

This month Cub Scouts go camping! Have a backyard campout with your family. Pitch a tent or sleep out under the stars. Conduct a pack overnighter at a nearby Scout camp or state park. An outdoor pack meeting might include a nature observation hunt, followed by an evening around the “campfire.” Attend your council’s Cub Scout or Webelos Scout resident camp as a den or pack or the council’s family camp with your whole family. Camping doesn’t always mean overnight; day camp is always lots of fun. Get those boys outdoors and let them discover the fun of camping while working on their Cub Scout Outdoor Activity Award. Whatever you do, do it outside and find out what the outing in Scouting is all about. While out on the trail, you can work on the Map and Compass belt loop and pin or the Astronomy belt loop and pin.

## PACK PLANNING

Attending day camp, resident camp, a pack overnighter at your council camp, or a den hike ... it’s fun to be outdoors. The crackle of a campfire and the fun of being with friends and seeing skits, singing songs, and more—this is the outing of Scouting. This month’s pack meeting will bring the joys of the outdoors to life for boys and families. Appoint these committees:

**Decorations Committee.** Create a campfire song sheet with songs that match the campfire—building to high energy and winding down to embers. Try some of these songs from the *Cub Scout Songbook*: “She’ll Be Comin’ ’Round the Mountain”; “Do, Do, Do Your Best”; “America, the Beautiful”; or “Taps.”

**Welcome Committee.** Welcome families as they arrive. Create name tags in the shape of a tent. Gather materials for the gathering activity and prepare to lead it.

**Recognitions Committee.** If the pack gives neckerchiefs to boys as they graduate, be sure to purchase enough for the graduation ceremony.

**Cleanup Committee.** Remember to leave nothing but memories behind.

### Some of the purposes of Cub Scouting developed through this month’s theme include:

- **Preparation for Boy Scouting.** Cub Scouts develop confidence in their ability to be competent in an outdoor environment.
- **Fun and adventure.** The excitement of a campfire inspires a sense of fun and adventure in all who are present.

### This theme is designed to promote character development by emphasizing these core values:

- **Health and Fitness.** Stress the importance of being healthy and fit for outdoor adventure.
- **Responsibility.** Camping helps reinforce the importance of responsibility toward yourself (being prepared), others (the safety of a buddy), and the environment (Leave No Trace camping).

## MEMBERSHIP MOMENT

Everyone loves a campfire! Invite prospective members and families to attend your pack’s evening meal and campfire program. Give visiting families opportunities to participate, if they wish, by leading a song or stunt or telling a story. Don’t forget to prescreen all material for appropriateness.

## Pack Meeting

### BEFORE THE MEETING

Be sure to have dry firewood, matches, and fire buckets ready. Follow campfire safety rules outlined in the *Guide to Safe Scouting*. If this pack meeting is part of a pack overnighter, be certain at least one of your leaders has completed BALOO (Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation) training. A local tour permit should be filed for the pack outing. Check with officials at your campsite to be sure local fire regulations are followed.

If you are unable to have an outdoor campfire, look in *Cub Scout Ceremonies for Dens and Packs* to see how to build an indoor campfire, following the same format.

If the campfire is after dinner or after the pack meeting, a treat roasted on the fire would be appropriate once the camp-

fire has died down. Set clear rules about behavior near the fire.

### GATHERING

Greeters welcome pack members as they arrive and give each person a name tag. Direct the Cub Scouts to the game area where they can play Squirrel in a Tree (3 JUN). Or, if your pack is camping, plan a nature hike to the campfire, giving each family a list of nature sights to check off as they walk.

### MAIN PART OF THE MEETING

#### Opening

Den chiefs form color guard and bring in the U.S. flag. Ask den families to stand and sing “America, the Beautiful.” As they sing, the denner of each den brings forward his den flag. (Be

sure the U.S. flag always flies higher than the other flags.) Lead the pack in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### Prayer

Preselected Cub Scouts come forward and share the Campfire Invocation (2 JUN).

### Icebreaker

#### Sounds of the Forest Campfire Lighting

Tell den families that their enthusiasm will give energy to light our pack campfire. Ask families in each of the den ranks to stand and imitate the sound of their rank (their yell) as you call them out:

- Tiger Cub: High growl
- Wolf: Howl

- Bear: Low growl
- Webelos: Shout “Loyal Scouts!”  
(As dens give their yells, the assistant Cubmaster lights the fire.)

Remind each den that every time during the campfire when they hear their rank, they should give their yell.

### Welcome and Introductions

Introduce any guests. Let them know you're happy to have them join you this evening.

### Song

The song leader leads “We’re All Together Again” (*Cub Scout Songbook*).

### Den Demonstrations

Each den comes forward in turn to

present its skit, song, or stunt as a contribution to the campfire activity.

### Game

Play Above and Below (3 JUN).

### Recognition

Conduct the Bobcat Campfire Induction Ceremony (2 JUN) to recognize all those who have earned their Bobcat badge. Conduct the Leader Recognition activity (3 JUN). Or choose a different ceremony from *Cub Scout Ceremonies for Dens and Packs*.

### Announcements

Remind pack families of the summer activities for the pack and wish them well in their camping this summer. The

assistant Cubmaster introduces July's theme, “Be a Sport,” by arriving in football or baseball gear. Announce the date, time, and location for the summer sports extravaganza. Announce the date, place, and time of the annual planning conference where plans for the pack for next year will be made.

### Cubmaster's Minute

The Cubmaster shares Looking Forward (3 JUN).

### Closing

Use the Outdoor Code Responsive Reading from *Cub Scout Ceremonies for Dens and Packs*. Sing “Taps” (*Cub Scout Songbook*).

## Cubmaster Corner

### CAMPFIRES: “OUTING IN SCOUTING”

Creating a memorable campfire takes planning. Here are a few hints to ensure that your campfire is a pleasant experience for all:

- Approve all elements of the campfire that the dens will do (skits, songs, stunts, run-ons, applauses, and cheers) to make sure they follow the positive values of Scouting.
- Follow the flames: Start the campfire with an exciting song/skit that gets everyone involved. As the fire diminishes, the activities become calmer.
- Use the Campfire Planner that is in the *Cub Scout Leader Book* appendix. Vary active and quieter contributions to ensure a fast-moving campfire.

## Ceremonies, Games, Songs, Stunts

### PRAYER

#### Campfire Invocation

CUB SCOUT 1: Let us pray.

CUB SCOUT 2: As we gather together ...

CUB SCOUT 3: At our campfire site ...

CUB SCOUT 4: Watch over us and guide us ...

CUB SCOUT 5: Through this wonderful night.

CUB SCOUT 6: Amen.

### BOBCAT CAMPFIRE INDUCTION CEREMONY

*Materials:* Campfire, stick for each Cub Scout who will receive a badge, Bobcat badges, straight pins

(The Cubmaster calls forward Bobcats and their parents and asks them to form a semicircle behind the fire, with the parents behind the boys.)

CUBMASTER: Cub Scouts, you have learned the things a boy must know to join our pack. Will you show that

now by making the Cub Scout sign and repeating the Cub Scout Promise? (Cubmaster leads the Promise.)

Parents, we welcome you into our pack too. You know that you have a role in Cub Scouting as a guide in your son's advancement and as a participant and helper in the pack's activities. If you accept this responsibility, please say, “We will.” (*The parents assent.*)

This campfire represents the warmth of membership in our pack. Bobcats, please show that you wish to join in that warmth by adding your stick to the fire. This symbolizes that you want to do your best and be a friend to the others in the pack. (*The boys place their sticks in the campfire.*)

Now parents, I will give each of you the Bobcat badge to pin on your son's shirt. (*Cubmaster gives badges and pins to the parents.*) Everybody, let's give them the Campfire Applause (4 JUN).

Now we will bridge those who have been Cub Scouts in our pack all year long.

### Pack Bridging

Ask Webelos Scouts to form two lines. Ask them to hold their neckerchiefs by one end in their right hands. Have the Webelos Scouts in the line across from them pick up the other ends of the neckerchiefs in their left hands. With the Scouts across from them, they hold the neckerchiefs up to form an arch. Bear Cub Scouts walk through the Webelos Scout arch to graduate from Bear dens into Webelos dens.

CUBMASTER: Our Bear Cub Scouts have learned the ways of Baloo this year. We welcome them to learn the ways of Webelos Scouts to prepare for Boy Scouts. (*Bear Cub Scouts take off their neckerchiefs as they go through the arch and join Webelos Scouts. They hold their neckerchiefs as the Webelos Scouts are doing.*)

Wolf dens, please come through our arch. You have learned the Law of the Pack and are ready to learn the ways of Baloo. (*Wolf Cub Scouts take off their neckerchiefs as they travel through the*

arch and join the Bear Cub Scouts and Webelos Scouts, making a longer arch.)

Tiger Cubs who have been with us all year, please come forward without your adult partner. (*Tiger Cubs take off their neckerchiefs and walk under arch.*)

All Cub Scouts, please turn and face our audience. Parents, these Cub Scouts have learned and grown this year with your help. Please join me in the Hiking Applause (3 JUN) for our Scouts. (*All Cub Scouts return to their seats.*)

## LEADER RECOGNITION

CUBMASTER: Will our leaders please stand as we call out their den's rank and be honored by our pack for their great effort this year. Our den leaders and adult partners who have guided ...

... our Tiger Cubs (*dens yell*)

... the Wolf den leaders (*dens yell*)

... the Bear den leaders (*dens yell*)

... the Webelos den leaders (*dens yell*)

The Cub Scouts, adults, and families in this pack thank you for your time, energy, and dedication. Let's give our leaders a Big Hand (*use the Big Hand Applause from Group Meeting Sparklers.*)

## GAMES

### Squirrel in a Tree

Two Cub Scouts stand about 3 feet apart, facing each other and holding each other's hands. This is the tree. When they lift their arms up forming an arch, another Cub Scout, the squirrel, runs into the space in the tree. The boys lower their arms, still holding hands to keep the squirrel safe. When the leader of the game signals, the tree lifts its arms and the squirrel runs out to find another tree. (Make sure there are more squirrels than trees.) Each time a squirrel does not get into a tree and is eliminated, take away a tree as well until there is only one tree and two squirrels. The one who gets into the tree first is the winner.

### Above and Below

*A game that can be played at the campfire.*

Boys stand in a circle at the campfire. One at a time, call out the names of things that are found either above or below the ground. For example, strawberries grow above the ground, potatoes grow below the ground. When you call the name of something that is found above the ground, the players stand; if the thing is found

below the ground, the players sit. A player is eliminated if he responds incorrectly. The last player to remain in the game wins.

## CUBMASTER'S MINUTE: LOOKING FORWARD

This is the time of year when we see the growth in our Cub Scouts. They are getting bigger, stronger, and more capable of taking care of themselves and those around them. Each of you Cub Scouts has grown this year. I know you will learn even more this summer at camp and in other summer activities. We look at the stars tonight and see the expanse of the heavens, which seem to have no end. You have a future like those stars. You can reach heights we only dream of today. Keep looking up and see that your destiny is unlimited!

## CAMPFIRE CLOSING

As the campfire dwindles, use the opportunity to have a moment of sharing. Ask for volunteers who would be comfortable sharing what they are thankful for about Cub Scouting. *Suggestions:*

—Grateful for friends

—Thankful for learning new skills

—Happy to have an introduction to camping

—The crackle of a campfire is restful

## SKIT: HIKE SAFELY

*Equipment:* Safety whistle, bright scarf or neckerchief

CUB SCOUT 1: Oh! Oh! Where is everybody? We must be lost! What do we do now?

CUB SCOUT 2: We should stay in one place. We can wait by this tree. Someone will find us!

CUB SCOUT 3: We should blow our safety whistle! (*Blows whistle.*)

CUB SCOUT 4: Let's use my neckerchief as a signal. (*Takes off neckerchief and holds it out.*)

CUB SCOUTS 5, 6, 7, and 8 (*running in*): We heard your whistle and saw your signal! We found you, we found you! Let's get back to camp! (*Everyone walks off.*)

## AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: SOUNDS OF THE FOREST

Read the following story, emphasizing the capitalized words, waiting for the response from each group. Ask one of the dens to hold up signs for each group as each response word or term is spoken:

Tiger Cub: *High growl*

Wolf: *Howl*

Bear: *Low growl*

Webelos: *Shout* "Loyal Scouts!"

Humans: *Shout* "Great campsite!"

Creatures from all over the land gathered together to talk about the best way to protect the lands in which they live. The BEAR said: "We large creatures watch the forests for fires and warn all creatures when we see danger. BEARS are good at that, but we can't get the HUMANS to be careful."

The WOLF and the TIGER CUB agreed. The TIGER CUB spoke next: "We love to play in the tall grasses, but the HUMANS are building things where we used to play." The BEAR and the WOLF looked sadly at the TIGER CUB.

The WOLF stood tall. "We need to teach the humans not to drop their garbage and leave it around our homes." The BEAR and the TIGER CUB agreed.

The WEBELOS stood up. "I am a HUMAN. I am a WEBELOS Scout. In our pack we learn how to protect the forest and the grasslands and all nature as TIGER CUBS, WOLF Cub Scouts, BEAR Cub Scouts, and WEBELOS Scouts. We help you by following the Outdoor Code."

"Hooray!" said the BEAR, the TIGER CUB, and the WOLF. "WEBELOS, you and your fellow Cub Scouts are welcome in our lands!"

## SONG: CUB SCOUT CHANT

*A rhythmic chant*

Ask audience to repeat each line after the leader:

Tiger!

Tiger, Cub!

Tiger, Cub, Webelos!

Cub Scouts!

Jumping, running, noisy playing,  
wanna be a Boy Scout!

Grow, grow, grow, little Cub Scout.

Den meeting treats are scrumptey-delicious!

Cookie, cookie, cookie, cookie,  
cookie, cookie, YUM!

## APPLAUSES

**Hiking Applause.** Have the group stand and stomp their feet and swing their arms as if hiking, saying "Stomp, stomp, stomp."

**Campfire Applause.** Have everyone stand and put their hands together and wiggle their fingers; say, “The campfire is beginning.” Hold hands a little higher with larger motion and say, “The campfire is building.” Hold hands up high and say, “The campfire is really bright—crackle, crackle, crackle.”

## RUN-ON

CUB SCOUT 1 (*enters carrying two rocks, clapping them together*).

CUB SCOUT 2: Why are you hitting those rocks together?

CUB SCOUT 1: I’m having a rock concert!

## CAMPFIRE REFRESHMENT TREATS

**S’mores.** Roast marshmallows on a stick over coals until soft. Place on half a graham cracker. Add one or two chocolate squares. Top with half a graham cracker.

**Cake in Orange.** Hollow out an orange. Mix a cake mix per directions and pour into the hollowed orange peel until two-thirds full. Cover with aluminum foil and cook in coals for 15 minutes.

**Pig in a Blanket.** Skewer hot dogs on sticks or a barbecue fork. Wrap them with half of a refrigerated, canned biscuit. Cook over coals until the biscuit is browned and the hot dog is hot.

# June Pack Program Page: A-Camping We Will Go

## ACADEMICS AND SPORTS PROGRAM

### Cub Scout Academics

**Map and Compass.** Enjoy a family map and compass hike at a pack overnighter.

### Cub Scout Sports

**Softball or Flag Football.** Organize a pack sporting event and fulfill the requirements for a Sports pin. Start with a review of the rules, warm up with stretching exercises, and follow with an active game.

## FAMILY ACTIVITY

As a family, plan for the pack overnighter. Attend together and enjoy the outdoors. Let your Cub Scout show off the skills he has learned in Cub Scouting. On an outing, explore number 5 under “Knowing It’s Make Believe” in *Cub Scouting’s BSA Family Activity Book*. This activity calls for observing the billowing clouds and engaging in a discussion that relates what boys see as shapes to what some publications create as headlines.

## DID YOU KNOW?

### Cub Scout Outdoor Activity Award

Each program level (Tiger Cub, Wolf, Bear, Webelos) has a specific set of requirements to earn this award. Several requirements are from the advancement requirements in the boys’ handbooks. Other requirements involve selecting activities from a list of 13 outdoor activities. One of those is to participate in an outdoor campfire program.

## GOOD TURN FOR AMERICA

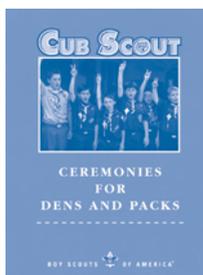
Ask the ranger at your camping area about a service project your pack



can perform during your pack overnighter. Try to do more than pick up litter. Moving debris to a recycling area, cleaning tools, and trimming vegetation on trails are suggestions of service Cub Scouts can give.

## BSA RESOURCES HIGHLIGHT

*Cub Scout Ceremonies for Dens and Packs* (No. 33212). Use this book to get ideas and suggestions for indoor ceremonies, outdoor ceremonies, patriotic ceremonies, den ceremonies, and much more. Several ceremonial props are described; helpful hints to construct them are included.



## PACK LEADERS’ PLANNING MEETING

The pack leaders meet a week or two before the June pack meeting to coordinate all elements of the meeting and outline den and pack activities for the July pack meeting.

**Finalize the campfire planning.** Make sure all dens have a part and there are no overlaps in content.

Plan a special welcome for graduating kindergarteners who have been recruited at special spring roundup events and will be joining the Tiger Cub den with their adult partners.

**Plan summer pack activities.** Make sure all pack families know the pack activity schedule to help the pack earn the National Summertime Pack Award.

The pack trainer leads Unit Leadership Enhancement No. 2, Annual Program Planning. Engage all pack leaders, den chiefs, and interested parents and guardians in this important planning

activity. For details on how best to organize and plan for this, see the *Cub Scout Leader Book*. Choose a topic for next month’s meeting.

## LOOKING AHEAD

Plan the pack calendar for the coming school year. Make your membership coordinator aware of leadership positions needed to provide a full year of fun Cub Scout activities. Second-year Webelos Scouts will benefit from interaction with several local troops as they observe those Boy Scout troop activities.

## PACK TRAINER HIGHLIGHTS

- New leaders recruited this spring can benefit from training to be ready to plan and execute their den programs. The pack trainer provides each leader with the date, time, and location of all appropriate training courses.
- Expedite Fast Start training for new Tiger Cub den leaders.
- Continue to offer transportation to pack leaders to attend the Cub Scouting roundtable.
- Identify the dates of your Cub Scout leader pow wow or University of Scouting and encourage all leaders to reserve the date on their calendars.

## OUTDOOR IDEAS FOR EVERYONE

All boys and their families benefit from Cub Scout day camp or resident camp.

**Tiger Cubs.** New Tiger Cub dens can get organized by getting together for a summer planning picnic.

**Wolf Cub Scouts.** Find some friends and learn the game of tennis.

**Bear Cub Scouts.** Play badminton with your den.

**Webelos Scouts.** Review the Outdoorsman requirements before the pack overnighter.

# A-Camping We Will Go: Tiger Cub Den Meetings

Each Tiger Cub and his adult partner should attend all meetings as a team.  
Dens may meet in the evening or on weekends.

WHEN	FIRST WEEK	SECOND WEEK	THIRD WEEK	FOURTH WEEK
The Tiger Cub den leader shares leadership with a Tiger Cub adult partner. This team should review plans before each meeting and check the equipment needed.				
<b>BEFORE THE MEETING STARTS</b>	Have U.S. flag, playground ball or beanbag for Name Toss (see below), and materials for Flashlight Constellations (6 JUN).	Have fresh blades of grass (if not able to take meeting outdoors), aluminum foil for Drugstore Wrap (6 JUN), and ingredients for Flying Saucer Foil Desserts (6 JUN).	Call the Go See It destination to confirm arrangements, times, fees, etc.	Host team writes thank-you note to the destination of last week's Go See It.
Den leader may collect dues. Den leader checks boys' books for completed advancement requirements and records them on Den Advancement Chart. Boys record own advancement on den doodle, if den has one.				
<b>GATHERING</b>	Play Name Toss. As boys and adult partners arrive, have them join a circle. Each tosses the ball to someone in the circle, who states his name when he catches the ball.	Make Grass Whistles (6 JUN).		
<b>OPENING</b>	Teach Tiger Cubs the Cub Scout salute ( <i>Bobcat requirement 7</i> ). Recite the Pledge of Allegiance, in repeat-after-me fashion if necessary.	Call the name of each Tiger Cub. Have him respond with the Cub Scout sign and motto.	Take a Go See It to a neighborhood park or nature area. Conduct a Hiking Treasure Hunt (6 JUN) ( <i>Achievement 5G</i> ).	Participate in the monthly pack meeting by sharing Flashlight Constellations and information about the den's Go See It.  Tiger Cubs and adult partners sign the thank-you note.
<b>SHARE</b>	Ask each Tiger Cub to share what he is looking forward to in Tiger Cubs.	Ask each Tiger Cub to share what he saw in the night sky during the past week.	At the end of the trip, lead a reflecting discussion with boys and adult partners about their outing.	
<b>DISCOVER</b>	Show Tiger Cubs pictures of summer constellations. Make Flashlight Constellations (6 JUN). Ask Tiger Cubs to look for their constellation in the sky during the coming week.	Practice the Drugstore Wrap (6 JUN) method of foil cooking. If your facility allows, make Flying Saucer Foil Desserts (6 JUN). These may be heated in a conventional oven if necessary.	A Tiger Cub immediate recognition bead may be presented for participation and completion of <i>Achievement 5G</i> .	
<b>SEARCH</b>	Plan a Go See It to a park or nature area.	Discuss Hug a Tree (6 JUN) in preparation for next week's Go See It.		
<b>CLOSING</b>	Teach Tiger Cubs the Cub Scout sign ( <i>Bobcat requirement 4</i> ) and motto ( <i>Bobcat requirement 6</i> ). Give the Cub Scout sign while repeating the Cub Scout motto.	Tiger Cubs give the Cub Scout salute to their adult partner and then the den leader in thanks for a great meeting.		
This week's shared leadership team reviews the meeting. The den leader should meet briefly with the Tiger Cub and adult partner who will share leadership at the next den meeting.				
<b>AFTER THE MEETING</b>	Den leader files local tour permit with local council service center for Go See It outing.	Talk to Tiger Cub team in charge of the next month. Offer resources or ideas as needed.	Den leader fills out den advancement report for the pack leaders' meeting.	Den leader mails thank-you note.
ADULT PARTNER RECORDS ADVANCEMENT ACTIVITIES DONE DURING THE DEN MEETING IN THE TIGER CUB'S HANDBOOK.				

# Tiger Cub Den Activities

**Advancement possibilities highlighted in this month's meeting plans: Bobcat requirements 4, 6, 7; Achievement 5G.**

Welcome Tiger Cubs who have just joined your pack. They may have an opportunity this month to participate in a day camp experience with their adult partner or in a pack overnighiter with their entire family. Many may be unaccustomed to being in the outdoors. It is important to prepare them for the experience. Teach them some simple camping or cooking skills to help them succeed. We want their first camping experience to be a positive one so they will keep coming back for more.

## HUG A TREE (OR POLE OR BENCH)

Tell your Tiger Cub that if he ever feels that he is lost, he should hug a tree (or a bench or pole if he is in a mall) in a conspicuous place (along a trail or in an open area), "make friends" with the tree, and wait to be found.



- Hugging a tree and even talking to it will calm a child and help prevent panic.
- Make sure the Tiger Cub knows that his adult partner would immediately retrace his steps as soon as he or she realized the Tiger Cub was lost. He would be found more quickly if he hugged a tree and stayed in one place.
- A lost child who stays in one place won't be injured in a fall while wandering around.
- Explain that if he is ever lost in the woods, he should try to form a large arrow with rocks, pointing to the tree he is hugging.
- All boys should wear a whistle when hiking or camping. Do not yell for help. Instead, blow the whistle every few minutes.
- Emphasize to the Tiger Cub that he should stay put with his friend, the tree (or bench), until he is rescued.

## EXPLORE A TREE

*Supplies:* Blindfolds—one for each Tiger Cub and adult partner (Make sure that a child is OK with being blindfolded.)

Have each adult partner blindfold his or her Tiger Cub and lead him to a nearby tree. Encourage the Tiger Cub to feel the tree's bark and to feel its uniqueness. Specific suggestions are best; for example: "Rub your cheek on the bark." "Is the tree still alive?" "Can you put

your arms around it?" "Does it have any unusual shapes or features?" "Can you find plants growing on it?"

When the Tiger Cub is finished exploring the tree, his adult partner should lead him back to the starting point over an indirect route, then remove the blindfold. Now let the boy try to locate his tree without the blindfold.

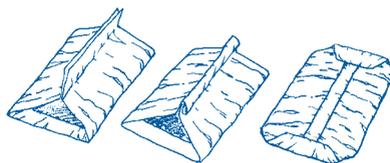
## FLYING SAUCER FOIL DESSERTS

*Ingredients:* Cake doughnut, pineapple ring, large marshmallow, Maraschino cherry

Place pineapple ring on foil. Place doughnut atop pineapple. Stuff doughnut's center with marshmallow and cherry. Wrap foil tightly in drugstore wrap (see below). Cook on coals for 5 minutes.

## DRUGSTORE WRAP

This method of wrapping will seal in juices and hold steam while cooking. You can use a cutout piece of craft foam to represent food items while practicing.



Place the food in the center of the foil. Bring the two long sides of the foil up together over the food; fold down in a series of overlapping folds to allow for heat and expansion. Fold each of the short ends over several times and crimp closed.

## HIKING TREASURE HUNT

Make a list of 10 things that might be seen along the hiking trail. Give each Tiger Cub team a list and encourage them to look for the items as you hike. This will encourage boys to be observant along the way instead of in a hurry to reach the destination.

## GRASS WHISTLE

Have the Tiger Cub form his hands into two loose fists with thumbs out and pointing upward. Position a wide blade of grass tightly between the two thumbs. Have him bring the part of his thumbs that is between the joints next to his mouth, purse his lips, and blow as if he were blowing out a candle. With some adjusting and experimenting, Tiger Cubs can produce a whistle when the grass vibrates.

## FIRST AID KIT

*Materials:* Plastic 35mm film canister or similar plastic container with lid, paint pens, chenille stem, adhesive bandages, antiseptic wipe

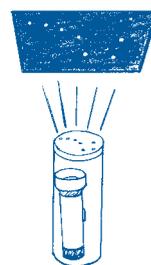
Have adult partner punch two holes, one on either side and near the top of the canister. Decorate the canister with paint pens. Put the ends of the chenille stem through the holes—leaving enough of the length for a belt loop—and twist the ends down on the inside of the canister so there are no sharp points. Fill the canister with adhesive bandages and an antiseptic wipe.

## FLASHLIGHT CONSTELLATIONS

Teach Tiger Cubs some simple constellations to identify in the night sky during their summer camping trip.

*Materials:* Potato chip canister with plastic lid, marker, awl or large darning needle, flashlight, illustrations of constellations currently seen in the night sky

Have Tiger Cubs choose a constellation and copy its design on the canister lid using a marker. Using an awl or large darning needle, adult partners punch holes in the marked locations. Place a flashlight in the canister shining upward. In a darkened room, the stars will appear on the ceiling.



## A-Camping We Will Go: Wolf Den Meetings

Dens may meet after school, in the evening, or on weekends.  
Review theme pages before planning den meetings.

WHEN	FIRST WEEK	SECOND WEEK	THIRD WEEK	FOURTH WEEK
Den leader, den chief, and denner review plans before each meeting and check equipment needed.				
<b>BEFORE THE MEETING STARTS</b>	Have materials for Recycle game (8 JUN).	Have materials for knot tying. Have supplies for can Portable Stove (8 JUN) and pancake mix for cooking pancakes.	Call the destination of your outing to confirm arrangements, times, fees, etc. Have supplies for a treasure hunt; have U.S. flag and activity supplies.	Have a ball for kickball. Have ingredients for foil packet meals (8 JUN).
Den leader collects dues.				
<b>WHILE CUB SCOUTS GATHER</b>	Play Recycle game (8 JUN, <i>Achievement 7c</i> ).	Collect permission slips. Den chief or assistant den leader teaches the boys how to tie a proper overhand knot and a square knot ( <i>Elective 17</i> ).	Collect permission slips.  Review outdoor safety guidelines ( <i>Elective 23b-d</i> ).	Boys sign thank-you note or card to thank parents who helped with the outing last week. Play kickball ( <i>Elective 4f</i> ). Start the cooking fire.
<b>OPENING</b>	Cub Scouts stand in a circle and recite the Cub Scout Promise.	Have the boys repeat the Leave No Trace pledge ( <i>Wolf Cub Scout Book</i> ).	Plan for <i>Elective 18e</i> —plan a treasure hunt.	Open the meeting with the den yell.
Den leader checks boys' handbooks for completed achievements and electives and records them on Den Advancement Chart. Boys record own advancement on den doodle, if den has one.				
<b>BUSINESS ITEMS</b>	Discuss the outdoor theme. Review requirements for different outdoor awards including the Leave No Trace Awareness Award and the World Conservation Award.	Assign boys for outdoor flag ceremony next week.  Complete the Character Connection for Respect ( <i>Achievement 7</i> ).	Cub Scouts perform an outdoor flag ceremony ( <i>Achievement 2</i> ).	Review the activities done during the outing last week.
<b>ACTIVITY</b>	Take the boys on a walk outside the den meeting area. Carry trash bags from the Recycle game to pick up any trash you may find. Point out the different plants and trees. Point out poisonous plants: either live or using pictures ( <i>Achievement 10c</i> ).	Make Portable Stoves (8 JUN).  Cook an easy treat such as pancakes.	Host an outdoor activity for the den. Go to the park; have a treasure hunt. Or go to a wooded area and practice nature identification.	Make a foil packet meal and cook outdoors ( <i>Achievement 8e</i> ).  While dinner is cooking, practice the demonstration for the pack meeting.
<b>CLOSING</b>	Sing "America the Beautiful" ( <i>Elective 11c</i> ).  Send home permission slips for outing on <b>THIRD WEEK</b> .	Den leader asks, "What is the Cub Scout motto?" (Boys respond with "Do Your Best!")	At the end of the trip, lead a reflecting discussion with boys about their outing.	Review the details of the pack meeting.  Sing "Taps" ( <i>Elective 11c</i> ).
Denners supervises putting away equipment. Den leader, den chief, and denner review the meeting and check details for the next meeting.				
<b>AFTER THE MEETING</b>	Den leader files local tour permit with council service center for outing planned for <b>THIRD WEEK</b> .		Den leader fills out advancement report for the pack leaders' meeting.	Den leader mails thank-you note.
ENCOURAGE FAMILIES TO RECORD ADVANCEMENT ACTIVITIES DONE DURING THE DEN MEETINGS IN THE CUB SCOUT'S HANDBOOK.				

# Wolf Den Activities

**Advancement possibilities highlighted in this month's meeting plans: Achievements 2f, 7; Electives 4f, 23.**

Let's experience the "outing" in Scouting! This month Cub Scouts head outdoors for den meetings and activities. Perhaps have a backyard campout with the family. Pitch a tent or sleep under the stars. Boys can prepare for success through activities done in the den meeting as they participate in the pack campout this month. Boys can be reminded that they will benefit in many ways as they attend the day camp or resident camp in your district and council.

Encourage Cub Scout families to work on additional achievements and electives that support this theme, such as:

- *Achievement 8*, Cooking and Eating: Boys cook meals at home.
- *Achievement 9*, Be Safe at Home and on the Street. Cub Scouts review bike safety.
- *Elective 23c*, Let's Go Camping: Cub Scouts learn what to do if they get lost—knowledge that will help them be safe and know how best to handle the situation.

## RECYCLE GAME

(*Achievement 7*)

*Materials:* Three boxes labeled *Paper*, *Glass*, *Plastic/Metals*; a selection of paper, glass, plastic, and metallic materials, suitable for recycling; two large trash bags; gloves for boys (or use inexpensive, nonresealable sandwich bags)

Fill two large trash bags with various materials to be recycled. Line boys up into two teams. Boys must put on gloves (or protect their hands with plastic sandwich bags). Each team then sorts the contents of its trash bag into the correct recycling bins or boxes. The first team done wins.

## EASY FOIL PACKET MEALS

*Materials:*

Charcoal or gas grill (adult supervision required)

Heavy-duty foil, cut into pieces approximately 12 by 18 inches

*Ingredients:*

2 pounds lean ground beef

1 onion, sliced

1 (16-ounce) package baby carrots

4 potatoes, peeled and sliced

Seasoned salt to taste

Salt and black pepper to taste

Other condiments: Worcestershire sauce, barbecue sauce, salsa, mustard, ketchup

Preheat grill to medium-high heat. Have boys wash their hands, form ground-beef patties, and place each patty on a piece of foil. (If necessary, use double layers of foil.) Layer each hamburger patty with onion slices, carrots, and potato slices. Season to taste with seasoned salt, salt, and pepper. Add any other condiments on top.

Wrap foil around food and seal each packet tightly, using the drugstore wrap.

Grill 30 minutes, or until the potatoes are tender. Carefully open each packet (the escaping steam will be very hot) and serve.

*Alternatives:* Chicken breast and fish also cook well in foil.

## EDIBLE CAMPFIRE

*Materials and ingredients:*

Napkin—represents a cleared area

Miniature marshmallows—to form fire circle

Small cup of water—to extinguish fire

Shredded coconut—kindling

Skinny pretzels—tinder

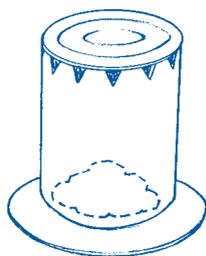
Fat pretzels—fuel

Candy corn—fire

Use this activity to teach proper fire-building techniques. Using examples in the *Cub Scout Leader Book*, show pictures of different types of fires. Let the Cub Scouts build them in miniature. As boys build their individual "fires," explain why each step is important. After the fire is built, enjoy eating this treat.

## PORTABLE STOVE

*Materials:* 3-pound tin can (school kitchens have large cans and may save them for you), triangle-punch can opener, charcoal, pie tin



*Make the stove:* Clean the tin can. Punch holes around the top (these function as air holes for circulation).

*To use:* Start charcoal in the pie tin. Place the stove on top of the pie tin. The top (which is the bottom of the can) becomes a stove surface. Use the stove to cook pancakes, fried eggs, toast, or bacon.

## BOYS' LIFE INSPIRATION

Try the recipes from *Boys' Life*. Every year the magazine publishes a contest for reader-original recipes to try.

## CAMPING SKIT

If your den is stumped for ideas for a skit or stunt, check the "Think and Grin" pages of *Boys' Life*. You'll find lots of jokes that can easily be adapted for short, punchy skits. You may have to pad them a little, but the punch line is ready-made. Boys enjoy two-person vaudeville and riddle routines.



*To end a skit:* Practice the "heel click." It makes a fun end to any skit. To perform: Click heels twice while off the ground.

## BAKED APPLES

*Ingredients:* Apples, aluminum foil, fillings (see below)

Core apple and add fillings such as marshmallow, sugar, fruit, cherries, chocolate drops, or syrup. Completely cover with aluminum foil and seal the edges. Place in coals and leave for 10 to 15 minutes.

# A-Camping We Will Go: Bear Den Meetings

Dens may meet after school, in the evening, or on weekends.  
Review theme pages before planning den meetings.

WHEN	FIRST WEEK	SECOND WEEK	THIRD WEEK	FOURTH WEEK
Den leader, den chief, and denner review plans before each meeting and check equipment needed.				
<b>BEFORE THE MEETING STARTS</b>	Have a compass available for Changing Winds game (10 JUN), tents, U.S. flag.	Gather materials for Edible Campfire (8 JUN) and Egg Carton Fire Starters (10 JUN). Have U.S. flag.	Call the destination of your outing to confirm arrangements, times, fees, etc.	Denner writes thank-you to last week's destination.  Have materials for making hiking sticks (10 JUN); reproduce the Camping Word Search (10 JUN); have U.S. flag.
Den leader collects dues.				
<b>WHILE CUB SCOUTS GATHER</b>	Play Changing Winds game (10 JUN).	Collect permission slips.  Assemble Edible Campfire.	Collect permission slips.	Boys sign thank-you note or card.  Do the Camping Word Search (10 JUN).
<b>OPENING</b>	Form a horseshoe around the flag and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.	Denner leads the Cub Scout Promise.		Recite the Law of the Pack.
Den leader checks boys' handbooks for completed achievements and electives and records them on Den Advancement Chart. Boys record own advancement on den doodle, if den has one.				
<b>BUSINESS ITEMS</b>	Discuss the camping theme that the pack meeting will center around. Review the essentials that are recommended for a campout ( <i>Elective 25a</i> ).	Discuss campfire safety. Emphasize that matches are to be used under adult supervision only.		Practice the song that was chosen for the pack meeting performance. Have the boys make their own hiking sticks (10 JUN).
<b>ACTIVITY</b>	Den chief helps boys with Tent Up and Tent Down game.  Choose a song from the <i>Cub Scout Songbook</i> to sing at the pack meeting. Your den chief will have suggestions, too.	Make Egg Carton Fire Starters (10 JUN).  Play Find the Leader ( <i>Cub Scout Leader How-To Book</i> ).	Take a trip to your local council camping facility.  At the end of the trip, lead a reflecting discussion with boys about their outing.	Play the Trail Signs game (10 JUN). Talk about what to do in an emergency while on a hike ( <i>Elective 25</i> ).
<b>CLOSING</b>	Boys give their den yell.  Send home permission slips for outing on THIRD WEEK.	As boys leave, they use the Cub Scout handshake with the den leader.		Form a semicircle around the U.S. flag. In turn, boys take a step forward, salute, and step back. Sing "Taps" ( <i>Cub Scout Songbook</i> ).
Denner supervises putting away equipment. Den leader, den chief, and denner review the meeting and check details for the next meeting.				
<b>AFTER THE MEETING</b>	Den leader files local tour permit with council service center for outing planned for THIRD WEEK.	Den leader confirms arrangements for next week's outing.	Den leader fills out advancement report for the pack leaders' meeting.	Den leader mails thank-you note.
ENCOURAGE FAMILIES TO RECORD ADVANCEMENT ACTIVITIES DONE DURING THE DEN MEETINGS IN THE CUB SCOUT'S HANDBOOK.				

# Bear Den Activities

## Advancement possibilities highlighted in this month's meeting plans: Elective 25.

A-camping we will go, a-camping we will go—heigh-ho the derry-oh, a-camping we will go! This month, practice the many camping familiarization activities that are covered in *Elective 25*. Boys can learn about fire building, trail signs, how to read a compass, and how to set up a tent. This is great preparation for the years of Scouting and many outdoor activities to come.

Encourage Cub Scout families to work on additional achievements and electives that support this theme, such as:

- *Achievement 3g*, What Makes America Special? Fly the flag for Flag Day on June 14 plus two more national holidays to earn this achievement.
- *Achievement 9g*, What's Cooking? Cook something outdoors with an adult.
- *Achievement 12a*, Family Outdoor Adventures: Go camping with your family.
- *Elective 25*, Let's Go Camping: Attend day camp or resident camp.

## GAMES

### Changing Winds

Use a compass to establish the four main directions in a room. Have all boys stand facing one player, who is the "wind." The wind tells the direction he is blowing by saying, "The wind blows ... south." All players must face south. If a player is already facing that direction and moves, he is out. The wind may confuse the players by facing any direction he chooses. Players turning the wrong direction are out. The winner is the last player still in the game.

### Tent Up and Tent Down

You will need one tent for each team. This is a good game for two boys and a boy's parents or three to four boys on each team. The object of the game is to see which team can set up their tent in the fastest time—and *the tent must stay up*.

### Hunker Down

*Equipment:* Rope; two small pedestals from 6 inches to 1 foot high, placed about 6 feet apart (pedestals could be tree stumps, wood blocks, overturned five-gallon cans filled with water or sand for stability, etc.)



Each player hunkers down on his pedestal, holding the end of a 15-foot rope. On signal, they begin reeling in the rope, tightening and slackening it to unbalance the opponent and make him fall off his pedestal.

### Trail Signs

Play this game in the backyard or playground. Divide the den into two groups. The first group lays the trail; the second group—the trackers—must see if they can follow it all the way to the end. Before the game, have the boys figure out the trail code together so they all know what the signs mean. Let the trail layers finish laying the trail on the ground before the trackers set off.

Message:	Twigs	Stones	Leaves
Go straight			
Turn right			
Turn left			
Turn around and go back			
Not the way			
Cross the stream			
Gone home			

## HIKING STICK

*Materials:* Twine, beads, feathers, scissors, glue, permanent markers; for each boy a sturdy, dry, fallen branch a little longer than from the floor to the boy's waist

Remove small branches and bark from the sticks. Boys decorate the tops of their hiking sticks and mark their names on them.

## EGG CARTON FIRE STARTERS

(Make these in your den, but only with close adult supervision and assistance.)



Fill cups of a cardboard egg carton with sawdust, dryer lint, or shredded paper. An adult melts paraffin and pours it into the cups. When the paraffin cools, you can break the sections apart. One carton will make 12 fire starters. Take these starters to campouts and use them to start a campfire or charcoal briquettes.

## CAMPING WORD SEARCH

Reproduce the word search and give to Cub Scouts. Words may be found diagonally, forward, backward, up, or down.

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| Wood         | Fun     |
| Campfire     | Compass |
| Tent         | Map     |
| Sing         | Whistle |
| Sleeping bag | Hiking  |
| Backpack     | Stars   |
| Kindling     |         |

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