble

Unscramble the names of these household tools.

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|-----------|----------|------------|----------|
| 1. life | (file) | 2. tbi | (bit) |
| 3. armhem | (hammer) | 4. ripples | (pliers) |
| 5. aprs | (rasp) | 6. ueaqrs | (square) |
| 7. ridll | (drill) | 8. llvee | (level) |
| 9. lurre | (ruler) | 10. ecrab | (brace) |

Bike Maintenance Quiz

1. Your saddle should be low enough so that you can put both feet flat on the ground while sitting in the saddle. **True False**
2. Your coaster or 3-speed bike chain should have about ½" of play and should be oiled to keep it from rusting. **True False**
3. Spokes help keep the bicycle wheel straight and true. **True False**
4. On bicycles with hand brakes, the wheel rims must be kept clean. **True False**
5. You can make brake repairs safely by yourself. **True False**
6. As long as there is air in your tires, it doesn't matter how much. **True False**
7. Bike pedals should have reflectors on the side for added safety at night. **True False**
8. Your bicycle serial number is usually found on the crank housing. **True False**

Household Items

Divide the den into two teams. Have two laundry bags full of household items at the front of the teams. Place an empty grocery sack at the end of the line. Begin by having the first boy pull out one item and pass it on. When the item is deposited into the grocery sack, the end boy yells, "Next." Continue until all items are passed. Let the boys think that the object of the game is to be the first to empty their laundry bag and fill the grocery sack.

Take the bags away and give each boy a piece of paper. They have two minutes to write down what objects they remember passing.

Tool Silhouettes

Trace silhouettes of small tools on construction paper. Some examples could be hammer, plane, brace, bit, wrench, or screw driver. Cut out the shapes and glue onto poster board. Number each one. Give Webelos a paper and pencil. They look at the posters and try to identify the tools. The boy with the most correct wins an inexpensive tool.

Word Search

Tools that help us work are really simple machines.
hammer nail jack crowbar saw chisel

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R K T S A W C C
M N S W Y U S H
H A M M E R T I
R I Z E J N I S
K L H D A A L E
F V A W C C P L
O G M B K A C F
C R O W B A R T
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Pack Meeting

Poor Ralph!

(Audience participation)

Dad: Be careful, son. Wrench: Oh, nuts!
Johnny: I can fix it! Pliers: Hold me tight!
Screwdriver: Straight or Phillips?
Bike: Drring, Drinng
Ralph the dog: Rrrralph! Rrrralph!

JOHNNY had a problem. His BIKE was broken. Now JOHNNY and RALPH, his dog, could not ride the BIKE to the park to play with their friends. But JOHNNY, being a very smart Cub Scout, knew how to fix the BIKE. However, to do it he needed a box end WRENCH, a SCREWDRIVER, and a pair of PLIERS. So he asked his DAD if he could borrow the box end WRENCH, a SCREWDRIVER, and PLIERS.

His DAD said, "Sure, but be sure you take good care of the WRENCH, SCREWDRIVER and the PLIERS and return them as soon as you are finished."

"I will, DAD," said JOHNNY.

So JOHNNY and RALPH went into the back yard to fix the BIKE. Since JOHNNY knew how to use a WRENCH and PLIERS and SCREWDRIVER, the BIKE was soon ready to ride. RALPH helped all that he could. JOHNNY took a quick spin on the BIKE to make sure everything worked, then called RALPH to go with him to the park.

"Oh," thought JOHNNY, "I'd better return these tools to DAD before we go." But when he reached for the tools, the PLIERS and the SCREWDRIVER were there, but the WRENCH was missing!

JOHNNY looked around the BIKE...no WRENCH. He looked in the bushes...no WRENCH. What would his DAD say? Johnny searched the whole yard and was about to give up and tell this DAD that the WRENCH was lost, when he noticed RALPH digging in the garden. JOHNNY went over and there was RALPH with the WRENCH in his bone hole!

Thank goodness the WRENCH was found! JOHNNY was able to return the WRENCH, the PLIERS and the SCREWDRIVER to his DAD. Everyone was happy that the BIKE was fixed, except RALPH!



(Introduction from the Webelos Scout Book)

Do you know what a naturalist is? You should; you've been one all your life. A naturalist is a person who studies plants or animals.

For this activity badge, you can go much further toward becoming a real naturalist. You can keep an "insect zoo." You can care for fish or small animals. You can learn things about the plants near your home. Perhaps you will visit a real zoo or take a hike in the woods. There you will see wild animals and forest plants.

A naturalist has sharp eyes and a great love for nature. He sees things that other people miss. He knows where to look and he listens for nature's secrets. Know what they are!

Careers/Speakers

Zoo keeper, conservationist, taxidermist, pet store worker, gardener, museum curator, landscape artist, nature photographer, publisher or writer of nature books.

Activities

Den Activities

Invite a Fish and Game Department employee to your meeting. Ask about the major problems in the lakes around the Twin Cities.

Tour the Botanical Garden at Como Zoo or the Arboretum in Chaska. Find out how many employees are needed to keep the grounds in good shape.

Visit the Minnesota Zoo or the Como Zoo with your den families. Arrange a private session with one of the zoo docents.

Contact the Hennepin County Parks for bird banding information. You can arrange to be present to watch the licensed banders. Find out about the Mississippi Flyway and what birds are common here.

Drying Flowers

Nature has a wonderful way of showing beauty each season of the year. Flowers are plentiful in the summer, so pick some at the height of their bloom: Queen Anne's Lace, roses, zinnias, whatever you can find. Dry the flowers and then put them in arrangements or in frames.

1. To air dry: Strip off the leaves and hang the flower heads down in a dry, dark place. If you want, you can put them in a brown paper bag before you hang them. The drying time will vary—some take two weeks while others may take longer.
2. You can also dry flowers with borax; a mixture of one part sand + two parts borax. Or use kitty litter or silica gel which is good for small, delicate flowers.
 - Pour about one inch of the mixture into a cardboard box. Gently put the flowers upside down on top of it. Pour more over each flower to cover them about an inch deep. Keep the box in a dry place for about a month. Remove the flowers very carefully.

Tom, the Toad

(Tune: O, Christmas Tree)

O, Tom the Toad. O, Tom the Toad
Why are you lying in the road?
(Repeat)
You did not see the car ahead
And now there's tire tracks on your head.
O, Tom the Toad. O, Tom the Toad
Why are you lying in the road?

O, Jake the Snake. O, Jake the Snake
Why did you climb my garden rake?...
You used to strike right after moles,
But now you are so full of holes...

O, Doug the Bug. O, Doug the Bug
You fell onto my bathroom rug...
You jumped right out and shouted, Boo!
And now you're on my tennis shoe...

Migration

Webelos can choose one of the following animals to look up migration information in an encyclopedia. Do any of these birds migrate thorough your area? Draw a migration route showing the areas. Listen to the reports during your next den meeting.

1. Arctic terns migrate 11,000 miles.
2. Whooping cranes migrate 2,500 miles.
3. Golden plovers migrate 2,000 miles.
4. Monarch butterflies migrate 1,250 miles.
5. Hummingbirds migrate 500 miles.

Tie Slide

Dehydrated Water

Materials needed: Clear 35mm film canisters, self stick labels (address size), markers, PVC loop and epoxy.
Instructions: Make up a can label with a title, "Contains Dehydrated Water: Just add H₂O and stir until clear." Put the label around the film can and replace the lid. Use epoxy to attach the PVC loop to the back of the can to form the tie slide.

Games

Mammal Word Scramble

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| 1. esrba | (bears) | 2. eerd | (deer) |
| 3. ciem | (mice) | 4. kle | (elk) |
| 5. oosmusp | (opossum) | 6. phees | (sheep) |
| 7. sibrabt | (rabbits) | 8. laes | (seal) |
| 9. trsumak | (muskrat) | 10. ssrruleqi | (squirrels) |

Word Search

Find these words hidden below. Look forward, backwards, up, down and diagonal.

bees	birds	bushes	butterfly	flies
flowers	ivy	lichens	logs	paths
rabbit	rocks	roots	shadows	sounds
stumps	toads	toadstool	mosquitoes	trees

Y V I L I C H E N S S S
M J S D N U O S J D Y H
M P D N Z S K G A S I T
A O W A W M R O Y R R A
L R S H N I T L X E T P
C K S Q B K F B E W O Q
R U Z B U R V S W O A J
B N A S E I L F Q L D V
E R K T J R T Z W F S S
E P T X S T O O R Q T K
S U S D R I B J E K O C
B R V Q S P M U T S O O
S H A D O W S Q V D L R

Sleeping Bear

One boy is the Bear and sits blindfolded in the center. He places a stuffed teddy bear (Cub) about one arm's length away from him. Other Webelos gather in a large circle.

As the Bear counts to twenty, the players quietly try to sneak in to steal the Cub. The Bear points to anyone he hears, and that player must go back. The player who succeeds in stealing the Cub wins and becomes the next Bear.

Fin, Fur, or Feather

Scouts stand in a circle. The boy in the middle holds a beanbag and tosses it toward one of the boys in the circle. While it's in the air he shouts either Fin, or Fur, or Feather. The boy who catches the beanbag must name an appropriate animal or bird in that category within ten seconds. (Scouts can help by counting out loud.) If the name is duplicated, or if the boy can't think of one he is out of the circle. Play until one person is left.

Color Hike

Divide the den into two groups. Each group selects a color, then tries to find items of that color while on the hike. Keep a list and review items when the hike is over.

Nature Baseball

Divide den into two teams. Give each boy a paper and pencil. He must write one question about something your den has learned while working on the Naturalist activity badge. Collect the cards and mix them up. Play a baseball-type game with the questions.

Pack Meeting

Visit to an Aviary

Characters: Webelos wear costumes to represent the birds.

Narrator: Tonight we would like to take you on a visit to an aviary where we can meet some of our fine feathered friends. (He introduces one bird at a time, and waits for it to come on stage and talk.)

Woodpecker: (Makes noise like Woody the Woodpecker.) If you sit in my tree, I will shake you up a bit!

Crow: (Carrying a small trinket.) I'm a bit of a rascal, you know. Just a scavenger at heart.

Hummingbird: (Darts back and forth quickly, fluttering wings and humming softly.) I'm always coming and going...going and coming. I must hurry to find some sweet, sweet nectar.

Owl: (Comes out very calmly, blinking wide eyes slowly. Looks straight ahead with an expressionless face.) The less I speak the more I hear. The more I hear, the more I know.

Peacock: (Struts in slowly, head high. Speaks in a proud manner.) My family is in show business, you know. Haven't you seen us on TV lately? You know-on NBC!

Pelican: (Waddles in patting stomach.) I am a pelican. My mouth can hold more than my belly can. Say, have you seen anything fishy around here?

Narrator: (As the last bird walks on.) And what kind of bird do we have here?

Bird: (Has an alarm clock around his neck and a long, dangling worm in his hand.) I'm the Early Bird, and I've got the worm!

Award Ceremony

Webelos leader shows a large foam board with insects pinned to it. The bottom row is the activity badges pinned on. Leader describes some of the bugs, then says, "Look at this, these don't belong here! I'd better give them to the Webelos for earning their activity badge."



(Introduction from the *Webelos Scout Book*)

Why do you want to be a Boy Scout? If you are like most boys, you will say, "To go camping and do other outdoor things."

The Outdoorsman activity badge will help you get ready. You will learn many skills that will help you feel at home in the outdoors. You will learn about fires and cooking, tents, outdoor beds, knots, and many other outdoor skills. And you will have a chance to practice your new camping skills with a friend, your family, and your Webelos den. You may even visit a Boy Scout outdoor activity to prepare for the day when you will become a Boy Scout.

The outdoors is calling you. Have fun!

Careers/Speakers

Park Ranger, woodsman, hunter, forest ranger, sportsman, fisherman, tour guide, lodge manager, science teacher.

Activities

Field Trip

Arrange to visit a camping outfitter like REI or Midwest Mountaineering. Ask for a demonstration of camping equipment and handy gadgets that make camping easier. Look at outdoor clothing and hiking boots.

Up and Down

Plan a whole den meeting on the camping theme.

First, leaders should demonstrate how to set up a tent properly, including precautions on handling to avoid damage. Then divide the den into two teams and give each a tent bag. On signal they must race to get the tents set up. The first team to finish receives a bag of mini candy bars.

Once both tents are up, allow boys to climb inside to have a secret meeting. Take off shoes first. Inside, they have ten minutes to plan a song or a short skit to entertain the other boys at their campfire.

Ring a bell to call the boys out to the campfire. Choose one team to lay the firewood. Talk about fire safety. Use sit-upons (which you have made as a craft earlier), and gather in a circle around the fire.

Teams take turns entertaining each other. Leader gives closing and the other team puts out the campfire properly.

Take down the tents, sing taps and go home.

Campsite

Here are some ways to personalize your campsite when your Webelos den goes out this month.

1. Decide on a theme for the camping trip. Have the boys draw pictures for the theme. Cover with clear contact paper to keep dry and hang them around the campsite...or use them for placemats.
2. Make name signs for the patrols or for the tentmates. Woodburn name/s on a piece of wood and hang in the patrol area. Make a flag with fabric markers.
3. Make a mail box from a shoebox. Cover with paper or artwork and cut a hole in the top. (Ask parents to secretly give the leader a letter for their Webelos, which can be used for mail call.)
4. Stuff boxes can be plastic containers or dishpans. Keep craft supplies, extra paper towels, trash bags, and other things organized.

Games

Sealed Orders

Set up this game up to use on your den camping trip. Visit the location beforehand and make up a set of simple directions: Count 25 paces to your right and then go to the nearest oak tree. Find the hollow log at the edge of the clearing. Go to the water pump. Find a wildflower in the field to the east of our camp. (Try to include specific nature things for them to look for.)

At home, write the directions on index cards. Make several sets so the groups can work as teams. Mix the cards within each set and put them in an envelope. Label it "Top Secret."

To play: Divide the campers into teams with adults and boys on each. Pass out the bags and set a time limit. Everybody takes turns reaching into the bag to pull out the next direction.

Awareness Hike

The object is for the Webelos to discover objects which have the following characteristics. Make up a sheet for them to write the name of the object and category description. Stop periodically while hiking so they can work on the sheet.

Size: Heavy, thick, short, tall, small, large, narrow, big, little.

Shape: Oval, round, ridges, oblong, square, pointed, curved, triangular, odd-shaped.

Texture: Furry, hairy, ribbed, soft, hard, slimy, velvety, slick, gooey.

Density: Solid, lumpy, hollow, spongy, porous, non-porous.

Temperature: Cold, hot, moist, dry, lukewarm, damp.

Nature Cribbage

Each Webelos gathers 21 small pebbles and puts them into a bag. All the boys work together to make up a list of things which they might see on the upcoming hike. One boy writes down fifteen items as they are called out. The leader then assigns points to each item, gauging a little on the probability of spotting them. Review the list out loud with the boys.

Take off on your hike. The first boy to spot an object on the list calls out the name and points to it. The leader allows that boy to throw away the "point" number of pebbles.

The first boy to get rid of all his pebbles wins a big plastic spider.

Pack Meeting

This activity badge is especially well-suited for displays at the pack meeting. Arrive early to set up, and then be ready to answer questions as families arrive.

Things to display: Tents, sleeping bags, cooking equipment, fire building patterns, poisonous plant identification charts, fire safety rules, state park maps, pictures from your campout.

Opening

Ask all the families to bring a flashlight to the pack meeting. When you turn out the lights, the Cubmaster should walk to the front of the room with a lighted flashlight.

Cubmaster: The Cubmaster is here. Is Den 1 here? (Den 1 boys turn on their flashlights and wave them around while saying, "We're here.")

Cubmaster repeats for each of the other dens.

Cubmaster: Well, it appears we're all here so let's begin our pack meeting.

Camper's Prayer Closing

I thank thee, God, for giving me
A pair of eyes that I might see
The beauty of the out-of-doors:
The valleys with their grassy floors,
The sky of blue, the stars so bright,
And Mother Earth, my bed at night.

I thank Thee, too, that I may hear
The whisp'ring breezes in my ear,
The songbirds singing in the trees,
The quiet hum of honey bees,
And for the songs we sing at night
Beside the campfire's flick'ring light.

For the wood smoke in the air,
For nature's wonders everywhere,
For the friendship and the fun,
For the peace when day is done,
For all the things I'd do without
If I couldn't be a Scout.

The Camping Trip

Characters: Boys wear uniforms and carry backpacks.

Boy 1 carries a card table; boy 2 has a toaster; boy 3 carries an electric skillet; boy 4 carries a tablecloth and napkins; boy 5 has silverware and nice dishes.

Leader: Well, boys, we've hiked far enough this morning. Let's have some scrambled eggs and toast for lunch. Tom and Jerry, will you get the electric skillet and toaster connected? You can start cooking while the rest of us get things ready for lunch.

(Tom and Jerry carry the skillet and toaster all over looking for a place to plug in the cords.)

Leader: Bob, you set up the table. Jack, get out the tablecloth and dishes. Bill, see if you can find some flowers for the table.

(Boys set up the table and Bill returns with a vase of flowers. Tom and Jerry are still holding the electric cords and looking puzzled.)

Tom: Mr. Smith, where do I plug this in? I've looked everywhere, and I can't find a socket.

Mr. Smith: Did you look near those trees? There should be an electric outlet somewhere around here.

Tom: I've looked there already. There aren't any sockets here!

Mr. Smith: Oh, my! How inconvenient! Oh well, we will just have to eat bread and butter without eggs. Bob, go get the bread.

Bob: Jack was bringing the bread, Mr. Smith. I brought the eggs.

Jack: I thought you were bringing bread, Bob. I brought eggs, too.

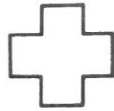
Mr. Smith: Oh dear, no bread, no electricity. Well, we'll just have to be satisfied with dessert. Pete, you didn't forget our dessert, did you?

Pete: (Reaching into his pack.) Oh, no. I remembered my part. Here's the ice cream right here!

Award Ceremony

A tent is set up on center stage with the entire Webelos den inside it. The Webelos leader emerges and tells some of the accomplishments in earning the Outdoorsman activity badge. As each boy's name is called, he emerges from the tent and receives his badge.





(Introduction from the *Webelos Scout Book*)

The Boy Scout motto is "Be prepared." It means that the Scout is always ready in mind and body to do his duty and to face danger, if necessary, to help other people.

He learns first aid. He learns how to swim safely and how to drive his bicycle without danger to himself or others. He also learns how to make his home safer and the safety rules for passengers in a car.

In earning the Readyman activity badge, you will get a fast start on being prepared as a Scout. Many of the things you learn will help you advance as a Boy Scout.

Careers/Speakers

Doctor, nurse, police, ambulance driver, fireman, Red Cross instructor, school or company nurse, Urgent Care facility manager, ski patrol, park ranger, hospital or emergency room worker, disaster planner, Minnegasco emergency crew.

Activities

Real Life Action

Borrow a portable telephone, or invite a parent with a car phone to park outside the meeting place.

Ask a medical professional to help in this way: Give a demonstration of simple first aid. Next describe how this action game will be played. They should have some emergency scenarios made up already, one for each boy. These should be real life events which the Webelos could easily encounter at home, school, den meeting, etc.

While the leader reads the scenario (only *once*), the professional goes to the car phone to answer the call. One Webelos goes to another room to use the phone, pretending he is dialling 911 for help, but really dials the car phone. The professional asks for the facts, and the Webelos' assessment of the situation, and what steps he feels he can safely take until help arrives.

The other boys can discuss the situation in a group with the leader. Allow time for each boy to make his phone call.

Safety Inspection

Arrange a behind-the-scenes tour of a parent's work place to review the safety procedures and precautions used there. Do they have rules posted? Do they have fire drills? Where is the First Aid Kit?

Tour a hotel, restaurant, high rise apartment building, hospital, church or other public place and ask the same questions.

Inspect your den or pack meeting place. Plan steps for use in an emergency during a den meeting.

Plan emergency procedures for five locations where your family usually goes, such as the church, theater, restaurant, the beach, relative's house, etc. How do you call for help? Where would you meet if separated by a fire? What health situations are in your family?

Disasters

Talk to the Red Cross Disaster team and find out what they do to help. What equipment do they have? Where are supplies stored? How are volunteers contacted?

Who is in charge of disaster coordination for a city or region? How many agencies are on the notification list, such as Minnegasco, hospitals, NSP?

Be Prepared

Make a list of items which your family would need to be prepared for a storm, electricity out, tornado, or other significant event. Make specialized lists of items that are seasonal. Example: during winter time blizzards you would need extra blankets, but you wouldn't need them during a severe thunderstorm in the summer.

Prepare a shelter area in your house and store some of these items there all the time. Tape your lists on the wall. Each season review your specialized lists and add or remove items from your shelter. Be sure to check batteries and food supplies for freshness.

All-season items could include radio, candles, matches, flashlights, first aid kit, bottled water, canned food, manual can opener, rope, and eating utensils. Also consider pillows, deck of cards, pet leashes and food, life jackets, personal identification and emergency phone numbers, hammer and nails, emergency flares.

Tie Slide

Mr. Yuk

Since most poisonings involve household chemicals in the kitchen, check your own home before making this slide.

Mr. Yuk stickers are available from hospitals, doctors or poison control centers. Glue one onto a plastic milk carton lid. Hot glue a leather strip to the back for the slide loop.

Ask for some extra stickers for the Webelos to pass out at the pack meeting.

Games

Fire! Police! Ambulance!

Divide den into two or three teams. Three corners of the room are named "fire station," "police station," and "ambulance." The leader reads a situation and the Cubs have to run to the correct corner for help. The first person to the correct corner scores two points for his team. The last one there loses a point for his team, but does not drop out. Play to a specified number of points.

Sample situations:

1. You see smoke coming out from under the neighbor's front door.
2. Your window cleaner falls from a ladder while working at your house.
3. You are out fishing and spot a barn on fire.
4. You see some older boys cutting the wires behind a building.
5. Your friend falls off his bike when you are out together.
6. You find a wad of money on the street.
7. Your lawn chairs are missing.
8. An adult who has rescued a child from drowning asks you to call for help.
9. You see a suspicious car cruising your neighborhood.

Rolling Race

This game is related to fire safety and how to put out a fire on yourself.

If you are outside, ask the Scouts to lay down end to end about two feet apart. Inside, you can divide into teams and allow two boys to race at a time. On starting signal, boys roll toward the finish line. The first one across has put out his fire.

Kim's Game

Place items on a tray which would be found in a typical family first aid kit such as tweezers, scissors, band-aids, gauze squares, cotton balls, Q-tips, ointment, Tylenol, etc. Cover the tray with a cloth.

Give each boy paper and pencil. Uncover the tray for one minute, asking the Cubs to memorize the items. Cover again and ask them to write down the items they remember.

The one with the longest correct list wins a miniature first aid kit.

Flash Cards

Make up your own flash cards on a topic for the Readyman activity badge. Work in pairs to study the answers. The questions can be true/false, multiple choice questions, or situations + what would you do?

Pack Meeting

To Help Other People

This activity badge gives an opportunity for the Webelos to help other people through education. Share what you have learned during the pre opening time. Set up several tables or displays for families to visit and learn.

- * Rules of fire safety beside several kinds of fire extinguishers.
- * Safe bike riding pointers on a poster leaning against a bike.
- * Display empty bottles of hazardous household chemicals. Give away Mr. Yuk stickers and the hotline number.
- * Hand out home safety checklists to each family.
- * Play First Aid Kim's game, using articles from a typical home first aid kit.
- * List emergency situations you have heard about this month. Give people pointers on how to respond if they are not sure.
- * Arrange to have police squad car outside the meeting place before or after your pack meeting.

Stand Up Comics

If you breathe oxygen in the daytime, what do you breathe in the nighttime? Nitrogen.

Did you hear about the accident at the glue factory? A vat of glue spilled all over the floor. Boy, I bet that was a sticky situation.

How did the fire-breathing dragon burn his fingers? He had a cold and every time he sneezed he covered his mouth with his hand.

What did the first candle say to the second candle? Are you going out tonight?

A Typical Day

When you visit your fire department, ask for information so you can make a poster for the pack meeting to show what a typical day is like at a fire station. Ideas could include:

How many phone calls do they receive? How many false alarms? How often do the trucks go out? List the types of fires that were checked on a busy day (brush fire, electrical circuit, suspicious smoke, gas furnace explosion) How many firefighters are there? Add anything else that might be interesting.

Award Ceremony

The Webelos leader opens a large first aid kit. "For outstanding treatment of cuts and scratches, will (Jerry) come forward to receive the Readyman activity badge?"

Continue reading requirement examples for each boy until all badges are presented.



(Introduction from the *Webelos Scout Book*)

You may think that your schoolwork is fun and interesting, or you may find it hard and dull. But where else can you learn the "what" and the "why" of so many things? You learn to read and write and work with numbers. You find out what other countries and people are like. These all can make your life much more interesting.

To earn this badge, you must do several things that you probably are doing already. These are going to school every day, earning the best grades you can, and behaving well.

Careers/Speakers

Teacher, college professor, school principal, librarian, author, community education instructor, den leader, playwright.

Activities

School Board

Visit a meeting of your local school board or invite a member of the board to come to your meeting and talk to the boys about the value of education. Ask them to describe some of the exciting classes offered as the boy moves up through the grades;. Ask questions about the school system philosophy.

Tours

Take a tour of one of the branches of the Hennepin County Library. Talk to the reference librarian and find out how many books they have. How are old books stored? What types of reference materials are available? Learn how to use the microfiche to find book numbers. Learn about the Dewey Decimal system for cataloguing.

For more fun, ask how far back the microfilm of newspapers goes. Pick one of the boy's birthdays and ask to see that front page.

Visit the middle school or junior high school where your Webelos will go next. Take a tour with the principal and look at the computers, the shop, gym locker rooms, and other interesting areas. Ask the principal what the boys can do to be prepared to come to this larger school.

Look at a community education listing of classes. What classes would your parents be interested in? Name one new thing you could learn in a class.

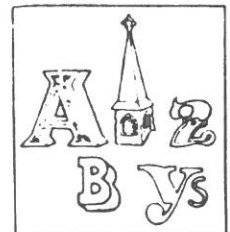
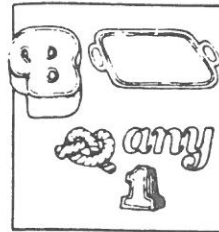
Rebus

One of the most popular classroom activities in Early American schools was deciphering rebus: a representation of words using symbols, pictures, letters and numbers whose names resemble the intended words. Each rebus is actually a riddle or puzzle to be solved.

Rebus puzzles were included in many classroom books, not as a game of pleasant amusement, but primarily as a lesson used by the teacher to "strengthen the brain and to teach independent thinking, logic and reason."

Today the rebus is used to help teach illiterate people to read and write. There are even TV game shows and magazine contests that use rebus puzzles. With a little thought you can make up your own rebus puzzle and try it out on your den.

See if you can decipher these: (Spoken on a telephone) L-0, IE-RU, RUB-Z? (Spoken during a children's game) I C U N U C M-E.



Spelling Bee

Another favorite activity of the early colonial children was taking part in spelling bees. Ask one of the Webelos to bring in his reading book to find words to use. Divide your den into two teams and have a spell down. The winning team receives baggies of Alphabet cereal.

The Good Old Days

Invite the den parents to come to a special "Parents Were Kids, Too" meeting. Ask them to bring school pictures, clothes, report cards, or mementos of their early days. Give each person time to reminisce about what they learned and how helpful it has been. Let the boys ask questions.

Merit Badge Fun

Borrow a selection of merit badge booklets from a troop. Show them at your den meeting, and explain how merit badges are really fun to do. Read some of the requirements. Let the boys browse through the books and look at the merit badge chart. What is the first badge they want to get as a Boy Scout?

Scholar - Mental Skills Group

Games

Stunts and Riddles

1. When can you add two to eleven and get one as the correct answer? Two hours after 11:00 is 1:00.
2. I'm thinking of a number. Three times that number is no larger than twice that number. What number is it? Zero.
3. If three men can chop down three trees in three hours, how many men will it take to chop down six trees in six hours? Three men.
4. Farmer Higgs owns three pink pigs, four brown pigs and two black pigs. How many of Higgs' pigs can say that they are the same color as another pig on Higgs' pig farm? None, because pigs can't talk.

Word Search

Find these words related to school days. Look forward, backwards, up, down, and diagonal.

algebra	assembly	auditorium	biology
chemistry	economics	education	geometry
gymnasium	homework	laboratory	lesson
literature	locker	report	social
teacher	term paper	test	textbook

R N R E N O I T A C U D E
G E R U T A R E R I L L K
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A E H R L X K J V J U E H
L G K R O W E M O H M F S

Trivia

1. With which hand does the Statue of Liberty hold her torch? Right.
2. Which is larger, a dime or a penny? Penny.
3. How many keys are there on a piano? 88.
4. How many stars are there in the Big Dipper? Seven.
- 5.. How many legs does a spider have? Eight.
6. Whose picture is printed on a one dollar bill?
George Washington.

Pack Meeting

Tongue Twisters

Try these out at the pack meeting. Ask parents to repeat the first one. Ask girls to repeat the second, Den 3, the third, and so on for a little "competition."

1. Hairy Harry Hartley hurried home.
2. Slippery snakes slide swiftly down ski slopes.
3. Fast Frank fries frankfurters and french fries.
4. Seven silly skunks sighed sadly.
5. On Tuesday, Timmy told two tall tales to Tommy.

Genius Skit

The importance of scholarship cannot be portrayed any better than to name famous people and their inventions which have changed millions of lives forever.

- G: Gutenberg invented moveable type printing presses so that more people could have books to read.
- E: Edison gave us the light bulb, the phonograph, storage batteries and many other things which we regard as necessities today.
- N: Newton's studies of gravity and light paved the way for many other geniuses...all the way to the moon!!!
- I: Washington Irving's stories have enchanted young and old for years.
- U: Urey's discoveries in chemistry and nuclear power will be used for generations to come.
- S: Scouting's founder, Lord Baden-Powell, developed a plan for using the genius of every boy...Boy Scouts!

Closing Thoughts

1. Don't lessen the lesson.
2. Well-arranged time is the surest mark of a well-arranged mind.
3. The rung of a ladder was never meant to rest upon, but only to hold the foot long enough to enable the other one to go higher.
4. No opportunity is ever lost. Someone else picks up those you missed.

Award Ceremony

Webelos leader walks in dressed in a graduation cap and gown. "Pomp and Circumstance" music plays in the background. Webelos process formally to receive their badge which is rolled up in a scroll and tied with ribbon.



(Introduction from the *Webelos Scout Book*)

A scientist studies things to learn how they behave and why. Scientists try to find out the laws of nature about the things they study. People can use these rules or laws in making things.

While working on this activity badge, you will learn a few of the main ideas in physics. Physics is a science with several branches. One of these deals with weather. You can learn a little about weather in these activity badge requirements.

Another branch of physics is called *optics*. You will have a chance to learn something about light and find out how your eyes work.

Scientists learn a lot by experimenting or trying things out. Try things for yourself. Scientists take nothing for granted. They may be sure an idea is true, but they always test it, if possible, to make certain they are right.

Careers/Speakers

Doctor, dentist, lab technician, nurse, zoologist, nuclear physicist, weather forecaster, X-ray technician, science teacher, zoo docent, researcher.

Activities

Field Trip

Visit an eye specialist and learn how the eyes work. Find out what the various eye tests measure.

Visit the control tower of the Minneapolis International Airport. Learn about the principles of flight. Tour an airplane and look at all the control dials.

Invite a local weatherman to your den meeting to talk about the climate during the year. How is weather different in the Southern Hemisphere?

Wet Hands

(Tune: Jolly Old St. Nicholas)

Any time your hands are wet,
Anywhere or which,
Don't turn on electric lights.
Don't go near a switch.
Don't turn on the radio
When your hands are wet,
Or you may be very shocked
By the shock you'll get!

Food Science

Invite a dietitian to your den meeting to talk about how and why foods cook. Why do you add yeast, salt or soda to recipes? What happens if you forget one of the ingredients? How does a microwave oven cook foods? What other ways are there to prepare food? Do some cooking in your kitchen and then sample the foods. (Microwave cupcakes, hot-air popped popcorn, cookies baked in the oven, grated cheese broiled on bread, steamed pudding...Yum!!)

Jokes

Why did Frankenstein go to a psychiatrist? He thought one of his screws was loose.
What sheet can't be folded? A sheet of ice.
How's the weather in Mexico? Chili today and hot tamale.
Moon: The past tense of moo.
Windmill: A machine that manufactures wind.
Give some people an inch and they think they are rulers.
Bacteria is not the back door of a cafeteria.

Nobel Prize

Look up information about the Nobel Prize. How many categories are there? Who was awarded a prize last year? What did they do or discover?

Right-Eyed?

Everyone knows whether they are left-handed or right-handed...but do you know whether you are left-eyed or right-eyed? Try this test to find out. Hold a finger toward a distant object, keeping both eyes open. Then close your right eye. If your finger appears to jump, this means you are right-eyed. If it does not jump, you are left-eyed.

Tie Slide

Materials needed: Thin cardboard, markers, Tacky Glue, pipe cleaners.
Instructions: Draw the outline of a beaker on a piece of thin cardboard then cut it out. Use it for a template to trace around to make another beaker. Cut it slightly smaller than the first one. Spread Tacky Glue on the smaller one, then place a pipe cleaner across the middle. Lay the larger beaker on top and rub firmly. Use markers to outline the beaker and to make a mysterious, bubbling liquid in the bottom. Write, "The secret formula for Webelos Den X" on the neck of the beaker. Wait until the glue is dry, then twist the pipe cleaner together to form the tie slide.

Scientist - Technology Group

Games

Bottle Target

Webelos take turns seeing how many toothpicks they can land in a milk bottle which is placed on the floor an arm's length away. Players drop the toothpicks one at a time. They may lean forward, but can't move their feet.

True or False?

Make copies of this quiz for all the Webelos to try.

1. Electric current was discovered in Italy in 1781. (True, by Luigi Galvani.)
2. Vulcanized rubber was an accidental discovery by Charles Goodyear. (True, in 1839.)
3. Madame Curie was the second woman to win the Nobel Prize. (False, she was the first woman. It was in Chemistry, for the discovery of radium.)
4. Mark Twain was the first author to submit a type-written manuscript to a publisher. (True, *Life on the Mississippi* in about 1875.)
5. "Disks for the Eyes" was the original name for contact lenses. (False, the name for eyeglasses that were made in Italy in 1280.)

Atomic Chart

Make up flash cards with the symbols of the atomic table on one side and the element word on the other side. Mix them up, forward and backwards.

Play in pairs or compete as teams. Teams can be one person answering at a time, or a group effort. Who are the best "scientists?"

Pack Meeting

Astronomer's Song

(Tune: Yankee Doodle)

We've got our eyes upon the sky.
We watch the stars that shimmer.
The sun and moon are friends of ours,
We know their every glimmer.

Keep your eyes upon the skies.
Watch the twinkling stars.
It's better than a TV show,
By Jupiter and Mars.

Clouds

(Tune: Clementine)

When we talk about the weather
We should observe the clouds on high.
They have many shapes and sizes.
Some are wet and some are dry.

Cirro-stratus, cumulo-nimbus,
Alto-stratus are a few.
To us Cub Scouts they look fluffy
Like some cotton when it's new.

Let me tell you about the low clouds;
Cumulus and stratus, too.
From the surface to 6000
Is the range that they are viewed.

Special Awards

Honor your pack leaders by making up some of these "scientific awards." Cut them out of poster board.

Gravity is a heavy subject. (Shape of the Earth)
Stars are night lights that don't run up bills. (Stars)
Astronomers are far-sighted. (Glasses with big eyeballs)
Chemists really stir things up! (Bubbling beaker)

Science Fair

Set up tables and hold a science fair during your pack meeting. Show some of the simple experiments you have been doing in your den meetings. Display items that you have made.

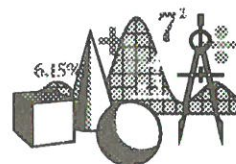
Make a display of items and write the date of invention or discovery on an index card and tuck it under the edge. If it is a large object, use a child's toy or model. It would be really interesting to line the items up in chronological order. You can find a longer list in *The World Almanac*.

Audio cassette: 1963	Pendulum clock: 1657
Polaroid camera: 1948	Aerosol spray: 1926
Video disk: 1972	Frozen food: 1924
Gyroscope: 1852	Kaleidoscope: 1817
Bifocals: 1908	Ballpoint pen: 1838
Piano: 1709	Electric razor: 1917

Award Ceremony

Webelos den leader (dressed as a mad scientist in lab coat, wild hair and glasses) walks in holding a beaker of bubbly mixture. (Vinegar, soda or dry ice, etc.)

Leader explains some of the fun activities, and then announces the newest scientists of Pack X. They come forward to receive their badges. (Dressed in lab coats, if possible.)





(Introduction from the *Webelos Scout Book*)

Everybody loves a show. Therefore, everybody loves a Showman.

When you earn the Showman activity badge, you will be able to entertain your pack or give a show for your friends. It might be a puppet show, a musical act, or a skit or stunt for a campfire program.

To earn this badge you must do the requirements for one of the three skills of a Showman—puppetry, music, or drama.

Choose the one you like best. Then, on with the show!

Careers/Speakers

Radio disc jockey, TV anchorman, sound technician, music teacher, theater manager, actor, symphony director, puppet ministry, dinner theater performer, dancer.

Activities

Den Shows

Have the den work on writing, directing and casting a simple one act play. Keep it simple. Assign the parts and practice a little. Use sound effects if necessary. Invite the parents to a den talent show later in the month to show off your work!

Or, you could borrow a video camera from a den family and use it to film your skit as a movie. Or, alter the script slightly and then you will be able to make an audio cassette recording of your play.

With a little planning, several requirements in the Craftsman activity badge, such as prop building, puppet making and musical instruments, can be fulfilled while working on the Showman activity badge.

Easy Skits

Webelos on an overnight camp out to a new Webelos Scout just joining: Hah, my hands are dirtier than yours!

Boy 2: Well, that's because you're a year older than I am.

Boy 1: Why are you casting your line straight up in the air instead of into the water?

Boy 2: I'm trying to catch sunfish.

Leader: Where did you take your bath?

Boy: In the spring.

Leader: I didn't ask you when, I asked where!

Field Trips

Arrange a visit to your high school auditorium and meet with the drama teacher. Find out about the plays that the school presents. How are they chosen? Do they need permission to present them? How many hours do they practice before the show? Ask the teacher what qualities are noticed during auditioning for parts. Look at the back stage area, sets, and curtains. Tour the lighting booth.

Visit a Costume Shop to see the variety of apparel available. Look at the wigs and accessories they have. What is the most unique costume they rent? What is the most popular rental style? Who all rents from them? (College troupes, theaters, individuals, etc.)

Visit a piano store and hear music played on the different brands of pianos. Look inside to see how the strings work to make the sound. Watch a player piano or CD piano. Compare costs of pianos. Where are they made?

Music Fun

Many movie themes are actually classical music, altered slightly. You can buy cassettes or CD's with movie themes. See if the boys can guess the movies.

Flip through the radio dial and listen to a variety of music stations for three minutes each. What kinds of music do you hear?

Sound Effects

Fire: Crinkle cellophane in your hand.

Shutters: Open and close a wooden folding chair.

Crash: Fill a cardboard box with lots of noisy things—cans, dishes, silverware, and stones. Tape the box shut and then turn it over and over.

Motor: Turn your bike upside down and hold a piece of cardboard against the spokes while you turn the wheel.

Rain: Roll a handful of dried peas around in a cookie sheet.

Train: Fill a metal bandage box with paperclips or tacks and shake in the rhythm of a train.

Gun Shot: Slap a yardstick on the table top.

Homemade Skit

Divide your den into two teams. Give each team a bag containing four simple household items such as a book, sock, sponge, and towel. The challenge is for them to come up with a short play which uses all the props. You'll be amazed at how creative the boys are!

Showman - Mental Skills Group

Games

Famous Faces

Collect pictures of famous entertainers and singers and tape them on construction paper. Number the pictures. Lay them around the den meeting room when it is time for the game. Each boy takes a paper and pencil with him and tries to identify the people. The winner is the den "celebrity" for the rest of the meeting.

Show Biz Buzz

Have the den sit down in a circle. The number five is chosen as a number that cannot be said aloud. Start counting off around the circle -1,2,3,4. When the counting reaches any multiple of five or any number that includes a five, that boy must name a television show instead of the number. No show can be repeated.

Pack Meeting

Name That Tune

This will take some advance preparation in making a tape recording of recognizable parts of songs. At the pack meeting one boy will act as moderator, and the others will watch the crowd for show of hands. Another will have little trinket prizes to hand to the person who guesses correctly.

Ask people to raise their hand as soon as they recognize the song. "Watchers" should take turns choosing one person to answer. Include some current music that only kids will know, as well as some Golden Oldies.

Circus Theme

This is a great theme to showcase all the talents of your den. There is something for the shy boy, as well as for the talkative one.

Acts to try: acrobats, lion tamer, strong man, animal acts, clowns, sideshows, juggling, music shows.

Clarabel, the Trained Flea

Characters: Narrator and a group of actors dressed as clowns.

Tonight I would like to present Clarabel, the Trained Flea. (Hold up a cage and pretend to reach in and pick her up. Clowns gather around watching intently.)

Okay, jump, Clarabel. (Clowns look up and down in unison.)

Very good. Now turn a flip, Clarabel. (Clowns follow flip with circular motion of their heads.)

That was nice. Now, jump up and make a square, Clarabel. (Clowns follow the square with their head movements.)

Very, very good. Now, jump clear up to the ceiling, Clarabel. (Clowns look up and then panic, looking in all directions. Then they go into the audience and each picks off a flea from someone and runs back to the cage.)

Now, fellas, let them go. Clarabel was so fast, you missed her! She's safe right here in her own little cage.

(Clowns look at each other in surprise and return to the audience and place their flea on a different person.)

The Lightbulb

A doctor walks into his office, turns on the light switch, and hears a loud "click." He finds a man sitting on the floor.

"Who are you?" asks the doctor.

"I'm the light bulb," says the man.

The doctor thinks the man is crazy. He "unscrews" the man and walks him toward the door. As they proceed, they pass a janitor who begins to follow them.

The doctor asks, "Why are you following us?"

The janitor replies, "What do you expect me to do, work in the dark?!"

Award Ceremony

#1

The room is darkened and spotlights or flashlights are whirled across the audience before the big ceremony. Webelos leader enters, dressed as the ringmaster and all spotlights shine on him. "The stars of tonight's show are..."

Each boy comes forward when called and steps into the spotlight to receive his award. Audience claps.

#2

The Webelos all play stage hands, actors, and director. They wear cardboard signs with their title.

Director: Places!

Casting: Will the actors please come forward?

Director: Quiet on the set! Where's Make-up?

Make-up: (Pantomimes putting it on.) Make-up Completed!

Clapboard: Scene 1, act three, take one!

Director: Roll 'em, aaaannndd action!

Den Leader: (Reading from the cue cards.) I'm so glad you could make this historic presentation tonight. We're coming to you live from (your meeting place) in downtown (town).

It is my pleasure to introduce to you, the newest stars of Pack __. I think you'll agree they are fine showmen!



(Introduction from the *Webelos Scout Book*)

America is a sports-loving country. Large crowds of people go to see high school and college teams play football and basketball. Big league baseball and professional football draw many people.

These games are really fun to watch. But too many Americans are watchers rather than players. Be a player. You will find that playing a game is more fun than just watching it.

Try many sports. Not everyone can become a great baseball or football player. But if you practice, you can become very good in other sports, such as bowling, swimming, and archery.

Careers/Speakers

Sports equipment sales, resort owner, bicyclist, jogger, tennis player, professional ball team member, boat captain, community education speaker, softball league coach, children's athletic coach, tour guide.

Activities

Field Trips

Visit a local golf course and get permission to hike around looking at the layout and par numbers for the holes. Ask for a tour of the shop. Look at the equipment and balls. Practice your swing.

Attend a local high school, college, or professional basketball game. Make arrangements to talk the referees afterwards. Ask about their training and their work schedule. How much travel is involved?

Visit with the high school football, track or basketball coach. Ask what training they have the boys do to get prepared for the games. What schools are on their schedule this year? Who are the key players on the team?

Weight Lifting

Visit your local YMCA or gym to hear about weight training. What are the safety rules? How much should a boy your age practice lifting?

Think about this: An Olympic weight lifter can lift four times his own weight, but the ant is by far the weight lifting champ of the animal kingdom. Lab measurements show that an ant can pick up a rock 50 times its own weight. That is the equivalent of you picking up a 2.5 ton elephant!

Flexibility

Stand and cross your legs with one leg in front of the other. Bend slowly at the waist and try to touch the floor in front of your toes. Don't bounce, as you must hold this position for five seconds.

If you can do this easily, you have good flexibility in the muscles at the back of your thighs.

Take off your shoes and stand on your heels with your toes lifted off the floor. Walk straight ahead about ten steps.

If you can do this without losing your balance, you have good flexibility in your Achilles' tendons.

Sports Injuries

Be sure to include safety demonstrations and stress the use of proper protective equipment with all your den activities this month!

Over a million children ages 5-14 are seen in hospital emergency rooms each year for sports-related injuries. The sport with the largest number of injuries is bicycling, followed by football, playgrounds, baseball and basketball.

Invite a sports trainer or orthopedic doctor to visit your den and talk about the kinds of injuries that are common in the various sports. How can they be prevented?

The Olympics

Have the boys do some research on the history of the Olympics. Who started them and why? Who were some of the famous people who set records down through the years? Compare the medalist's records from early years to current years...have speeds changed much? Where have the games been held? Have events been changed or dropped?

Stamp collectors can look for the commemorative stamps for the Olympics. Show them at the den meeting.

Baseball Terms

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|----------------------------|--------------|
| 1. A summer pest | (fly) |
| 2. Hosiery tears | (runs) |
| 3. Inaccurate | (error) |
| 4. Used to make pancakes | (batter) |
| 5. Good foundation | (base) |
| 6. Brief visit | (short stop) |
| 7. Dinner necessity | (plate) |
| 8. Twenty | (score) |
| 9. Proprietor of dog pound | (catcher) |
| 10. Dangerous on highways | (curve) |
| 11. Multiply by two | (double) |
| 12. Unmarried | (Single) |
| 13. Hot weather relief | (Fan) |

Sportsman - Physical Skills Group

Games

Lead-up games are useful when your den wants to play a sport but doesn't have enough players for a full team.

Touch Football

Have three boys on a side. A ball carrier must be tagged with both hands for a "tackle." Feet do not leave the ground.

Half-Diamond Baseball

Balls hit to the right of second base are foul. (Or to the left, if batter is left-handed.) Fielders include the pitcher and three or four others who may play anywhere in fair territory. Batters run only to first base and back home. The runner is out if the ball is caught, or if the ball gets to the pitcher in his box before the boy touches first base or home.

Relays

Divide the den into two teams. Announce the type of race. See which team does best, then do the next race.

1. Walk forward swinging the same arm forward as the foot—swing left arm for left step; right arm for right step.
2. Get down on hands and knees and move forward like babies do: right arm and right leg move, then left arm and left leg.
3. Clasp your hands together and hold them against your chest. Run quickly.

Scrambled Sports

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|---------------|--------------|
| 1. nloibwg | (bowling) |
| 2. yoehkc | (hockey) |
| 3. kbaalebtsl | (basketball) |
| 4. nmaiotbnd | (badminton) |
| 5. crcseo | (soccer) |
| 6. ltoalfbo | (football) |
| 7. krcta | (track) |
| 8. miwnismg | (swimming) |
| 9. iicglcbyn | (bicycling) |

Football Riddles

How many teams can you name by these descriptions?

1. Seven squared (49'ers)
2. American gauchos (Cowboys)
3. A 747 (Jets)
4. Suntanned bodies (Browns)
5. Lubricant (Oilers)
6. Six rulers (Vikings)
7. Rank of Boy Scouts (Eagles)
8. Credit card users (Chargers)
9. A dollar for corn (Buccaneer)

Pack Meeting

Stand Up Comics

What is one thing that everybody in the world is doing at the same time? Growing older.

What has four wheels, two horns, gives milk, and eats grass? A cow on a skateboard.

When Hawaiians play basketball, what do they use for nets? Hula hoops.

Why are spiders good baseball players? They know how to catch flies.

How do you make a slow horse fast? Stop feeding him.

Mountain Climber: Someone who wants to take a peak.

Tricycle: A tot rod.

Sports Closing

Just as all sports played in the great outdoors are a challenge to each individual competitor, so also the Cub Scout trail is a challenge to each individual Scout. Professional athletes and Olympic competitors don't just become great overnight. It takes years of practice and dedication to achieve success.

This is also true in Cub Scouting. A boy who joins the pack, does not immediately earn the Wolf, or Bear, or Webelos badge. He joins the pack to grow and be challenged. He must earn the ranks as he grows.

The challenges become more difficult as each boy grows older; but through dedication and hard work, he *will* reach the top, just like the Olympic champions.

Let us vow tonight as we leave this place to always do our best in sports, in work, in school, and in life!
Good-night!

Demonstrations

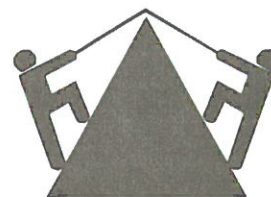
Ask the Webelos to pick one sport to demonstrate at the pack meeting. They should tell some of the history, what equipment is needed, basic rules, and safety precautions, and then play a little of the game.

Or they could provide a "fashion show" of the clothing and equipment for many sports. Examples: football, fishing, karate, soccer, croquet, golf, tennis, ice hockey, etc.

Award Ceremony

The Webelos and leader toss a softball back and forth.

The leader tapes the badge on it the last time and throws it back to the boy.





(Introduction from the *Webelos Scouting Book*)

Traveling is one of humankind's greatest adventures. Since time began, people have wanted to see new places. They had to know what was on the other side of the mountains. They floated down mighty rivers to see what they could find. They sailed across endless oceans in tiny ships. All of this despite terrible fears of the unknown.

You can be an explorer, too. You won't be traveling in unknown territory. But you can enjoy the thrill of discovery wherever you travel.

Get the most out of every trip. Ask questions. Read signs about points of interest. Be an explorer.

In earning the Traveler activity badge, you will learn how to help plan family trips. You will also learn how to use public transportation—buses, planes and trains. Let's go!

Careers/Speakers

Pilot, flight attendant, bus driver, trainman, taxi driver, luggage manufacturer, moving company, air traffic controller, travel agent, corporate transfer agent, travel guide, hotel operator.

Activities

Field Trips

Arrange a visit to the main office of the AAA in St. Louis Park. Find out what services they offer. Ask to see a TripTik being set up. Look at maps, currency information, and how to figure time zones.

Visit a bus or airline terminal and observe the operation. How do people know where to go to get on board? If you were never in this city before, what would you learn by looking around the terminal? What is the view? What if someone had an emergency or needed extra help?

Many boys this age have never ridden on a city bus. Pick a bus line near your home and ride as a group to the downtown area. Count how many people get on and off. Where do you think they are going? How do people occupy their time while riding?

Ask Grandpa

How many cars have you ever had? What was the first one? Where did you like to go when you travelled? How has driving changed since you started? How many miles does your car have on it now?

Mileage Adds Up

Have Webelos write down the car mileage when they leave the den meeting. Remind them to check it every day and figure the distance driven that day. During the pre opening time of the next den meeting, have them add up the miles. Keep track of the mileage for several weeks and find the average. How many miles will that add up to in one year?

Vacation Fun

Ask boys to bring in some vacation pictures for everyone to look at. Ask them to point out on the map where they went, tell how they travelled, and where they stayed.

Scheduling

Use an airline timetable to answer the following questions.

1. What is the earliest time you can depart from the Twin Cities to fly to Seattle?
2. What is the flight number?
3. What kind of airplane is being used on that route?
4. When will you arrive in Seattle?
5. How far is the trip in statute miles?
6. Does the time zone change as you travel?
7. How much time does your flight take?

Movies

Want to travel to a faraway land and learn all about the culture...for free? Browse around the local library to find travel movies, documentaries, or National Geographic-type shows that your den can watch. The library also has slide sets available with written descriptions or cassette narration.

Ask around to see if there are any "Armchair Travelers" clubs in your area that you could visit. Sometimes the library sponsors travel shows, as well as senior citizen clubs or churches.

Tie Slide

Road Map

Materials needed: 2" square piece of 1/2" scrap wood, old road map, piece of plastic pipe, glue, small plastic car.

Directions: Sand wood smooth. Cut a piece of the map the same size as your wood, then glue it on. Hot glue the small plastic car on top the map. Hot glue the pipe to the back of the wood to form the slide loop.

Games

Fifty States

Materials needed: Paper and pencil for each boy. Work alone or in pairs.

Instructions: Make a list of as many of the 50 states that you can think of. Score extra points if you also know the correct capital of the state.

Ways to Go

Unscramble the following modes of transportation.

Count up how many you have used.

1. necoa (canoe)
2. crepeithlo (helicopter)
3. odemp (moped)
4. atfr (raft)
5. rmat (tram)
6. osdeldlg (dogsled)
7. wuasyb (subway)
8. giknsi (skiing)

Map Study

Divide den into small groups. Give each group a different state map. Ask them to complete the following questions in the next 15 minutes.

1. What is the state capital?
2. Name a town with population over 80,000 people.
3. Name a state park.
4. What is the name of the third town beginning with "H"?
5. What states are around the border of your map?
6. What is the mileage scale used on your map? One inch =?
7. Name two towns which have detailed city maps shown.
8. Name a town, park, or site of interest in area C-4.
9. Are there any towns that start with the letters "X" or "Z"?

List one interesting fact you found on your map.

When time is up, post a United States map on the wall. Ask the groups to come forward and point to their state. Let them tell the answers to a few of the questions, depending on how much time you have.

Concentration

Make up a set of index cards showing map signs and symbols. On another set of cards, write the correct answers. Shuffle cards and lay them face down on a table.

To play concentration, the first boy turns over two cards. If they match he removes them and tries again. If they don't match he turns them back over and the other person takes a turn. Continue until all cards are matched.

Pack Meeting

Sign In, Please

Set up a registration table for the families as they arrive. Ask them to sign in with information about the car they drove to the meeting: model, color, and license plate number.

After the pack meeting starts, tally up the colors and kinds of cars and how many people knew their license plate number. Report this during your Webelos presentation time.

Dog Sledding

If you are working on the Traveler activity badge during the winter you could probably find a musher nearby. Ask if he/she is willing to bring their team and sled and describe the racing they do.

Have the Webelos do reports on the Iditarod, the Beargrease, and other popular dog sled races. Buy a *Mushing* magazine and look at the advertisements and articles. How do dogs travel to the races? Read parts of the reports during the pack meeting or make up a skit with the information they found.

Parent Contests

Pick two dens from the audience. Ask three parents from each den to come forward to be part of this state alphabet contest.

1. Name one state starting with the letter A.
2. ...letter C.
3. ...letter D.
4. ...letter F.
5. ...letter G.
6. Name two states starting with the letter M.
7. ...letter N.
8. ...letter W.

Give the winning team new Minnesota state road maps.

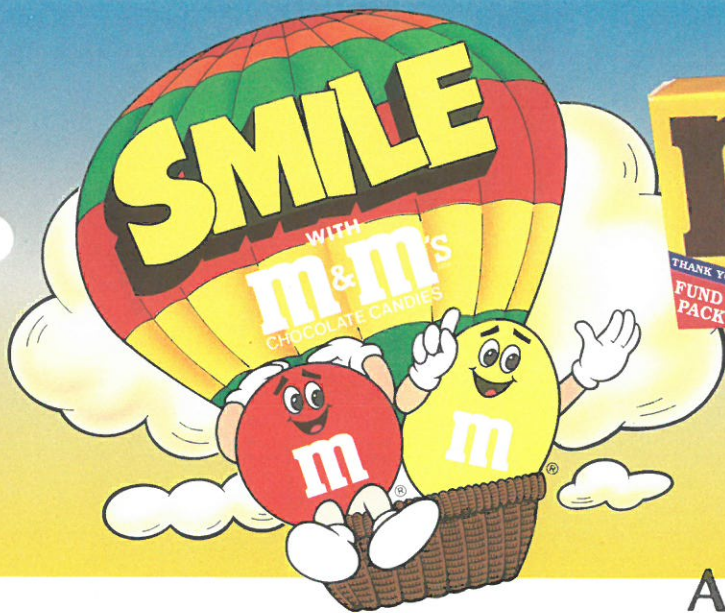
Closing

Our America's grand with such beautiful land, from the redwoods to the far eastern coast.
With spectacular views in so many bright hues; about America we can really boast!

Award Ceremony

Webelos gather at the stage with items in hand to put into the suitcase which the leader is packing. They each describe one of the requirements for the Travelers activity badge as they hand over their item.

The leader closes the suitcase and proceeds to hand the boys "tickets" (badges) for their upcoming trip.



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100 CASES OR MORE
Billed at 45% discount; get one
FREE Case for every 20 ordered.
Equal to 50% profit when sold



ORDER FORM

M & M'S Plain	1.48 oz. each
M & M'S Peanut	1.48 oz each
CARAMELLO	1.6 oz. each
TWIZZLERS	2.1 oz. each
REESE'S PIECES	1.45 oz. each
REESE'S CUPS	1.2 oz.
HERSHEY'S KRACKEL	1.3 oz. each
HERSHEY'S Almond	1.3 oz. each

Unopened cases may be returned for credit within 30 days of delivery. Returns must be returned to us or shipped prepaid.

DELIVERY INFORMATION

- Add 5% to wholesale cost on less than 100 cases, except:
- When picked up at our warehouse
 - When candy is drop shipped from factory. (Allow 2-3 weeks)
 - No delivery charge over 40 cases to North, West and Northwest Minneapolis and suburbs.



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