



# August Cub Scout RT Tiger Cub Big Idea #1 Webelos Communicator & Citizen

All Aboard

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eptember's theme is "All Aboard!" This is directed to bringing in new scouts and it is to welcome our scouts back from the summer. Boys love trains, planes and automobiles. They also love to play in, around and on vehicles of all sorts. With this in mind, good activities for the dens would be to visit the airport museums, train museums, boat museum and old car museums. More fun for the boys could include a visit to the airport with a tour, boat ride on one of the area's lakes, train station with a ride to and/or from Ft. Worth, or perhaps a tour of car dealership. A fun Pack activity could also include anything from a train ride or a picnic on the lake with boat rides available. Don't discount Military vehicles either! National Guard Armories or most of the military bases welcome the scouts with tours and hands on military vehicles (you know LIKE tanks!). Another good sidetrack with this theme would be bicycles. The pack having a bike rodeo is always a high point with the scouts. The above information came from the Circle 10 PowWow Book.



Every year Boys' Life has a **FABULOUS** reading program for Scouts. This contest/program, "Say Yes to Reading" was detailed in the June issue page 13, of Boys' Life.

Write a one-page report titled "The Best Book I Read This Year" and enter it in the Boys' Life 2001 "Say Yes to Reading" contest.

The book can be fiction or non-fiction. But the report has to be in your own words - 500 word tops. Enter in one of these three age categories:

8 years old and younger 9 and 10 years old

11 years and older

Send your report with your name, address, age and grade in school along with a business-sized, self-addressed stamped envelop to:

Boys' Life Reading Contest - S304 P.O. Box 152079 Irving, TX 75015-2079

Entries must be postmarked by Dec. 31, 2001.

# ANNOUNCEMENT

Cub-L E-mail Discussion List

Sometime around September 2001 we will be opening a new e-mail discussion list called Cub-L for use by all Cub Scout Leaders to discuss topics of interest. We anticipate opening up a dedicated server just for e-mail discussion lists. Once we arrange hosting for this server and set it up, we'll announce the availability of CUB-L via the USSSP E-News. You can subscribe at http://usscouts.org/usscouts/ussspenews.html.

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The very most exciting event happened in July. A scouting cyber friend, Mike Hicks came into town with his family. He and his beautiful daughter, Debbie, stopped by our house. It was truly a special time for me (Thanks Mike), it was fabulous meeting you both! Also, he gave me some really cool gifts. One was a How Book of Cub Scouting from 1951. WAY TOO COOL!!! I will share a bit of that book on occasion.

Mike does a great job for Scouting in the Mason/Dixon District, both on the Pack level and District level. Mike, thank you for the very special visit, and more importantly thank you for all you do for Cub Scouting.

If you haven't gotten bored with a "Click for Chris", please click on the following link (Thanks, Baloo). <a href="http://www.thriftynickelads.com/dsp">http://www.thriftynickelads.com/dsp</a> paper home.cfm?pa perid=1099

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# PRAYERS & POEMS FOR SCOUTERS

## **Angel Pennies**

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I found a penny today Just laying on the ground, But it's not just a penny This little coin I've found.

Found pennies come from heaven That's what my Grandpa told me, He said, "Angels toss them down." Oh, how I loved that story.

He said, "When an Angel misses you They toss a penny down, Sometimes just to cheer you up To make a smile out of your frown."

So don't pass by that penny When you're feeling blue, It may be a penny from heaven That an Angel's tossed to you.

## A True Story

Six year old Brandon decided one Saturday morning to fix his parents pancakes: He found a big bowl and spoon, pulled a chair to the counter, opened the cupboard and pulled out the heavy flour canister, spilling it on the floor. He scooped some of the flour into the bowl with his hands, mixed in most of a cup of milk and added some sugar, leaving a floury trail on the floor which by now had a few tracks left by his kitten.

Brandon was covered with flour and getting frustrated. He wanted this to be something very good for Mom and Dad, but it was getting very bad.

He didn't know what to do next, whether to put it all into the oven or on the stove, and he didn't know how the stove worked! Suddenly he saw his kitten licking from the bowl of mix and reached to push her away, knocking the egg carton to the floor.

Frantically he tried to clean up this monumental mess but slipped on the eggs, getting his pajamas white and sticky. And just then he saw Dad standing at the door. Big crocodile tears welled up in Brandon's eyes. All he'd wanted to do was something good, but he'd made a terrible mess.

He was sure a scolding was coming, maybe even a spanking. But his father just watched him. Then, walking

through the mess, he picked up his crying son, hugged him and loved him, getting his own pajamas white and sticky in the process.

That's how God deals with us.

We try to do something good in life, but it turns into a mess. Our marriage gets all sticky or we insult a friend or we can't stand our job or our health goes sour. Sometimes we just stand there in tears because we can't think of anything else to do. That's when God picks us up and loves us and forgives us, even though some of our mess gets all over Him.

But just because we might mess up, we can't stop trying to "make pancakes," for God or for others. Sooner or later we'll get it right, and then they'll be glad we tried. Please pass some of this love on to others.

Author Unknown

# People often say that motivation doesn't last. Well, neither does bathing. That's why we recommend it daily.

Zig Ziglar

The history of the human race is the history of ordinary people who have overcome their fears and accomplished extraordinary things.

**Brian Tracy** 

# We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence then, is not an act, but a habit. ARISTOTLE

Circle 10 Council

You are serious minded, Because you care so very much You are funny,

Because you can't help it.

You are hard-nosed and hardheaded

Because you want to maintain high quality.

You can welcome a different idea,

If it benefits the boys.

You welcome an argument, To sharpen the mind.

You like peace,

To give thoughts, time to root and grow.

You are happy inside,

No matter what.

You say, "This is the way we do it,"

To share experiences.

You speak my language It's called *Love* and *Hope* for the youth of the entire world. You are Cub Scouting at its best, And you are beautiful

# TRAINING TIP

Every month I usually find a tip from the Cub Scout Leader Book. This month I am suggesting to start your year off right buy this book either for yourself or your pack library. Also the How-To Book is another book filled with great ideas filled with activities.

# **TIGER CUBS**

# Big Idea 1: Getting To Know You

York Adams Area Council

### General

This Big idea is the first theme of the Tiger Den. Boy Scouts of America wants the Tiger Den to become a team and the best way to guarantee it's success is for everyone to get to know one another. The Tiger and his partner will also become a team as they run their designated monthly theme. Using this Big Idea, allows them to also get to know one another better.

This is the one theme that is done by the Tiger Cub Leader with the group to show them how to run a meeting when it becomes their turn. The group them continues with this theme for the month. Family Activities are encouraged to strengthen the Tiger/partner bond.

The First Meeting: The Tiger Cub Leader will need to be

prepared for this one. He/she should have the list of

names of both Tigers and his partner and activities planned. These should be copied out so that each team has a copy to facilitate communication within the den. The Leader will also need to have an agenda with specific items to be discussed. He/she should have the Tiger Den Notebook ready to be passed on. This should include the roster of the Tiger Den, a list of the Pack's leadership with telephone numbers, a Pack Calendar of Events, the Tiger Cub Resource book and a monthly list for sign-up. The Tiger Cub Leader should also have a simple craft for the Tiger Teams to complete. Boys love making things, and this gives them something to take home and show off to their friends. This craft has a twofold purpose; to give the tiger Team something of which to remember their first meeting and to show others what fun Tiger Cubs can be. Remember, when his friends see how much fun the Tiger is having, they also will want to join.

Gathering Activity: As the Tiger Teams arrive, have a simple puzzle for the tiger to put together. This could be just a picture of the Tiger logo glued to card stock, cut apart and placed in an envelop. Try to have one for each tiger. While the boys are putting the puzzle together, check with the Tiger Partner for the correct spelling of names and that you have correct addresses and telephone number. If they have not received their Tiger Packets, now is the time to distribute them.

**Opening**: Begin the program with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the US Flag. Following this, the Tiger Cub Leader introduces his/herself and explains their role. He/she can then explain the Tiger Cub motto or pledge.

Searching/Discovering/Sharing: This is the time of information sharing. Start this session with having each boy introduce his partner, explain their relationship, and share his ideas of a favorite food or dessert. This can be a fun time, leading to lots of smiles as the partner finds out what his/her favorite actually is in the boy's eyes. Next the Tiger Cub Den Leader begins her information sharing. He/she will cover the basics of the Tiger program, assist the Den in choosing a Tiger Cub Coordinator, and discuss the contents of the Tiger packets. Uniforming is then discussed and the den is encouraged to make a decision. Set a time limit for the Tigers to have their uniforms. When discussing the uniform, it helps if the Leader has examples.

The Tiger Cub Leader will want to discuss how a meeting works. He/she will discuss the assignment of Teams to take a monthly theme and encourages the Teams to sign-up and helping them to choose their monthly themes. Den activities can be suggested and the Leader will review Pack Policy concerning 'field trips.'

At this point, the Tigers are getting restless and need some activity. One such activity that will last them the entire year is the making of a Tiger Tales Scrapbook. Explain that this book is to be used to put their thoughts and momentos of their year in Tigers into. The scrapbook can be just prepunched typing paper placed in either a orange three-prong folder or covered with orange construction paper. The Tiger then can decorate his scrapbook in whatever manner he desires. He may have his partner letter the scrapbook for him. Have plenty of Tiger stickers, crayons, markers and other decorations for the Tiger to

**Closing:** The Tiger Cub Leader uses this time to remind the Tiger Group that they are now a Den and of any upcoming Pack events, especially the first Pack meeting. He/she then closes the meeting with the Cub Scout Promise.

# **Meeting Ideas**

- 1. Make a Den totem to place on top of the Tiger Den Flag
- 2. Have everyone make a name tag necklaces.
- 3. Make a Tiger Cub magnet---using an orange milk jug lid, cover edge with black tape or yarn, glue a magnetic strip to the back.
- 4. Set up a monthly meeting poster. Decorate it with Tiger pictures. Have everyone fill in their assigned months. Post at Den meetings.
- 5. Discuss what you would like to do and see as a Tiger.
- 6. Have the partner draw a picture of his/herself with their Tiger doing a favorite activity. Have the Tiger color and place in his scrapbook.

# PRE-OPENING ACTIVITY

### **States**

Trapper Trails Council

**Need:** 3' x 5" cards for everyone—put abbreviation of different states on the cards, there should be several of each state used; i.e.: AL, WY. UT. The amount needed depends on your pack meeting attendance.

When the leader yells "All Aboard: everyone rushes to get in a group with their state.

# The Lucky Seven Shake

How Book of Cub Scouting '51

As one of the early numbers of a Den-family picnic, get everybody into the spirit of the occasion by conducting this game. Secretly provide one of the number with a liberal collection of candy. Explain the game and start everybody shaking hands. Ask those who have not met previously to introduce themselves. The one who shakes hands, and he hands every seventh person one of the candies. As soon as the children discover the holder of the candies they gather around him or form a line. That's the signal for the adults to drop out of the game and watch the handshaking proceed until the candy is exhausted.

# **Great Trains Matching Game**

York Adams Area Council

Hang up numbered pictures of different famous trains and hand out a list of the train names (with clues, if necessary). Then let the folks try to match the pictures to their correct names. The Internet has many museum and railroad enthusiast sites with lots of beautiful color photos of different trains. It will take some time to pull together clues that can be matched to the trains, but most of the websites I visited have lots of information on the different photos. Also, it would help to be able to print out the pictures in color.

Check out this site for other ideas... http://www.fra.dot.gov/s/edu/school/curriculum/

# **OPENING CEREMONY**

# Freedom Train

Heart of America Council

**Personnel:** 6 Cubs and Den Leader or Cubmaster. **Equipment:** Large pieces of cardboard from office furniture stores, refrigerator cartons, etc., opened flat with the plain side painted with or decorated with markers to represent the appropriate train car. Cubs could simply march across stage with appropriate signs hung around necks describing cars.

**Setting:** Cub Scouts come on stage each holding a large cardboard picture of appropriate train car.

**Engine:** This is the engine that represents our Government that keeps us on the right track.

**Coal Car:** This is the coal car that represents the people who supply the energy to run our Government.

**Gondola Car:** This is the gondola car that represents the open minds of the people who supply the energy to run our Government.

**Tank Car:** This is the tank car that represents the energy to produce the ideas in the open minds of the people who supply the energy to run our Government.

**Box Car:** This is the box car that carries the food from our farmers, that helps produce the energy to supply the ideas in the open minds of the people that run our Government.

**Caboose:** Last but not least, this is the caboose that represents Scouting, which trains the boys with fantastic energy, who eat the food from our farmers and grow to men who produce the energy to supply the ideas in the open minds of the people that run our Government.

**Cubmaster:** This train is unique, in that it runs on **Freedom**, the freedom that has made this country the strong nation that It is today.

(The engine could have a small American flag posted in a proper place and the caboose could bear the Scout emblem. The other cars can be decorated appropriately.) Please stand and join me in the Pledge of Allegiance.

# **Opening Ceremony**

Trapper Trails Council

# **Equipment needed:**

Make a cardboard train with an engine, coaaal car, passenger car (s), and a caboose.

# **Ceremony:**

The cubmaster comes out carrying the engine: "just as the engine on a train, leads the train and pulls it down the track, the cubmaster and den leaders lead the pack and pulls it towards success."

A committee member comes out with the coal car: "As the coal car gives our train the fuel to go, the pack committee gives the fuel or helping hand to make our pack go." Several boys come out with the passenger car and in unison say: "We are here as passengers on this pack train, we appreciate all the work the pack leadership does for us."

A set of parents come out with the caboose and say in unison: "Although we represent the caboose, we are very important in the pack in supporting our sons and the leadership of the pack just as the caboose does for the train.

# Circle 10 Council

**Needed:** 9 scouts with picture boards of trains of various types (mine carts, steam engines, locomotives, passenger trains, electric trains etc.) (Can be modified for smaller dens.) Have the Cubmaster or Den Leader stand to the side and blow a train whistle for attention and then yell "Allll Abbboooarrrddd!"

**Scout #1:** The first trains were mine carts that were pulled by men or animals filled with ore from mines.

**Scout #2:** In 1825, George Stephenson, a former engine mechanic, made the first locomotive called the **Active**, it

pulled railroad cars carrying a total of 450 people at a speed of 15 miles per hour.

**Scout #3:** By 1829, George Stephenson had improved his steam engine and the *Rocket*, traveled at 36 miles per hour. **Scout #4:** Railroad lines sprang quickly across the world and goods and people could travel further and faster than ever before.

**Scout #5:** In 1830, *The Best Friend of Charleston* hauled a train of cars beginning railroad transportation in the United States.

**Scout #6:** In 1888, Frank J. Sprague introduced the first electric trains, Many large cities such as New York and Chicago have electric train systems called Els.

**Scout #7:** In 1934, The diesel engine was invented and put into use for trains.

**Scout #8**: In 1971, Amtrak became a fast and reliable passenger service.

**Scout #9:** Tonight we welcome our new and returning scouts for a new year of fun in scouting! Please stand with me and be welcomed aboard with the Pledge of Allegiance.

# PACK/DEN ACTIVITIES

### **GOOD BUY**

Early this Spring I bought a mesh bag a WalMart that is filled with thistle seed. The bag is about 3 ½ inches wide and 6 or 7 inches long with a drawstring sewn into the top. The little mesh holes are kind of tiny. This little bag, which is refillable, hangs on our maple tree. I watch goldfinches cling onto the mesh and eat seed. To me, this is so fascinating. Understand though, growing up I never thought much about birds and how or what they ate. Mostly, I threw out pieces of bread for birds way back then or when I saw birds eating they were picking up their food from the ground.

Another good buy was a suet feeder for the birds. I bought a green kind of like a cage which hold a non-melting suet cake, again this is refillable. Throughout the summer I have watched blue jays hanging on this basket like cage eating. Just yesterday I bought suet cake that is berry flavored in hopes of attracting more songbirds instead of bluejays. This fall I am having a friend over to make a batch of suet cakes to feed the birds over the winter. When I do that I will be providing the recipes that I use. In turn, your den could help feed birds over the winter with suet cakes. In the meantime you could be saving those little green baskets that cherry tomatoes come in to use as a holder for suet cakes. Another item I plan on using for my homemade suet cakes is a very old 9x13 inch cake pan. If you don't have one look around at thrift stores or garage sales.

## **Fun Facts**

Hobo's from the mid 1910's to the 1940's would carve various images into a Buffalo Nickel. The obverse was usually carved with the image of a friend, an acquaintance, a self portrait, a clown, a famous figure, etc. Occasionally

the bison on the reverse would be transformed into an animal such as a donkey or an elephant. These coins would then be traded for a meal or money. Some of the hobos were extremely talented and their works are eagerly sought after today.

# Now is the time to dazzle your Cubs with some useless facts

7-UP was created in 1929; "7" was selected because the original containers were 7 ounces. "UP" indicated the direction of the bubbles.

Mosquito repellents don't repel. They hide you. The spray blocks the mosquito's sensors so they don't know you're there.

Oak trees do not produce acorns until they are fifty years of age or older.

Every day more money is printed for monopoly than the US Treasury.

Men can read smaller print than women, women can hear better than men.

Bullet proof vests, fire escapes, windshield wipers, and laser printers were all invented by women.

A 'jiffy' is an actual unit of time for 1/100th of a second. A sneeze zooms out of your mouth at over 600 m.p.h. Every time you lick a stamp, you're consuming 1/10 of a calorie.

Ants stretch when they wake up in the morning! Like fingerprints, everyone's tongue print is different Chewing gum while peeling onions will keep you from crying

Human thigh bones are stronger than concrete The first product to have a bar code was Wrigleys gum State with the highest percentage of people who walk to work: Alaska

A duck's quack doesn't echo, and no one knows why. Cats have over one hundred vocal sounds, while dogs have only about ten.

The average ear of corn has eight hundred kernels arranged in sixteen rows.

The volume of the earth's moon is the same as the volume of the Pacific Ocean.

Americans on average eat 18 acres of pizza everyday. 1961 was the most recent year that could be written upside-down and right side-up and appear the same. The next year that this will be possible will be 6009! Rubber bands last longer when refrigerated. There are 293 ways to make change for a dollar.

Twelve new moons of Saturn have been discovered. The new discovery brings the planet's total to 30, the most in the Solar System. All of the new moons are small -- between 6 and 30 kilometers in diameter -- and all are moving in irregular, tilted orbits.

# Bath Tissue (aka toilet paper) trivia

Other than its intended use, consumers report using bath tissue for a myriad of tasks: nose care 60%

wiping small spills 17%

removing make-up 8% cleaning mirrors 7% cleaning child's hands/face 3%

### All Aboard!

York Adams Area Council

**Following** is an idea from Mike Hicks that he put in his council's powwow book.

How about a trip on a plane, train, or boat? September is a great season for traveling. How many of the boys have ever been on a train ride? I checked the Amtrak website (www.amtrak.com) and they have half-price tickets for children under 15 and additional group rates for 20 or more people. With our proximity to Baltimore, DC, and Philadelphia, it would be pretty easy to arrange for a Saturday or Sunday train excursion. Also, check out this website for some charter boat points of contact (http://thechesapeakebay.com/cheapeake bay char ters upper .shtml). I'm never one to shy away from cold calls to see if someone would help out the Cub Scouts. It's worked wonders for our group. Give it a try. Call someone and ask if they have a spare hour or two to give a tour on their boat and maybe a trip around the dock for the Cub Scouts. As for planes, have you been to the Observation Gallery at BWI?

Here's an extract from the BWI website

(www.bwiairport.com):

A Gallery Worth Observing

While you're in the Terminal, you really owe it to yourself (and to anyone traveling with you) to visit the BWI Observation Gallery. It's an awesome 12,300 square feet of aeronautical curiosities and educational exhibits. Check out the cockpit of a real Boeing 737 or learn something about the many systems in use in a state-of-the-art international airfield. You can even eavesdrop on conversations between the tower and pilots as aircraft come and go. Kids will find much to do (and learn) and everyone from 4 to 104 will love the massive windows overlooking the field. There is even a children's play area on the lower level of the Gallery. Best of all, it's free.

# Coal Garden

York Adams Council

Place a small piece of coal in a bowl. Sprinkle one tablespoon of salt over the coal and then carefully pour two tablespoons of water over the salt. Now add two tablespoons of laundering "bluing", three drops of mercurochrome, and three or four drops of food coloring. Take this concoction home carefully. After several days, there should appear a colorful, moss-like growth covering the coal.

Make A Recycled Train!!

Circle 10 Council

**Materials:** 

Cereal boxes and other small boxes like Jello boxes ½ gallon milk or juice cartons

Oatmeal round boxes

Old thread spools

Small paper plates (dessert size) (also can use frozen juice can lids)

Cotton balls or polyester stuffing

Construction paper

Glue

Tape

Markers

Buttons

Twine or yarn

Scissors

Straws

Tongue depressors or craft sticks

If you have enough stuff, each boy can make his own train or get a large piece of cardboard and have each boy make a 'car' for the train. Lay out the "track" with tongue depressors/craft sticks and straws.

The Oatmeal round boxes make wonderful "engines". Use the used thread spool as the smoke stack, with a small box for the engineer's cab with the wheels of juice can lids or paper plates. Have the boys use construction paper to cover the boxes and make the front apron. Then use the yarn or twine for the bars on the wheels. Gluing some polyester stuffing or stretched cotton balls on top of the thread spool gives the look like a working steam engine. The rest of the cars can be made out of the cereal boxes. Cut one in half and make an ore car. Using the juice/milk cartons just flatten the top down and tape it down for another type of car. Follow the same procedure with construction paper and plates/lids for the wheels. Have the boys decorate each car with the markers. Connect the cars with the twine or yarn and place it on your track. Be sure to take one on Pack Night and show the rest of the pack.

# **Train Car Activity**

Circle 10 Council

Materials – Large Cardboard boxes, paint, string, glue, wide ribbon (or rope), box cutters, paper plates, markers, construction paper, buttons and any other decorations. Have each Den Leader be the "conductor". Use one large cardboard box per child. Cut top and bottom off. Make shoulder straps from heavy ribbon or string. Let them paint or decorate their own train cars. Use small painted paper plates for the wheels. Give each family about 20 minutes to decorate their boxes (this can be done at a den meeting and then brought in.

Each den then "hooks" up and then proceeds to parade around the track singing "I've been working on the Railroad" at least 2 or 3 times. The "judge" then gives out awards for the best looking, best decorated, best design, etc. certificates to the dens.

# **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

Divide group into 5 teams, each one taking one of the following parts.

GIRL: (In high pitched voice) Help me! Help me!

VILLIAN; (Loud and deep) Hiss! Boo! TRAIN: Chuga, chug a, choo choo

**HERO:** YEAH!! DOG: Arf, Arf

Every time one of these words are said by the narrator, the team in the audience that has that part will shout their words.

Narrator. Back in the Rockies, a Train, filled with gold nuggets was slowly coming down the mountain, across the bridge, down the valleys, and over the ridges. There was a Villian, who had heard about the Train. The Villian, went to a nearby town and saw a beautiful Girl and her Dog.

The Villain stole the Girl. The Dog followed the Girl and the Villain. The Villian put the Girl on his horse.

The **Dog** followed the horse and the **Villain** to the **Train** track.

The Villain tied up the Girl. The Dog barked and barked.

The Villain growled at the **Dog**. The **Girl** screamed when the Villain put her on the Train tracks.

The Train was coming down the track. The Girl saw it and screamed. The engineer called the law and asked for a Hero. The Hero got on his horse and rode to the Train track.

The **Train** was coming, the **Girl** was screaming, the **Dog** was barking, and the Villain was hiding.

The **Hero** rushed up to the **Girl** and took her off the track. The Train went by. The Villain was angry and ran up to the Girl and the Hero

The **Dog** bit the **Villain** in the pants and he ran away. The Hero took the Girl and her Dog back home.

# Join The Cub Scouts

York Adams Area Council

Cub Scout: Do Your Best

School: Yuck **Notice:** Hear Ye

Mother: Turn the TV down!

Johnny came home from School very excited one afternoon. In his hand was a Cub Scout Notice. It was an invitation to go to a meeting at the **School** that evening. Now Johnny's **Mother** was very tired; so when Johnny asked her to go, she said, "We'll see". About that time the

doorbell rang. It was Sammy, Johnny's best friend. "Hey," said Sammy. "Look what I got at School today - a Notice to join Cub Scouts."

At that, Johnny's **Mother** said she guessed she would go,

When Johnny and his **Mother** arrived at the **School**, there were several Cub Scout leaders present in uniform. There were also several tables of displays - crafts and pictures. When the program began, the leaders shoed slides of Cub Scout activities - Good Turn Day, the Scout show, and the Water Carnival. "Wow", said Johnny to his Mother. "You mean we get to do all of that in Cub Scouts? Wow!I sure am glad that I brought that Notice home from School." The Cubmaster explained that the Pack met at the School and had passed out the **Notices** to the second and third grade students and the pack planned to form a few new dens. When he asked for volunteers to become den leaders, no one raised their hands. Dead silence prevailed. Finally, Johnny's Mother said, "Well, those pictures make Cub Scouts look like a lot of fun. How can I refuse? I'll be a den leader."

So that is how Johnny became a Cub Scout. And don't we wish that Den Leaders were that easy to recruit?

# ADVANCEMENT CEREMONIES

This month decorate your meeting place for your den meetings or your monthly pack meeting. Have a den make a big Sign for front door: "Pack" Station, Track #--- ALL ABOARD!

Plan approximately where the boys and their parents will stand during the Pack's advancement ceremony. Draw or make tracks with Chalk or with paper up to the area.

# **Den Ceremony for New Bobcat**

Mason/Dixon Roundtable

The den leader introduces the new Bobcat to the other Cub Scouts of the den.

The denner and assistant denner step forward with U.S. flag and den flag. All salute the flag.

1st Cub Scout: Lights a candle (flashlight) and recites the Cub Scout Promise.

**2nd Cub Scout:** Lights a candle (flashlight) and recites the Law of the Pack.

3rd Cub Scout: Steps forward and informs the Bobcat that he is part of the den and it is his turn to light a candle (flashlight) to show that the den will be much brighter now that he is part of it. All den members then sing the "Cub Scout Welcome Song" found in the Cub Scout Songbook.

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Materials: Bobcat badge and card

**Participants:** Cubmaster, New Bobcat and parents **Cubmaster:** A young boy stood in front of a group of people. It was his first Cub Scout Pack Meeting over 66 years ago. He lifted his right arm and held 2 fingers in the air to give the Cub Scout Sign and said...

I, promise to do my best, To do my Duty to God and my country, to be square and to obey the Law of the Pack

Since that night, hundreds of thousands of boys have repeated the same procedure as they became Cub Scouts. Tonight, we are welcoming (name of the boy), to our pack and invite his family to come forward as we present his Bobcat Badge. Will the parents and new Bobcat recipient please come forward.

(Name of the boy), you have indicated that you wish to become a part of the Cub Scout program. Therefore join the ranks of many young men, who began their adventure in Scouting as a Cub Scout in years ago. In doing so, you have learned, as they have, the symbols of the Cub Scouts: The Cub Scout Sign, Handshake, Salute and Motto. You are able to repeat the Cub Scout Promise and the Law of the Pack.

As your Cubmaster, I now ask if you are ready to become a Bobcat in our Pack, and accept the obligation of the Cub Scout Promise?

New Bobcat: Yes, I am.

**Cubmaster:** Will all the Cub Scout present please stand and join (name of the boy), and myself in repeating the Cub Scout Promise, just as the Cub Scout of years ago have. (Raise your arm in the Cub Scout Sign.)

I promise to Do my Best to do my Duty to God And my Country. To help other people and

To Obey the Law of the Pack.

the Cub Scout handshake).

(Name of the boy), you have promised, as many thousands of Cub Scouts before you to do your best as a Cub Scout. On the behalf of all the boys who have worn the uniform of a Cub Scout in years past, to remember your Promise and to wear your Cub Scout uniform with pride and honor. Welcome to our Pack. I am giving your parents your Bobcat Badge, they will sew it on your uniform when you have done a Good Turn as a Cub Scout. (Hand the badge to the parents. Shake hand with the new Cub Scout, using

### **Immediate Recognition**

Mason Dixon Roundtable

As a Cub Scout completes achievements for Wolf or Bear, the den leader should make sure that a simple recognition ceremony is held in the den meeting. Use the Cub Scout Immediate Recognition Kit, which contains enough materials for a den of Cub Scouts for 2 years. This is a

motivation device used to encourage each boy to complete the rank for his age.

Use a brief ceremony related to the monthly theme or the one below:

**Den Leader:** Let me tell you the story behind these wonderful beads. The custom of awarding beads started in the ancient tribe of the Webelos. They were given to braves who did their best to help the tribe and others.

**Den Chief:** Many moons ago, when the animal world was ruled by wolves and bears, the braves of the Webelos tribe feared these strong beasts.

**Den Leader:** But some braves named [names of boys being recognized], still untried, decided that the best way to live without fear was to learn to understand the creatures of the forest.

**Den Chief:** So they went, disguised as animals, to live with the wolves and bears. The animals accepted them and all their brothers and called them cubs, just as if the braves were their own. This was according to the Law of the Pack.

**Den Leader:** For their bravery and friendliness to the beasts, they were given a leather thong with colored beads on it. it signified that the Cub Scout knew the ways of the tribe and did his best at everything without worrying if someone else did better. This is the law that the tribe borrowed from the animals and had the cubs learn. (Ask the den to form a living circle and repeat the Law of the Pack.

**Den Chief:** For doing your best in completing three achievements toward your [Wolf/Bear] badge, I award you. [name], this thong and this bead. May you always obey the Law of the Pack.

### **Denner Installation**

Mason Dixon Roundtable

This ceremony should be held at a den meeting, as soon as the denner is elected.

**Cub Scout** [name], do you accept this as your responsibility?

(Cub Scout answers:) I do.

Then we present to you this cord as your key to open the doorway for our next adventures.

# **Assistant Denner Ceremony**

Mason Dixon Roundtable

As above, select an assistant denner. The den leader den chief can then read the following ceremony.

Cub Scout [name] has been chosen to be our assistant denner. His duty will be to help [denner's name] as we all take part in our meeting adventure.

**Cub Scout** [name], do you accept this as your responsibility?

(Cub Scout answers) I do.

Then we present to you this cord as your key to help open the doorway for our next adventures.

# **Advancement Ceremony**

Circle 10 Council

Have a cardboard train set up with each of the ranks listed on the boxes for adva Mason Dixon Roundtable neement (example shown below). Have leaders put the advancements in each box for each den.

As each den is called up, blow the train whistle

# Blue & Gold Shining Light Heart of America

The following awards ceremony is very simple but can be very effective. Try it at your Family Campout by having a campfire meeting to give recognition for the advancements and awards earned by the boys during the past month.

Personnel: Cubmaster and two den leaders.

**Equipment:** Two flashlights, one with blue cellophane over the end and the other one with gold cellophane over the end. Plastic or tissue paper could be used also. A third flashlight with a red lens is also required.

**Arrangement:** Cubmaster in middle and a den leader on either side. The one on the Cubmaster's right has the blue flashlight and the one on his left has the gold one.

Cubmaster: Here we have the blue light of Cub Scouting on my right (turn on the blue flashlight) and the gold light of Cub Scouting on my left (Turn on the gold flashlight). These two lights symbolize the light of Cub Scouting which can shine brightly in the lives of our boys but only with the help of parents to make them shine. There have been some Cub Scouts in our Pack this month who have had those Cub Scouting lights shinning in their lives and they've worked hard to earn some Achievements and Electives. (Cubmaster needs to say appropriate words for awards being given.) Would the following boys and their parents come forward and stand in the Cub Scouting's Blue and Gold limelight together as we recognize them for the fine work they have done. (Call forth appropriate boys and parents and make presentation, telling about the award received.) (After all presentations have been made, leaders turn off the blue and gold flashlights and Cubmaster turns on the red light.)

**Cubmaster:** We all know that red means stop so let's all stop for a minute every once in awhile and ask ourselves if we are really doing the best we can whether as a Cub Scout, a parent, a leader or a family member. Parents ask yourself if you've really helped your boy so that Cub Scouting can be a shining light to him. Let's all do our best to keep those Blue and Gold lights shinning.

(Turns off the red light and leaders turn on the blue and gold ones). Then we can all see our son step up and receive some of the Blue and Gold limelight for his accomplishments.

**Note:** The last part of the ceremony could be worked in as the closing ceremony for the Pack meeting by putting announcements, and audience participation, etc. before the awards and move right from awards into the closing which

could indeed be the last part of the above ceremony. It leaves the audience with a challenge and a thought for the day.

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# **Homemade Games**

Greater Boston Council

Cub Scout games are simple games. Played with things which can be easily found about any house. Here is a sample list. Many like possibilities will suggest themselves to you.

Wooden counters snapped with fingers to diagram chalked on table.

Bounce ball into wastebasket which is stood on chair. Roll, one at a time, three different sized balls into a barrel hoop placed on the floor. Each ball that stays in the hoop scores 25 points.

Slide metal washers (2 inches in diameter) onto a diagram divided into small squares and numbered, chalked on the floor. If the squares are made large enough, fruit jar rings can be used instead of washers.

Ring toss on legs of chair, which has been turned upside down. Score 25 points each ringer.

Punch holes in paper carton and insert five clothespins, one in center, and one in each corner. Ring toss, using four fruit jar rubber rings. 25 points each.

Water and pie pan - - five washers and 1 pie pan. Bounce washers in pan. 3 points per washer. 5 throws per person from distance of 6 feet.

Polo pan –six 1-inch wooden cubes with numbers on each of the 6 sides (0-1-2-3-4-5). Get a 6-hole muffin pan.

Each person throws the 6 cubes, one at a time, into muffin pan from distance of 6 feet. Add number on top in all six holes. Highest score wins.

Ball in bucket – three buckets (or #10 tin cans), all same size fastened to blat board and leaned against wall. Toss 3 tennis balls from a distance of 8 feet. Five points per ball.

# Pin the number on the Engine

Draw the front of an old steam engine. on a large piece of paper and then make circles, each with a different number, one per scout. Use the Old Shelby Brown as a template from Good Old Missouri-my useta be home:) See who gets the closest to center of your drawing.(the front of the train) <a href="https://www.rosecity.net/trains/engine9.jpg">http://www.rosecity.net/trains/engine9.jpg</a>

# Whale Ahoy!

York Adams Council

Equipment: 1 paper or sock ball or beanbag

**Formation:** Scatter

One boy is selected to be the 'whale', he may run freely about the room. The rest of the Cubs each choose a position and since they are 'rocks in the sea', they may not move. The aim is to 'harpoon' the 'whale' by hitting him with the ball. Whoever hits him takes his place as the next 'whale'.

The skill of the game lies in passing the 'harpoon' from 'rock to rock' in an endeavor to corner the 'whale', rather than the Cubs taking random shots. This is good training in playing for the game rather than for the individual.

# **SONGS**

# I've Been Working On The Railroad

York Adams Area Council

I've been working on the railroad

All the livelong day

I've been working on the railroad

Just to pass the time away

Can't you hear the whistle blowing

Rise up so early in the morn

Can't you hear the captain shouting

Dinah, blow your horn

Dinah, won't you blow

Dinah, won't you blow

Dinah, won't you blow your horn

Dinah, won't you blow

Dinah, won't you blow

Dinah, won't you blow your horn

Someone's in the kitchen with Dinah

Someone's in the kitchen I know

Someone's in the kitchen with Dinah

Strumming on the old banjo, and singing

Fie, fi, fiddly i o

### She'll be Commin' 'Round the Mountain

Circle 10 Council

Sing each stanza making appropriate motions and sounds. Then at the end of each stanza, repeat all previous sounds and motions.

She'll be commin' 'round the mountain when she comes, "Whoo, Whoo!"

She'll be commin' 'round the mountain when she comes, "Whoo, whoo!"

She'll be commin' 'round the mountain

She'll be commin' 'round the mountain

She'll be commin' 'round the mountain when she comes, "Whoo, whoo!"

She'll be drivin' six white horses when she comes, "Whoa back!"

She'll be drivin' six white horses when she comes, "Whoa back!"

She'll be drivin' six white horses

She'll be drivin' six white horses

She'll be drivin' six white horses

When she comes, "Whoa back!, Whoo, Whoo!"

We will all go out to meet her when she comes, Hi, Babe!" We will all go out to meet her when she comes, "Hi, Babe!"

We will all go out to meet her we

will all go out to meet her

We will all go out to meet her

When she comes, "Hi, Babe!, Whoa back!, Whoo, Whoo!"

We will kill the old red rooster when she comes, Hack, Hack!"

We will kill the old red rooster when she comes, "Hack, Hack!"

We will kill the old red rooster

We will kill the old red rooster

We will kill the old red rooster

When she comes, "Hack, Hack!, Hi Babe!, Whoa back!, Whoo, whoo!"

We will all have chicken an' dumplings when she comes, "Yum, Yum!"

We will all have chicken an' dumplings when she comes, "Yum, Yum!"

We will all have chicken an' dumplings we will all have chicken an' dumplings we will all have chicken an' dumplings When she comes,

"Yum, Yum!, Hack Hack!, Hi Babe!, Whoa back!, Whoo, whoo!"

# I've Been Working On The Railroad

Circle 10 Council

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I've been working on the railroad
Just to past the time away
Can't ya hear the whistle blowing
Rise up so early in the morn
Can't ya hear the captain shouting
"Dinah, blow your horn!"

Dinah, won't ya blow Dinah, won't ya blow, Dinah won't ya blow your horn!

Dinah, won't ya blow, Dinah, won't ya blow, Dinah, won't ya blow your horn

Someone's in the kitchen with Dinah, Someone's in the kitchen I know, Someone's in the kitchen with Dinah Strumming on the old banjo singing:

Fee Fie Fiddlio,

fee fie fiddlio Fee fie Fiddlio Strumming on the old banjo

# **CUB GRUB - Fun Food**

### **Train Cake Ideas**

Make a train using a firm (pound cake type) 9x13 cake cut up into 9 even rectangles. Each piece will be one car of the train. Take two for the engine. On one, cut a triangle shape on the narrow end, to resemble a cow catcher. Place 1/2 of the other piece on the top near one edge, secured with frosting. Use a round snack cake like a ho ho or Twinkie for the boiler, set this in front of the top cake. Frost each piece with your chosen colors. Decorate with mini cookies for wheels, candies for decorations, etc.

# **Hot Dog Filet**

York Adams Area Council Mason-Dixon RT

Hot Dog Strip of Bacon Small slice of cheese 2 toothpicks

Cut hotdog lengthwise; but not all the way through. Stuff sliced cheese into the slit. Wrap with bacon slice, securing ends of bacon with a toothpick. Cook on stick or in cardboard box oven, 10-15 minutes.

### Hobo's Heaven

### **Ingredients:**

2 lbs ground beef

1 onion sliced

1 Cup Carrots, sliced

4 potatoes, peeled and sliced

Seasoning to taste

# **Directions:**

- 1. Preheat outdoor grill for medium high heat and lightly oil grate.
- 2. Form ground beef into individual patties and place each patty on a piece of foil large enough to hold the patty and some vegetables. Layer patty with onion, carrots, potatoes and seasoning to tast. Wrap with foil to seal each packet well.
- 3. Grill over medium high heat for 30 minutes. Be careful when opening foil packets as the steam that escapes will be VERY hot.

# **Cinnamon Flop**

2 Cups Flour1 Cup Sugar

1 1/4 Cup Milk

3 Teaspoons Baking Soda

1 Stick Butter or Margarine (melted)

Dash of Salt

Mix all ingredients together, except melted butter. Pour in ungreased 13x9x2 inch pan. Generously spread dark brown sugar and cinnamon on top. Add chopped nuts if desired. Drizzle melted butter on top.

Bake at 350 degrees for 20-25 minutes.

# STUNTS & APPLAUSES

# Heart of America Council Freight Train

To simulate a freight train approaching from a distance and then fade off again, use a 4 beat hand clap with the first beat of each grouping of 4 loud and then the following 3 softer beats. The train can speed up, slow down, stop, and start with varying tempo. Throw in a few train whistles for effect.

### Racers

Move hand like a racer and go

"ZZZRRrrrooooooommmmm" three times

### Trucker

Pretend you are driving a big rig. Reach above your head for the horn cord and as you make a pulling motion say loudly "Honk, Honk!"

# Knock, knocks

Knock, Knock

Who's there?

Sarah.

Sarah who?

Sa-rah phone I could use?

Knock knock

Who's there?

Radio.

Radio who?

Radi-o not, here I come.

**Cub 1:** Could you give me a ticket for the next trip to the moon?

Cub 2: I'm sorry, but the moon is full now.

Cub 1: Son, here are the keys to my magic car.

**Cub 2:** Is it really magic?

Cub 1: Yes, one speeding ticket and it will disappear.

# Riddles

What kind of shot do you give a sick car?

A fuel injection.

What does a train do with food?

Chew. chew.

What did the grape do when the elephant sat on it? *It let out a little wine.* 

How Book of Cub Scout (1951) THANKS, Mike

Rickety, rickey, riff-raff! Chickety, chickeyty, chiff-chaff! Riff-raff, chiff-chaff! Let's give 'em a horse-laff Haw! Haw! Haw!

Conductor's Yell: Pull whistle Cord and then Yell Whoo Whoo! (then) ALL ABBBBOAARRDD!!

**Locomotive:** Begin on the heel of your hand, slowly. With one hand gradually increase speed, walking you fingers towards the finger tip, go over the ends of the fingers and walk up your arm. The last part is to raise your hand over your eyes as a gesture of looking in the distance.

**Train:** divide the audience into groups to make different train sounds, getting faster and faster until a bell rings.

### Run-ons -

2 scouts walking – 1 is carrying a train and a patch and the other holding a trained patch.

1<sup>st</sup> scout: Hey, what's the train and patch for?

2<sup>nd</sup> scout: 'Cause I heard our leader needs a train and

1<sup>st</sup> scout: No, no, that's a TRAINED PATCH! (shows a trained patch)

2 scouts walking – 1 carrying an airplane, the other carrying a wood plane

1<sup>st</sup> scout: Say, that's a nice airplane, what's if for? 2<sup>nd</sup> scout: Our leader said to bring a Plane for today's meeting

1<sup>st</sup> scout: No, No, we're learning to use a WOOD PLANE today (shows a wood plane)

2 scouts walking

1<sup>st</sup> scout: Why are trains better than planes?

2<sup>nd</sup> scout: I dunno, why?

1<sup>st</sup> scout: Cause they stay on track!

# **SKITS**

# Is a Train Passing Today?

York Adams Council

Cast: Grandma, Grandpa **Setting**: Train Station

**Grandma**: (In old voice) Grandpa, is a train passing from

the south today?

**Grandpa**: (Hobbles over to station, checks the schedule, looks to the south, returns, and in an old voice,) No,

Grandma.

**Grandma**: Grandpa, is a train passing from the north

today?

**Grandpa**: (Hobbles over to station, checks the schedule, looks to the north, returns.) No, Grandma.

**Grandma**: Grandpa, is a train passing from the east today?

Grandpa: (Hobbles over to station, checks the schedule,

looks to the east, returns.) No. Grandma.

**Grandma**: Grandpa, is a train passing from the west

**Grandpa**: (Hobbles over to station, checks the schedule,

looks to the west, returns.) No. Grandma. **Grandma**: Good. We can cross the tracks now.

# Boss, The Train! York Adams Area Council

Cast: 2 Boys tracking animals, Rest of den acts as Train.

**Props**: 3 flashlights, Other props as desired.

**Setting**: 2 boys are walking across the stage shining their flashlights on ground as if they're looking for something.

Boy #1: Look! Bear tracks!

Boy #2: (sarcastically) There ain't no bears around here.

These are raccoon tracks.

**Boy #1**: Those are bear tracks.

Boy #2: They can't be!

Boy #1: I know what bear tracks look like and those are bear tracks.

Boy #2: Raccoon tracks!

Boy #1: Bear tracks!

Boy #2: Raccoon tracks!

(Boys grab each other and start to wrestle. As they are rolling around on the ground, the other boys enter making train noises the first one carrying a flashlight to simulate the headlight of the train. Boys stop wrestling)

Boy #1 and #2 (Look at each other and say in unison.) Train tracks!

(They jump up and start running as the train chases them offstage.)

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# **CLOSING CEREMONY**

# Joined Together

Heart of America Council

Personnel: 6 Cubs and Den Chief or Leader

Setting: Cubs hold large cardboard cutouts as they read their lines off the back of the cutouts or, large posters with the lines printed on the back.

Cub 1: (Holding train engine) When engineering a project, keep on the right track, This way you never will be caught slack.

Cub 2: (holding canoe) As the wise old Indian would say to you, learn to paddle your own canoe.

Cub 3: (holding covered wagon) The covered wagon served folks well in its day, But don't get in a rut -you won't go far that way.

Cub 4: (holding plane cutout) To guide your life, like a good pilot you'll find It's important to keep an open mind.

**Cub 5: (holding car)** If spinning your wheels causes a terrible rumbling, You may not be moving, but just sitting there grumbling.

**Cub 6: (holding space ship)** Just as an astronaut flies into space, With a lot of determination, you can go anyplace.

(Cub Scouts prop cutouts against back wall and join hands in the Living Circle while the Den Chief reads the following:)

Den Chief: Just like the cars in a train, we're joined together as one; We do our best to help the pack go, while having Cub Scout fun And when it's time to part and each take a separate trail, We'll do our best for God and Country -in that we will not fail. We remember our Cub Scout Promise in everything we do, Won't you all please join us as we pledge ourselves anew.

(Leads all in Cub Scout Promise)

## **Means of Transportation**

Heart of America

Personnel: 7 Cubs

**Equipment:** Cardboard props of different modes of transportation, have you boys make these at den meetings - a horse, wagon, car, train, plane, boat and spaceship.

**Setting:** Have each boy hold his prop and talk about it.

Keep them in order of appearance in history.

**Horse:** The horse was the only means of transportation for many centuries. It was also used as a farm machine for plowing and harvesting.

**Wagon:** Wagons enabled people to travel farther and longer. They helped Americans move across the country and settle in new lands.

**Boat:** Boats have been used for centuries. Probably early man used a raft to travel across rivers and streams. The native Americans used canoes to travel to hunting grounds and to fish for their families.

**Train:** With the invention of the steam engine, Western America was opened up to more settlers and businesses. We were moving even faster than the house could ever carry us.

**Car:** The "horseless carriage" helped Americans move even faster. Some people thought they wouldn't last - boy were they wrong!

**Plane:** Thank goodness for the Wright Brothers! People said, if man was meant to fly, God would have given us wings. Instead, he gave the world two guys from Dayton who wouldn't give up. Now Americans could soar with the Eagles!

**Spaceship:** Who could ever imagine that we would someday walk on the moon? We travel through space and learn more about our own planet!

All Boys: Who knows what the next century will bring!

# WEBELOS

### Circle 10 Council

# **Objectives**

- To learn about various forms of communication problems that other people may have.
- To become aware of different way that people can communicate.

### WHERE TO GO AND WHAT TO DO

- Visit a local newspaper office, radio station, or cable TV station.
- Have a visually impaired, hearing impaired, or speech impaired person or a teacher for those with these impairments explain their compensatory forms of communication.
- At the local library, find books about secret codes and various forms of communications
- Visit the base of a ham radio operator.
- Have a parent who uses a computer in his/her job explain its function.
- Visit a travel agent to see how a computer is used to book a flight. This could also be used as part of the Traveler Activity Badge, as you determine cost per mile of various modes of travel.
- Learn the Cub Scout Promise or Boy Scout Oath in sign language.

# Den Activities STRING SECRET CODE

Circle 10 Council

Here's a way to send a secret message on a piece of string. First write the alphabet on a long strip of cardboard as shown. Color on end of the string to show which end starts the message. Put the colored end of the string at the beginning of the scale and tie a knot in a position corresponding to the first letter of your message. For the next letter, put the knot you have just tied at the beginning of the scale and tie the next knot in a position corresponding to the next letter, and so on. (Leave an open square at the beginning of the scale so you have room to tie a knot for the first letter.

# NEWSLETTER

Have the boys use their knowledge of communications to set up a den newsletter with a calendar of upcoming events, a listing of supplies needed at future den meetings, a reporting of den activities, and acknowledgments of people who have helped with recent den programming.

# **SCOUT MOTTO**

Have the Webelos learn the Scout Motto in Sign Language.

### WIN-LOSE-OR-DRAW

Divide into two teams. The equipment needed for this activity includes a one-minute timer, drawing marker, a pad of newsprint on an easel and a box with object cards. One member of a team chooses an object card and tries to draw it on the newsprint. His team tries to guess what he is drawing within one minute. If the team guesses the object, they receive three points. If the team is unsuccessful, the drawing is passed to the other team to guess within 30 seconds. An accurate guess is worth two points. If they too, are not successful, guessing is opened up to both teams together for another 30 seconds, and an accurate guess is worth only 1 point. Play continues when the second team chooses an object card and draws it. The winner is the team with the most points after a designated period of time. Charades are not allowed for hints.

# **Ideas For Object Cards:**

Blue and Gold, U.S. Flag, Cub Scout, Neckerchief Slide, Award, Cub master, Table Decorations, Parents, Den, Summer Activity Award, Bobcat, Campfire, Pack Flag, Council Patch, Bear, Pinewood Derby, Wolf, Tiger, Arrow of Light, Skit, Applause, Webelos Activity Badge, Uniform, Webelos.

### Tie Slide

Tin Can and String Tie Slide

**Materials**: 1 Dowel rod String, Silver paint, Horseshoe nail, Glue

- 1. Cut the dowel rod to desired length
- 2. Paint silver to look like cans.
- 3. Put one can on each end of the horseshoe nail.
- 4. Glue the string between the cans. Allow the string to hang loosely.

### **Pantomimes**

This amusing way for expressing actions and moods will cause boys and parents more fun than you can imagine. A fun way to start is to have boys in a circle. The leader makes an action and players exaggerate their version. Then make up your own mime and have fun!

- 1. Say with your hand, "Stop"
- 2. Say with your head, "Stop"
- 3. Say with your shoulder, "I bumped the door"
- 4. Say with your foot, "I'm waiting"
- 5. Say with your ear, "I hear something"
- 6. Say with your waist, "I'm dancing"
- 7. Say with your jaw, "I'm surprised!"
- 8. Say with your tongue, "Yum, this taste good"
- 9. Say with your finger, "Come here"
- 10. Say with your fingers," This is hot!"

- 11. Say with your nose, "I smell fresh pie"
- 12. Make up your own gestures.

Message Coding

Use the Morse code table found in the Webelos Scout Handbook, Communicator Section to encode a short message. Each boy should keep his message short, one sentence of 5 to 8 words, and not let the other boys see it. After each boy has created his own message, let the other den members try to figure out the message.

# Know To Whom You're Speaking (A Skit)

The captain of a ship saw what looked like the lights of another ship heading toward him. He ordered his signalman to contact the other ship.

The message was "Change your course 10 degrees to the south".

The reply was: "Change YOUR course 10 degrees to the north."

Then the captain said: "I am a captain, so you change YOUR course 10 degrees to the south."

The reply was: "I am a seaman first class – change YOUR course 10 degrees to the north."

This last exchange infuriated the captain, so he signaled back: "I am a battleship – change YOUR course 10 degrees to the south."

The reply was: "I am a lighthouse. Change YOUR course 10 degrees to the north!"

# **Cub Scout Alphabet Soup**

Using the letter of the alphabet displayed, fill in the answer for each clue. The first one has been done for you.
The "Jungle Book" name of an important Cub Scout Leader is <b>Akela</b> .
When they are old enough, Cub Scouts can join a patrol of $B$
The title of the leader of the Pack is $\mathbb{C}$
The title of the Cub Scout who is the number one den helper is the <b>D</b>
One Cub Scout elective activity, which could include wiring a doorbell, is <b>E</b> .
Every Cub Scout shows respect to this patriotic item that is used in opening ceremonies, the $\mathbf{F}$
The Webelos activity badge that includes the study of rocks, minerals, mountains and earthquakes is

A physical journey that Scouts big and small enjoy in the outdoors is a <b>H</b> .
This substance is found in instruments we write with: $I$
Kids like to see how far or how high they can do this physical action: <b>J</b>
One way to move the ball in football or soccer is to $\mathbf{K}$ it.
This is the noise we make when something is funny or we are happy: $\mathbf{L}_{\underline{\hspace{1cm}}}$ .
This is made by voices or by instruments:  M
A familiar information source that contains many articles and is often recycled is a $N$
People from many nations around the world take part in the <b>O</b> events every four years.
These play characters are fun to make and are used in some skits: $\mathbf{P}$
The Cubmaster expects <b>Q</b> when he gives the Cub Scout sign.
During races or relays we move our legs quickly and this called $\mathbf{R}$
The act of making musical sound with words is another word for $S$
When the Cub Scout sign is given, we must stop T
A shirt, neckerchief and slide are part of the Cub Scout $U$
During the summer, we often take time for a family $V$
When a Cub Scout is 10 years old, and in the 4 <sup>th</sup> or 5 <sup>th</sup> grade, he can earn the Cub Scout rank of W
The musical instrument, a $\mathbf{X}$ , sort of resembles a piano.
Today is <b>Y</b> tomorrow.
A <b>Z</b> is where lots of wild animals are kept for visitors to view.

# Pack Meeting

### Round Robin Skit

Arrange the boys in a large circle. Give each one a communications transmitter of some kind, such as a flashlight for Morse code, the string and can telephone, a boy's hands for sign language, or a tom-tom for drumbeat.

Give the first boy a message to transmit, written on a piece of paper. Each boy in turn apparently relays this message to the next boy in line using his signaling device. (Remember your boys are just simulating this, not really doing it.)

The last boy writes down the message and comes up to stand beside you. You read your message, which is "Mr. Watson, come here I need you". The boy is then asked to read his message, which is "The number you have reached is out of service. Please hang up and try again. If you think you have reached this recording by mistake..." About halfway through this speech, put your arm on the boy's back and begin guiding him of stage, shaking your head.

# POW WOW EXTRAVAGANZAS Around The United States.

# Central

Potawatomi Area Council (Waukesha, WI) and Milwaukee County Council (Milwaukee, WI) will be holding a joint Pow Wow this year. November 10, 2001 Theme: "Fishing For Ideas"

Pulaski High School, Milwaukee, WI

Registration 7:30 a.m. Closing 4:00 p.m.

Fee \$10.00 until 10/20/01; \$15.00 from 10/21/01 -

11/2/01; \$20.00 after 11/2/01

Book is separate:\$10.00 Mail orders are okay but postage is not included in this amount.

Contact Person: Diane Vey, active@execpc.com, (262) 677-4121 ext 144 work phone #.

**The Greater St. Louis Area Council** Pow Wow will be held on Nov. 3, 2001. It will be held at Hazelwood East High School. If you need any more information contact the Director of Training Fred Brown at: 314-361-0600

NWSC's (Northwest Suburban Council, Chicago area) pow wow is on Sat. Nov. 3 at Christian Liberty Academy in Arlington Heights, IL, Our theme is 2001: A Cub Scouting Odyssey

Mid-America Council, Heartland University of Scouting, Theme: 2001, A Scout Odyssey, Saturday, November 3 8:00am - 4:30pm, Girls & Boys Town, Omaha, Nebraska Chair: Sally Mann, <a href="mailto:slmann@unmc.edu">slmann@unmc.edu</a>

# Southern

**Great Smoky Mountain** as tentatively scheduled our University of Scouting for Saturday, March 23rd, 2002. We will have a website set up that will show what classes are being offer. That website can be accessed from our Cub

Scout Training website. (Cub class information is, posted on the Cub Training site, once the classes have been determined.

Great Smoky Mountain, University of Scouting, March 23, 2002 (tentative), Knoxville, Tennessee (Eastern

Tennessee), Great Smoky Council Cub Scout Training website: http://www.geocities.com/doublelope/, I'll let you know when we have a confirmed date. Any questions, please contact me at doublelope@yahoo.com

Middle Tennessee Council, Nashville, TN, Saturday, January 26, 2002, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Raymond Gregory, Chairman RGregory6@aol.com, Dee Dee Cobb, Cub Scout Training Coordinator

<u>deedee.cobb@excite.com</u>, The location has not been set yet. I will try to send you an update when we have the location.

Occoneechee Council Pow Wow, Saturday, March 30, 2002, Raleigh, NC, Dusty Fletcher, Pow Wow Chief, Council web site: <a href="http://www.occoneechee.org">http://www.occoneechee.org</a> e-mail:,OC2002PowWow@att.net

Indian Nations Council will again host its nationally renown POW WOW on November 3, 2001 at Jenks High School.(down the road from Tulsa, Oklahoma.) (This is the POW WOW books that have been on the web for over 10 years.) New, improved and up to date. To register contact Indian Nations Council (918) 743-6125.

Southeast Louisiana Council November 10, 2001 - University of Scouting (504 889-0388), P.O. Box 1146 4200 S. I-10 Service Road, Metairie, LA 70001 Zip 70004 Western Region

California Inland Empire Council's "MegaVersity" is PowWow for all programs including Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity, Venture and district/council Scouting. It will take place Saturday, October 20th. The location is TBD, but will likely be in Moreno Valley, near the 91, 60, 10 and 215 freeways. The web page is available at: http://www.geocities.com/megversity/

Orange County Council puts on their Leadership Training Conference on November 3rd this year. This is also a multi-program event with lots of classes, exhibits, displays and activities. I believe that the LTC will again be at Century High School in the Orange/Santa Ana area, near the 5, 22, 91 and 55 freeways. For details, contact Chuck Hand, their event coordinator, at: cl-dm-hand@thegrid.net

http://www.ocbsa.org/parents/training/leadership/ltc.htm

**Great Southwest Council** will host their annual Pow Wow on November 3, 2001. Last years Pow Wow had outstanding classes .

**Grand Canyon Council Pow Wow,** Phoenix, AZ, Jan 12, 2002. Registration information will be available at District Roundtables in November and December as well as from the Council Service Center.

# **Northeast Region**

**Hudson Valley Councils** Pow Wow, conducted by the Hudson Valley and Rip Van Winkle Councils. November 17, 2001 at Heritage Junior High School in New Windsor, NY. Contact Keith Tilley, <a href="mailto:redcoat@netstep.net">redcoat@netstep.net</a> for more information.

**Hudson Valley Councils** University of Scouting, conducted by the Hudson Valley and Rip Van Winkle

Councils. March 2, 2002 at Our Lady of Lourdes High School in Poughkeepsie, NY. Contact Keith Tilley, <a href="mailto:redcoat@netstep.net">redcoat@netstep.net</a> for more information.

National Capital Area Council (Washington, DC and surounding area in MD & VA) will be holding Pow Wow 2001: A Space Odyssey on Saturday October 27, 2001. This year will include a Wood Badge Beading Ceremony the last Cub Scout Trainer Wood Badge Course. As is always the case here, we will not have a location defined until late August after the schools in the area have the sports calandars settled. Our next University of Scouting is scheduled for Saturday March 23, 2002 (location to be determined).

Participants from other Councils are always welcome. When the time get closer, you can get more information on our Council's Web Site <a href="http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org/">http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org/</a>.

Yours in Scouting, Ken Todd, Training Chairman Aquia Dist, NCAC NE-CS-59 Beaver

# Web Sites

What is Cub Scouting?

http://www.bsa.scouting.org/factsheets/02-502.html Webelos Scout Transition

http://www.bsa.scouting.org/boyscouts/resources/18-086/pack.html

**Morse Code Translator** 

http://www.bsa.scouting.org/fun/morse/index.html Scout Tips—Really kind of COOL

http://www.bsa.scouting.org/fun/scouttips/index.html

Is your pack participating in community events, helping others in your community. Is that newsworthy? Of course it is. Here are some tips compiled by Bill Nelson of our team that will help you get the news out to the media.

http://usscouts.org/usscouts/publicity.html

Add atmosphere to that pack meeting—the following URL will give your scouts ideas on Train Logos which you or they can use to draw signs for your pack meeting

http://www.railwayshop.com/logomotives.shtml

All Aboard that seaworthy vessel. Go here for some great info for those serious sea cruisin' folks

http://www.setsail.com/

Trains for kids

http://www.trains.com/story/story\_list\_homestyle.asp?idMenuCategory=4

Mom Dad and Scout-get together and carve out a train whistle

http://www.tppm.com/train/

**Great Craft Ideas** 

http://www.makingfriends.com/scouts boys.htm

Games, Puzzles,

http://www.cwrr.com/

Train Screensavers, Photos and Wallpaper

http://www.webshots.com/photos/train3.html

**Hobo Signs** 

http://www.worldpath.net/~minstrel/hobosign.htm

**Ed's Hobo Express Songs** 

http://www.geocities.com/edd6434/he1.ram

**Railroad Radio Frequencies** 

http://www.eastrailnews.com/rr101/aarradiofreq.html

When the going gets tough, make ice cream!

http://www.kidsdomain.com/craft/icecream.html

How mosquitoes work

http://www.howstuffworks.com/mosquito.htm

**GRIN-Great Images in Nasa** 

http://grin.hq.nasa.gov/