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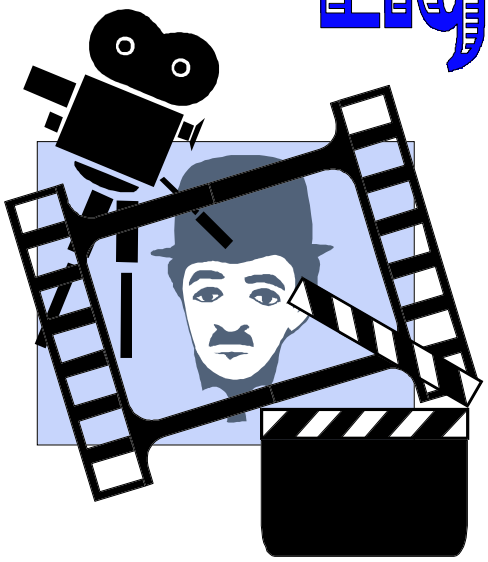
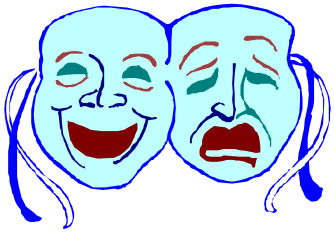
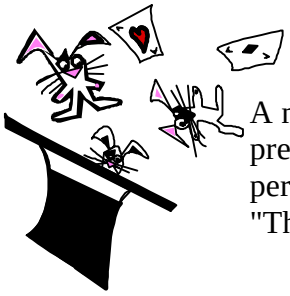
Lights! Camera! Action!





REMINDERS: Do you have a year-round program? Plan now to earn the **National Summertime Pack Award** (Cub Leader Book 34-33) by having a pack meeting every month during the summer. Take these Pack Meetings out of doors. See terrific ideas in this Pow Wow Book in 'Cub Scouts Go Camping & Outdoors', p. 232.

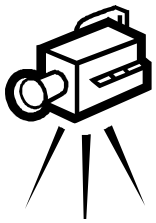
In addition, June is a great time to do a **Raingutter Regatta.** See 2002 Pow Wow Book p. 251. Pass out the boat kits and rules this month.



TIGER DEN LEADER HINTS

A month to let the Tigers shine! Let them learn a simple magic trick to present at pack meeting and work on Elective 19 "Magic Fun." Or perhaps they could do a puppet show. Have them work on Elective 21 "The Show Must Go On".

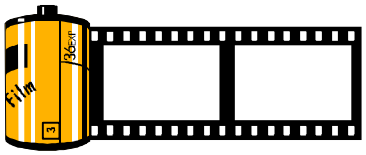
DEN LEADER HINTS



Communicating Belt Loop
Communicating Pin

Tiger
A3G Watch Game or Sport
A4G Visit Media
E19 Magic Fun
E20 Get the Word Out
E21 Show Must Go On
E36 See a Performance

Wolf
E2 Be an Actor



Bear
A17a,b,c Information
E3 Radio
E10 Masks
E11 Photography
E13 Magic

BLUE AND GOLD IDEAS

Menu - ' Puppeteer' pizza
Vegetable ' medley'
' Applause' applesauce

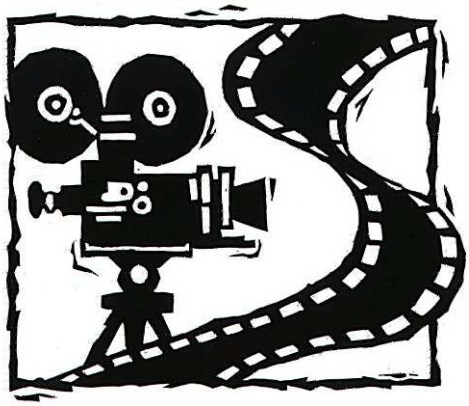
Activities - Variety show
Puppet shows
Skits

Guest speakers - Local media celebrities
Local performers
Acting coach
' Behind-the-scenes' personnel of radio or TV station

GATHERING/ PRE-OPENERS

It's Picture Time

- Take a snap shot of each scout and his family.
- Let them decorate a picture frame to put their new family portrait in.
- Bring things for them to dress up in and make the pictures silly and fun.



Time For Skits / Act Out a Story

- Give each family a short story to look at when they arrive.
- Have simple costumes, props, etc. for them to use.
- Let them know that sometime during the meeting they will be called upon to act out their story.
- Keep it simple. Use stories like ' The Three Bears' , ' Billy Goats Gruff' , etc. that require no rehearsal.
- Make certain everyone has a chance to perform!

(Note: The Den Chief Handbook has instructions on creating your own skit.)

OPENING, CLOSING, AND FLAG CEREMONIES

"UNFOLDING THE FLAG"—FLAG CEREMONY

1. *(Unfold one fold)* You can see 13 stars, representing the original THIRTEEN COLONIES, who stood together to overcome tyranny and oppression from their mother country.
2. *(Unfold another)* This fold represents the SOLDIERS, and POLICE-MEN in all wars and conflicts--PATRIOTS who are willing to give their lives that we might have freedom and safety.
3. On the next fold, you can see the 3 colors of the flag. This stands for PEOPLE OF ALL COLORS who come to live in this nation and stand shoulder to shoulder to defend its constitution.
4. This fold stands for FAMILIES, where the values taught and the lessons learned are the basis of our country' s strength.
5. The next fold represents EDUCATION FOR ALL, guaranteed so all may have unlimited opportunities.
6. The next fold represents FREEDOM TO THINK. Imagining and learning has brought us comforts and wonders beyond belief.
7. This represents FREEDOM OF THE PRESS—It is hard to keep secrets that could make us lose our freedoms when there is a vigilant press looking into everything.
8. This fold is for the WORKERS, those that work and strive for a more prosperous life. They take care of us all.
9. Next, for the UNSELFISH SACRIFICE that the citizens of this country display at every disaster or catastrophe throughout the world.
10. You will notice that the last fold is a SQUARE. Sometimes being a square is not the thing to be, but a square is one who obeys the law, does his duty, and is the foundation of this our country. Please join me in the Pledge of Allegiance

OPENING CEREMONY U ARE IMPORTANT

#1 We cannot spell C BSCO TS without U
#2 We cannot spell YO TH without U
#3 We cannot spell AD LT without U
#4 We cannot spell S CCESS without U
#5 We cannot spell F N without U
#6 We cannot spell O TDOORS without U
All: Clearly, Scouting needs U!

CUBMASTER MINUTE

PLEASE READ !!!!! VERY IMPORTANT !!!!!
CNN REPORTS A NEW VIRUS HAS BEEN RECENTLY DISCOVERED! ONE PERSON CAN PASS IT ON TO MILLIONS, AS IT' S VERY CONTAGIOUS. THE CENTER FOR DISEASE CONTROL HAS REPORTED THIS WEEK THAT THE VIRUS SPREADS VERY RAPIDLY FROM ONE PERSON TO THE NEXT. THEY' VE PUT A VERY INTERESTING NAME ON THIS VIRUS. IT' S CALLED A SMILE
OH! TOO LATE!! I SEE IT ON YOUR FACE ALREADY! YOU' VE GOT THE VIRUS!!

ADVANCEMENT CEREMONIES

CUB SCOUT MAGIC--Introduction to Theme & Awards Ceremony Idea

Cubmaster dresses as magician, in top hat, cape, with wand and rabbit.

CUBMASTER:

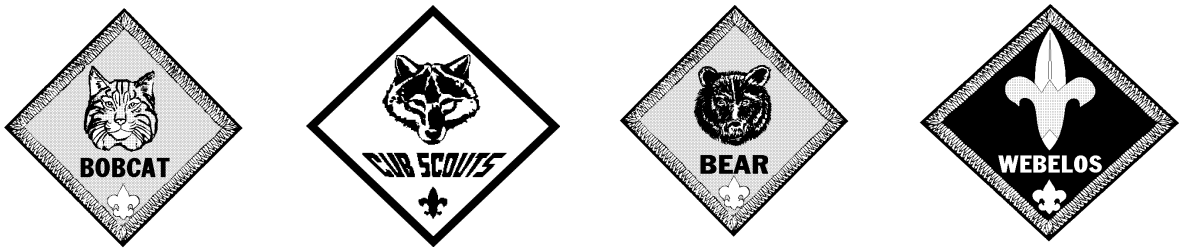
Hello, Hello, I am the Cubmaster Magician tonight. I have practiced many, many, many minutes to bring you some magic tricks. First, I need a wand. Do any of you have a wand I can borrow? Anyone? I will just have to get myself a wand. Now, I need a hat. Does anyone have a hat? I have one right here. Oh, Great. I' ll just use that one OK, now I will pull a rabbit, yes, a rabbit, out of this magic Cubmaster's hat. See… see… nothing in my hat, but when I say the magic word…hey I forgot the magic word. What is the magic word? Abracadabra? OK, I will use that. Abracadabra…and nothing happened. Ah OH. What next? Does anyone else know a magic word? (Try any words the audience comes up with.) Lets Try Cub Scouting is Fun. "Cub Scouting is Fun." Wha-laa, a rabbit out my magic Cubmaster's hat!

Tonight we have (#) Cub Scouts who have earned awards as if by magic. Each month we gather here at pack meeting and some of our Cub Scouts receive awards. But, this is not done by magic. Each Scout earns awards through hard work and the help of our faithful leaders and fearless parents. And tonight for our awards ceremony, we are going to do some magic. I will need some volunteer help. (Name of boy), please come forward. *(Have each Cub Scout help perform a prepared magic trick. See Cub Scout Magic Book and/or a local toy store for magic trick ideas and props.)*

GAMES

CONCENTRATION GAME

Memory game, using cards that have pictures of badge and belt loop emblems to match. Mount them on sturdy card stock or cardboard.



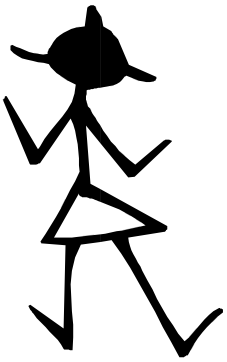
THE BLIND MAN' S DRESSING ROOM

Materials: Two baseball bats, Two bags of clothing. Make it interesting, include both men's and women's clothing.

Blindfold the first two scouts. Then they place their head on the end of the bat, and must circle the bat a number of times, then they travel toward the clothes, and proceed to dress. The rest of the team should cheer them on, and give directions.

PICTIONARY

Materials: (for each den or patrol)
Sheets of paper
pen or pencil.



One member from each patrol comes up to the scout leader, who whispers a word or phrase to them. The patrol member then goes back to his patrol and attempts to draw on a sheet of paper, what the scout leader said. They are not allowed to give clues by actions, speech or writing. The first patrol to guess correctly wins the point.

SKITS AND STORYTELLING

COMEDY NEWS

By Michelle Ekins

Opening music comes on for news program.
Anchorman Al: Good evening, and welcome to CUB News. I am Anchorman Al, and tonight we have some sad news. Senator Door, who always had his door open to the public, kicked the bucket today in Washington. (bucket comes flying in) We now go to Windy the Weatherman, who comes to us from a location near by.

Windy Weatherman: I am coming to you from Pack _____'s pack meeting. Let me tell you all, there's a lot of hot air flying around here tonight. We expect it to rain like cats and dogs later. You' d better batte down the hatches. (stuffed cats, dogs, and balloons come flying in.)

Anchorman Al: Thank you, Windy. We now go to our Sports Reporter, Sam Slider, who has a fast breaking news story.

Sam Slider: Good evening Al. We are here where the Cubs are whipping the Webelos 4-2. *(4 Cubs come out chasing and whipping 2 Webelos scouts--use paper strips-- across the stage.)* I don't think the Webelos can come back from this, but only time will tell.

Anchor Al: Thank you, Sam. Stay safe out there. That's all fo r this evening. Remember, a day without CUB News is a very boring day!

LOVE THOSE COMMERCIALS

Use a large cardboard box, turning it into a television. Cubs stand behind it during their part of the skit.

Cub 1: Stay tuned and watch our advertisers rave.
Cub 2: Have you tried the new Lost? It's a product of the Thrive Company. (Hold up a bottle of beans or marbles) If your liver quivers, or if your lung is sprung, try new Lost. and you'll be there.
Cub 3: We dare them all! Yes friends, we dare them to bring out a toothpaste that can out-perform Lye Scour Toothpaste. After one use, you will have no problem with tooth decay. It really takes care of your dental problems. Get Lye Scour toothpaste today and you won't be worried about your teeth.
Cub 4: Don't come any closer. Is that what your friends are saying? Do you suffer from offensive breath? Have you discovered your relatives trying to back you into a garbage can? Then get UP. Yes, get new UP for some tantalizing breath. No longer will people drop dead when you enter the room. No longer will folks stampede when you approach a crowd. And remember folks- UP spelled backwards is P-U.

THEME CRAFTS

MOVING PICTURE BOX

You Need: small, flat type, box with a lid .• sheets of 8½" X 11" paper • crayons or markers • tape • 2 pencils

Cut the paper into quarters. Make a picture on each paper to tell a part of a story. Tape the papers together top to bottom with a blank half piece taped to the beginning and end of the story sheets. Poke holes through the sides of the box, and insert pencils for rollers. Attach the ends of the story "roll" to each pencil, and wind the story on the pencil rollers until it shows the first panel of the story. Cut a hole in the lid that will frame the pictures, then replace the lid. Enjoy showing your story to your family and friends.

SPOON PUPPETS

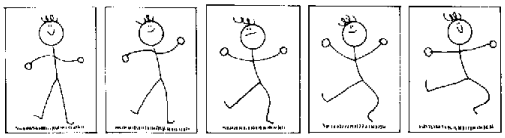
You Need: wooden spoons (flatter type work best) • felt • googley eyes • tacky glue •

Trace your spoon on a piece of paper. Draw a basic shape shirt, pants, and shoes, and hair pattern that will work with your particular spoon. Copy the pattern, then give one to each boy. Have each one pin and cut out the item of clothing out of felt. Glue onto the spoon using Tacky Glue. Make a mouth, also, and glue mouth and eyes in place. Each puppet can be made to look like the boy making it, with different hair color etc.

FLIP BOOK

You Need: small notebook (not spiral) with pages you can "see through" • pencil • black felt tip pen •

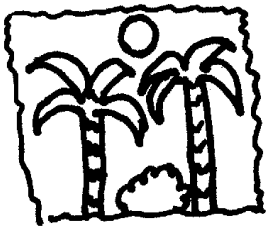
Starting on the bottom page, draw a stick figure. When it is drawn the way you like, go over it with the felt tip pen. Put the next page down. Draw the same figure, with minor change in position. Repeat the process on each new page. After you get about 20 pages, flip the pages starting at the bottom and watch your figure move! Add more pages if desired. Try other ideas, such as making a ball bounce, or having your stick figure blow up bubble gum.



SCENERY ON A SHEET

You Need: old bed sheet (check thrift stores) • crayons •

Take the sheet and lightly "outline" the type of scene you need for your play. The cubs can use crayons to color in the details. If you remove the wrapper from the crayon and use the crayon on its side, large areas can be colored faster. To keep the crayons more permanent and to enhance the color, you can put brown paper sacks on and under the crayoned area and iron. This scenery could be pinned to stage curtains, taped to a wall, held up by parents, etc.



HOLIDAY AND SEASONAL CRAFTS

WOODEN DOOR KNOB HANGER

Use wooden door knob hanger and paint the color of choice. Decorate it with letter and flower stickers. You may use silk flowers if you want dimension.

APRON

Using fabric paint, paint some color on your hands and stamp your hand at different places on the apron. Take a hem stencil and paint the heart onto the top center of apron. After paint is dry, use fabric paints to write "I' above the heart and then "Mom"' und er it.

NOTE HOLDER

Materials: Wooden clothes pin, wood dowel and a 4~ x 4" wood block, flowers of choice. Drill hole in wood base for dowel to sit. Paint clothespin, dowel and wood base in choice of color. When dry, glue together with hot glue gun, Tacky Glue or wood glue. Add flowers around base of dowel for decoration.

FLOWER WREATH

Materials: Mini grapevine wreath, ribbon, flowers. Take mini grapevine wreath and wrap choice of ribbon around it. Make bow to glue on top where ribbon joins. Take approximately 5 flowers (silk) with some baby breath and glue around the bottom of wreath. Use as wall decoration or give to mother for Mother' s Day.

PAPER MACHE PIN CUSHION FOR MOM

Paint an oval or round paper mache box in color of choice. Take box lid and trace shape onto cardboard, cut it out. Take your box cut out and place it on scrap material. Cut material approximately 1/2" larger than your pattern. Put batting the same size as the cardboard cut-out on top of cardboard. Place material on top of batting, then turn upside down. Start gluing material around batting onto bottom of cardboard (not too tight or it won' t hold.) Glue to the top of the box with Tacky Glue or a hot glue gun. (Hold for a couple of minutes.) Glue a satin rose or silk rose with leaves m center of the material, then give to your mom to keep her straight pins and needles in.

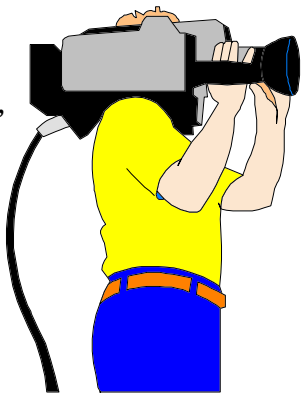
SONGS, CHEERS, AND SPARKLERS

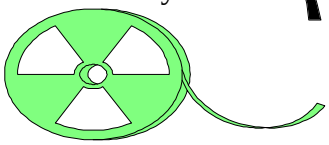
SONG – FILMING

(Tune – Bill Grogan's Goat)

Repeat after Leader.

Lights, Camera, Action,
Is what he yelled,
Before he started,
Shooting the film,
Are you ready yet?,
Quiet on the set,
And here we go,
Is it lunch time yet?





RUN ON - 2

Cub 1 – Why were you late for breakfast?
Cub 2 –Because of my alarm clock,
everybody in the tent got up except me.
Cub 1 – How was that?
Cub 2 – There were nine of us, and the alarm clock was set for ' eight.'

RUN ON – 1

Cub 1 – What did you get that silver medal for?
Cub 2 – For singing.
Cub 1 – What did you get the gold medal for?
Cub 2 – For stopping.

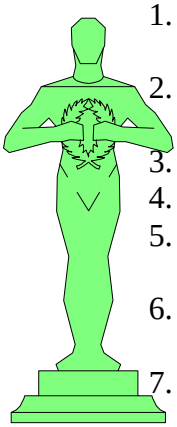
STUNT

Give everyone a piece of newspaper. Have them predict how many times they can fold it in half. Have them do it. (usually can do it 7 times). Give everyone a large piece of paper. Have them predict how many times they can tear it in half when you tear. Put the 2 pieces together and tear again, then put the 4 pieces together

GAME: "WHICH BOOK WAS CHOSEN?"

Have 9 similar-sized books laid on the floor in three rows of three. Put them in orderly rows. Have a pointer. Have someone leave the room. Chose a book. Have the person come back into the room. Use some conversation, "I am now going to see if you can guess which book the group chose while you were gone." Point to the books one at a time and the person can tell you which one they chose. (The trick is. When you are pointing to the books you point to the correct book in the exact position it is on the floor in relation to the others.)
Another variation is that the first book you point to shows the position of the chosen book.

APPLAUSES/CHEERS



1. CAMERA MAN-- Say, "Zoom in, Zoom out, click, click, click, Oh no, out of film".
2. PICTURE THAT-- Say, "Flash, flash," have bugged eyes and mouth open in a ' O' .
3. CHEESE-- Smile big and say, "Stinky Feet".
4. DIRECTOR-- "RRRROOOOLLL UM!"
5. CAMERA ACTION—Tell group that when you call out "Action" or "Camera", they are to respond to the opposite thing.
6. ECHO—Have one half group holler out what you holler. The other half acts as the echo. You holler "Lights", "Camera", and "Action".
7. MEGAPHONE—Make hands look like one and shout as loud as you can, "You are great!"

CUBS IN THE KITCHEN

TURKISH DELIGHT

This is Edmund' s favorite candy in The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe, By C. S. Lewis. Read an excerpt from the book while munching on this wonderful treat.

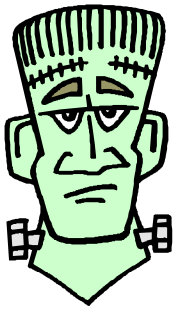
1 cup water
Juice of one lemon
1 cup fresh squeezed orange juice
6 envelopes unflavored gelatin
2 cups sugar
1 tablespoon grated orange zest
1/2 cup chopped pistachios, walnuts, or hazelnuts *(opt.)*
1 tablespoon orange flower water *(opt)* food coloring *(opt.)*
Confectioners' sugar

Heat the water and juices in a non-metallic saucepan. Stir in the gelatin, one packet at a time. Cook over medium heat for four minutes, then add the sugar and zests . Bring the mixture to a boil, then simmer, stirring occasionally, for twenty minutes. Add the nuts, flower water and food coloring. Pour the mixture into a *9"x 9"* pan. Refrigerate until solid and cut into pieces, and liberally dust with confectioners' sugar. Makes sixteen squares.

BROILED CINNAMON TOAST

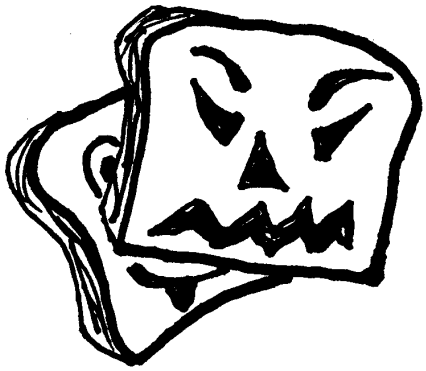
A great breakfast-in-bed for mom on Mother' s Day. And not too bad for an after school snack either.
1/3 cup (6 tbsp.) softened butter
1/4 cup sugar
1 tablespoon cinnamon
4 slices bread

Mix the cinnamon and sugar together. Add to the butter and blend. Spread generously on bread and broil 3-4 minutes until crisp.

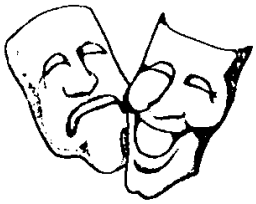


MONSTER TOAST

Prepare 4 Small cups with **2 Tbsp. milk** in each. Add at least 3 **drops food coloring** to each. You will want it to be very bright. Using a paint brush, paint a monster face on a piece of white bread. Toast it in the toaster and butter lightly. Munch.



THEME MIDWAY



Chinese Juggling Sticks

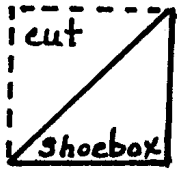
What you' ll need:

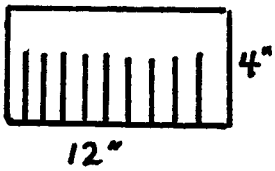
1 (5/8" x 24") hardwood dowel
1 roll of rubber tape
1 roll of duct tape
2 (3/8" x 18") hardwood dowels
3 (4" x 12") strips of felt (to match colored tape)
3 rolls of colored electrical tape (different colors)
1 can of Fabric-Tac permanent adhesive

Directions: Find center of large dowel by measuring. Wrap tape on either side of center and put a strip of colored tape around center. Take the same colored tape as in center and, beginning from the outside center, wrap it around the stick in candy cane fashion leaving space for the width of rubber tape to also be wrapped around in candy cane style. Wrap the rubber tape around the same way covering the dowel with alternating rubber and colored tapes. Do this on both sides. Wrap the duct tape on both ends in equal weight (1/2" x 3/4") around both ends. Test weight by balancing the center on a figure. Cur the felt into 1/2" wide by 3" long strips as shown below. A pair of pinking shears makes it look decorative. Stack the 3 strips and wrap non-cut end with Fabric-Tac adhesive around the duct tape.

Hand Sticks

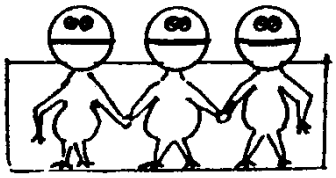
Alternate colored and rubber tapes around 2/3rds of smaller dowels in candy cane style. Wrap extra rubber tape around the end. For the other 1/3 of stick, cover candy cane style with your choice of colored tape. Wrap a couple of extra times around the end.





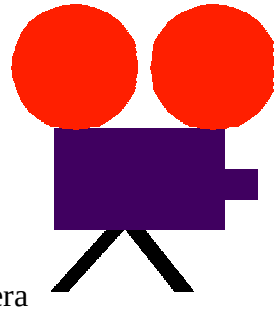
Chorus Line Frog Puppets

3 - 2" solid rubber balls
Shoebox (no lid)
Wire coat hangers
Paint brushes
Felt
Scissors
Knife
Spray paint
Wiggle eyes
White glue
Wire cutters
Acrylic paints



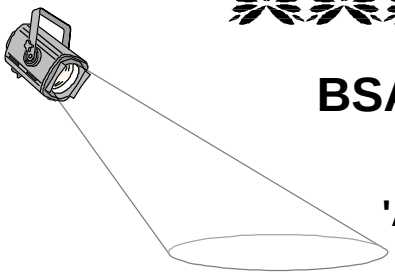
Cut the three balls in half, and then on three of the halves cut a slit across the top. Cut out felt circles to cover all 6 halves (the flat side). Glue on felt. Cut bottom of shoebox on a diagonal from top to bottom. Paint frog bodies on box as shown and spray balls and glue on eyes on ball halves without slits. Install balls on box by fitting the slit in balls over the box edge. Cut three sections of coat hanger, each 6-8". Push coat hanger section into each un-slit ball half. By moving the rods, you can make it appear that frogs can talk!

DEN AND PACK RECOGNITIONS



Camera
Cartoon Characters
Academy Awards/Emmy Awards
Golden Statue
Light Award (flashlight)

Movie Star Award
Hollywood Walk of Fame
Comedy/Tragedy

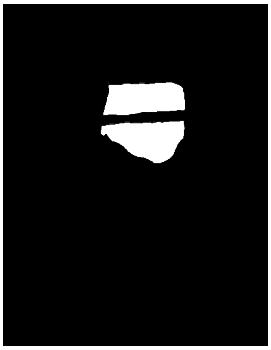


BSA FAMILY AWARD

Suggested Topic

'Accepting Success'

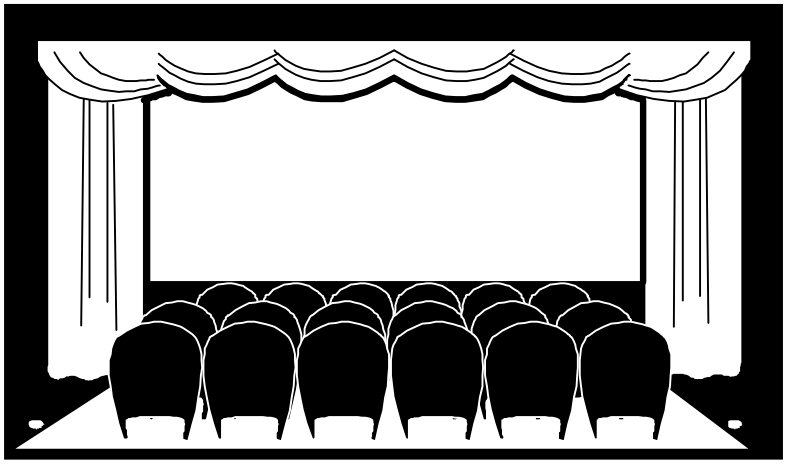
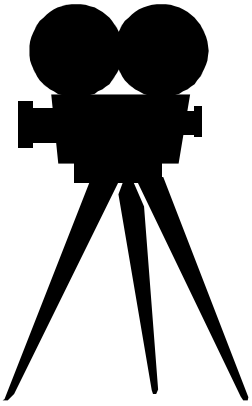
(Family Book p. 24)



All of us desire recognition and acclaim. Actors, sports heroes, etc. all are in the spotlight and children desire to be like them. We need to help our family members understand how to "Do Their Best" in any activity, even if they don' t always get the recognition and success they wish for.

In addition, many children who do get acclaim and recognition in sporting events or performing venues need to learn how to graciously handle success without putting down others. Talk about success and what it means.

Sometimes true achievement comes from finishing a difficult task, or doing our best, even if we come in last. As you watch sporting events together, point out good sportsmanlike conduct. Be aware of those individuals in the spotlight who know how to handle success, and point it out. Then, be good sports yourselves.

THEME RESOURCES - - Lights! Camera! Action!

CATEGORY	NAME	BOOK OR REFERENCE (Note: All books can be found at Scout Shop)
Extra Ideas	Abracadabra	National Theme —May 2002
	Skits and Costumes; Puppets; Songs, Stunts and Stories; Tricks and Puzzles	Cub Scout How To Book Section 4& Section *5*, Section 6, Section 7
	Prisoner's Escape	Cub Scout How To Book pg. 6-13
	Cub Scout Midway Activities	Cub Scout How To Book pg. 9-32
Thank Yous/Awards	Hat "Hats off to…"	
	Magic Wand "You worked magic	
Ceremonies	Magic Opening Ceremony	Ceremonies for Dens and Packs pg. *5-8*
Applauses & Cheers	Clown, jugglers, lion tamer, Leo the Clown, jugglers, lion tamer, Leo the	All the Applauses We Could Find(alphabetical)
	The photographer, the cinematographer, magic & messy magician	Crazy Cory's vol. 2 pg. 82 & 83
Songs	"The Cub Scout Show" & "Commercial Mix Up"	Crazy Cory's vol. 2 pg . 50 & 51
Skits	"The Disappearing Bandanna" & "Ticket Line"	Crazy Cory's vol. 2 pg. 66 & 69
Cub Requirements	Wolf Elective 2-Be an Actor, 11-Sing Along	Wolf
	Bear Elective 10-Masks, 13-Magic	Bear
	Webelos Showman	Webelos