



BALOO'S BUGLE



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Tiger Cub Big Idea #2

Webelos Showman & Citizen

Down on the Farm

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There is so much at USSSP, for everyone! Take a little time this month to check out all that is available for everyone not only in your Pack, but your Troop. If your Troop isn't aware of Paul Wolf's Advancement and Merit Badge sites, they will love you for telling them. Go to www.uscouts.org



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

WEARE officially of AOL. To contact me by email you can use cmr1954@usscouts.org or cmr1954@knology.net If you haven't gotten bored with a "Click for Chris", please click on the following link (Thanks, Baloo).

http://www.thriftynickelads.com/dsp_paper_home.cfm?paperid=1099

I will pay 10% of my commission to your council's endowment fund in your name. No, I am not looking for a tax deduction, just for some help in my "other" job. Call me at 1-866-533-4285 and I can help you with National Advertising (121 papers) in the Thrifty Nickel.

PRAYERS & POEMS FOR SCOUTERS

York-Adams Area Council

To achieve your dreams, remember your ABCs

- A - Avoid negative sources, people, things, and habits.
- B - Believe in yourself.
- C - Consider things from every angle.
- D - Don't give up and don't give in.
- E - Enjoy life today: yesterday is gone and tomorrow may come.
- F - Family and friends are hidden treasures. Seek them and enjoy their riches.
- G - Give more than you planned to give.
- H - Hang on to your dreams.
- I - Ignore those who try to discourage you.
- J - Just do it!
- K - Keep on trying, no matter how hard it seems. It will get better.
- L - Love yourself first and foremost.
- M - Make it happen.
- N - Never lie, cheat, or steal. Always strike a fair deal.
- O - Open your eyes and see things as they really are.
- P - Practice makes perfect.
- Q - Quitters never win and winners never quit.
- R - Read, study and learn about everything important in your life.
- S - Stop procrastinating.
- T - Take control of your own destiny.
- U - Understand yourself in order to better understand others.
- V - Visualize it. Want it more than anything.
- X - Xccelerate your efforts.
- Y - You are unique of all of nature's creations. Nothing can replace you.
- Z - Zero in on your target, and go for it!

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A Leader's Resolution

National Capital Area Council

I shall study my boys so that I may understand them.
I shall like my boys so that I can help them.
I shall learn - for they have much to teach me.
I shall laugh - for youth grow comfortable with laughter
I shall give myself freely, yet I shall take, so that they may
acquire the habit of giving.
I shall be a friend - for a friend is needed.
I shall lead - yet I shall be aware of pushing.
I shall listen- for a listener prevents combustion.
I shall warm them when my experience warrants it.
I shall command when actions merit it.
I shall overlook mistakes - yet I will not blame them.
Lastly, I shall try to be that which I hope they think I am.
If I knew it would be the last time
That I'd see you fall asleep,
I would tuck you in tighter
and pray the Lord, your soul to keep

If I knew it would be the last time
that I see you walk out the door,
I would give you a hug and kiss
and call you back for one more.

If I knew it would be the last time
I'd hear your voice lifted up in praise,
I would video tape each action and word,
so I could play them back day after day.

If I knew it would be the last time,
I could spare an extra minute or two
to stop and say love you,
instead of assuming you would **Know** I do.

If I knew it would be the last time
I would be there to share your day,
well I'm sure you'll have so many more
so I can let just this one slip away.
For surely there's always tomorrow
to make up for an oversight,
and we always get a second chance
to make everything right.

There will always be another day
to say our, " I love you's,"
And certainly there's another chance
to say our. " Anything I can do's?"
But just in case I might be wrong,
and today is all I get,
I'd like to say how much I love you
and I hope we never forget.

Tomorrow is not promised to anyone,
young or old alike,

And today may be the last chance
you get to hold your loved one tight.
So if you're waiting for tomorrow,
why not do it today?
For if tomorrow never comes,
you'll surely regret the day,
That you didn't take that extra time
for a smile, a hug, or a kiss
and you were too busy to grant someone,
what turned out to be their one last wish.

So always hold them dear.
Take time to say I'm sorry, Please forgive
me, Thank you, or It's okay.
And if tomorrow never comes,
you'll have no regrets about today.

Unknown

Pumpkin

A coworker asked a lady recently baptized what it was like
to be a Christian.
She replied, 'It's like being a pumpkin: God picks you from
the patch, brings you in, and washes all the dirt off you
may have gotten from the other pumpkins. Then he cuts
the top off and scoops out all the yucky stuff. He removes
the seeds of doubt, hate, greed, etc., then He carves you a
new smiling face and puts His light inside of you to shine
for all the world to see.

Unknown (Thanks Fred)

TRAINING TIP

Every pack is under the supervision of a pack committee.
This committee consists of a minimum of three qualified
U.S. citizens* of good character, 21 years of age or older,
who are selected by the chartered organization and
registered as adult leaders of the BSA. One of these is
designated as a pack committee chairman.
Obviously, with a committee of three, members must
assume responsibility for more areas of service than with a
committee of seven or more, where the responsibilities can
be spread around. Although packs can and do operate
with a minimum of three committee members, experience has
show that a larger committee generally ensures a stronger,
more stable pack.
This information was found in the Cub Scout Leader Book
page 4-6. It continues on, outlining the responsibilities of
the pack committee. This book is available at your Scout
Shop.

TIGER CUBS

The Tiger Cub program has gone through some changes.
Tiger Cubs is for those boys who have completed
kindergarten (or are 7 years old

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The first step in earning the Tiger Cub badge is learning the Tiger Cub motto (Search, Discover, Share), the Cub Scout sign, and the Cub Scout salute. He then will be awarded the Tiger Cub totem to be worn on his belt. He receives this award at a pack meeting.

The Tiger Cub must then complete one den activity, one family activity, and one Go See It activity within each of the five achievement areas to earn the Tiger Cub rank. He works with his adult partner to do this. As he completes each of the 15 requirements, he receives an orange, white, or black bead at den meetings to add to his totem.

Achievement #1 Making My Family Special

1F Family Activity

During the time the Tigers are learning the Tiger Cub Motto, the Cub Scout Sign and Salute you can also work on this Achievement. The Tiger Cub, along with his adult partner can make a chart using poster board outlining family activities, job and fun activities. Allow the Tiger Cub to assign some jobs. This will give the adult partner and the Tiger to a chance to plan ways to keep things clean and tidy in their home. (The Tiger cleaning his room, taking out trash). Let the Tiger assign a chore and a fun activity to plan with his adult partner, remember this is a growing up process for them. Working together can reinforce in your Tiger the importance of the family and how every family member plays an important part in keeping their home in good shape.

Den Activity 1D

Make a family scrapbook

Materials: Three-prong folder for each boy; 3-hole-punched typing paper; markers, crayons, stickers and other materials to decorate the cover.

Directions: Have the Tiger Cubs decorate the folder and fasten the paper into it.

These scrapbooks are great if the Leader can keep them while the boys progress through the program. They can add many projects to their scrapbook, even though it is a Family Scrapbook. Be sure that the adults talk about if they want they Tigers to get the books upon graduation from Cubs or for the families to take home this first year. Or better yet have enough material for 2 scrapbooks to be made. In the Family Scrapbook let the Tiger put items in there that remind him of special memories that he has done with his family.

Go and See It-1G

Go to a library, historical society, museum, old farm, historical building or visit an older person in your community. Discover how life was the same, and how it was different for a boy your age many years ago.

The following ideas come from the York Adams Council PowWow book.

1. Share the family photo album. Identify special family members.
2. Share family histories and traditions.
3. Have a 'families' picnic. Get to know one another.

4. Have a group party. Use a holiday for theme. How about a Valentines Party in October?

5. Design and make a family tree. Share it with others in your den.

6. Design a family coat of arms. Have the Tiger include special areas of the family's past.

7. Conduct your own 'Family' activity.

Achievement 2 Where I Live

This achievement lets the boys learn about their communities. Learning about their communities will help them realize that when they take care of it the stronger it becomes. And they develop a sense of pride of their communities becoming good citizens of where they live.

Family Activity 2F

Together with your adult partner, look at a map of your community. The map can be one your adult partner has, or a map that your adult partner draws with you. On that map locate your home, and find three places you like to go to. Places to find on the map could be your school, your place of worship, the place where you have your pack meetings, a store, a park or playground, or the house of a friend or a relative.

If the choice is made to draw a map be sure to put this in their scrapbook.

Den Activity 2D

When we say the Pledge of Allegiance we show that we are proud to live in our country.

If you are wearing your Tiger Cub uniform when you say the Pledge of Allegiance, give the Cub Scout salute and face the U.S. flag. You do not have to take off your Tiger Cub cap if you are wearing one. If you say the Pledge of Allegiance when you are not in uniform, remove your hat, and place your right hand over your heart. When you salute or place your hand over your heart, you are showing your respect for the flag.

Practice the Pledge of Allegiance with your den, and participate in a den or pack flag ceremony.

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Gathering: Have a map of your community spread out on a table. As scouts and their partners arrive, have them mark on the map the location of their home. Compare distances between each Tiger and to the nearest store or local landmark of your choice.

Opening: For Tigers this is short and sweet. Remember the new slogan you are learning in Scouts---**KISMIF** (Keep it simple, make it fun). Ask a tiger and his partner to lead the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag. As group leader, explain the big idea for this meeting and how you hope everyone will learn a little more about your community.

Information Sharing: Again this is as it sounds.

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Share any information coming from the Pack, i.e. When is Pack meeting, what do the tigers need to do to prepare, when the next meeting will be and who is running it. Should their be expenses for the group, now is the time that it should be collected.

Activity: Using the map, that now has the group's homes located, start locating various other parts that make up a community. Go around the room and have each scout name another aspect of the community. Some of these may include: Fire Station, Police Station, Town Hall, Library, favorite restaurants, video store, personal place of worship, hospital or physician's office, and more and more and more. Take a minute with each suggestion and see if your group can tell you how this place helps the community. Believe me the video store will have a totally different answer than the police station.

Now it is time to get away from the table. Ask the boys to do an impromptu skit where they meet one by one on the street and each is going somewhere different. See how many places within the community they wish to go. This is the adult partner's time to see the hidden hams within their boys.

Closing: Congratulate the Tigers for a job well done on their skit. Remind partners of any future commitments and gather everyone in a circle for your closing comments. This can be just a single statement of what your community means to you. Thank everyone for coming and send them on their way.

Meeting Ideas

1. Draw a map of your community and include places of interest as listed from the group.
2. Make fire chief and policeman puppets as found in the Tiger Cub Resource book.
3. Play pin your town on the map, again described in the Tiger Cub Resource book.
4. Using a town map, plan and do a Town bike trip.

Places To Go--Things To Do

One of the easiest ways to get to know your community is to go out and "do the town." Understand that each community is different and you may not be able to do in one community that you could do in another. The following is a list of suggested places within each community that the Tiger group could visit as part of this Achievement.

1. Visit Town Hall. Learn what services are available for others within your community.
2. Visit a bakery, a restaurant or store.
3. Visit the Fire Station.
4. Visit the Police Station.
5. Have a scavenger hunt. Plan the list of items that can be found locally.
6. Plan a 'make believe' stay at home vacation. What things can be done or visited in your area.

PRE-OPENING ACTIVITY

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Question: What happens to kids when "there's nothing to do!"?

Answer: They usually find something to do. And 9 times out of 10, *it ain't what you want them to be doing!*

Solution: Have something for them to do! That's one of the purposes of the Pre-Opening Activity. It gives the people something to do while you're still running around getting things organized to actually *run* the meeting. It also provides a mechanism to get the group focused as a group.

The Pre-Opening Activity should get people involved and interacting. If they're doing a word search puzzle, for example, only have groups of 3 or 4 work on one and then, during the Pack Meeting, find out how well the groups did. Also focus on more than just the Cub Scouts. (Cub Scouting is a family activity!) Use inventive ways to get the adults and siblings involved. Maybe give a puzzle to each family and then find out how the families did. Use your imagination to make sure you include everyone. The Pre-Opening Activities that we present in each section need to be *preplanned*. For example, if you are having the folks do a word search puzzle, you'll need to have the sheets copied beforehand and you'll need to provide pencils.

Idea: In our Pack, we have a coffee can of "golf pencils" for Pack Meeting use. You can get them at Staples and other office supply stores and they come in boxes of 144. One box seems to last about a year in our Pack because people generally remember to return them to the coffee can at the end of each meeting.

If you are the Cubmaster or Committee Chair, don't do this all by yourself—assign a den each month to come up with and conduct the Pre-Opening Activity. It means that the den members will have to arrive well before the start of the Pack Meeting so that they can greet everyone else, give out materials, and direct the activity as people arrive.

Idea: In our Pack, we have a Duty Roster that we publish at the beginning of each program year. The Duty Roster assigns Dens to plan and conduct the different "activities" that make up the Pack Meetings.

Smelling Kim

York Adams Council

Equipment: A collection of dried foodstuffs which have a distinctive smell, e.g., coffee; tea; sage; rosemary; etc. and each in an identical container or in a small square of muslin tied with cotton; paper and pencil per Cub

Formation: Circle

The Pack sits in a circle with the containers in the center, the leader identifies the foodstuffs. He then numbers each container and passes them around the circle. The Cubs must identify the foodstuffs by their smell and write the correct names against the numbers on their sheet of paper.

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OPENING CEREMONY

Halloween Opening

Simon Kenton Council

Scene: To enhance the Halloween atmosphere, turn out the lights and have a candlelight processional for the color guard unit.

Personnel: Use more than just a few Cubs, use most of the Pack to create lots of light.

Props: If candies are not feasible because of carpeting or whatever, use flashlights with orange tissue paper covers to dim the brightness somewhat. House lights should not be turned on until after the pledge has been given.

Cubmaster:

Tonight you may see
Witches on their brooms.
Tonight you may witness
The man on the moon.
Tonight you may hear
All sorts of scary sounds.
Tonight you may be scared
Of what comes up from the ground.
Don't scream, Don't be frightened,
Most of all don't fear
It's only Halloween that comes,
But once a year
Please join me now
in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A Patriotic Start

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We learn to be good citizens and, hopefully, we'll see that laws are made for all of us, so each one can be free.

To do all this, Cubs need leaders - ones that are good and true.

That means we need help- from you, and you, and you.

And now, to start our night off right, in good and proper manner,

We'd like you all to rise and sing our "Star Spangled Banner."

Witches Opening

National Capital Area Council

Take one dark night, without a star;
Add one thin cat, as black as tar,
Turn on a wind, to shriek and moan,
Stir in ghost, with wail and groan.
Stuff three pumpkins with witches' bane,
Top with a slice of moon on the wane;
Flavor with bats, and things unseen
Boil and serve chilled. It's Halloween.

There are strange things you may meet,
On Halloween upon your street
Witches, goblins, spooks you dread,
Silent ghosts without a head.

Don't be frightened, for you see,
Underneath are friends like me!

First Verse is read by Den Leader dressed as a witch. Other Den Leaders, dressed as witches, put ingredients in the cauldron as they are mentioned. Second verse is read by Cubmaster, draped with sheet. On last line he pulls off sheet.

Farm Opening Ceremony

Trapper Trails Council

Cub #1: Freedom isn't always free. Many have paid a great price so that we can enjoy the freedom we have.

Cub #2: America provides many opportunities for each of us.

Cub #3: Remember that not everyone is as blessed as we are.

Cub #4: May we each ponder our blessings of freedom as we repeat the pledge of allegiance.

Cub #5: Would the audience please rise with me and repeat the Pledge of Allegiance with me.

Farm Country

Heart of America Council

Personnel: Narrator and 4 Cubs

Setting: Cub Scouts in farm work clothing parade into meeting room by dens to recorded farm music. Extinguish lights and shine spotlight on U.S. flag. A narrator speaks from behind the curtain.

Narrator: Agriculture, the oldest work done by man, means "taking care of the fields". It is the work and science of using the earth to produce food.

Cub 1: Farming means about the same thing, but we generally use the term when referring to a particular branch, such as dairy farming, chicken farming, cotton farming, wheat or vegetable farming. There have been farmers since history began. Cain, the first man born on earth, the son of Adam and Eve, was a tiller of the soil.

Cub 2: Farm life, was quite different in days past. Entire families including children, had to carry their share of the load in order to raise enough food for themselves. The family did not have much time for comfortable living .

Cub 3: Crowing roosters still announce dawn on many American farms. In the early morning fresh odors of growing crops and blooming flowers fill the air. Even before daybreak, in farm country, lights begin to twinkle as folks rise early to feed the animals and do the chores.

Cub 4: Now may we all stand and sing "America the Beautiful".

PACK/DEN ACTIVITIES

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Visit a Farm

York Adams Council

How many of the boys in your den have ever milked a cow or gathered eggs from chickens? This month's theme promotes the All-American Tradition of farming. Stop in at a local farm and check with the family running it to see if you can arrange a visit to the farm. Make sure to use the Local Tour Permit and permission slips before going, though!

Build A Pioneer Farm

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Here's one my son's den did years ago. They made a train garden-like setup on a large piece of masonite that included the layout of a homestead type farm. The leaders pre-made the buildings out of cardboard and the boys "built" the buildings using twigs hot-glued to the cardboard structures. For roofing, they used cedar shakes from a craft store (like Ben Franklin's). The buildings were laid out on the board to resemble the homestead layout. Fencing was "snake fencing" made from crisscrossed twigs.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Jolly Green Giant & The Scarecrow

Heart of America Council

Jolly Green Giant - "Ho-ho-ho"

Little Green Sprout - "Me

Scarecrow - "Boooooo"

Corn - "Pop, pop, pop"

Come gather around me, all ye Cub Scouts.

As I tell you the story of the **Little Green Sprout**. The wise and friendly **Scarecrow** knows all, you see, About how the **Jolly Green Giant** and his small friend came to be.

It seems these two friends in a big field of **Corn**

One bright sunny day, most surely were born.

For the old **Scarecrow** some talk overheard,

And has come here now to pass along the word.

In the field of **Corn** stood Farmer Brown and his son,

Hoeing out all those weeds till the day was done,

How those two worked as they did toil and sweat

To make their new crop the finest one yet.

The poor **Scarecrow** felt so guilty that day,

For all he must do was scare birds away.

He heard people say, "Isn't that **Scarecrow** grand.

He's made this **Corn** field the best in the land."

This made him sad and down deep in his heart,

Scarecrow knew that this job was just a small part.

As he stood there watched, an idea came to his head,

The farmer and son were hoeing, the **Scarecrow** then said,

"I'll call them the **Jolly Green Giant** and **Little GREEN**

Sprout.

'Til soon the whole world will surely find out,

That the fields of **Corn** and other crops too

Are grown by people like these faithful two."

So he told the **Jolly Green Giant** and **Little Green Sprout** How he knew what they did and sang praises with no doubt.

So the story of the **Jolly Green Giant** and **Little Green Sprout**

Was spread to people near and far and all round about.

So, don't think, my friend, it's just a bunch of **Corn**

'Cause that's the truth of how those two were born.

Whenever you hear that famed **Jolly Green Giant**

Now you've heard the secret from the old **Scarecrow**

Of how those green people help make things grow.

Remember that those folks you see hoeing away,

Are symbolized now by that green pair today.

Three cheers for the **Jolly Green Giant**, **LITTLE GREEN**

Sprout, **Scarecrow**, and that field of **Corn** where it all came about.

ADVANCEMENT CEREMONIES

Witches Brew

Simon Kenton Council

Props: Black witches cauldron or facsimile. Badges with names attached are placed in the cauldron before the meeting opens. A lid should be used or keep the kettle out of sight until it is to be used.

Scene: At awards time, announce that you will brew Up something in the cauldron, but you will need the help of the new Bobcats in the Pack. Depending on the number to receive that award (five or seven is perfect) you call one at a time forward. They tell you the ingredients that go in to make a Bobcat, (motto. salute, handshake, sign, promise law, meaning, of Webelos) and demonstrate each one by doing or saying. Pretend to "put" each thing into the cauldron then stir and draw out a Bobcat Badge. Call that Cub's parents forward and pin the on.

For Wolf Badge, add each ingredient to kettle telling what it is based on the twelve Wolf achievements, i.e.. band-aid for keeping healthy, string for tying things, stamp for collection, small screwdriver for tools, etc. If difficult to use object print achievement on cardboard and put in. Then stir and draw out the Wolf Badge and present to the Cub and his parents with applause.

Do the Bear Badge in the same manner. Since there are now 24 Bear achievements, you will have to find out which twelve each Bear choose. If more than one Bear is receiving the badge, use all they choose, but don't repeat any, i.e.; piece of rope for knots. baseball for sports, small flag for American heritage, coins for saving and spending well, testament for religious activities, etc.

This ceremony can also be adopted for use with the Webelos Activity Pins, using the same method with the requirements.

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This ceremony should be done in semi-darkness with candles so the cauldron will not be too obviously unreal. But use enough light so that each item going in can be clearly defined. Can be done "theatrically" like a witch putting in "eye of toad, wing of bat, etc"

Nature's Gifts

National Capital Area Council

Props: A tree limb (bare) with several branches. Green construction paper leaves, one for each Scout receiving an award

Cubmaster: This tree is a symbol of the natural beauty of our land. It takes Mother Nature a long time to grow a beautiful tree. It requires nurturing such as sunshine and water.

This tree represents our Cub Scout Pack. In order for it to flourish, much time and effort must be spent by Cub Scouts and their parents to help it grow. Without their help, our tree is bare and lifeless.

Scouts receiving awards tonight have given time and effort, as have their parents. As you receive your award tonight, please take one leaf and add it to our tree [Call forward each Scout and his parents by rank to receive their award. Hand them a leaf to tape to the limb].

Each of you, by your efforts, has helped nourish our Pack tree. Just as Mother Nature's trees become more beautiful when they get light and water, so our Pack tree grows more beautiful because of your efforts. May you always stand tall and straight like a tree and be a resource for our land.

Explaining the Ranks

National Capital Area Council

Need: 11x14 cards picturing the rank badges. Tape these little explanations of rank on the back of the appropriate card. Have a Cub represent each rank. Have the 5 Cubs come forward, hold up the cards for the audience to see as they read the explanation on the back.

Bobcat: I had to make some promises,
To become a Bobcat Scout.
To follow, help and give goodwill,
That's what Cub Scouting is all about.

Wolf: The back and front rolls were easy,
Making games was fun.
But when it came to giving directions,
I almost didn't get done.
I had to earn the Wolf badge,
It meant a lot to me.
Finally I learned my directions,
And a Wolf Cub Scout I would be.

Bear; I never wrote a letter before,
Let alone a 100 word essay.
Or ever learned to throw a rope,
To hit a marker 20 feet away.
And now that I've earned the Bear badge,
All that and a whole lot more.
Makes me feel that much smarter,
Than I ever felt before.

Webelos: Now that I'm a 9 year old,
I belong to a Webelos den.
Activity badges I'll try to earn,
Like Athlete, Forester, and Outdoorsman.
Arrow Of Light:
The Oath and Law are memorized,
Graduation day is in sight.
I am prepared for what's ahead,
I've earned the Arrow of Light!

It's hard to say goodbye to friends.
Cub Scouting has meant a lot to me,
But it's time I start the upward trail,
For it's an Eagle Scout I want to be.

Cubmaster.
Now that we have had the ranks explained, we will recognize those boys in our Pack who have earned those ranks. (At this time you will have the advancing boys come forward with their parents and award the badges)

Planting A Garden

Heart of America Council

Gardener (with thumbs pointed up) "With a green thumb"
Cucumber "Cool man"

Onions (wipes tears from eyes) "Boo Hoo Boo Hoo"

Tomato Whistle a wolf whistle

One day our **Gardener** went out to plant his garden. The **Gardener** chose to plant his plot with many vegetables including **Cucumbers**, **Tomatoes**, and **Onions**. The **Gardener** took some seeds and planted first a row of **Cucumbers**, then a row of **Onions**, then a row of **Tomatoes**. The **Gardener** then stood back to watch his garden grow. Soon the **Cucumbers**, **Onions**, and **Tomatoes** had sprouted. The **Cucumbers** fell in love with the **Tomatoes** but the **Onions** stood between them. It looked as though this budding romance would never be, because the **Cucumbers** were in one row and the **Tomatoes** were in another and the **Onions** were coming up between the two. The **Cucumbers** grew to be big and tall, and the **Tomatoes** grew to be plump and sweet, but the **Onions** still separated them.

Alas all is not lost, one day, later in the season, our **Gardener** went out to his garden and picked the **Tomatoes**, **Cucumbers**, and **Onions**, and the **Gardener** made a great salad. In this salad he placed the **Cucumbers**, the

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Tomatoes, and the **Onions**, The **Cucumber** was at last by his beloved **Tomatoes**, while the **Onion** had to stand aside. That is, until the **Gardener** ate his salad.

Food for Thought

Heart of America Council

Personnel: Cubmaster or Leader

Setting: On the head table is a vegetable seedling and a fully mature vegetable plant.

Cubmaster: This tiny seedling doesn't look like much, does it? It's very weak and fragile. But we have learned this month that if we plant it in good soil, and if we make sure that it gets lots of sunshine, air and water, it will grow up to be a big healthy (**type of vegetable**) like this one. Cub Scouts are like this seedling. They need certain things, too. Things like proper rest, food and exercise. But Cub Scouts need something more than that. If they are going to be the kind of men we all admire, they have to have healthy minds and spirits as well as healthy bodies. In Cub Scouting, and later on in Boy Scouting, boys can develop that extra quality of mind and spirit. They do it by following the Cub Scout Promise, and later, the Scout Oath. Will the following Cubs and their parents please come forward?

GAMES

Mummy Dress Up

Istroma Council

Let the children wrap each other in toilet paper and pretend to be a mummy.

Pin The Tail On The Cat

Istroma Council

Cut out a cat shape from black felt. Use fabric paint to add the eyes, nose, and whiskers. Cut out several tails from black felt and sew or glue the hook side of Velcro onto the end that attaches to the cat. The hook Velcro will stick to the felt anywhere the children put it. They play the game just like pin the tail on the donkey.

Halloween Sort

Istroma Council

For a sorting activity, use various Halloween treats such as spiders and bat rings of different colors or pumpkin and ghost light covers.

Ghost Hunt

Istroma Council

Cut white construction paper into 4"x5" pieces. Roll and tape to form tubes (these are ghost callers). Make one for each child. Also make 2 construction paper ghosts. Show everyone the two ghosts. Have children close their eyes. Den Leader hides the ghosts. Children open eyes and

count **1-2-3 Ghost!** On the count of "ghost" the hunt begins. The children who find the two ghosts sit by the Den Leader. Give them a ghost caller and let them make ghost noises for the next ghost hunt. The noise helps call the ghosts from their hiding places. Continue until all children are making ghost noises.

Pass The Pumpkin

Istroma Council

Purchase a small pumpkin from the grocery store. Have the children sit in a circle. Turn on Halloween music and pass the pumpkin around the circle. Stop the music and whoever has the pumpkin is out. (A better way of playing it, is instead of the child who has the pumpkin being out, they have to make the group do something "Halloweenie", like groan like a ghost, fly like a bat, cackle like a witch, walk like a mummy).

Watering The Horses

York Adams Council

Equipment: Paper cup half filled with water for each Cub. Cubs are in sixes, and each Cub is given a paper cup half filled with water. In turn they race to a turning point about 10 yards away taking their cup with them. When there they turn round, kneel, put the cups between their teeth, and with their hands behind their backs drink the water. As soon as the cup is empty they get up and race back to their six, and the next Cub goes.

Rooster Fight

Trapper Trails Council

Materials: Bandanna or other scrap material for each child.
Set Up: Make a circle on the ground about 8 feet in diameter. Have each player tuck a bandanna in the waist of his or her pants.

Play: Two kids hop into the circle and try to grab the bandanna hanging from each other's belt. The trick is, they must not put down their other foot, and they must keep one arm folded at their side like a wing, grabbing only with the free hand. Any player who puts his food down or grabs with his wing is out and a new opponent enters the ring. You may want to have teams, pairing up the kids and let them compete one pair at a time; to determine the winner, add up all the bandannas won by each team. Alternatively, play round robin style, with each new winner taking on new players until he gets eliminated. Another element of fun you could add is asking each player to be sure he flaps his wing and clucks like a chicken.

Duck Foot Relay

Trapper Trails Council

You will need to make two sets of webbed feet to do this race. (If this is a problem—when is it not?—use two pair of swim fins.)

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To make the feet you will need a large piece of cardboard or foam core, an empty tissue box, craft paint, and glue. Draw the outline of a duck foot (about 14 inches from heel to toe) on the cardboard and use a craft knife to cut it out. Make the matching foot by placing the first one face side down on the cardboard and tracing around it. Cut the tissue box into halves and glue them on top with the box bottom facing up. Paint the feet bright orange or yellow.

To Race: Divide the group into two teams. On the far side of the room, set up a chair for each side. When the race starts, the first player from each team, wearing duck feet over his shoes, must circle his team's chair and return to the starting point while quacking and flapping his arms. There, the next child in line puts on the shoes and takes a turn. The first team to finish wins. Be sure to involve the parents as racers, judges, or helping racers get in the feet.

Pennsylvania Pumpkin Pie Pitch

Heart of America Council

Equipment: Paper plates, hoop or coat hanger.

Suspend a hoop from a high spot such as a tree limb or the top of a door frame. You could bend a coat hanger to a round shape for your hoop.

Give each player five paper plates. When it is his turn he tries to sail his plates, one at a time, through the hoop.

Score 25 points for each successful try. Play tiebreakers as necessary.

Corn Shelling Contest

Heart of America Council

Give each boy an ear of hard field corn and a sack or bowl.

At the starting signal, the boys begin shelling the corn.

The first player to finish is the winner.

Melon Ball Bounce

Heart of America Council

Use a bucket or large wastebasket for a goal. The object of the game is to stand six feet away and bounce a ball into the basket, which scores a point if the ball stays in. Players get three tries on each round. The first player to make 15 points is the winner.

Flying Tomato Catch

Heart of America Council

Fasten a cardboard ice cream carton to the back of the waist of one of the players. Balance a 2 x 4 on a wooden wedge. Place a beanbag on one end of the 2 x 4. The object is to stamp on one end of the 2 x 4 to make the "tomato" fly up in the air, then quickly move into a position to catch the "tomato" in the carton on your back. Give everyone a turn.

Vegetable Stew

Heart of America Council

Cub Scouts are seated in chairs in a circle with one boy in the center. Leader assigns the name of a vegetable to each of two boys in the circle. When the name of their vegetable

is called, the two "corns or potatoes" run to change places, while the boy in the center tries to get one of the vacant places. When the leader calls: "vegetable stew" everyone scrambles to get a different seat. The one left standing is "it" for the next round.

Farmyard

Heart of America Council

Each team or den chooses the name of an animal that is easy and amusing to imitate. All are blindfolded and scatter about the room. At a signal the animals start making their own noises to attract other members of their own team. For instance, the "ducks" start quacking as they wander around, if they hear other quacks they go in that direction. When two ducks meet, they take hands and seek other quackers. The first team to fully assemble wins the game. This is great fun, but terribly noisy.

(This is a good game for pack meetings. Try to get the parents involved in this one, too.)

Egg Relay

Heart of America Council

Equipment: 1 hard boiled egg and 1 yardstick for each team

Divide into teams for a relay. Mark a distance of about 25 feet from the starting line. Place the egg on the floor. The first person on each team stands upright and holding the yardstick by one end, must push the egg down and back, and passes the yardstick to the second person in line who repeats the process. The first team to finish wins.

Potato Relay

Heart of America Council

The players are divided into two teams and lined up behind a starting line. A carton of potatoes is placed at the feet of the first boy on each team and two empty cartons are on the finish line. The first person on each team has a large metal or wooden spoon. He digs into the carton, gets a potato on the spoon, races to the finish line, drops the potato in the carton and turns back to hand the spoon to the second player. If a potato is dropped on the ground, it cannot be picked up with the hands, but must be scooped up with the spoon. The first team to get all its potatoes transferred is the winner.

SONGS

Scouts-L

Old Akela Had a Pack (Tune: Old MacDonald had a Farm)

1. Old Akela had a pack, E-I-E-I-O.

And in this pack he had some dens, E-I-E-I-O.

With a Den 1 here, and a Den 2 there;

Here a den, there a den,

Everywhere a happy den,

Old Akela had a pack, E-I-E-I-O.

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2. And in this pack he had some chiefs, E-I-E-I-O.
(With a den chief here and a den chief there)

3. And in these dens he had some Cubs, E-I-E-I-O.
(With a Cub Scout here----)

4. And for these Cubs he had some moms, E-I-E-I-O.
(With a den mom here----)

5. And for these moms he had some dads, E-I-E-I-O.
With a den dad here and a den dad there;
Here a dad, there a dad;
Everywhere a den dad;
With a den mom here, and a den mom there;
Here a mom, there a mom,
Everywhere a den mom;
With a Cub Scout here, and a Cub Scout there;
Here a Scout, there a Scout,
Everywhere a Cub Scout;
With a den chief here, and a den chief there;
Here a chief, there a chief;
Everywhere a den chief;
With a Den 1 here, and a Den 2 there;
Here a den, there a den,
Everywhere a happy den;
Old Akela had a pack, E-I-E-I-O.

I had a Little Chicken

Sam Houston Council

(Tune: Turkey in the Straw)

Oh, I had a little chicken, and she wouldn't lay an egg,
So I poured hot water up and down her leg,
Oh, the little chicken hollered and the little chicken begged,
And then the little chicken laid a hard-boiled egg!

2. Vinegar---Pickled egg

3. Gun Powdered---Scrambled egg

4. Mustard---Deviled Egg

5. Special Sauce---McMuffin Egg

6. Hot oil---Fried egg

7. Water colors---Easter egg.

Invite the boys to make up their own verse.

Old Macdonald Had A Shop

Heart of America Council

Old MacDonald had a shop E-I-E-I-O

And in this shop he had a...

hammer (**Bang-bang**)

Drill (**Zzzzzt, zzzzzt**)

Wrench (**Turn, turn**)

Pliers (**Pinch, pinch**)

(the more syllables in the name of the tool the better.)

Imagine "radial arm saw")

Addicted to Spuds

(Tune: Addicted to Love)

Heart of America Council

Potato skins, potato cakes
Hash browns and instant flakes
Baked or boiled or french fried
There's no kind you haven't tried
You planned a trip to Idaho
Just to watch potatoes grow
I understand how you must feel
I can't deny they've got a peel
Wo, you like 'em whether they're plain or
they're stuffed, oh yeah
Better face the facts, it seems you can't get enough
You know, you're gonna have to face it,
you're addicted to spuds
Your greasy hands, your salty lips
Looks like you found the chips
Your belly aches, your teeth grind
Some tater tots would blow your mind
And you don't mind if they're not cooked
You need your fix, I guess you're hooked
And late at night you always dream
Of bacon bits and sour cream
Wo, you like 'em even if they're lumpy or tough, oh yeah
It's pretty obvious to me you can't get enough
You know you're gonna have to face it,
you're addicted to spuds
Might as well face it, you're addicted to spuds
Might as well face it, you're addicted to spuds
Might as well face it, you're addicted to spuds
Might as well face it, you're addicted to spuds
Might as well face it, you're addicted to spuds
I'm giving up, it's just no use
Another case of spud abuse
What can I say, what can I do
Potato bug has got me, too
Wo, I used to hate 'em,
now they're all that I eat, oh yeah
I've often seen 'em whipped,
but they just can't be beat
Now I'm gonna have to face it, I'm addicted to spuds

How Peculiar

Heart of America Council

(Tune: Battle Hymn of the Republic)

When one sly snake slid up the slide,
the other sly snake slides down. (repeat 4 times)

Chorus

Glory, glory, how peculiar,

Glory, glory, how peculiar,

Glory, glory, how peculiar,

When one sly snake slid up the slides

the other sly snake slides down.

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Chorus

2nd: When one dumb duck dropped dead in the ditch,
the other dumb duck dropped dead. (repeat 4 times)

Chorus

3rd: When one black bug bled blue black blood,
the other black bug bled blue. (repeat 4 times)

Chorus

CUB GRUB - Fun Food

Cat Cookies

Istroma Council

You will need: Oreo Cookies, Candy Corn, Black Licorice,
White Frosting, Green and Red M&M's.

Spread the frosting on the cookie. Place the two green
M&M'S on as the eyes. Place the red one on as the nose.
Cut the licorice into small pieces (about one inch) and place
them on as whiskers. Put a small amount of the frosting on
the bottom of (2) candy corns and place them on the top of
the cookie as the ears.

Lolly Pop Ghosts

Istroma Council

You will need: Tissue Paper, Lolly Pop, String.

Take a tissue paper and cover the top of a tootsie pop and
tie a string around the "head" of Ghost! Makes a cute
snack.

Ghost Cookie

Istroma Council

You will need: Peanut Shaped Cookies, White Frosting (or
Marshmallow Fluff), Chocolate Chips.

Using peanut shaped cookies, spread with white frosting or
marshmallow fluff. Add chocolate chips for eyes and nose.

Ghost Potatoes

Istroma Council

You will need: Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable Oil, Cookie
Sheet, Butter.

Hand sculpt mashed potatoes to look like a ghost. Place
them on an oiled cookie sheet, brush with melted butter,
and put in the oven to heat and brown a little. You can
serve it with bat shaped meatloaf (using a bat cookie cutter
of course).

Spooky Sandwich Puzzles

Istroma Council

You will need: Peanut Butter, Bread, Cookie Cutters.

Have the children make their own peanut butter
sandwiches with two pieces of bread. Give each child a
Halloween cookie cutter and let them press the shape out

of the center of their sandwich. Now have a "Spooky
Sandwich Puzzle."

Mummy's Case

Istroma Council

**Note from Baloo—I would check the crescent roll package
on temperature to bake these at. Probably a typo in this
book it called for oven temp to be 25 degrees. I bumped
another 0 on the end put this is probably to low.**

You will need: 1 pkg Crescent Rolls, Baco-bits, 6 Hot Dogs,
4 Slices American Cheese.

Preheat oven to **250 degrees**. Cut 2 hot dogs in half, first
one way, then the other so that you have 8 pieces. Take
crescent rolls out of can and unroll. Divide into four
rectangles and close holes in the middle by pinching
together. Put 1 slice of cheese on each rectangle. Sprinkle 1
tsp of baco-bits on top of each slice of cheese. Put 1 hot
dog on top of each slice of cheese. Seal edges by pressing
dough together. Form into mummy shape. Make bandage
marks with knife. Put on ungreased cookie sheet and bake
for 15 minutes. Poke eyeholes with straw.

Candy Popcorn

2 cups sugar

1 cup light syrup (white corn, Karo)

2/3 cup margarine

2 pkg. Koolaid

1 tsp soda

Boil the sugar, syrup and margarine together for 3 minutes.

Stir in soda and Koolaid. Pour over 6 quarts of popcorn.

Bake at 225 F for 45 minutes, stirring every 10 minutes.

Remove from the oven

and break up immediately.

Farmer's Breakfast

1/2-pound chopped bacon

2 boiled potatoes -- peeled and cubed

1 onion - sliced thinly

8 eggs -- beaten slightly

salt

black pepper

Sauté bacon until crisp. Remove from pan, drain on paper
towel. Pour off all but 3 tablespoons bacon fat. Sauté
onions in bacon fat until soft. Add potatoes and cook,
stirring often, until potatoes start to brown. If potatoes
stick to pan, add more bacon fat. When potatoes begin to
brown, add bacon and eggs. Cook, stirring constantly,
until eggs set. Season with salt and pepper to taste.

Taco Snack Mix

4 cups spoon size shredded wheat

4 cups pretzel sticks

4 cups tortilla chips

1 package taco seasoning mix

1/4 cup margarine (melted)

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In a large bowl, combine cereal, pretzels, tortilla chips and taco seasoning mix. Drizzle with margarine, tossing to coat well. Store in airtight container.

Purple Cow

3/4 C. low-fat milk
1 1/2 T. frozen grape juice concentrate
1/4 C. fat-free vanilla yogurt
Combine ingredients in container with lid and shake until well blended. Pour into a glass.

Graveyard Cups

24 clear 12-oz. plastic cups
2 pkgs. Oreo cookies
2 recipes of chocolate pudding
whipped cream
24 Pepperidge Farm Milano Cookies
brown or black cake decorating gel
24 gummi worms

Crush all Oreos in food processor. In the bottom of each cup, place about 1 Tbsp. of Oreos. Mix remainder of Oreos in pudding mixture, holding out about 2 cups for topping. Then spoon about 2 TBSP Oreo mixture over pudding. Poke one gummi worm down in dirt, still showing on top. On each Milano cookie, write on top half "RIP" with cake decorating gel, and stick them down in the back of the cup. They resemble tombstones.

Toasted Pumpkin Seeds
An absolute favorite of our family
Scoop seeds from pumpkin
separate seeds from pulp and rinse
you may have to pick them out by hand
drain and dry seeds
put seeds on cookie tray or toaster tray
sprinkle with salt
toast at 300 F (I'm not sure about this)
turn once
seeds should be dry and barely turn golden brown
some seeds will puff up.
These are similar to sunflower seeds and have a nice nutty flavor,
but the shells are harder to crack open if they are small.

STUNTS & APPLAUSES

Watermelon Cheer
York Adams Council

Everyone holds a huge slice of watermelon in their hands. They slurrrrr it into their mouths from one end of the slice to the other. (Move slice across face making slurping sound.) Then they sip out the seeds to the side (Raspberries.)

Cheers

Trapper Trails Council

Turkey Cheer: "Gobble, Gobble, Gobble," then rub stomach and say "Yum, Yum."

Hay and Straw Cheer: Explain that when you call out "Hay" or "Straw," the group is to respond with the opposite. Try to mix them up by going fast.

Barnyard Cheer: Assign groups to make various sounds of animals as you point to each group have them make the sound. When you raise both hands, have them make their sounds at once.

Pony Cheer: Clap your hands together, and then slap your legs with each hand to simulate a pony trot.

Rooster and Farmer Cheer: Divide the room into two. Half of the room yells "Cock-a-doodle-doo." The other half yells "Go back to sleep."

Duck Cheer: Squat down and tuck arms into armpits, forming wings. Duck walk while saying "Quack, quack, quack."

SKITS

MAKING A CUB SCOUT

York Adams Council

(An excellent opening for the induction of new Cub Scouts into the pack)

Characters: Child, Two Leaders, Two Parents

Props: You will need a large table for the child to lie on during the "operation."

The "doctor" can carry a large cardboard knife. Props to be "removed" are tacked to back of table, out of sight. Those to be "put in" can be placed nearby. (Props are listed where used.)

Narrator: We are about to instruct you in the method of making a Cub Scout. To complete this project, you will need one small eager boy, two interested parents, one patient Den Leader, and one courageous Cubmaster. (Each character enters as his name is spoken. Boy wears uniform under a large loose fitting shirt and climbs up on the table. Others don surgical masks. As the narrator continues, the operation proceeds, with Cubmaster acting as doctor. Den Leader and parents hand him the things to be put in and take the things removed. When the boy is hidden under a sheet, he removes his shirt.)

Narrator: Cover him with fun and good times (Hold up posters labeled "FUN" and "GOOD TIMES" and cover boy) We use laughing gas for anesthetic. (Use a tire pump labeled "Laughing Gas.") Take out hate and put in Love.

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(Hate - lump of paper, so labeled. Love - big paper heart, labeled).

Take out selfishness, put in cooperation. (Sign "I," sign "WE). Take out idle hands, put in busy fingers. (Idle - empty rubber gloves. Busy - glove full of flour.) Take out laziness, put in ambition. (Laziness - rag; Ambition - blown up balloon.) After this pleasant operation, we have a "**Cub Scout.**" (Remove the sheet. Boy, in uniform, stands up and gives the Cub Scout sign.)

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Heart of America Council

Pumpkin Patch Patter

Personnel: 12 Cubs dressed as pumpkins, Mother and children Other boys maybe dressed up a pumpkins sitting on stage at the sides. If you don't have this many parts double up on the speaking parts.

Equipment: Boy's may either make actual pumpkin costume or may make large paper pumpkins and pin them on their clothing. One sign saying "**PUMKIN PATCH**" 12 signs saying "**THE END**"

Setting: Pumpkin Patch sign in placed on stage. The 12 pumpkins sit on floor in single file. Mother and children enter and remain on stage pretending to look at the pumpkins.

Pumpkin 1: (Angrily) Well, here we are once again. I hate being a pumpkin.

Pumpkin 2: I know what you mean. Pretty soon they'll all be over here poking and squeezing, and trying to decide how to dress us up.

Pumpkin 3: (Loudly) I'm tired of being **Carved! It Hurts!**

Pumpkin 4: (Smiling) I wish they'd give me a pretty smile and not tooth decay.

Pumpkin 5: (Wiping his brow) And that candle so hot. Boy, were they glad I used DIAL!

Pumpkin 6: Well, it's better than crayon all over your face. They really get carried away. I even had a beard and moustache.

Pumpkin 7: Be thankful for a beard and moustache. How would you like to be wearing a girl's wig! I was humiliated!

Pumpkin 8: At least a wig is soft. The family I was with stuck gourds all over my head. Two ears, two eyes and a big nose!

Pumpkin 9: I keep getting a spot on the window sill. I need more room than that. You can't imagine the bruises I have from falling. (Rubs his back)

Pumpkin 10: (Very indignantly) Well, I resent when they decide to build a pyramid with two or three of us. They call it a pumpkin man. I call it sore shoulders.

Pumpkin 11: (Disgustedly) I've been listening to you all complain for the last 10 minutes, and not one of you mentioned being put outside. Every year, for one solid week, I get the place of honor on the front porch.

Pumpkin 12: (Shaking his head in agreement) Me, too. The least they could is take us in when it rains, or give us a raincoat.

Pumpkin 1: (Pointing to the family coming over) Be quiet; here they come. Maybe we'll be too small or the wrong shape.

Children: (Excitedly) Mommy, over here! Look at all the pumpkins!

Mother: Why, these pumpkins are too small and are all twisted out of shape.

Pumpkin: (In unison) Thank goodness!

Mother: (Very slowly says as she is eyeing each pumpkin) But ... they'll make perfect pumpkin pies.

Pumpkin: (Groan in unison) Oh! NO!

Six O'clock

Heart of America Council

Personnel: Cubs in animal costumes.

Setting: Various animals inside barn.

Rooster: (loudly) Cock 'a' doodle do. It's now time to wake up.

Cow: Well, I guess that means it's time to get going.

Dog: (Stretching) You'd think that for one morning Rooster would forget.

(Lights off stage come on and moving sounds are heard from house, walking on floors, doors slamming, water running.)

Horse: Come on you lazy creatures. Farmer Brown expects us to be raring to go when he comes in.

Rooster: It's six o'clock and it's time for everyone to get moving. (Everyone moves around, groaning.)

Cat: There's activity going on in the house. I'm going to go scratch on the door for some milk.

(Exits)

Farmer Brown: (Enters) Good morning animals, you are all up early. It looks like a beautiful day out there. (Animals just stand around.) Let's get all of you some breakfast and start this day off right. (Starts feeding animals. Farmer Brown just rambles on and on to the animals.) Gee, it would be nice to know what you're all thinking when I'm talking to you. (Animals turn and stare) But of course everyone knows animals can't talk. (Walks off) (As Farmer Brown walks off all animals wink at audience.)

Farmer Brown and His Friends

Heart of America Council

Personnel: 6 Cubs

Equipment: Large piece of cardboard made to look like a barn with enough windows for each boy. Farmer Brown needs to look like a farmer.

Setting: This skit is running jokes. All should have a copy of it and is funniest if done very quickly. Farmer Brown is in front of the barn, keeping things going.

Farmer Brown: Welcome to Den ___'s version of Hee Haw.

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Cub 1: Hey Farmer Brown. What do you get when you cross an onion with a potato?

Farmer Brown: I don't know.

Cub 1: A spud with watery eyes.

Cub 2: Hey (4) Why did the rooster crow early?

Cub 4: Because his cluck was fast.

Cub 3: Why does a cow wear a bell?

Farmer Brown: Why?

Cub 3: Because her horns don't work.

Cub 5: Hey (1) what three states have the most cows?

Cub 1: Cow lorado, Moo ssouri and Cow lifornia.

Cub 2: What do you call it when you pawn a pig?

Farmer Brown: A ham hock.

Cub 5: Hey (3), Do you like raisin bread?

Cub 3: Can't say, never tried raisin' it.

Cub 4: (6) What do you call a carrot that insults a farmer?

Cub 6: I don't know, what?

Cub 4: A fresh vegetable.

Cub 6: What do you get when you cross a dog and a chicken?

Farmer Brown: A pooched egg.

Cub 5: Hey, (2), How many kinds of milk are there?

Cub 2: Well...there's whole milk, skimmed milk, condensed milk, and, say why do you want to know?

Cub 5: I'm drawing a picture of a cow and I want to know how many faucets to put on it.

Cub 1: Farmer Brown, what did the pig say when the farmer picked it up by the tail?

Farmer Brown: I don't know. What?.

Cub 1: This is the end of me.

Farmer Brown: (Turns around with "THE END" on the seat of his pants.)

CLOSING CEREMONY

Undiscovered Secrets National Capital Area Council

No matter where you live, there is a world of undiscovered secrets of nature waiting to be explored. Farmers and naturalists are students of nature. During this month, Pack ___ has studied farms and farming life and learned more about the nature of our world.

A naturalist stands like Columbus on the prow of his ship, with a vast continent before him. Except that the naturalists world can be at his feet. It is as near as your back yard, a nearby park, woods, or the fields of a local farm. All kinds of insects, birds, plants, and other forms of life inhabit these lands. Continue exploring the world of nature and you will find many wonderful things that God has given us to enjoy.

A Crop of Smiles National Capital Area Council

Once upon a time, two brothers left the farm to move to a city to look for work. Just outside of the city, the first brother met an old man and asked him, "What are the people like in this city?" The Old man replied, "Well, how were they where you come from?" "They are all grumpy and cross," replied the brother. "That's why I decided to leave." "You'll find the people here exactly the same," said the old man as he walked on down the road.

A little while later, the old man met the second brother. He too asked, "What are the people like in this city? The Old man replied, "Well, how were they where you come from? "They were very nice. They always smiled," replied the brother. "That's why it was so hard for me to leave." "You'll find the people here exactly the same," said the old man as he smiled and joined the second brother on his way.

Remember, we reap what we sow.

The Growing Wonders of Nature Heart of America Council

Personnel: 5 Cubs and narrator

Setting: Cub Scouts line up on stage holding large posters upon which are appropriate pictures. As each boy speaks his line he turns over his poster to show large letter which when they are all done will spell out the word **GROWING**. After the last boy speaks, a narrator at the side of stage steps forward and says his lines.

G: Growing things are all about

R: Rolling fields with grass do sprout

O: Only God can make a tree

W: We can all enjoy nature's beauty

I: In this world many growing things there are indeed

N: Nature makes things grow from the smallest seed

G: God has given us all this to enjoy, making it lots of fun to be a growing boy.

Narrator: This month we've learned much, About "Things that Grow."

What fun it is

Natures wonders to know.

To open our meeting tonight, let us all join together now in singing, "America the Beautiful."

Things That Grow

Heart of America Council

Personnel: 1 Cub Scout

Setting: Boy comes forward on signal and reads script.

Cub Scout: The theme this month was 'Down on the Farm', I too, am a thing that grows. I need nourishment, and love, and attention to grow. But most of all to grow. I need my sleep. Thank you everyone, and good night!

Cub Scout Garden of Thoughts

Heart of America Council

Personnel: 7 Cubs dressed in farmer's hats, shirts, levis, etc., with garden tools. Also need large cut-outs of vegetables as indicated.

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Cub 1: We're Cub Scout farmers who've come your way to share with you, our garden of thoughts for the day.

Cub 2: (holds up carrot) Take care at all times, remembering to do your best each day.

Cub 3: (holds up lettuce) Let us always give a smile to others as we travel down life's way.

Cub 4: (holds up turnip) Be sure to turn up at meetings and participate in pack activities.

Cub 5: (holds up bean) Learn not to put things off, for it's not fun being late.

Cub 6: (holds up beet) In life's game, you can beat if you strive to work with everyone.

Cub 7: (holds up large package of seed) And now that we've planted some seeds of thought, we'll say good night, for our meeting is adjourned.

WEBELOS

Citizen

The Right Man For The Job

York Adams Council

Pretend for a few minutes that before George Washington could be our first President he had to fill out a job application. Fill out this job application on his behalf.

Name Of Applicant

What job experience have you had which qualifies you for this position?

What other talents, abilities, and characteristics do you have which will help you be a good President?

Put any additional information you think is important on the reverse side of this sheet.

Although you are not yet old enough to vote, someone in your family probably is. Show this sheet to the voters in your family, and ask them this question: "What personal qualities do you think is important for a President to have?" On the back of this sheet, write down what they say. Talk over your results with the rest of your class. If George Washington were running for President today, what would American voters like about him?

Block Flag Slide

St. Louis Area Council

Materials:

3"X4" block of wood, Glue, Pipe Cleaner, Paint

Paint stripes and stars on block of wood. With pen, write U.S.A. Glue pipe cleaner on back.

Newspaper Hunt

St. Louis Area Council

Divide the Webelos into several teams. Give each team one complete newspaper (different days are okay) and a time limit of 30 minutes to answer the following questions based on the news they read.

- Name three agencies that help people.
- The name of the State governor.
- A story about someone who broke a law.
- The name of an American who is a good citizen.
- The name of a person in another country who is a good citizen.
- Two story headlines about natural disasters.
- Three stories where our country helps other nations.
- A story including police.
- The temperature in Washington, DC that day.
- A cartoon that shows someone is doing a good deed.

The Citizen activity badge is important since the work involved relates directly to developing responsible citizens, one of the primary aims of the Boy Scouts of America. The Citizen activity badge is a requirement for the Arrow of Light Award. It is the first of several citizenship requirements on the trail to Eagle Scout. By completing this activity badge, all of the requirements for the Boy Scout Citizenship skill award can also be met.

Webelos Scouts get a feeling for the real meaning of citizenship in two ways. First by getting a closer look at local government by going to see it in action. Second, and most effective, by practicing good citizenship through Good Turns. The Good Turn is one of the optional requirements for the activity badge, but it should be a way of life for all Scouts.

Den Meeting Activities

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Select a Good Turn for school, church, or community and carry it out.

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Plan a special Good Turn for the next pack meeting, such as setting up chairs, acting as welcoming committee, ushering, cleaning up.

Make logbooks to record work on the actvity badge.

Learn flag courtesy. (See the booklet, Your Flag.) Use the flag courtesy kit described later in this section to learn proper procedures. Then demonstrate to a group of younger Cub Scouts.

Plan an anti-litter campaign. This could include making and displaying posters, picking up litter, making litter bags, etc.

Discuss the community organizations that help people. How are they run and financed? Do they use volunteer help?

Invite a new U.S. citizen to speak to the den on what becoming an American means to him or her.

Discuss the rights and the responsibilities of good citizens.

If an election is coming up, make "Get-Out-The-Vote" posters and display them.

Discuss the history of the national anthem.

Invite a local public official to talk with the den about government. This might be a city council member or clerk.

Places To Go

York Adams Council

Attend a naturalization ceremony for new citizens.

Visit one of the community organizations you discussed during den meeting.

Visit a court. Ask the judge to speak to the boys about good citizenship.

Attend a meeting of your city council, zoning board, or school board.

Tour a police or fire station.

Visit a historic site or museum.

Tour a water (or sewage) treatment plant.

Spend an hour with the mayor or other official as they attend to city business: then talk with them.

Visit the state capitol building, city hall, or a local congressman.

Visit a local political campaign headquarters or polling place. Observe the voting process, if possible.

Visit a local government agency. Find out how it works, what services it provides, and how it affects boys and their families.

Some Qualities Of A Good Citizen

Greater St. Louis Area Council

Obeys the laws where ever he is.

Respects the rights of others.

Is fair and honest.

Tries to make community a better place to live.

Learns as much as possible about leaders of Nation, state, community.

Practices rules of health and safety.

Is honest and dependable.

Is patriotic and loyal.

Practices thrift.

Respects authority.

Citizenship Pledge

York Adams Council

“As future citizens, we will do our best to be prepared in body and will, in spirit and skill. We accept our obligation to God and will show by our actions we are willing to serve others and be good members of the Scouting team.

Opening Ceremony

York Adams Council

Have two Webelos hold the U.S. flag.

Narrator: The 13 stripes of alternating red and white remind us of the original 13 founding colonies and of the brave people who have courageously risked their lives—and sometimes lost them—to make the United States of America a democracy of the people, by the people, and for the people.

Each of the 50 stars represents one of our sovereign states and the opportunity and freedom we enjoy. Let us join now in singing “God Bless America.” (Song leader leads song.)

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Our National Anthem was written by Francis Scott Key, a lawyer from Georgetown, D.D., in 1814.

The inspiration came to him as he witnessed the fierce bombardment of Fort McHenry at Baltimore, M.D., by the British Fleet under the command of Admiral Cockburn.

After the battle he completed the poem at the Fountain Inn, Baltimore. The Flag that he saw during the fight can be seen today at the Smithsonian Institute in Washington.

The song was made our official Anthem by an Jact of Congress, March 3, 1931.

Q – Is it necessary for a person to stand and salute when the National Anthem is played or sung?

A – During rendition of the national anthem when the flag is displayed, all present, except those in uniform, should stand at attention facing the flag with the right hand over the heart.

People not in uniform should remove their headdress with their right hand hold it at the left shoulder, the hand being over the heart.

Persons in uniform should render the military salute at the first note of the anthem and retain theis position until the last note.

When the flag is not displayed, those present should face toward the music and act in the same manner they would if the flag were displayed here.

Showman

Sam Houston Area Council

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While completing this activity badge, the Webelos learns about entertainment. He must choose among three alternative forms of entertainment skills, puppetry, music or drama.

Puppetry

A fun puppet to make is a wooden spoon marionette. The bowl of the spoon is the head. Arms and legs are made from small dowel and are attached by using small eye screws and small eye hooks. Costumes can be sewn with the help of Mom or another adult, or can be glued together with craft glue. Hair is made from yarn or carpet. Eyes can be found in the craft store and glued on or can be drawn. Controlling the marionette is done with a "plus" shaped frame. Strings of transparent fishing line are run from the frame to the arms and legs. One line is run from the center of the frame to the top of the spoon to hold it upright. The rest is up to the Webelos. The den can make up a play and have fun presenting it at a pack meeting.

Music

If your Webelos went through Wolf and Bear, he had an opportunity to make and use musical instruments of his own. In Webelos he is challenged at a higher level.

Working music into your den program will depend on the capabilities and interests of your boys. Some will be able to play on an instrument already. Others may wish to sing. You can also introduce them to a lot of different types of music. If they have an interest in rock or country and western music, they may not have heard classical, jazz, or blues. How do they get exposure?

Musical recitals are held at all of the colleges. Music students must perform as part of their studies and these recitals are interesting because they "showcase" individual instruments and voices in ways that the boys may not be familiar with. Call the Music Department at any of the colleges for information. Make sure the boys are on their best behavior when they go, it is just common courtesy. Have each boy contact a radio station and ask for the program manager. Have them ask the program manager the following questions:

What type of music does your station play?

Why does it play that kind?

Who decides what music is played?

Have the boy report back to the den and then listen to that station for a little while to see what the music is like.

City Parks and Recreation sponsor free concerts in the city parks. All types of music are performed. Contact Parks and Recreation for a schedule.

Record collections are fun to start. Some boys may already have a collection. Some boys may be collecting tapes and CDs as well so they will meet the requirement 5 in this way.

American Composers - Other than in the Webelos Book
Burr Bacharach

Irving Berlin

Eubie Blake

George M. Cohan

Stephen Foster
Norman Dello Joio
Henry Mancini
Gian-Carlo Menotti
Cole Porter
Richard Rogers
John Phillip Sousa

Have your boys do a brief report on one of these people, or any of the composers of their own favorite music. Have them bring music by the composer to play after they tell about the person.

Folk music is found all around us. Most of the songs that we do in Cub Scouting use a tune that comes from folk music. The Cub Scout Songbook contains lots of folk tunes for the boys to use.

If you are not sure what a "staff" is and how "sharps and flats" are used, why not see if there is a piano teacher or some other music teacher that is a parent in your pack. Ask them to come to a den meeting and to help explain "music" to the boys. A guest can be a welcome relief to you and to your boys.

Musical Fun

Most boys have plastic bottles and jugs around the house. Milk, bleach, laundry detergent and lots of other things come in plastic. Have the boys gather together as many different types of plastic containers as they can, preferably enough for each boy to have four. Now for the fun. Turn each container upside down and fill it with a wooden spoon. What does it sound like? Put the high ones in one pile, the low ones in another and the middle tones in another. Have the boys each select one high, one low and two middles. Using strapping or duct tape, tape them together to form your own version of a "steel drum" like those used in the Caribbean. Mark the tone on the bottom so you and they know which is high, low and medium. Of course, the bottoms will be up and the tops will be down.

Place a string around them so that they can hang from the boys necks at the right playing level and "let'er rip." With practice, the boys could make some neat sounds with their "steel ensemble."

Drama

The Cub Scouting literature has poems and stories that can be used for monologues, but the public library has a lot more material. Ask your librarian for directions to the literature and theater sections of the library. The youth or juvenile section of the library also has material that is more suited to the age of the Webelos Scout.

Unless you have lots of time and some really talented boys, putting together a full scale one act play can be overwhelming. A good skit is really a play in one act and can be more readily handled by 9 and 10 year old boys. The Cub Scout How to Book contains some good ideas on how to write your own skit or one act play. Let the boys be creative. They can make the play up about anything they

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are interested in, sports, scouting, a silly moment in the den meeting, etc. Making costumes and putting on "stage makeup" makes the task more fun and enjoyable.

If you want to have some fun in the pack for Halloween and the Cubmaster can spare the time, The Cremation of Sam Magee is a great project. The poem can be found in Creative Campfires or in a book of poetry by Robert Service, the author. Two dens may wish to plan and produce this "bone chiller" of a story. You may want adults to read the parts and let the boys act them out. It's great! Attending plays in your area, especially for a Webelos den, can be a little difficult. The boys may tend to get bored and the cost is sometimes very high. Some ideas for you to consider include:

Contact the little theatre groups in your area to see if they have up coming plays. They always do "run throughs" to see if the cast knows their lines and may allow you to sit in for a while.

Check with the speech and drama department at the local high school to see if they can offer you a similar opportunity as listed above.

The University Interscholastic League and other organizations hold competitions in speech and drama throughout the school year. Contact your local high school to see when and where the next competition is being held. You may be able to take your boys where they can see one-act plays, monologues and other speeches and poems being performed. These "meets" are great because all forms of drama are found in one location, at the same time.

If your boys want to know the difference between opera and light opera, get a copy of any Wagnerian opera from the library and a copy of a Gilbert and Sullivan opera (Pirates of Penzance is fun, especially the Modern Major General song). Play sections of each. This comparison is worth millions, not thousands, of words.

For a dramatic play and musical play difference you can watch the public television schedule as well as the schedule for the Arts and Entertainment network, if you have cable. Frequently both types of plays appear and you can video tape them for playback for the boys.

William Shakespeare is one of the most written about authors. His poetry and plays are still popular today. You can find information on Shakespeare at any library.

Illustrations and drawings of the Globe Theater are in most books about him. The boys can use these drawings to create their drawing of the Globe. Theater in the round is a challenge for any actor or performer. You must share your time with all of the audience so they must continually turn around to face different parts of the audience without the audience noticing it. Have the boys practice reading a story while the rest of the den is seated around them. Have the reader practice moving around so that all of the boys get a chance to see his face. It's easier said than done.

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, slmann@unmc.edu

Dan Beard Council Pow Wow, Cincinnati, Ohio, November 3, 2001, at University of Cincinnati

For further information: powwow2001dbc@aol.com

Jackie Murphy 812-637-2250

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 deedee.cobb@excite.com, 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: <http://www.occoneechee.org>
e-mail: OC2002PowWow@att.net

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Indian Nations Council will again host its nationally renowned 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, redcoat@netstep.net 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, redcoat@netstep.net for more information.

National Capital Area Council (Washington, DC and surrounding 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 calendars 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 <http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org/>.

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

Web Sites

First Gov for Kids

<http://www.kids.gov/>

Thomas Jefferson's Monticello

<http://www.monticello.org/house/index.html>

The Papers of Thomas Jefferson

<http://www.yale.edu/lawweb/avalon/presiden/jeffpap.htm>

Ask Eric—Education Site

<http://www.askeric.org/cgi-bin/lessons.cgi/Arts>

History and Politics Out Loud

<http://www.hpol.org/>

American Treasures of the Library of Congress

<http://www.loc.gov/exhibits/treasures/>

Discovery School's Puzzle maker

<http://puzzlemaker.school.discovery.com/>

Free printable craft projects

<http://www.hancockfabrics.com/projects.html>

Jolly Rancher Fun and Free Games

<http://www.jollyrancherfruitchews.com/html/funframe.htm>

Science of the Human Face

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/science/humanbody/humanface/>

Geologist

<http://www.handprint.com/PS/GEO/geoevo.html>

Dietary Guidelines for Americans

<http://www.health.gov/dietaryguidelines/>

Crafts—cool paper mache apple

<http://www.dltk-kids.com/school/index.htm>

History Wired—Smithsonian Institute

<http://historywired.si.edu/index.html>

Ansel Adams at 100

http://www.sfmoma.org/adams/content_web.html

Commuciator

Navaho Code Talking Dictionary

<http://www.history.navy.mil/faqs/faq61-4.htm>