



# BALOO'S BUGLE



**Dec Cub Scout RT**  
**Tiger Cub Big Ideas 10 & 11**  
**Webelos Scholar, Engineer**

**Passports to Other Lands**

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**H**ere are some ideas from a organizational guide written by Scouter James Ball on planning a Pinewood Derby. Jim's book is 44 pages long and this month I have shared just a very small part of it. His book started his involvement beyond the unit level in Scouting. His District Pinewood Derby gets 300+ racers every year. They race on four tracks simultaneously. Their full program includes exhibits, goody bag giveaways, sponsors, car show, Disney or Sea World Character visits for their celebrity race, and two to three thousand dollars in door prizes each year. It is a great event.

## JANUARY CHECKLIST

### RACE COMMITTEE MEETING:

- ?? Hold early, before Pack Committee meets
- ?? Setup, test track before Race Day;
- ?? Review Practice Day arrangements.
- ?? Confirm all job assignments. (see RACE COMMITTEE)
- ?? Layout and review ROOM SETUP DIAGRAM, go over registration process and racing procedures with Registration & Track-op Teams.
- ?? Review EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES LIST, assign responsibility to procure each item to individual Team Leaders as appropriate.
- ?? Distribute, review OFFICIAL RULES & PROCEDURES so every Committee member is familiar with them.
- ?? Assign layout and production of all Race Day forms.
- ?? Make Leader Board; table and track area SIGNAGE (optional)
- ?? Arrange for P.A. system; background sound effects. (optional)
- ?? Review Publicity arrangements. (if any)

- ?? Review decoration arrangements (Committee)? (optional)
- ?? Review, coordinate any Special Projects needs. (optional)
- ?? Progress Report on fundraising efforts. (optional)

### PACK COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA:

- ?? Status report on all preparations and scheduled activities; discuss any issues that need to be resolved before Race Day.
- ?? Review RACE COMMITTEE and EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES LIST needs, get firm commitments for volunteers now!
- ?? Handout, review RACING CATEGORIES & AWARDS LIST. Assign someone to order trophies and awards.
- ?? Assign making of an "Events Banner" to a Den as a special project.
- ?? Extra car kits available for siblings, parents?

### PACK MEETING:

- ?? Make announcement about Derby; remind everyone of Practice Day; reference Event Info Flyer for details.
- ?? Mention Special Projects or other needs you may need help with.
- ?? Distribute Event Info Flyer and OFFICIAL RULES again, include times for Registration & Inspection on Race Day.

### SPECIAL PROJECTS: (optional)

- ?? Food concessions
- ?? Decorations Committee (or by each Den)
- ?? Event Banner Competition and awards
- ?? Photography, Sponsorships, and Publicity
- ?? Celebrity Race coordination, other program additions

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### FEBRUARY CHECKLIST

(Post Race wrap-up)

#### RACE COMMITTEE MEETING:

- ?? Recap of Derby events, evaluate for benefit of next year's Race Committee.
- ?? Collect all DERBY information, notes, rules, evaluation forms, etc. and file for next year's Race Committee. Setup a 3-ring binder to pass on from year to year.
- ?? Send out "thank you" letters to all who donated to you race program, especially your door prize sponsors. Very important, don't let this slip by.

#### PACK COMMITTEE MEETING:

- ?? Recap of Derby events, evaluate for benefit of next year's Race.
- ?? Distribute, review financial report, save for next year's budgeting.

#### STORE

- ?? track, decorations, signage, etc. for next year.

#### PACK MEETING: (B & G Banquet?)

- ?? Be sure to recognize and thank, one more time, both the winners and all the volunteers that made the Derby possible.
- ?? Set up a pictureboard display of Derby if you had it photographed.

#### PRAYERS & POEMS FOR SCOUTERS

A child's life is like a piece of paper on which every person leaves a mark. (Chinese Proverb)

##### Growing Up

Unknown

There will be a time when there will be no slamming of doors, no toys on the stairs, no childhood quarrels, no fingerprints on the wallpaper.

Then may I look back with joy and not regret.  
God, give me wisdom to see that today is my day with my children.

That there is no unimportant moment in their lives.

May I know that no other career is so precious, no other work so rewarding, no other task so urgent.

May I not defer it or neglect it, but by the Spirit accept it gladly, joyously, and by Thy grace realize that the time is short and my time is now, for children won't wait!

##### Boys

Unknown

A boy is:

Trust with dirt on his face,  
Beauty with a cut on his finger,  
Wisdom with bubble gum in his hair, and the hope of the future with a frog in his pocket.

There are only two kinds of boys:  
Dirty, and Not Yet

If you have a little boy  
All your very own,  
Then you have enough and more  
To make a happy home.

##### Little Boys are Treasures

Unknown

Little boys are treasures  
Who are worth their weight in gold  
And charm everyone around them  
From the time they're hours old  
They're Mommy's little darling,  
They're a special pal to Dad,  
And they bring the very happiest days  
A family's ever had!

##### I Stood Beside the Flag Today

by Louise Pinkerton Pritz  
National Capital Area Council

I stood beside the flag today  
And watched it gently wave;  
I saw amidst the Stars and Stripes  
America, the great.

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A land to which the masses turn,  
A land that still is free,  
A country that still has been spared  
the rule of tyranny,

I stood beside the grand old flag,  
The tried red, white and blue  
Compatriots, this flag and I,  
Of a nation fair to view.

A nation built upon God's truth,  
Where He is still the key  
To keeping this, our glorious land,  
A torch of liberty.

### **Invocation and Prayers**

National Capital Area Council

Dear Heavenly Father,  
Look down on us this evening as we gather  
together in the Spirit of Scouting.  
Bless these families assembled here and guide  
them as they go forward in Akela's path. Amen.

### **Blue & Gold Benediction**

National Capital Area Council

Dear Father,

We thank you for this food and fellowship that  
we share tonight. As we come together on this  
anniversary of Cub Scouting to celebrate, we ask  
you to bless this food and our fellowship so that  
we may all Do Our Best to Do Our Duty, to You,  
our country, our communities, our families, and  
ourselves.

As our Webelos become Boy Scouts, we also ask  
that they remember always the lessons they have  
learned:

To be Trustworthy, Loyal, and Helpful to all  
those they meet,

To be Friendly, Courteous, and Kind to friend  
and stranger alike,

To Obediently and Cheerfully do their duty, and  
to be Thrifty, so as not to squander the gifts you  
have provided,

To be Brave and Clean to face the challenges of  
everyday life with a clean mind and a clean  
spirit, and  
To be Reverent - remembering always your  
presence in their lives.

We thank you, O' Lord. Amen.

## **TRAINING TIP**

### **Pinewood Derby**

This is one of the most popular and successful  
family activities in Cub Scouting. Pinewood  
derby cars are simply small wooden models,  
made by boys with help from their families, and  
raced in competition. The cars are gravity  
powered and run down a regulation track. The  
pinewood derby is an annual event in most  
packs, and can be run indoors or outdoors.  
Every boy can design and build his own "grand  
prix" car to enter in the race.

Pinewood derby car kits are available from your  
local Scouting distributor, along with pinewood  
derby ribbons, medals, and trophies.

The above information was taken from the "Cub  
Scout Leader Book", Special Activities section,  
Chapter 9, available at your Scout Shop.

## **TIGER CUBS**

### **Big Idea #10, Something Special All Your Own**

Istrouma Council

This is the one idea that belongs solely to the  
Tiger Den. There will be times when the  
monthly theme just doesn't fit with what the  
Tiger Den would want to do. Then it is time to  
pull out Big Idea #10. In this Big Idea, the  
Tigers and their Partners decide what they would  
like to do. The boys play as big a part in the

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decision making as the adults. The only requirement is that it needs to be fun for everyone.

You can let your imagination suggest whatever it wants. The important part is that the boys and adults plan the big idea together. Don't forget to include both family and group activities.

As the group decides what the idea is all about, there is no meeting plans or places to go/things to do section for the Big Idea. Just remember to have fun in whatever you do.

### Indian Nations Council

This is free for all your ideas. Make it special, simple, and fun!

#### **Big Idea #11, Making Your Family Special**

##### Istrouma Council

Every family is special in their own way. How they are made up, where they came from, even who is part of the family. This makes them one of a kind or unique. Being different allows each family to have its own strengths. Taking the opportunity to talk about his own family allows the Tiger to develop a sense of belonging and pride.

The goal of the BSA with this idea is to make family bonds stronger. This is accomplished by helping the Tiger to see what makes his family special and how they are different from other Tiger families. No way is the Tiger allowed to view another Tiger's family as inferior. Instead, he is encouraged to view the differences with tolerance and helped to understand that being different is "special."

#### **Meeting Idea**

1. Have a family picnic. Have the Tiger introduce the other members of his family.
2. Ask each Tiger bring 2-4 pictures of something special their family has done

together. Let the scout share this with his den.

3. Make a Family Coat of Arms. Include individual preferences of the family members.
4. Play the various Tiger Cub and partner games as listed in the Tiger Cub Resource book.
5. Make a dessert during the meeting. Ask the family members to share it with you after closing.
6. Research the meanings of your names. Share what they signify with the others in your den.

### Indian Nations Council

#### **Gathering:** Family Fire Escape Plan

To help make the boys safety conscious, ask them to make a fire escape plan for their home. The key is to have two ways of safely exiting every room and a designated gathering place outside. In a two-story home, it might be necessary to have chain ladders for bedroom windows.

Suggest that the boys talk to the family about the escape plan.

#### **Game:** Cross the River

Line up in 2 groups. Each person gets two pieces of paper or a ¼ sheet newspaper. The paper is called "Ice Cakes". The first player on each team puts an ice cake down and then steps on it with one foot. Now while he balances on the second ice cake he picks up the first one, puts it in front of him and steps on it. He continues to pick up the ice cakes and put them in front of him while he successfully crosses the river. Then the next teammate starts with his ice cakes. The first team with all players across the river wins. If a player steps off the paper, he must go back and start over.

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### LEADER IDEAS

Wondering a fun way to earn the Marble Belt Loop. Michelle and her den have EARNED it and share with us how to do it.

Planning ahead for any den meeting is essential for the success of the meeting. Kids want to have fun! That's the main key. If, by chance they happen to learn something - then, that's a bonus. I never say "we're going to learn ", instead I say "we get to play ".

My boys, I'm sure like yours, are very active. You can't just have them watch someone else do something for a long period of time. Since no more than 6 can play in one game, I planned to have the boys that were not playing, do something else (unless they wanted to watch). We drew names to select the 2 teams. After 5 minutes of cheering and getting all excited, the other group came over to watch and cheer on. First of all, since I did this meeting in the winter, I had to plan how I was going to set up the ring. My son and I measured out the circle and put white tape down on the carpet. That worked great - a very flat surface and the marbles rolled perfectly.

I had gone to the library ahead of time and got some books on marbles (along with surfing the net to find information). I asked the boys to bring any marbles they might have. That alone was almost as exciting as trading Pokemon cards a year ago.

We started off by demonstrating how to shoot and gave each of them 4 practice shots (that got all of them involved right off the bat). We read from "Americana Marble Playing" from Hammermill Paper Company the rules of the game Ringer. This is not a book, it is an 8-page flyer that had exactly what information we needed in it.

We started our first team off by playing a game of Ringer. Since we had never played before, we were actually participating in a game and practicing the skills to play the game of Ringer

in one shot - we "learned" as we played. Also completing Items #2 & #3 to earn the belt loop.

When the parents came to pick up their scouts, I asked them to tell their parents what they did at the den meeting (completing Item #1 - explain the rules of Ringer with an adult partner). The boys had a blast and not only did we earn the Marbles Belt Loop, but 6 out of the 10 kids had marbles, but never played a game of marbles before. Can you imagine???

Michelle Wagner - 2nd year Webelos Den Leader for Cub Scout Pack 922, Eureka, Missouri

Alice W - Assistant Den Leader

Joe & Ben W

Ben W

Adam O

Steven J

Jon D

Matt H

Justin M

Alex B

Zach S

Check out the Cub Scout Leader How-To Book for pack and den activities, such as, Pinewood Derbies, Blue and Gold Idea. This is a BSA publication available through your Scout Shop.

Judy P., a dedicated Scouter recently started a job at her local library and sent the following info. Judy always has great tips for leaders and we wanted to share with everyone ways to make better use of your local library and to see if you can do a little "trapping hold" of your own for your pack or den from your library.

Kanawha County Public Library has about 12 branch libraries, and you can request a hold on any material that the other libraries have. (You can even do it by computer -- we are connected!)

So, yesterday I was "trapping holds," which is library talk for checking a computer print out of books, finding the books on the shelves, printing out a hold slip from the computer, preparing call tags so they can be shipped to another library.

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So, yesterday I was "trapping holds," and came across this great series of books by Kathy Ross - a treasure trove for the Cub Scout leader.

*Crafts for Kids who are Wild about Polar Life*  
*Crafts for Kids who are Wild about Oceans*  
*Crafts for Kids who are Wild about Dinosaurs*  
*Crafts for Kids who are Wild about Rain Forests*  
*Crafts for Kids who are Wild about Deserts*  
*Crafts for Kids who are Wild about Insects*  
*Crafts for Kids who are Wild about Outer Space*  
*Crafts for Kids who are Wild about Reptiles*  
*Crafts for Kids who are Wild about the Wild*

I looked through the Wild About books and another she wrote of simple Christmas Ornaments. All the projects are illustrated with easy to follow steps, made from materials all Cub Scouts leaders have or can easily access (many materials are recyclable -- oatmeal boxes, toilet paper rolls, styrofoam meat trays, old socks and gloves -- or things we have learned to save -- pipecleaners, yarn, glitter, sequins, plastic bags.)

From the Wild About Polar Life book is a simple pengiun, made from three of the "wooden spoons" we used to get for ice cream or italian ice. Two are painted black. All three are glued together to make a "fan" (skinny ends together, opposite larger ends spread out.) The skinny ends that are glued other is the head. Spread out are the wings and stomach, so the black ones go on the outside and on the top. The third one is underneath and between them. Glue scraps of batting (quilt filler) as the stomach to the center spoon. Add eyes and a beak to the black part where they are glued together (the head). Use it as a pin or a magnet! (or a neckerchief slide!) Most of the crafts are THIS simple.

If you are searching in the library, and yours is on Dewey Decimal system, check the 740's for craft books. The Wild About Polar Life and Oceans are specifically 745.5 in our system. I ran a quick search of the author's name, Kathy Ross, on Amazon and found these titles as well:

*Crafts for All Seasons*  
*The Best Holiday Crafts Ever*  
*Crafts to Make in the Winter*  
*Crafts to Make in the Spring*  
*Crafts to Make in the Fall*  
*Crafts to Make in the Summer*  
*Crafts to Make for your Favorite Grown-up*  
*Christmas Ornaments kids can make*  
*More Christmas Ornaments kids can make*  
*Crafts from your favorite Bible Stories*  
*Crafts from your favorite Fairy Tales*  
*Crafts for Christmas*  
*Crafts for Easter*  
*Crafts for Hanukkah*  
*Crafts for St. Patrick's Day*  
*Crafts for Thanksgiving*  
*Crafts for Halloween*  
*Crafts for Valentine's Day*  
*Crafts for Kwanzaa*  
*Crafts for Christian Values*  
*The Best Birthday Parties Ever! a Kid's Do-It-Yourself Guide: A Kid's Do-It-Yourself Guide*  
*Every Day Is Earth Day : A Craft Book*  
*The Year of Crafts*  
*Make Yourself a Monster: A book of Creepy Crafts*  
*The Jewish Holiday Craft Book*

And these, not yet published, with current publication dates:

*Crafts to Celebrate God's Creation* (January 2001)  
*Crafts from Your Favorite Children's Songs* (March 2001)  
*Play-Doh Halloween* (August 2001)  
*Christian Crafts for Christmastime* (September 2001)  
*Christmas Crafts to Give As Gifts* (September 2001)

I have "trapped a hold," on the Outer Space book for myself, for day camp!! I'm looking at the Polar Life book to do a craft station at our Winter Fun Day in February!

Judy

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## PRE-OPENING ACTIVITY

Here is a brain buster from the 1st Mount Waverly Cub Scouts

The four Patrol Leaders from 1<sup>st</sup> Gilwell Scout Troop are out on a night hike. They have to catch a train that leaves in 17 minutes from the other side of the river and there is only one bridge which they all must cross to get to the station.

All four begin on the same side of the bridge and require your directions to catch the train on time. There is only one torch and the bridge can only support the weight of two people at a time. Any group that crosses (either 1 or 2 people) must carry the torch. The torch must be walked back and forth (it cannot be thrown etc)

Each person walks at a different speed but a pair must walk at the speed of the slower person.

Alice takes 1 minute to cross, Barry takes 2 mins, Colin takes 5 mins, David takes 10 mins  
For example If Alice and David walk across first

10 minutes have passed when they get to the other side of the bridge. If David returns with the torch 20 minutes have passed and they have missed the train (which by the way is running on time and will not wait for late passengers)

There is no trick behind this. It is the simple movement of people in the appropriate order. There are two known answers and the first Cub Scout to find a correct answer will receive a prize for their skill.

Also a word search puzzle (Thanks Akela (Mike)

**Are these things in your room?**

Bed, Chair, Desk, Pillow, Shoes, Stool, Boot, Clock, Lamp, Poster, Shorts, Wardrobe, Cap, Coat Mirror, Shirt, Sock

L O L O R O E A E C S  
O W V A P S Q R L H C  
O D A L M A T O O A O  
T C T R Y P C E L I A  
S B B E D K S H I R T  
M T L D E R H W M O O  
I T O O S J O L O K Y  
R C R O K L R B T N S  
R F C W L H T Z E O P  
O K G I S V S D N R S  
R V P O S T E R Y O T

And a Brainbuster from our son, Neal

If Picasso is worth 28

And Monet is worth 22

How much is Raphael worth?

**Solution:** 34. Take the numerical value of each letter (i.e. a is letter 1, z is letter 26), then add the numbers to obtain the "worth" of each letter (z would be 8; 2 + 6. Exception: letter "s," #19. 1 + 9 is 0, however assume all letters must have positive value, therefore count it as 1). Add all of those "worth's" to get the final worth.

## **Modern World Wonders**

Trapper Trails Council

- 1-The Channel Tunnel
- 2-The Clock Tower (Big Ben)
- 3- The CN Tower
- 4-Eiffel Tower
- 5-The Empire State Building
- 6-The Gateway Arch
- 7-The Golden Gate Bridge
- 8-The High Dam
- 9-Hoover Dam
- 10-Itaipu Dam
- 11-Mount Rushmore National Monument
- 12- The Panama Canal
- 13-The Petronas Towers
- 14-The Statue of Cristo Redentor
- 15-The Statue of Liberty
- 16-The Suez Canal
- 17-The Sydney Opera House

A- St. Louis, USA

B- Arizona/Nevada, USA

C- Toronto, Canada

D- English Channel

E-Panama

F- Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

G- London, England

H- New York City, USA

I- Aswan, Egypt

J- Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

K- Brazil/Paraguay

L- San Francisco, USA

M-Egypt

N- New York City, USA

O- Australia

P- Paris, France

Q- South Dakota, USA

1-D, 2-G, 3-C, 4-P, 5-H, 6-A, 7-L, 8-I, 9-B, 10-K, 11-Q, 12-E, 13-J, 14-F, 15-N, 16-M, 17-O

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### OPENING CEREMONY

#### **Opening Ceremony**

Sam Houston Area Council

**Props:** Cue cards with the Cubs' lines printed on the back. It can also be useful to display a world map showing which countries have Scouting organizations.

Go to <http://www.scout.org/wso/links.html> to see the list of all 149 countries participating in the World Brotherhood of Scouting. Go to <http://www.ipl.org/youth/hello> for a more complete list of how to say and pronounce "Hello" in various languages.

**Announcer:** "Welcome to our meeting. There are 149 countries in the World Brotherhood of Scouting, as shown on our map. There are many languages spoken in those countries but you can always hear a Scout greeting you.

Spanish: Hola (OH-lah)

French: Bonjour (bohn-ZHOOR)

German: Guten Tag (GOOT-en Tahg)

Mandarin: Ni hao (nee-HOW)

Russian: Zdravstvuite (ZzDrast-vet- yah)

Mohawk: Sekoh (SEH-goh)

Swahili: Jambo (JAM-bo)

Arabic: A1 salaam a'alaykum (AHL sah-LAHM-ah ah-LAY-koom)

Hindi: Nahmaste (nah-mah-STAY)

Hebrew: Shalom (Sha-LOHM)

Hawaiian: Aloha (ah-LOW-ha)

**Announcer:** "No matter where you go or how you say it, you can count on being greeted by a Scout who says 'Hello'."

#### **Spirit of Scouting**

Heart of America Council

**Personnel:** Cubmaster or Den Leader

**Cubmaster:** Did you know that millions of boys and men have been part of the Boy Scout Movement since its beginning in 1907? Many of you dads were Scouts 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, over all is the Spirit of Scouting and below this, three candles representing Boy Scouting, Cub Scouting, Venturing and Exploring. Let us resolve that as someone, someplace helped us get started in Cub Scouting, so will we, together and as individuals, help more boys and institutions have Cub Scouting. Repeat with me the response to our Cub Scout motto: WE'LL DO OUR BEST! Now sing "Happy Birthday to You

#### **I Am I, and You Are You**

Heart of America Council

**Personnel:** Narrator and Cubs

**Equipment:** American Flag, Pack Flag and poster cards representing different countries where Cub Scouting is organized such as: Denmark, Greenland, France, Great Britain, Germany, Ireland, Algeria, Belgium, Philippines, Switzerland

**Setting:** Cub Scouts enter with American Flag and Pack Flag followed by a color guard of Scouts carrying poster cards at the end of the narration

**Narrator:** Alike in so many ways, different in many others! But here! Now! We share a common bond - Cub Scouting. And so it is with the many nations that form the World Scout Conference; alike in many ways, different in many ways, sharing a common bond - Cub Scouting. In 1920 Scouts from 32 countries gathered in Great Britain for the first World Scout Conference. This Conference meets every two years during the intervening time the World Scout Bureau, consisting of 12 members elected at the previous World Scout Conference, meets to carry on the work of the Conference. The Bureau is headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland. We as Cub Scouts, are not only members of a Pack, but we are members of a National organization and then members of a World organization. It is time to pause and think



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about our brothers around the world, how we are alike, how we are different, but mostly think about our common bond - Cub Scouting (Cubs enter with Flags and Cards)

### **For Blue and Gold** National Capital Area Council

Print large block letters with permanent markers on 8"x10" sheets of white poster board, one letter to a sheet--the word--"BLUE" in blue, "AND" in black, and "GOLD" in red. Add silver stars to the letters. Print the script on back of each card reduce memorization.

**B** is for Boys--Bobcats, Wolves, Bears and Webelos

**L** is for Leader--The Cubmaster who guides us

**U** is for Understanding--we learn to help others

**E** is for Excellence--we try to do our best

**A** is for Anniversary -- Cubbing's XXth.

**N** is for Neighborhoods -- where Cub Scout dens meet each week.

**D** is for Den Chiefs -- Boy Scouts who help us in many ways.

**G** is for Goals -- for which Cubbing stands.

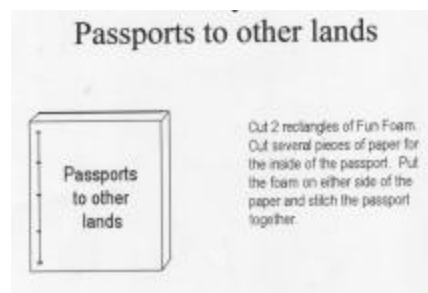
**O** is for Opportunities -- for boys to learn and do.

**L** is for Liberty -- in the years to come.

**D** is for Den Leaders -- who love to help us.

### **DEN DOODLE**

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### **CEREMONIES FOR UNIT LEADERS**

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#### **Adult Recognition** Indian Nations Council

This is also a time to recognize those fellow leaders who have gone the extra mile. These awards should be simple and fun and can be made with things around the house or found at a craft store.

1. For being a lifesaver (package of lifesavers).
2. For being totally awesome (box of Total).
3. For immeasurable service (ruler).
4. For a blooming personality (plastic flower).
5. For being the apple of our eye (plastic or real apple).
6. For lighting up the meetings (light bulb).
7. For putting your best foot forward (plastic foot).
8. For a ducky job (toy duck).
9. For an over abundance of energy (size D battery).
10. For colorful ideas (box of colors).
11. For being tops with us (toy top).
12. For being #1 (a birthday candle that is a #1).
13. A note of thanks (toy musical instrument).
14. Greatest scouting fan (small fan).
15. For raisin leaders (box of raisins).
16. For adding an extra spark (spark plug).
17. For being a sweetie (candy bar).
18. For being a joy to be around (almond joy bar).
19. For guiding us in the right direction (compass).
20. For being a good egg at helping (plastic egg).
21. For giving a helping hand when needed (plastic hand).
22. For refreshing ideas (bottle of Listerine).
23. For caring enough to give the best (Hallmark card).
24. For being the official cheerleader (box of cheer).
25. For putting in a lot of time (toy watch).
26. For seeing that everyone was trained (small toy train).
27. For keeping everyone informed of changes (toy telephone).
28. For sticking with us (bottle of glue).

**PACK/DEN ACTIVITIES****Jaydean Huff**

Jaydean gave these as Christmas gifts. But for those so inclined these would also be cute Valentine Gifts for the scouts in your den.

I took a peice of 3/4 inch PVC pipe and glued a stone arrowhead. Applied pony beads that spelled the boys name on one side and the other I put our pack #. The cream colored pipe I painted dark blue. I gave these for Christmas gifts to my den and Cubmaster. I was surprised at the way they loved them. Stone arrowheads are at [makingfriends.com/store](http://makingfriends.com/store).

**Choque-Bolvia**

Sam Houston Area Council

**Materials:** A Forked Stick (shape of a Y), 3-foot cord, Croquet Ball

**Directions:** Use a forked stick and a croquet ball, both attached to a three-foot cord. The object is to toss the ball into the air and catch it in the fork.

**Purim Grogger - Israel**

Sam Houston Area Council

A Grogger is a special kind of noisemaker.

**Materials:**

Kitchen matchboxes, Pea gravel, New pencils, Rice, Dried beans, Seeds

**Directions:**

1. Place the noisemaker materials into the box.
2. Tape the box shut and cover with aluminum foil.
3. Poke a small hole at each end of the box and stick the pencil through. Leave enough of the pencil around both ends of the pencil next to the matchbox so that the pencil cannot pull out. This lets your Grogger spin without slipping.
4. Decorate your Grogger with Colorful designs cut from contact or construction paper or

make designs with colored tape or felt tipped markers.

**Ojos De Dios (Eyes of God) - Mexico**

Sam Houston Area Council

**Daruma Doll (Japan)**

Heart of America Council

A self-righting doll with a goblin or animal face

**Materials:**

1. Heavy Paper
2. Markers
3. Half a ball
4. Plaster

**Directions:**

1. Cut a cone from heavy paper to fit on base. Make the outside edge equal to the circumference of the ball.
2. Decorate the cone with a goblin or animal face and shape into a cone.
3. Fill the ball with plaster and tape the cone to the ball

**World Tie Slide**

Heart of America Council

**Materials:**

- ?? Half a Styrofoam ball
- ?? Paint
- ?? Pipe cleaner
- ?? Low temp hot glue

**Directions:**

1. Paint an earth design on a half of styrofoam ball
2. Glue a pipe cleaner to the back

**Chinese Water Lock**

Heart of America Council

Water clocks, like sundials, were used by ancient Egyptians, Greeks, Romans, and Chinese. Unlike sundials, water clocks don't depend on sunlight, so they can keep track of time on cloudy days or during the night Here are the instructions for the Chinese style Water Clock

**Materials:**

1. 5 Paper cups (all 1 size)
2. 5 Thumbtacks
3. Tape
4. Pencil
5. Clear jar at least as big as the cups
6. Kitchen timer or alarm watch
7. Strip of heavy cardboard
8. Strip of paper

**Directions:**

1. Use a thumbtack to punch a hole in the bottom of each cup. Tack the five cups to the cardboard, one under another.
2. Tape the strip of paper vertically on the glass jar, and put the jar beneath the bottom cup.
3. For a test run, fill the top cup with water and make sure the water drips smoothly through each cup.
4. Now pour out the water from the test run and fill the top cup again. Use a timer and, at the end of every five minutes, mark the water level on the paper taped to the jar.
5. When all the water has dripped into the jar, you'll be able to use this "clock" to keep track of time.
5. For example, start your water clock again. Use the five-minute marks to time how long it takes you to do your homework, practice playing an instrument, or setting the table.

**Little Eskimo Slide**

## Indian Nations Council

The head is made from half of a cork fishing bobber. Saw it in half so the holes are centered. Nose can be of wood or preferably cork. Set a 3/4-inch plastic or metal ring into the back with glue.

Saw it carefully and sand it smooth.

Glue nose and ring in place.

Paint eyes and hair black and mouth red.

Any short brown, grey or white fur will do.

Cut a 1/4" strip and fasten it with glue and pins.

**Pinewood Derby Slide**

## Indian Nations Slide

**Items needed:**

Vinyl

Brads

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

Racing flags are decals.

**Scroll**

## Indian Nation Council

**Supplies:** Paper to use for scroll. For small

Scrolls, you can use adding machine paper tape.

For larger scrolls, use 12 inch shelf liner paper that comes on a roll, or tape a couple of pages of typewriter or copy machine paper together.

wooden Dowels. 2 dowels for each scroll. For small Scrolls, use new pencils that have not been sharpened, or wooden dowels from a hobby store. For larger scrolls, use larger diameter wooden dowels. Glue, tape, or thumbtacks.

To make scroll, cut wooden dowel to 4-8 inches wider than the width of your paper. This will allow you to hold onto the dowel when opening the scroll. Cut and/or tape your paper to create the length you want for your scroll. Tape the paper to the dowel (best method when using pencils), -OR- Run a small bead of white glue to the length of the edges that will be fastened to the dowel. Lay the dowel in the glue and let dry.

Large scrolls, using larger diameter dowels can also be tacked to the stick with thumbtacks.

If you wish, you can have the Scouts write in their scrolls announcing the next Pack meeting.

Or have the announcement already made up and they can glue it into the scroll.

**Tiny Pinatas**

## Indian Nations Council

Fill these little pull down piñata with candies or toys. Each piñata is a cup from an egg carton, painted with poster paint. Cut a three inch fringes of tissue paper and glue it around inside of rim. Tie a knot in the end of a length of yarn and string it through egg cup.

Fill cup and secure contents with a strip of tape. String the piñatas on a pole covered with crepe paper streamers and hang it just out of reach. Attach yarn to pole with tape so piñata will release when pulled.

## AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

### **The Banquet** Heart of America Council

**Banquet**, Let's eat! (rub tummies)

**Cubmaster**, Sign up! (Cub Scout sign)

**Cub Scout**, Yipee! (jump up and down)

**Den Leader**, Oh dear! (Hand on top of head)

**Den Dad**, Not again! (both hands to side of head)

**Parents, Us too!** (Points to self)

**Committee Chairman**, Thank heaven! (Hands to ceiling)

**Everyone**, (All at once)

Blue and gold time has come again. **Cub Scouts** and **Den Leaders** had come up with ideas for the banquet to please the **Cubmaster**. They also had to stay within their budget to the **Committee Chairman's** delight. They made invitations for their **parents** and centerpieces for the table with the help of the **Den Dad**.

When they arrived at the **Banquet**, the **parents** were very happy with the decorations the **Cub Scouts** had made. When the awards were presented, the **Den Dads** and the **Den Leaders** received thanks for jobs well done. The **Cubmaster** and the **Committee Chairman** were also rewarded; and then **Everyone** decided it was the nicest **Banquet** they had had so far.

## ADVANCEMENT CEREMONIES

### **Advancement Ceremony** Sam Houston Area Council

**Props**: Passport folders made from folded construction paper, or printed computer form. Include a space for the Cub's vital information (name, pack number, den number, parents, birth date, etc.) Include a place for a snapshot to really dress it up.

Leave a column for using the rank stickers to "stamp" his passport with the ranks he has already achieved. Have stickers available to place the new rank in his folder to "stamp" his arrival at this new rank destination. You can add to the display by building a booth marked "CUSTOMS" for the Cubs to receive their stamps.

**Cubmaster**: "Here at the Customs office we see many travelers on their way along the Cub Scout Trail. They come from many countries and speak many languages, but they all have an interest in the world around them. Let me see who we might have here today."

**Assistant Cubmaster**: "Will the following Cubs and their parents please step forward?" (Calls out names of first set of Cubs)  
(Assistant Cubmaster hands each Cub his passport and tells him to go one at a time to the Customs window).

**CM**: "Ah! Who do we have here?" (Repeats Cub's name). "May I see your passport please?" (Cub hands passport to CM)

**CM**: "I see you have been very busy along the Cub Scout Trail. This shows you have been to Tiger and Bobcat (Reads off ranks as appropriate).  
"For the past few months you have been traveling on the Wolf trail. Your paperwork appears to be in order. I'll add this Wolf stamp to your passport."  
(Places sticker into passport).

"This patch and card is for your records." (Hands rank patch and card to Cub).

"This pin is for your parents, so perhaps you can help me place this onto their ribbon." (Repeat for each Cub).

At the conclusion of the ceremony:

**CM**: "Well this has certainly been a long line of boys traveling through my Customs office today. I am always amazed at all the sights they have seen and the places they have been. But you can't imagine all the amazing things they will encounter as they continue on the Scouting Trail. Someday I hope to see these boys get their passports stamped for Eagle. Cubs, be sure and invite me to be there when you do. Congratulations!"

**Around The World**  
Heart of America Council

**Personnel:** Cubmaster

**Setting:** Have yellow tablecloth on awards table, displaying a globe and small flags from other countries

**Cubmaster:** Every minute of every day of every year there are thousands of boys enjoying the fun and excitement of Cub Scouting somewhere in the world. The Cub Scout uniform varies from country to country around the world because each must be suitable and practical for the climate, but they all have one thing in common: They promote Scouting and its goals. Just as Cub Scouts wear different uniforms in different countries, they also award different badges of rank. In Japan and Korea, Cubs earn the Rabbit, Deer, and Bear Badges. In Australia, the badges are Bronze, Boomerang, Silver Boomerang, and Gold Boomerang. South Africa has the Tenderpad Badge. As we know, the first badge of rank in the United States is Bobcat. Tonight we honor (name of boys). These cubs have earned this badge which is the start of their Cub Scout trail. Would the Bobcats and their parents please come forward?

The second badge on our Cub Scout trail is Wolf. Tonight we honor (name of boys). These cubs have earned this badge. Would these Wolves and their Parents please come forward? As the Cubs learn new skills, the next badge they earn is Bear. Would these Bears and their parents please come forward. (Read names) Our highest badge of rank is Webelos. Would the following Webelos and their parent please come forward? (Read names)

These Cubs like Cub Scouts all around the world, have worked together and developed new interests which make them better citizens of our country and of the world. Let's give them a big hand to show how proud we are of them.

**Cub Scout Spirit**  
Heart of America Council

**Personnel:** Cubmaster, Assistant Cubmaster

**Setting:** A world globe on the head table, candles placed around the globe (one for each rank to be presented) Room darkened except for one candle held by the Assistant Cubmaster

**Cubmaster:** We read in the newspaper everyday about wars, nation against nation in all parts of our world. Television shows us daily pictures of bombings, buildings destroyed, people killed, a dark and not very pleasant picture and certainly not what each of us wants for ourselves or our children.

Scouting is one thing that helps to bring people together, because its ideals and goals are the same everywhere. We tend to think of Cub Scouting as just our pack, our dens, and our friends. But, there are Cub Scouts like us in almost every country in the world — we are just a small part of this wonderful organization. Our Assistant Cubmaster, (name) holds a candle representing the Spirit of Cub Scouting. As we present our advancement awards tonight, he will light a candle next to the world globe for each rank

First, we have \_\_\_\_ boys who have passed the requirements for the rank of Bobcat. Will Scout (name) and his parents please come forward? (The rank patches are presented to the parents who give them to the son(s). A candle on the table is lit. This is repeated for each rank to be presented.)

Notice how the darkness the world was in has gone away as the light of the Cub Scout Spirit is spread around the globe. If we all continue to work on our achievements and continue to advance in rank, we can keep the light bright and help our world to be a better place to live for everyone.

**Note:** You can have many variations, such as attaching rank patches on different continents with rubber cement and turn the globe as

presentations are made, highlighting Scouting around the world.

### **Candlelight Ceremony** Indian Nations Council

**Props needed:** Arrow of Light Ceremonial Board cut out as a Large Arrow of Light, 4 red candles, 3 white candles, Webelos Award(s) and Certificate(s), and several straight pins.

**Personnel needed:** Akela (in costume) and 2 Webelos Scouts (1st Webelos Scout lights the 4 red candles as he says the names of the ranks) The four red candles represent the Bobcat, Wolf, Bear and Webelos ranks in Cubs Scouts.  
2nd Webelos Scout: Webelos means We'll Be Loyal Scouts. Loyalty is one of the important things a Cub Scout stands for. (He lights the 3 white candles as he says) He is loyal to God, his Country and his home.

**Akela:** \_\_\_\_\_ will you give me the Cub Scout sign and repeat the Cub Scout Promise? (pause as Scout does this) To your parents I give the Arrow of Light Award and Certificate. The badge is worn on the uniform, centered on the left shirt pocket flap. This is the only emblem, besides the religious award, which can be worn on the Boy Scout uniform when earned as a Cub Scout. On the Boy Scout uniform, it will go on the bottom of the left pocket.

Webelos Scout: \_\_\_\_\_ I salute you as a Webelos Scout (salute the Scout) and as you go further along the Scouting Trail, I leave you the with the words of Sir Robert Baden Powell, the founder of Scouting as he said "Good Scouting to You."

### **Webelos to Scout Troop** Indian Nations Council

**Props:** U.S. flag, Pack flag, Webelos Den flag, bridge, troop neckerchief, and red spotlight.

**Personnel:** Cubmaster, Webelos Scout and his parents, Webelos Den Leader, Scoutmaster, Denner, and light switch operator.  
(In a dimly lit room, the red spotlight is on the bridge, which is centered between the U.S. and

Pack flags. Assembled on stage, to the left of the bridge, are the parents and Webelos Den Leader. On the opposite end of the bridge is the Scoutmaster.

**Cubmaster:** Tonight we mark a great occasion, the graduation of Webelos Scout(s) \_\_\_ from our Pack. We are sad to see him (them) leave because he (they) has (have) been a great help to our Pack, but we are happy for him (them) because he (they) is (are) going on to the great adventure of Boy Scouting. He (They) has (have) worked hard for this night and has (have) advanced well. Please escort Webelos Scout(s) to the front. (The graduate(s), who have been standing on the opposite side of the room, are escorted to the front by the Denner from the Webelos Den, who carries the Webelos Den flag. They stop at the front. The graduating Webelos Scout salutes and joins his Den Leader on stage. The Denner returns to his place.)

**Cubmaster:** (Recaps information such as date Scout(s) joined Pack, ranks they earned, awards they received, date they joined Webelos Den, etc.)

**Webelos Leader:** (Recaps activities in Webelos Den, activity badges they have earned.) Webelos Scout \_\_\_\_, it is with great pride that I now ask you for your Webelos neckerchief. (After the graduate removes his neckerchief, the leader escorts him to the end of the bridge, where the Cubmaster is waiting.)

**Cubmaster:** I am pleased to see that you are wearing the Arrow of Light (if he is), the highest award in Cub Scouting. This is the only Cub Scout badge of rank that you will be permitted to wear on your Boy Scout uniform. And now, you may take the final steps.

(The Webelos Scout crosses the bridge. He stops in the center, turns and salutes the Cubmaster with the Boy Scout salute. He proceeds across the bridge and gives the Scoutmaster the Boy Scout salute.)

**Scoutmaster:** \_\_\_\_ We are happy to welcome you to our troop. I can see by the Arrow of

Light that you are prepared to join the great fellowship of Boy Scouting. (If the Scout does not have the Arrow of Light, make any appropriate welcoming speech, then a short statement on what is expected of a Boy Scout.) Please repeat with me the Scout Oath. (The Scoutmaster and Scout exchange salutes and a Scout handclasp.) As a token of this important occasion, I would like to present to you the troop neckerchief (or red loops for his Boy Scout uniform.)

### Who Wants to be a Cub Scout

Steve Becker, Cubmaster

Pack 350 Greater Alabama Council

(We used the attached ceremony at our May pack meeting for promotion to the next level of scouting. It was a lot of fun.)

#### PROPS:

Tall stool/chair

"APPLAUSE" signs

Regis Philbin-style clothes (solid shirt,tie,jacket)

Drum music

Light flashing (someone turning lights off/on during applause)

**PERSONNEL:** Cubmaster dressed as Regis Philbin, APPLAUSE sign holder, lighting person. Modify questions to taste for degree of difficulty.

**CUBMASTER:** Tonight, we have a special promotion ceremony for advancing our scouts to the next level of Cub Scouting. We'll turn this into a little game. ABC stole my idea, but that's OK. Tonight, live from the [fill in the blank] studio, we're going to play "WHO WANTS TO BE A CUB SCOUT?!"

Sound/light effects. APPLAUSE

**CUBMASTER:** Let's get started. Could all the Tiger scouts and their parents please come to the front? All right Tigers, you're at an important level. Answer this next question correctly and you go home as Wolf scouts. All your lifelines are intact. You've got the 50/50 where the pack xxx computer will take away two wrong answers, leaving the correct answer and one

incorrect answer. You can ask the audience. Last you can ask a den leader, where we'll connect you to any den leader in the room this evening. Ok, let's play "Who Wants To Be A WOLF Scout?!"

Sound/light effects. APPLAUSE

**CUBMASTER:** Studio audience, very quiet please. Here's your Wolf level question: What color neckerchief does a Wolf scout wear:

- red
- green
- pink
- yellow

**CUBMASTER:** You say it's D, yellow. Is that your final answer? That's CORRECT!

Sound/light effects. APPLAUSE

Call out names of scouts advancing. Walk across bridge and receive advancement prize.

**CUBMASTER:** Ok, that was exciting. Let's get some new contestants. Could all the Wolf scouts and their parents please come forward? All right Wolves, you're at an important level. Answer this next question correctly and you go home as Bear scouts. You already know about the lifelines, so let's play "Who Wants To Be A BEAR Scout?!"

Sound/light effects. APPLAUSE

**CUBMASTER:** Studio audience, very quiet please. Here's your Bear level question: How many achievements must be completed to earn the Bear badge:

- 8
- 10
- 12
- 14

**CUBMASTER:** You say it's C, 12. Is that your final answer? That's CORRECT!

Sound/light effects. APPLAUSE

Call out names of scouts advancing. Walk across bridge and receive advancement prize.

**CUBMASTER:** Could all the Bear scouts and their parents please come forward? All right Bears, you're at an important level. Answer this

next question correctly and you go home as Webelos. You already know about the lifelines, so let's play "Who Wants To Be A WEBELOS Scout?"!

Sound/light effects. APPLAUSE

**CUBMASTER:** Studio audience, very quiet please. Here's your Webelos level question: What does Webelos stand for:

- a) We'll be lucky scouts
- b) We'll be loyal scouts
- c) We'll be lousy scouts
- d) We'll be lame scouts

**CUBMASTER:** You say it's B, We'll be loyal scouts. Is that your final answer? That's CORRECT!

Sound/light effects. APPLAUSE

Call out names of scouts advancing. Walk across bridge and receive advancement prize.

**CUBMASTER:** We've got time for one last round. Could all the 1st year Webelos scouts and their parents please come forward? All right, you're at an important level. Answer this next question correctly and you go home as 2nd year Webelos, our most senior scouts. You already know about the lifelines, so let's play "Who Wants To Be A 2nd year WEBELOS?"!

Sound/light effects. APPLAUSE

**CUBMASTER:** Studio audience, very quiet please. Here's your question: What year was the first US National Boy Scout Jamboree held?

- a) 1936
- b) 1937
- c) 1938
- d) 1939

**CUBMASTER:** You say it's B, 1937. Is that your final answer? That's CORRECT!

Sound/light effects. APPLAUSE

Call out names of scouts advancing. Walk across bridge and receive advancement prize.

### Scouting Highlight

National Capital Area Council

**CM:** Lord Baden-Powell based his ideas for Scouting on some principles he had been taught as a boy - things like trust and loyalty, helpfulness, courtesy, and cheerfulness. In Cub Scouting we have some of these principles in the Cub Scout Promise and the Law of the Pack. Tonight, we have some boys in our Pack who have just started their adventure in Scouting and, in doing so, have learned the Cub Scout Promise and Law and are ready to be inducted into our Pack as Bobcats. Will \_\_\_ and their parents please come forward.

Will you give the Cub Scout sign and repeat the Cub Scout Promise with me [they do]. Now, I would like to present your parents with your Bobcat badge.

Congratulations.

In another highlight of Scouting, a Chicago publisher named William Boyce was lost in a London fog one evening in 1909. A boy appeared and offered to take Mr. Boyce to his destination. When they arrived, Mr. Boyce offered the boy a tip, but the boy said, "Scouts do not accept money for doing a good turn." This interested Mr. Boyce in Scouting and he brought it back to the United States.

We have many boys here tonight who have been doing their daily good turns and working hard on their achievements and electives. Will \_\_\_ please come forward to receive their Wolf and Bear ranks?

Baden-Powell left a message for Scouts in which he asked them to "Try to leave the world a little better than you found it. We have some Webelos Scouts in our Pack who are doing just that. They have been working hard on their Activity Badges and exploring fields of knowledge that will be helpful to them all their lives [Call Webelos leaders, Scouts, and parents forward to receive awards]. Congratulations.

Continue to do your best along the Scouting trail.



**Founder's Advancement**  
National Capital Area Council

**Equipment Needed:**

Short Candle - Bobcat

Mid-Sized, Short Candle - Wolf

Medium Candle - Bear

Tall Candle - Webelos

Very Tall Candle- Scout

**CM:** Our history is filled with the deeds of brave men who explored, fought, and in some cases died to keep our nation and the world safe. Lord Baden-Powell, founder of the Scout movement, William D. Boyce, founder of the Boy Scouts of America, and Daniel C. Beard, Ernest Thompson Seton, and James E. West all contributed to the founding of the Boy Scouts of America and the Cub Scout Program.

Tonight we recognize young men in our Pack who have advanced this year along the Cub Scout trail. Some of you advanced in rank in the fall, others are advancing now, but all of you have worked hard to achieve these accomplishments. Please come forward with your parents to be recognized.

As we all see, the path to advancement in Scouting is like these candles. As a Bobcat, you start with the basic knowledge of Scouting - to Do Your Best and to remember always the Cub Scout Promise and the Law of the Pack [light the shortest candle]. The Wolf rank is more difficult, as you begin to work on activities and achievements. But, by using the knowledge gained as a Bobcat and with the help of your parents, you have achieved this rank [use the Bobcat candle to light the Wolf candle]. The Bear and Webelos ranks, like these candles, require that you continue to use the knowledge from before to learn additional skills [use the Wolf candle to light the Bear candle and the Bear candle to light the Webelos candle]. The next step in Scouting for many of you will be to join a Boy Scout troop and become a Boy Scout. This tallest candle represents that step. Tonight we will leave this candle unlit as a symbol of the step that you have not yet taken. When the time

**BALOO'S BUGLE**

comes for you to light this candle and become a Boy Scout, remember to follow in the steps of our founders and build upon the light of Scouting in your life.

**GAMES****Bivoe Ebuma (Clap Ball)**

Cameroon, Africa

Heart of America Council

Divide den into two teams. Teams line up parallel and facing each other six feet on either side of a centerline. The two teams toss a small rubber ball back and forth. No player may step across the centerline. When the ball is caught, the catcher must clap his hands and stamp his feet once. If a player forgets to clap and stamp, a point is scored against his team. Keep the ball moving fast

**Chef Manda**

(The Chief Orders) Brazil

Heart of America Council

One Cub Scout is the Chief and stands in front. When he says, "The Chief orders you to laugh", all other players must laugh. If he says, "He orders you to laugh", no one should laugh because all valid commands are prefaced by "The Chief". A player who does not obey proper orders is eliminated.

**Cherry Chop, France**

Heart of America Council

This is usually played with cherry pits at harvest time. You can use pebbles or marbles. Place a shallow bowl about two feet in front of a line of Cub Scouts. Put one pebble or marble in it, and give each player five or 10 others. In turn, each uses his pebbles to try to knock the pebble out of the bowl. If he succeeds, he keeps it and the leader places another pebble into the bowl. If a player misses, he must put one of his pebbles in the bowl. Winner is the one with the most pebbles at the end of the game.

**Palito Verde (Green Stick), France**  
Heart of America Council

"It" carries a green stick (a neckerchief may be substituted). The other players form a large circle, facing inward with their hands behind their back. "It" travels around the circle, and at some point he places the stick or neckerchief in the hands of a player. That player immediately races after "It" around the circle. If "It" is tagged before "It" can get to the chaser's old place in the circle, he remains "It". If "It" reaches the space safely, the chaser becomes the new "It"

**Catch The Dragon's Tail, Taiwan**  
Heart of America Council

Two single lines are formed with each person's hands on the shoulders of the person in front of him. Until the signal "Go" is given, the dragons must each remain in a straight line. The starter begins the countdown - "Em-Er-San-Ko!" or "1-2-3-GO!" The "fiery head" of each line then runs toward the "lashing tail" and tries to catch the last man. The whole dragon body must remain unbroken. If anyone lets go, the dragon's body is broken and the dragon dies. A new dragon must be formed with the head becoming the tail and the next in line having a turn at being the head. If, however, the head player touches the tail, he may continue to be the head.

**Exchange Race, England**  
Heart of America Council

Divide the players into two, four, or six groups (for teams). Form straight lines and count off. Paired players face each other. Lines are ten, twenty, or more feet apart facing each other. On a starting signal the No 1's of each Line run forward, meet near the center, exchange objects, run around each other, return to their lines, and give their object to No 2. Then they go to the end of their own line. The 2's repeat, give same object to No 3, etc. Objects must work back down to the head of the line. The team wins whose No 1 man is first to receive the object and hold it up.

**Pyramids of the Nile, Egypt**  
Heart of America Council

Divide the boys into teams of 4-6 boys, and line them up in straight lines that stretch from one end of the playing area to the other. (i.e. 8-10 feet between team members). The first boy on each team is given 10 flat-bottomed paper cups. On 'GO', he builds a pyramid in front of himself. All ten cups have to be used. When he is finished, he and the second boy on his team try to carry the pyramid from his spot to the place where the second player sat. If they drop any part of the pyramid they can rebuild it where it fell and then continue their walk. When they reach the proper spot, the second boy tumbles the pyramid and then rebuilds it so that he and the third player can advance the pyramid to the third location. The relay ends when all of the 'Egyptians' have built, moved, and tumbled the pyramid.

**Note:** Boys have their choice of how to move the pyramid. They may pick it up by the 4-cup base, or try to slide it across the floor.

**Popsicle Slapshot, Canada**  
Heart of America

Divide the boys into two teams. Place two nets (Shoe boxes with one end cut out make a good net) at the same end of the playing area. Each team lines up about six feet in front of its net. The first member of each team puts a tongue depressor in his mouth, gets down on his hands and knees, and attempts to shoot the puck (ping pong ball) into the net, using the tongue depressor. When he has scored, he takes the ball back to the starting line and the next player shoots. The first team to complete the relay wins.

## **SONGS**

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The following songs from Heart of America Council have words written by Pat Miller. Could this be the same Pat Miller, Cubmaster of the greatest Woodbadge course that I was lucky enough to be at. ANTELOPES RULE!!!

**Canada**

Heart of America

(Tune: Oh Christmas Tree, words by Pat Miller)

Oh Canada, - Oh Canada,  
 Our neighbor way up to the north  
 Oh Canada, - Oh Canada,  
 Our neighbor way up to the north  
 With lakes and woods and the Great Yukon,  
 And Nature's beauty on and on,  
 Oh Canada, - Oh Canada,  
 Our neighbor way up to the north

**Monty the Moose**

Heart of America Council

(Tune: Alice the Camel words by Pat Miller)

Go to

<http://www.cbc4kids.ca/general/kids-club/babysitters/camel.html> to hear the tune.

**Actions:** Form group into a circle and interlock arms so that everyone is close on "boom, boom, boom" sway hips from side to side bumping people on both sides of you. Also, on the number words, bend knees and come right back up.

Monty the Moose had 5 points,  
 Monty the Moose had 5 points,  
 Monty the Moose had 5 points,  
 So go Monty go! – BOOM, BOOM, BOOM!  
 Monty the Moose had 4 points, Etc, Etc  
 (count down until last verse)  
 Monty the Moose had no points,  
 Monty the Moose had no points,  
 Monty the Moose had no points,  
 Cause Monty was a horse!  
 (repeat)

**This Little Cubbing Light**

Heart of America Council

(This Little Light of Mine)

This little Cubbing light of mine  
 I'm going to let it shine  
 This little Cubbing light of mine  
 I'm going to let it shine  
 This little Cubbing light of mine  
 I'm going to let it shine  
 Let it shine all the time, let it shine

**CUB GRUB - Fun Food****Hot Chocolate Mix****Ingredients:**

- ?? Heated water,
- ?? 1/3 cup measuring cup
- ?? 1 8-quart box dry milk,
- ?? 2 lb can chocolate drink mix (eg. Nestle Quik, Hershey's),
- ?? 12 or 16 oz. non-dairy creamer
- ?? 1 jar instant malted milk (chocolate or vanilla)

**Directions:**

1. Mix all ingredients well; store in cool, dry place. Heat water. Add 1/3 cup mix to 1 cup hot water. Stir well.

For a quick snack, buy small tortilla shells in the refrigerated section in the store. Spread with peanut butter and or bananas/raisins, fold and serve.

**Peanut Butter Yummies****Ingredients:**

- ?? 2 slices white bread,
- ?? 2 tablespoons butter,
- ?? 4 tablespoons peanut butter,
- ?? 1 teaspoon white sugar,
- ?? 1 slice whole wheat bread

**Directions:**

1. Butter a slice of white bread. Spread peanut butter on the bread over the layer of butter. Sprinkle sugar over the top of the peanut butter layer.
2. Place a slice of wheat bread on top of the white bread and repeat the layering of butter, peanut butter and sugar. Top the wheat bread with a slice of white bread.
3. Cut the layered slices into 9 pieces. Insert toothpicks into the pieces and serve.

**Canadian Molasses Cookies**

**Ingredients:**

- ?? 1 cup dark molasses,
- ?? 3/4 cup packed brown sugar,
- ?? 1 teaspoon cider vinegar
- ?? 2 1/3 cups all-purpose flour,
- ?? 1 1/2 teaspoons ground ginger,
- ?? 2 teaspoons baking soda,
- ?? 1 egg,
- ?? 1/2 teaspoon salt

**Directions:**

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Grease cookie sheets.
2. In a large bowl, stir together the molasses, brown sugar, vinegar, and egg.
3. Sift together the flour, baking soda, ginger and salt and add to molasses mixture. Mix until well blended.
4. Spoon the dough by teaspoonfuls onto cookie sheets, about 2 inches apart. Bake until edges are golden. Let cool on pans for 5 minutes before removing.

**Chocolate Mexican Wedding Cookies****Ingredients:**

- ?? cup butter, softened,
- ?? 1/3 cup confectioners' sugar,
- ?? 2 teaspoons vanilla extract,
- ?? 1 3/4 cups all-purpose flour,
- ?? 1 cup ground pecans
- ?? 1/2 cup German sweet chocolate, grated.
- ?? 3/4-teaspoon ground cinnamon,
- ?? 1 pinch salt, 1/2-cup confectioners' sugar,
- ?? 1/4 cup German sweet chocolate, grated

**Directions:**

1. In a large bowl, cream the butter and 1/3 cup confectioner's sugar until light and fluffy. Add the vanilla extract.
2. In a separate bowl, combine the flour, ground pecans, 1/2-cup ground chocolate, cinnamon and salt; mix well.
3. Gradually add the dry ingredients to the creamed mixture.

4. Wrap dough in plastic wrap and chill 1 to 2 hours, or until firm.
5. Preheat oven to 325 degrees F (180 degrees C).
6. Shape the dough into 1-inch balls. Place balls 1 inch apart on an ungreased baking sheet. Bake 15 to 18 minutes, or until the cookies are firm to the touch. Cool 1 minute on the baking sheet, then transfer to a wire rack.
7. For the coating, sift 1/2 cup of the confectioner's sugar and 1/4 cup of the ground cocoa into a shallow bowl. While cookies are still warm, roll them in the coating.

**Darbey Bread (Italian)****Ingredients:**

- ?? (3 pound) package frozen bread dough, thawed,
- ?? 1 1/2 cups shredded sharp Cheddar cheese,
- ?? 1 onion, finely diced,
- ?? 1/4 cup olive oil,
- ?? 1 tablespoon Italian seasoning

**Directions:**

1. Thaw frozen bread dough loaves until they can be cut into 1 inch cubes.
2. Toss bread cubes with the grated sharp cheddar cheese, diced onion, olive oil and Italian spices. Place in a 9x9 inch square baking pan. Let sit and rise in a warm place until bread has doubled in size.
3. Bake bread in a preheated 350 degrees F (175 degrees C) oven for about 20 minutes or until golden brown and all cheese is melted.

**Apple Kugel**

"Kugel" is a noodle dish that adapts very well to apples. If making for the lunchbox, prepare the day before and refrigerate. Cut into serving-size squares. Serves 6

**Ingredients:**

- ?? 4 cups uncooked egg noodles
- ?? 8 ounces reduced-fat cream cheese
- ?? 1/2 cup brown sugar
- ?? pound low-fat cottage cheese
- ?? egg
- ?? egg whites
- ?? teaspoon vanilla extract
- ?? 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- ?? 1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- ?? Rome Beauty apples

**Directions:**

1. Cook egg noodles according to package directions until just tender; drain. Meanwhile, in large bowl with electric mixer, beat cream cheese and brown sugar until well blended. Add cottage cheese, egg, egg whites, vanilla, cinnamon and nutmeg, beating until combined.
2. Heat oven to 350 degrees F. Lightly grease 8-or 9-inch square pan. Core, quarter and thinly slice apples; stir apple slices and cooked noodles into cheese mixture. Spread mixture in pan; bake 45 minutes or until kugel is golden and firm.

**STUNTS & APPLAUSES****Applauses**

Heart of America Council

**Japanese**

Place hands together about chest high and say "Ah So, Ah So" while giving little bows

**Gondolier**

Make a motion as if polling a boat, singing out: "O, SOLE MIO"

**Knock, Knock**

Who's there?

**Utah**

Utah who?

**U tal-king to me?****Knock, knock**

Who's here?

**Who**

Who who?

**Are you an owl?****Why did the mouse give up tap dancing?**

It kept falling in he sink.

**What did the postcard say to the stamp?**

Stick with me kid, and we'll go places.

**What travels around the world and stays in a corner?**

A stamp.

**Did you hear about the wooden car with the wooden wheels and the wooden engine?**

It wooden go!

**Cub 1:** What kind of snack do little monkeys have with their milk?

**Cub 2:** Chocolate chimp cookies

**Cub 1:** What's a cat's favorite breakfast?

**Cub 2:** Mice Krispies

**Cub 1:** What is the first letter in yellow?

**Cub 2:** Y

**Cub 1:** Because I want to know

**Stunt**

Loose Thread

Shade your eyes and look around, Aha! You spot your friend in the audience. Go to him and shake his hand, slap him on the back and hug him. Then stare at his shirt and shake your head. You find a loose thread. Take hold of it and pull and pull and pull. The thread comes and comes and comes. Wind it around your hand, dance with it, pass it around the audience and let them pull.

The Trick: You and your friend get ready together, thread a needle with the end of a spool of thread. Put the spool inside your friend's shirt and run the threaded needle out through his shirt. Take off the needle and let the thread hang loose

**SKITS**

### The Blue and Gold Banquet

Skit-a-mazoo

**Characters:** Some Cubs dressed as parents and seated at a table decorated as for a Blue & Gold banquet. One Cub Scout dressed as a Cub waiter -- with an apron and a towel over his arm.

**Narrator:** It is the annual Blue & Gold banquet at Pack 999. Every year, the Cub Scouts at Pack 999 serve as waiters and cooked for their parents. The boys try very hard to do a good job, but every year a few little things seem to go wrong. Let's see what is happening this year....

**Parent #1:** Excuse me, Johnny. Is this coffee or tea? It tasted like kerosene.

**Cub waiter:** Then it's coffee. The tea tastes like gasoline.

**Parent #2:** I hope you'll hurry and bring my food. I'm so hungry I could eat a horse.

**Cub waiter:** Then you've come to the right place!

**Parent #3:** Why do you have your fingers on top of my food?

**Cub waiter:** (serving plate with his hand all over it) So it won't fall on the floor again.

**Parent #4:** Why are you stomping on my steak?

**Cub waiter:** (stomping something on floor) Because when you told me to bring you your food, you said to "step on it."

**Parent #5:** I'm afraid there's a fly in my soup.

**Cub waiter:** Don't worry. There's no extra charge.

**Parent #5:** There really is a fly in my soup.

**Cub waiter:** What did you expect at a Blue and Gold banquet -- a humming bird?

**Narrator:** Ah, yes. Another Blue and Gold banquet at Pack 999. Good eating, everyone.

### The Echo

Skit-a-mazoo

The club leader announces during the singing that he has noticed an echo in the room and he is going to try it out (also could be on a hike overlooking a canyon). The following is a dialogue between the leader and the echo - a person out of the room or out of sight.

Leader: Hello

Echo: Hello

Leader: Cheese

Echo: Cheese

Leader: Bologna

Echo: (silence)

Leader: (to group) It must not be working now. I'll try again. (to echo) This leader is great.

Echo: Bologna

### Blue and Gold Skit Skit

Skit-a-mazoo

**Setting:** The narrator, the spirit of Lord Baden-Powell is a Den Chief in full uniform wearing a campaign hat. He reads the script from a lectern, while Cub Scouts in uniform come on stage one by one.

**Narrator:** I represent the spirit of Lord Baden-Powell. The founder of Boy Scouting. I am also the spirit of Boy Scouting past and present. Here is our future...the Cub Scouts of America.

(First boy enters in complete uniform.)

The two colors of the Cub Scout uniform have a meaning. Blue stands for truth and loyalty; gold for good cheer and happiness.

(Second boy enters carrying Wolf Book and Kipling's "Jungle Book.")

Early Cub Scout ceremonies were based on Kipling's Jungle Tales. When Cub Scouting was organized in America in 1930. Indian themes were used.

(Third boy enters with a craft project of wood.)

Cub Scouting means fun. We have lots of fun. But most boys like making things...real boy projects...things they can play with or that follow the monthly theme.

(Fourth boy enters carrying a nature collection.)

Cub Scouts like to go on hikes and collect things for their nature collection or the den museum. They like the outdoors.

(Fifth boy enters carrying a buddy burner.)

Most Cub Scouts like to go on picnics. All boys like to eat. It is even more fun when they can cook their own food.

(Sixth boy enters - the smallest Cub Scout - holding the American Flag.)

Cub Scouts are proud to be Americans. They are proud of their Flag. They are also proud of their pack flag (points to it) because it reminds them they are part of years of Scouting. They belong!

Yes, I represent the past and the present. These boys, Cub Scouts now, are the men of tomorrow. They will be the preservers of our American heritage. Please stand and join us in singing "God Bless America".

### Limericks of the World

Heart of America Council

**Personnel:** Each boy may read one limerick or Leader may read as boys pretend to be World Scouts

**Cub 1:** We are a den with a skit,  
about customs other countries do fit

In limerick we'll tell you,  
What Scouts around the world do,  
Although we've stretched the truth a bit

**Cub 2:** There once was a Scout from Peru,  
Who watched his mom making stew

Because once by mistake,  
In an oven she did bake,  
His birthday cake out of glue

**Cub 3:** There was a Cub Scout in France,  
Who taught little ducklings to dance

When he said, "Tap, Tap!"  
They only said, "Quack",  
What ducky dances they have in France

**Cub 4:** There once was a Cub Scout in Florence,  
Who hated Christmas mutton with abhorrence

He found a dead buzzard,  
And fried him in mustard,  
Then served him for dinner in Florence

**Cub 5:** There was a Cub in Hong Kong,  
Who never did anything wrong

He'd lay on his back,  
With his head in a sack,  
Singing an old Cub Scouting song

**Cub 6:** There once was a Cub Scout in Nice,  
Whose friends were usually geese

They walked out together,  
In all sorts of weather,  
That's the custom of Cub Scouts in Nice

**Cub 7:** In America there are Cub Scouts, too  
With their own funny customs to do  
Their dens yells are extreme,  
No one's heard such a scream,  
Cause they yell till their faces turn blue

### My Aunt Came Back

Heart of America Council

**Personnel:** 7 Cubs

**Equipment:** Each Cub holds a card with the text on the back and a picture of the city or country on the front.

**Setting:** Cub hold up their cards, read parts and do actions listed.

**Cub 1:** My aunt came back from old Japan;  
She gave to me an old silk **Fan**

(Make fanning motion with right hand)

**Cub 2:** My Aunt came back from old Tangiers;  
She gave to me a pair of **Shears**

(Make cutting motion with left hand)

**Cub 3:** My Aunt came back from the New York Fair;

She gave me a **Rocking Chair**

(Rock back and forth on your heels)

**Cub 4:** My Aunt came back from Holland, too;  
She gave to me a **Wooden Shoe**

(Stomp right foot repeatedly)

**Cub 5:** My Aunt came back from Old Hong Kong;

She gave to me the game **Ping Pong**

(Move head to right and then left)

**Cub 6:** My Aunt came back from Kalamazoo;  
She gave to me some **Gum to Chew**

(Make chewing motion with mouth)

**Cub 7:** My Aunt came back from Timbuktu;  
She gave to me some

(Leader points to audience)

**Nuts like YOU!**

### Around the World

Heart of America Council

**Personnel:** 4 to 8 persons

**Equipment:** Captain's hat

**Setting:** Skit opens with everyone leaning on the Ship's rail. The captain is telling them about the countries as they pass them (It's a very fast ship). All at once one person yells.

**Passenger:** What is that big thing out there, captain?

**Captain:** Iceberg. They are made from ice that has broken off the ice caps from the north and south ends of our world.

**2nd passenger:** (pointing) What is that, captain?

**Captain:** That is a volcano that has erupted and the ash and lava has run down the sides

**3rd passenger:** Oh, yeah! Like when you eat too much and you erupt?

(All start to look sick and run off stage covering their mouths.)

## CLOSING CEREMONY

### Ceremony 1

Sam Houston Area Council

**Props:** Cue cards' with the Cubs' lines printed on the back. It can also be useful to display a world map showing which countries have Scouting organizations.

**Announcer:** "We close our meeting tonight as we opened it, by visiting the many places around the world which are served by the World Brotherhood of Scouting. We have seen many places, where some things are different and some things are familiar. A scout will always bid you a fond farewell after spending time with you, like this:

Spanish: Adios  
 French: Au revoir  
 German: Guten Nacht  
 Mandarin: Zai jian  
 Russian: Do svidanja  
 Mohawk: Onen  
 Swahili: Kwaheri  
 Arabic: Salaam  
 Hindi: Pirmelange  
 Hebrew: Shalom  
 Hawaiian: Aloha

**Announcer:** "No matter where you go or how you say it, you can count on a fond farewell by a Scout who says "Goodbye."

### World Peace

Heart of America Council

**Personnel:** 8 Cubs

**Setting:** The Cubs are dressed in white. Each Cub carries a card of stiff sky-blue paper tacked to a wand. On the card is pasted a dove with outspread wings cut from white paper.

**All:** Oh, may the dove of peace ascend to Earth today.

**Cub 1:** And may the dove of peace drive cruel war away

**Cub 2:** From hearts of men may love drive out all bitter strife.

**Cub 3:** May nations everywhere all lead a peaceful life.

**Cub 4:** Oh, may all battle din be stilled forevermore,

**Cub 5:** Oh, may the dove of peace soon banish cruel war.

**Cub 6:** May nations everywhere together dwell in peace.

**Cub 7:** Oh, quickly come the day when cruel war shall cease.

**Cub 8:** Oh, may the dove of peace ascend to Earth today.

**All:** And may the dove of peace drive cruel war away.

### Scouting Spirit

Heart of America Compass

**Personnel:** 6 Cubs, with strong voices; and one in charge of lights

**Equipment:** 8 small candles, 1 large candle, in holders and matches

**Setting:** Lights dim with Scouting spirit candle lit Speakers come forward one at a time, light the small candles from the Scouting spirit candle and read After all small candles are lit, turn off all house lights.

**Cub 1:** Cub Scouting is part of family life in more than 60 countries around the world. In all of these free countries, on an evening such as this, families are sharing the spirit of Scouting.

**Cub 2:** Let us look at the candles' flame and silently thank God, for the Cub Scout friendships we are privileged to enjoy.

**Cub 3:** Thanks to everyone, for your assistance, with the dinner tonight. We would like to share a closing poem with you.



**Cub 4:** Boys in uniforms shiny and bright; with smiling faces to the left and right, we say thanks for Cub Scouting tonight.

**Cub 5:** A Cubmaster who is loyal and true, who works with parents and the boys in blue; in hopes that these boys will grow up to be, Super citizens for the world to see !

**Cub 6:** Den leaders, too, in uniforms blue, teaching Cub Scouts the need to be true, and working, singing, and playing with them. Though at times it is total mayhem! So all of you Cub Scouters, in gold and in blue, the door to Scouting has been opened to you! (Lights on)

**February, 2001**

**Theme: Passports To Other Lands**

Scott Thayer, Sequoia Council, California

When people travel to foreign countries, they have to ask their governments to issue them what's called a passport. A passport is a little booklet with your name and picture in it, along with several blank pages on which foreign border officials stamp the seal of their country when you enter. You can't go into another country without your passport. But did you know that every Scout already has a passport? It's not a little booklet, but a small purple patch that we wear on our uniforms, called the World Crest. The World Crest is a symbol of brotherhood and good will the world over. When you wear the World Crest on your Scout uniform, you remind yourself that you are a part of an organization that includes, but also goes far beyond, your own home nation. The World Crest also reminds us that human beings should be respected and valued regardless of their race, color, creed, or place of origin. You'll still need a paper passport to visit foreign lands, but the World Crest allows Scouts to think of every person as their neighbor and friend.

**Thoughts for Life**

National Capital Area Council

Do your best in everything you do on life's way  
Always be friendly to brighten another's day  
Give away your smiles for it is rewarding indeed  
Be prepared to help others, for goodness - not for greed  
Be honest and sincere toward others that you meet  
Be loyal and true - a most commendable feat  
Count your blessings and be thankful for the opportunities that come to you  
Good night to each and everyone, may these thoughts stay with you your whole life through.

**Cubmaster Minute**

National Capital Area Council

For Parents:

A boy does what he knows. He is what he does, and what he is going to be, he is becoming.

For Scouts:

Life never stands still. If you do not advance, it will leave you behind. In Cub Scouting, you have many opportunities to learn and to advance as you work on achievements and electives. Do them well so that you will be proud of the badge you wear as a symbol of your keeping up with life, not as a symbol of an accomplishment left behind.

**Helpful to Others**

National Capital Area Council

Lord Baden-Powell, the founder of Scouting said this to Scouts everywhere:

"I think that when the sun goes down, the world is hidden by a big blanket from the light of heaven, but the stars are little holes pierced in that blanket by those who have done good deeds in this world. The stars are not all the same size, some are big, some are little, and some men have done small deeds, but they have made their hole in the blanket by doing good before they went to heaven. Try and make your hole in the blanket by good work while you are on earth. It is something to be good, but it is far better to do good."

Think of Baden-Powell's words when you promise "to help other people".

Good Night and thank you for celebrating Cub Scouting.

### **Scout Uniform's Reputation**

Indian Nations Council

To end this evening, I'd like to tell you a story. A crowded bus stopped to pick up a bent old woman. With great difficulty she struggled up the steps with a large basket of freshly washed laundry. "You'll have to put your basket in the rear of the bus," said the driver impatiently.

"But I can't. They belong to me," the woman replied. The driver was firm. "You and that basket are in the way. Either stow it or get off." The old lady was almost in tears when a young man arose. "You sit here, Ma'am," he offered. "I'll take your basket to the back and watch it until your stop." The woman was doubtful, but the driver was about to put her off. A second lady sitting nearby, said to the old woman, "That boy's all right. Can't you see his uniform? I'll vouch for him."

The woman was soon seated, and the basket of clothes carried to the rear. At her stop, the boy gently set the basket down by her, then returned to the bus and continued on his way.

"Who's the kid?" asked the driver of the second woman. "I don't know the kid," came the reply, "but I know the uniform, and you can trust it everytime."

## **WEBELOS**

### **Scholar**

#### **Seven Hints for Studying**

Heart of America Council

Studying is work, but so is football practice or putting together a model rocket. It's the right mental attitude that can make the difference in your study habits. On the football field, the coach has planned your workout systematically. So much time for drill, so much for tackling, and

so on. And a good way to achieve better grades is to plan a study system that's just right for you. Here are seven study hints:

1. Choose a regular time for study; an hour right after dinner, for example. That will leave you with time for play after school and time for television, meetings, and friends afterwards.
2. Make it a habit so that you don't even think about it - as natural as breathing.
3. Practice reading for speed so that you can get more work done in less time.
4. Start off each school term by working twice as hard as you thought you could. The momentum you build will carry you right through the term. Your grades will pick up, too.
5. Listen carefully in class. Make notes. Use study periods for homework and study.
6. On exams, do the problems that seem the easiest first. Then tackle the more difficult ones.
7. And no radio, television, or talking with a buddy while you're doing homework.

The Scholar badge is a difficult one to make fun because it is such a serious activity. Even though your Webelos may enjoy school, they also enjoy being away from school. Do everything you can to make your meetings exciting. The quality that a Webelos leader will find most helpful on this badge is the ability to listen to a boy and praise him for his school accomplishments. Advance planning is important to make this badge appealing to a 10 year old.

### **Den Activities**

Invite a schoolteacher to your den meeting. Maybe one the boys know, to talk about the importance of school.

Invite a grandparent to your den meeting to talk about how school was when they were children. If not a grandparent try a retirement home.

Have boys make a list of the things they like about school. And another list of the things they don't like. Discuss them.

### Do You Know Your Alphabet?

What letter is:

1. A vegetable? (P)
2. A body of water? (C)
3. Part of the head? (I)
4. A female sheep? (U)
5. Part of a house? (L)
6. An actor's signal? (Q)
7. A drink? (T)
8. Command to a horse? (G)
9. An exclamation? (O)
10. An insect? (B)
11. A bird? (J)
12. A question? (Y)

### Three Men in a Boat

#### Materials:

1. Tri-wall cardboard base 2" x 8"
2. 6 dowels
3. 2" long nails
4. Colored markers

#### What to do:

1. Mark off seven evenly spaced dots in a row on the cardboard.
2. Make a hole with the nail at each dot.
3. Widen the holes with a pencil so that the dowels will fit into them easily.
4. Color three dowels yellow and three dowels red.
5. Decorate the base with colored markers.

#### Rules of Play:

1. Place the yellow men in three spaces at one end and the red men in three spaces at the other end. Leave the middle space empty.
2. Try to reverse the positions of the red and yellow men.
3. Move men forward only, never backward.
4. A man may move into the neighboring space, or if that space is occupied, he may jump over it.

### Tips on How to Talk To Your Teacher

A good conversation with your teacher can increase your chances of making better grades, participating in clubs, working on new projects or earning school awards.

1. Set talk goal and decide exactly what you want.
2. Prepare what you will say with a parent or friend. Make notes on information you might need or questions you need to ask.
3. Select a time when your teacher isn't busy. Make an appointment. Be polite, act natural and be honest. Ask for a chance to earn what you want and for suggestions on ways to improve your skills or behavior. Be sure to thank your teacher.
4. Check your attitude. Are you willing to work to improve?
5. After your talk, write down what you said and your teacher agreed on. Follow through on the suggestions and fulfill your commitment. Keep trying even if it's hard. If you need help, ask for it.

Teachers are people too; they respond to genuine interest and enthusiasm. They want you to be a success.

### Brainteaser Games

#### Scout Badge Quiz

#### 1. From what is the design of the Scout Badge is taken?

The three point design of the top half of the badge is like the north point of the old sailor's compass.

#### 2. What does the trefoil mean?

The main part of the badge shows that a Scout is able to point the right way in life as truly as a compass points north.

#### 3. What do the three points mean?

Like the fingers of the Scout Salute, the points stand for the three parts of the Scout Oath.

#### 4. What do the two stars symbolize?

The stars symbolize the ideals of truth and knowledge of the Scouting movement. They guide you by night and suggest a Scout's outdoor life.

#### 5. What does the eagle stand for?

The eagle with the shield is the national emblem

of the USA. It stands for freedom and readiness to defend that freedom.

**6. Why is the scroll turned up at the ends?**

The up-turned corners of the scroll suggest the Scout's smile as he does his duty.

**7. The knot at the bottom of the badge reminds a Scout of what?**

The knot reminds a Scout he has promised to do a good turn daily.

**8. What does the badge look like for Boy Scout rank?**

Boy Scout Rank is a trefoil without the eagle and stars.

**9. What additional part does the Tenderfoot wear?**

The Tenderfoot wears the trefoil WITH eagle and stars

**10. What part does the Second Class Scout wear?**

Second Class Scout additionally wears the scroll

**11. What is written on the scroll?**

The Scout motto, "Be Prepared" is written on the scroll

**Scout Law Dart Board**  
Heart of America Council

Using a dart board with the numbers one through twelve, have each boy, in turn, throw a dart at the dart board and score a point if he can recite the point of the Scout Law that relates to that number. If he is correct he gets one point and may continue throwing. The first boy to score 12 points wins. (The twelve points necessary may be any twelve points of the twelve different points.)

**Intelligence Test**

This test is to see if you can follow directions. Just concentrate, but remember, you have only 2 minutes.

1. Read everything before doing anything.
2. Put your name in the upper right-hand corner of this paper.
3. Circle the word "name" in sentence No. 2.
4. Draw five small squares in the upper left-hand corner of this paper.
5. Put an "X" in each square.

6. Put a circle around each square.

7. Put a circle around each word in sentence No. 5.

8. Put an "X" in the lower left-hand corner of this paper.

9. Draw a triangle around the "X" you just put down.

10. If you think you have followed directions up to this point call out "I have".

11. Now that you have finished reading carefully, do only No. 1 and No. 2.

12. You have finished. How did you do?

**Two Cars**

If two cars start from Denver to drive to Colorado Springs, a distance of approximately 80 miles, if they are both the same make of car, and if both are being driven at the same rate of speed, and yet, while one of the cars makes the distance in 80 minutes, it takes the other one one hour and 20 minutes. Can you explain the reason?

Answer : 80 minutes and one hour and 20 minutes are the same.

**Windows**

I walked up the street to the top of the hill and counted 50 windows on my right, I turned around and walked back and counted 50 windows on my left. How many windows did I count?

Answer : Fifty. The windows on my right going up were the same 50 that were on my left going back.

**Baby Duck**

Papa Duck, Mama Duck and Baby Duck went for a swim. Baby Duck said, "Aren't we all four having a lot of fun? Why did Baby Duck say four instead of three?"

Answer: Baby Duck was too young to count.

**Cab Driver**

Suppose you are a cab driver. A lady with two suitcases hails you and asks to be driven to the railway station in a hurry. On the way there is an accident which results in a traffic jam. The lady

gets impatient, jumps out of the cab, and runs to the depot. She had forgotten the suitcases. She missed the train and now she starts looking for the cab driver. She does not know his name. What was the cab driver's name?

**Answer:** His name is the same as yours, for "You are the cab driver."

### Pennies

Take the number of pennies in a dollar. Multiply by the number of thirds in a circle. Divide by the number of inches in a foot of string. Subtract the number of nickels in a quarter.

**Answer:** 20.

### Engineer

Heart of America Council

Almost every boy, not to mention most adults, can find an interesting area of engineering. An engineer applies the laws of physics and chemistry to solve the problems of construction, industry, and other areas. The scientists who build machines are called engineers. They do tests and experiments that help them to invent new machines or improve old ones.

#### Den Activities

Visit a construction site.

Have an engineer or surveyor visit your den meeting.

Demonstrate the basic principles of leverage by using a teeter-totter or a plank with a fulcrum made of bricks or blocks.

Draw a sketch of a bridge to build.

### Do-it Yourself Flashlight

This flashlight can be assembled easily and provide a fun project for the boys. And better yet, it actually works!

#### Materials:

Flashlight battery

Bulb

Plastic pill bottle with a flexible lid

Insulated wire

1. The pill bottle should be large enough for the battery and bulb base to fit inside it. The wire should be the kind that can be bent easily.

Scrape the insulation from one end of your wire and form it into a flat coil.

2. Attach the coil to the bottom of the battery with adhesive tape.

3. Cut an opening in the center of the pill bottle lid, so that the base of the bulb will fit. Push base of bulb through hole in lid.

4. Scrape the other end of the wire and wind it around the base of the bulb. Secure in place with some tape.

5. Crumple small pieces of paper. Place enough of this in the bottom of bottle so that when battery is inserted and the lid is tightly in place, the bottom of the bulb will just make contact with the raised center top of the battery.

6. Hinge one side of the lid to the bottle with tape.

7. When lid is closed, the bulb will light. To shut off your flashlight, flip the lid up. This light creates a dim glow. If you want a larger light, use two batteries in a larger container.

### The Ringer

The Ringer is a successful flying machine even though it is without wings, a tail or stabilizer. Construct and test this unique flying structure.

#### Materials:

1 straw

1 sheet of paper

Transparent tape

1. Cut two paper strips: 5 in x 1/2 in and 7 in x 3/4 in.

2. Tape the ends of the paper to form two loops.

3. Tape the loops to the ends of the straw.

4. Conduct test flights of the aircraft.

5. Make a variety of alterations to the aircraft, such as changing the size of the loop, the length of the straw, etc.

6. Record the length of flight, direction of flight, etc. for each design variation.

7. Determine the best design for accurate, long distance flight.

### Build A Rocket Engine From A Chicken Egg

This engine works by the same principle as the engines of future starships. Its jet of steam allows it to propel a simple boat.

#### Materials:

- ?? An uncracked raw chicken's egg
- ?? A fine knitting needle
- ?? A basin
- ?? All purpose glue
- ?? A metal foil food container (such as TV dinners come in)
- ?? Scissors
- ?? A paper clip
- ?? A few inches of stiff wire
- ?? A candle

Wash the outside of the egg and pierce a tiny hole through it from end to end, using the knitting needle. Hold the egg over a basin and blow through one of the holes. The yolk and white of the egg will come out of the hole at the other end of the shell and fall into the basin. Hold the eggshell under water and remove it when it is about half full. Put your fingers over the holes and shake it to clean the inside. Blow out the contents, then rinse the eggshell again in the same way. Now dry the outside of the shell and seal one of the holes with a blob of thick glue, leave the glue to set. Make the boat from the metal food container. Trim the sides with scissors and bend one end to form the boat's curved bow. Clip a small flap of scrap foil to the stern of the boat to act as a rudder. Bend the piece of wire to form a cradle for the eggshell. Cut a small piece from the top of the candle. Hold the shell under water so that a little water enters. Do not let too much in as it will take a long time to boil. Using hand hot water will speed things up. Arrange the candle stump, wire frame, and shell as shown and light the candle with an adult's help. After a few minutes the boat will move forward, driven by the thrust of the eggshell rocket.

### PowWows around the U.S.

#### Southern Region

**Tukabatchee Area Council** will be holding their University of Scouting (formerly known as Pow-Wow) event on Saturday, January 20, 2001 at Trinity Presbyterian School, 1700 E. Trinity Blvd, Montgomery, Alabama. University of Scouting 2000 Chancellor is Anne Parramore (334) 279-7544 (H) and the Vice-Chancellor is Karl Ward (334) 272-8976 (H), [krward@earthlink.net](mailto:krward@earthlink.net).

**Great Smoky Mountain Council**, University of Scouting, Knoxville, TN, March 17, 2001, Contact person: Linda Goff, [doublelope@yahoo.com](mailto:doublelope@yahoo.com)

**The Occoneechee Council** Pow Wow, Saturday, March 31, 2001, 8:00 a.m., Durham, NC

#### Central Region

**The Four Lakes Council**, Madison, Wisconsin has scheduled its All Scouter Pow Wow on 13 Jan 2001. It will be held at Madison Area Technical College, in Madison. Time: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. email: [kenhammond@hotmail.com](mailto:kenhammond@hotmail.com)

**Blue Water Council** in Port Huron, Michigan is having their Pow Wow March 21, 2001. The theme is "Man's Best Friend". For more info email Leslie Herman [bsa@advnet.net](mailto:bsa@advnet.net)

#### Northeast

**Central N.J. Council Pow-Wow**, March 10, 2001 @ North Hunterdon H.S. The theme this year "The best of the west, N.J. Style!" For registration Info, times, classes and/or directions; contact The Hon. John "Mad Dog" Reiner (D.C.) at 908.638.6269 or email [jprfox@hotmail.com](mailto:jprfox@hotmail.com) or Seth "Tex" Rosenzweig at 908.730.8997 or email [sirosentex@aol.com](mailto:sirosentex@aol.com). The Central N.J. Council B.S.A. Phone: 609.419.1600

#### Websites

**Scouting Oaths from around the World**  
[http://usscouts.org/profbvr/oath\\_promise/index.html](http://usscouts.org/profbvr/oath_promise/index.html)

**Visit the 1st Mount Waverly Scouts in  
Victoria Australia**

[www.geocities.com/Yosemite/Gorge/2060/1stmount\\_cubs.htm](http://www.geocities.com/Yosemite/Gorge/2060/1stmount_cubs.htm)

**Scouting in Keflavik, Iceland - Land of Fire  
and Ice**

<http://www.mwr.is/scouts>

**Check out their Pinewood Derby Page**

<http://www.homestead.com/Pack562/PinewoodDerby99.html>

Tim highly recommends for the scouters to explore their PWD page. If you visit their main page at

<http://www.homestead.com/Pack562/index.html>

and go to their old PWD page andscrapbook page , you will see more info. about it .

**Pinewood Derby Award**

<http://www.hamiltonlabs.com/pinewood/awards.htm>

**Visit our PowWow Midway at USSSP**

<http://usscouts.org/cubmaster/powwow.html>

**Great Cub Site**

<http://www.creighton.edu/~bsteph/pack114/library/>

**Artist**

[http://www.pbs.org/wnet/americanmasters/index\\_basic.html](http://www.pbs.org/wnet/americanmasters/index_basic.html)

**Communicator**

<http://www.handspeak.com/>

**Engineer**

**Architecture of the Getty Center**

<http://web.reed.edu/academic/departments/art/getty/>

**Scholar**

<http://www.studyweb.com>

**Fun Stuff**

<http://www.kidsgowild.com/>

<http://www.babloo.com/zyxcba.html>

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