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2016–2017

LEADER PROGRAM NOTEBOOK

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA®

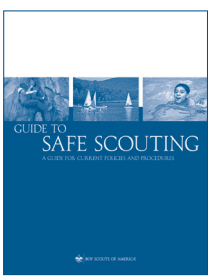
CUB SCOUTS

CUB SCOUTING'S PURPOSES

The Boy Scouts of America was incorporated on February 8, 1910, and chartered by Congress in June 1916. The purpose of Scouting is to provide for boys and young adults an effective educational program designed to build desirable qualities of character, to train in the responsibilities of participating citizenship, and to develop personal fitness.

Since 1930, the Boy Scouts of America has helped younger boys through Cub Scouting. It is a year-round family program designed for boys who are in first grade through fifth grade (or 7, 8, 9, and 10 years of age). Parents, leaders, and organizations work together to achieve the purposes of Cub Scouting:

- Character Development
- Spiritual Growth
- Good Citizenship
- Sportsmanship and Fitness
- Family Understanding
- Respectful Relationships
- Personal Achievement
- Friendly Service
- Fun and Adventure
- Preparation for Boy Scouting



THE LATEST IN BSA HEALTH AND SAFETY INFORMATION

The purpose of the *Guide to Safe Scouting,* 34416, is to prepare adult leaders to conduct Scouting activities in a safe and prudent manner. The guide is available through Supply's National Distribution Center. The online version is updated quarterly. Go tohttp://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/HealthandSafety/GSS.aspx for the latest information.

Name		
Address		
Position in den or pack	Pack No.	Den No.
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Chartered organization representative	Email	Telephone
Council	Website	Address
District executive	Email	Telephone
Unit Commissioner	Email	Telephone

Using Your Program Notebook

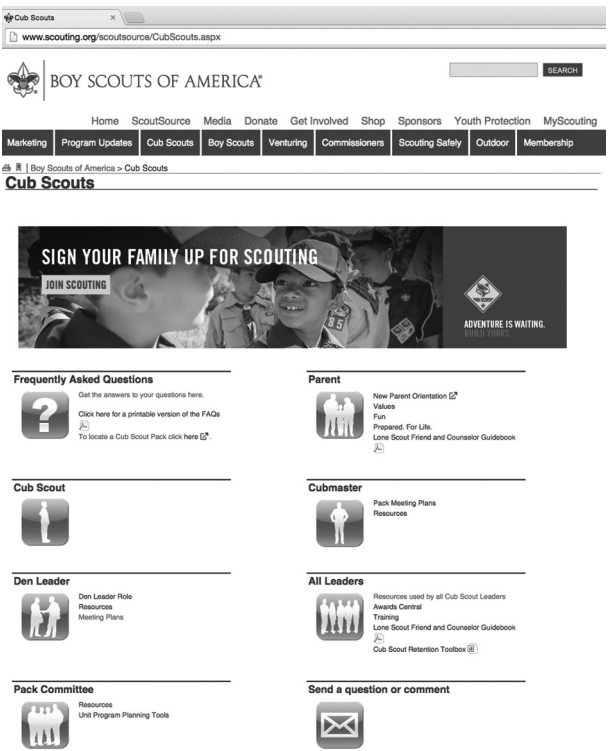
This notebook is designed for use by Cub Scout den leaders; Cubmasters; all assistants; pack trainers; and pack committee chairmen. They will find it a useful tool during your annual program planning conference.

Distribute the notebook at the pack's annual program planning conference in June or at a new pack's planning conference soon after the pack is formed. Review how each section may be used. Details of each month's plans are in the appropriate section of this notebook.

Take the book with you to monthly Cub Scout leaders' roundtables and pack leaders' meetings to keep it up to date with schedules for council, district, and pack activities.

PACK ANNUAL PROGRAM PLANNING CONFERENCE GUIDE

Visit http://www.scouting.org/cubscouts.aspx for a detailed narrated slide show and all program planning for your annual program planning conference. Under Pack Committee, click on Unit Program Planning Tools.



PROGRAM PLANNING STEPS

Welcome. You are about to start preparation for the most important event of the year for your pack—the pack annual program planning conference.

Research shows that a common element of strong packs is that they all have a good annual pack program planned a year in advance that is then shared with all families in the form of a calendar. The result of a shared annual program calendar is that your pack will attract more families, and Cub Scouts will stay for a long time, which we now call tenure.

Before you conduct your pack annual program planning conference, you have a little homework. Before the conference, you should gather key dates from school, community, district, council, families, and holidays.

Invite key leaders to your planning conference, including:

- All pack committee members
- All den leaders
- All pack/den aides and den chiefs (optional)
- Chartered organization representative
- Your unit commissioner (optional)
- Anyone else you think might be helpful such as other parents

Step 1. Take the dates you collected and put them into your pack master calendar. You can do this by putting them in hard copy on the planning chart provided by *Boys' Life* or plugging the information into an electronic calendar on a computer. Remember to add den meeting dates.

Step 2. Review what your pack did last year. You might even want to write what you came up with on a flip chart or magic board. Ask yourselves what events went well, and what events didn't go so well. Did you earn the National Summertime Pack Award? What about the Journey to Excellence Award? How did you do with den and pack attendance? Did you participate in Cub Scout day camp or family camp? Did you sell popcorn?

Step 3. Do some brainstorming on activities your pack might want to do in addition to den and pack meetings. That might be things such as a blue and gold banquet, pinewood derby, family picnic, first aid training, pet show, and so on. Once you have a list of things your dens and pack might do, start prioritizing the list. Is a particular activity for dens or for the pack as a whole? Could the activity be incorporated into a den or pack meeting? Take a vote on which activities to put into your den and pack meeting schedule, then add the activities to your calendar.

Step 4. The next step is to assign someone to be responsible for each event, as well as den responsibilities at pack meetings. This includes actual names, such as "Bob Smith" will be the chair for the blue and gold banquet.

Step 5. The final step is to review your annual plan to ensure that you have captured everything you and your families want to do in the coming year. Once you feel comfortable, publish or email the annual plan to each family. A reminder—not everyone has an email account, so be sure that your distribution reaches all families. They will feel much more a part of your pack and be able to plan their own family calendar with the pack's calendar in hand. Sharing the annual plan with your families could be the most important step in retaining your Scouts and building tenure, so don't shortcut this one.

Step 6. Annual program planning is an ongoing process. Review the plan each month at your pack leaders' meeting to make sure that you're still on track, that chairs and other help have been recruited, that you participate in important meetings, and that, if necessary, you've made assignments or changes.

A great pack plan leads to a great pack and den program, which leads Cub Scouts and their families to stay and grow in Scouting. Good luck and remember to give yourself credit on your pack's Journey to Excellence scorecard. You're taking a big step toward being a great pack!

2016–2017 Scout Law/Pack Meeting Themes

Month	Theme
September	Helpful/To the Rescue
October	Kind/Creepy Crawlers
November	Courteous/Cubs in Shining Armor
December	Cheerful/Celebrate
January	Obedient/Cub Scout City Council
February	Reverent/Passport to Other Lands
March	Loyal/Our National Treasure
April	Thrifty/Power Up!
May	Clean/A Picnic With Pizzazz
June	Brave/Roaming Reptile Alert Summertime Activity 1
July	Trustworthy/Let the Games Begin Summertime Activity 2
August	Friendly/#CUBSCOUTS Summertime Activity 3

Planning Your Meetings

As you plan your den's program for the year, there are a few important points to consider.

- **Required adventures.** These adventures are required to advance from rank to rank.
- **Elective adventures.** These add to the fun and adventure of Cub Scouting. One elective adventure is required to earn the Tiger, Wolf, and Bear ranks. Two are required to earn the Webelos rank, and three are required for boys to earn the Arrow of Light rank.

- **Coordinating your planning.** Some of the adventures require coordination with other dens. A pack meeting is an ideal place to do this. There are some suggestions made in the **Cub Scout Leader Book**, but however your dens and pack wish to do this, work together with the other leaders in your pack to build this into your annual program. When working out your annual program plan, seek to deliver an entire year of fun programming. It is important to seek input from the Cub Scouts in the den to find out which adventures they would like to explore with the members of the den. Elective adventures that are not selected may be earned by boys at home, working with their families.

- **Audience for requirements.** Many of the requirements state that a Scout should demonstrate a new skill or share something they have learned with other boys during a den meeting. We all need to recognize that not all Scouts are able to make each meeting. While we recognize that the best approach is to carry out sharing tasks in a den setting, it may be necessary to allow Cub Scouts to share what they have learned while working on Cub Scout advancement requirements in other settings, such as in front of their family.

- The duty to God adventures are primarily done with the family and, for some dens, may not be included as part of the den meeting planning. If that is the case, notify families that they will need to help their Cub Scouts. Complete the adventure at home.

Read through the adventures, and give some thought to which adventures will work the best for your location and climate. Write in the adventures you will use and the corresponding month that will work best. Check with your Cubmaster to see if some adventures need to be coordinated with other dens or for upcoming pack meetings.

Important: When planning, keep in mind that six required adventures and one elective adventure are required for Tiger, Wolf, and Bear advancement. The Webelos rank requires five required adventures and two elective adventures. The Arrow of Light rank requires four required adventures and three elective adventures. When planning your annual program, keep those advancement requirements in mind. Rank adventures can be awarded at any time within the boy's rank year by age or grade. Once a boy has moved (graduated) to his next level den, HE MAY NOT EARN THE RANK OF HIS PREVIOUS DEN LEVEL.

DEN ANNUAL ADVENTURE PLAN

Month	Adventure
August	
September	
October	
November	
December	
January	
February	
March	
April	
May	
June	
July	

SEPTEMBER 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Featured this month in *BOYS' LIFE* magazine: Scout Law/Pack Meeting Theme (for September): **Helpful/To the Rescue** Boy Scout Troop Program Feature (for October): **Spectator Sports**				1	2	3
4	5  Labor Day	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	Make ***BOYS' LIFE*** a feature of every roundtable.

SEPTEMBER SCOUT LAW/PACK MEETING THEME: HELPFUL/TO THE RESCUE

Use the monthly theme to help Cub Scouts earn credit in achievements and electives. See "*Boys' Life* Preview page," found in each issue of *Scouting* magazine.

MEETINGS	DATE	LOCATION
ROUNDTABLE		
PACK LEADERS		
DEN LEADERS		
DEN CHIEFS		
PACK		
TRAINING COURSE		

SEPTEMBER PACK LEADERS' MEETING

Use this page for planning next month's program. This meeting occurs at least one week before the pack meeting.

Date_____ Time_____ Place _____

GOAL: AT LEAST ONE NEW CUB SCOUT FAMILY PER MONTH

SEPTEMBER PACK MEETING

AGENDA

Date

Time	Activity	In charge

WELCOME NEW BOYS

OCTOBER 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Featured this month in *BOYS' LIFE* magazine: Scout Law/Pack Meeting Theme (for October): **Kind/Creepy Crawlers** Boy Scout Troop Program Feature (for November): **Cooking**						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10  Columbus Day (observed)	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 30	24 31	25	26	27	28	29

OCTOBER SCOUT LAW/PACK MEETING THEME: KIND/CREEPY CRAWLERS

Use the monthly theme to help Cub Scouts earn credit in achievements and electives. See "*Boys' Life* Preview page," found in each issue of *Scouting* magazine.

MEETINGS	DATE	LOCATION
ROUNDTABLE		
PACK LEADERS		
DEN LEADERS		
DEN CHIEFS		
PACK		
TRAINING COURSE		

OCTOBER PACK LEADERS' MEETING

Use this page for planning next month's program. This meeting occurs at least one week before the pack meeting.

Date_____ Time_____ Place _____

GOAL: AT LEAST ONE NEW CUB SCOUT REGISTERED EACH MONTH

OCTOBER PACK MEETING

AGENDA

Date

Time	Activity	In charge

SCOUTING IS FOR ALL BOYS
KEEP YOUR ROUNDUP GOING

NOVEMBER 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
BOYS' LIFE subscriptions make great gifts for new Scouts!		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11  Veterans Day	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24  Thanksgiving Day	25	26
27	28	29	30	**Featured this month in *BOYS' LIFE* magazine:** Scout Law/Pack Meeting Theme (for November): **Courteous/Cubs in Shining Armor** Boy Scout Troop Program Feature (for December): **Duty to God**		

NOVEMBER SCOUT LAW/PACK MEETING THEME: COURTEOUS/CUBS IN SHINING ARMOR

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MEETINGS	DATE	LOCATION
ROUNDTABLE		
PACK LEADERS		
DEN LEADERS		
DEN CHIEFS		
PACK		
TRAINING COURSE		

NOVEMBER PACK LEADERS' MEETING

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Date_____ Time_____ Place _____

GOAL: AT LEAST ONE NEW CUB SCOUT FAMILY PER MONTH

NOVEMBER PACK MEETING

AGENDA

Date

Time	Activity	In charge

SCOUTING IS FOR ALL BOYS
AND BOYS ARE WAITING TO BE ASKED

DECEMBER 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Featured this month in *BOYS' LIFE* magazine: Scout Law/Pack Meeting Theme (for December): **Cheerful/Celebrate** Boy Scout Troop Program Feature (for January): **Sustainability**				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25  Christmas Day	26	27	28	29	30	31

DECEMBER SCOUT LAW/PACK MEETING THEME: CHEERFUL/CELEBRATE

Use the monthly theme to help Cub Scouts earn credit in achievements and electives. See "*Boys' Life* Preview page," found in each issue of *Scouting* magazine.

MEETINGS	DATE	LOCATION
ROUNDTABLE		
PACK LEADERS		
DEN LEADERS		
DEN CHIEFS		
PACK		
TRAINING COURSE		

DECEMBER PACK LEADERS' MEETING

Use this page for planning next month's program. This meeting occurs at least one week before the pack meeting.

Date_____ Time_____ Place _____

GOAL: AT LEAST ONE NEW CUB SCOUT FAMILY PER MONTH

DECEMBER PACK MEETING

AGENDA

Date

Time	Activity	In charge

SCOUTING IS FOR ALL BOYS
INVITE THAT BOY TODAY

JANUARY 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1  New Year's Day	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16  Martin Luther King Jr. Day	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	**Featured this month in *BOYS' LIFE* magazine:** Scout Law/Pack Meeting Theme (for January): **Obedient/Cub Scout City Council** Boy Scout Troop Program Feature (for February): **Mentoring**			

JANUARY SCOUT LAW/PACK MEETING THEME: OBEDIENT/CUB SCOUT CITY COUNCIL

Use the monthly theme to help Cub Scouts earn credit in achievements and electives. See "*Boys' Life* Preview page," found in each issue of *Scouting* magazine.

MEETINGS	DATE	LOCATION
ROUNDTABLE		
PACK LEADERS		
DEN LEADERS		
DEN CHIEFS		
PACK		
TRAINING COURSE		

JANUARY PACK LEADERS' MEETING

Use this page for planning next month's program. This meeting occurs at least one week before the pack meeting.

Date_____ Time_____ Place _____

GOAL: NO BOYS DROPPED BECAUSE OF POOR PROGRAM

JANUARY PACK MEETING

AGENDA

Date

Time	Activity	In charge

THE UNIFORM IS THE DIFFERENCE

FEBRUARY 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
eatured this month in *BOYS' LIFE* magazine: Scout Law/Pack Meeting Theme (for February): **Reverent/Passport to Other Lands** Boy Scout Troop Program Feature (for March): **Backpacking**			1	2	3	4
5 Scouting Anniversary Week begins. Scout Sunday	6	7	8 Scouting Anniversary Day	9	10	11 Scouting Anniversary Week ends. Scout Sabbath
12	13	14 Valentine's Day	15	16	17	18
19	20  Presidents' Day	21	22 Founders Day	23	24	25
26	27	28	Pedro delivers relevant and exciting stories to readers of all ages. What's in his mailbag for your Scouts?			

FEBRUARY SCOUT LAW/PACK MEETING THEME: REVERENT/PASSPORT TO OTHER LANDS

Use the monthly theme to help Cub Scouts earn credit in achievements and electives. See "*Boys' Life* Preview page," found in each issue of *Scouting* magazine.

MEETINGS	DATE	LOCATION
ROUNDTABLE		
PACK LEADERS		
DEN LEADERS		
DEN CHIEFS		
PACK		
TRAINING COURSE		

FEBRUARY PACK LEADERS' MEETING

Use this page for planning next month's program. This meeting occurs at least one week before the pack meeting.

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JOIN YOUR COUNCIL'S SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIP ENROLLMENT

FEBRUARY PACK MEETING

AGENDA

Date

Time	Activity	In charge

THE PACK IN UNIFORM ATTRACTS
OTHER BOYS WHO WANT TO WEAR IT

MARCH 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Featured this month in *BOYS' LIFE* magazine: Scout Law/Pack Meeting Theme (for March): **Loyal/Our National Treasure** Boy Scout Troop Program Feature (for April): **Cycling**			1 *BOYS' LIFE* Anniversary Day	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	Use the budget plan for 100 percent ***BOYS' LIFE.***

MARCH SCOUT LAW/PACK MEETING THEME: LOYAL/OUR NATIONAL TREASURE

Use the monthly theme to help Cub Scouts earn credit in achievements and electives. See "*Boys' Life* Preview page," found in each issue of *Scouting* magazine.

MEETINGS	DATE	LOCATION
ROUNDTABLE		
PACK LEADERS		
DEN LEADERS		
DEN CHIEFS		
PACK		
TRAINING COURSE		

MARCH PACK LEADERS' MEETING

Use this page for planning next month's program. This meeting occurs at least one week before the pack meeting.

Date_____ Time_____ Place _____

MAKE PLANS FOR SUMMERTIME ACTIVITIES

MARCH PACK MEETING

AGENDA

Date

Time	Activity	In charge

GOOD UNIFORMING REFLECTS GOOD LEADERSHIP

APRIL 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Featured this month in *BOYS' LIFE* magazine: Scout Law/Pack Meeting Theme (for April): **Thrifty/Power Up!** Boy Scout Troop Program Feature (for May): **Swimming**						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 30	24	25	26	27	28	29

APRIL SCOUT LAW/PACK MEETING THEME: THRIFTY/POWER UP!

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MEETINGS	DATE	LOCATION
ROUNDTABLE		
PACK LEADERS		
DEN LEADERS		
DEN CHIEFS		
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TRAINING COURSE		

APRIL PACK LEADERS' MEETING

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Date_____ Time_____ Place _____

SET DATES and establish leadership for three summertime pack activities necessary to qualify for National Summertime Pack Award.

APRIL PACK MEETING

AGENDA

Date

Time	Activity	In charge

KEEP PARENTS INFORMED ABOUT THE SUMMERTIME PROGRAM

MAY 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
BOYS' LIFE readers stay in Scouting longer.	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 Mother's Day	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29  Memorial Day	30	31	**Featured this month in *BOYS' LIFE* magazine:** Scout Law/Pack Meeting Theme (for May): **Clean/A Picnic With Pizzazz** Boy Scout Troop Program Feature (for June): **Rifle Shooting**		

MAY SCOUT LAW/PACK MEETING
THEME: CLEAN/A PICNIC WITH PIZZAZZ

Use the monthly theme to help Cub Scouts earn credit in achievements and electives. See "*Boys' Life* Preview page," found in each issue of *Scouting* magazine.

MEETINGS	DATE	LOCATION
ROUNDTABLE		
PACK LEADERS		
DEN LEADERS		
DEN CHIEFS		
PACK		
TRAINING COURSE		

MAY PACK LEADERS' MEETING

Use this page for planning next month's program. This meeting occurs at least one week before the pack meeting.

Date_____ Time_____ Place _____

GOAL: EARN THE NATIONAL SUMMERTIME PACK AWARD

MAY PACK MEETING

AGENDA

Date

Time	Activity	In charge

NOTE: No later than this meeting, inform parents and Cub Scouts of plans for the three summertime pack activities.

JUNE 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Featured this month in *BOYS' LIFE* magazine: Scout Law/Pack Meeting Theme (for June): **Brave/Roaming Reptile Alert** Boy Scout Troop Program Feature (for July): **Pioneering**				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14  Flag Day	15	16	17
18 Father's Day	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	Give your Scouts the ***BOYS' LIFE*** advantage.

JUNE SCOUT LAW/PACK MEETING
THEME: BRAVE/ROAMING REPTILE ALERT

Use the monthly theme to help Cub Scouts earn credit in achievements and electives. See "*Boys' Life* Preview page," found in each issue of *Scouting* magazine.

MEETINGS	DATE	LOCATION
ROUNDTABLE		
PACK LEADERS		
DEN LEADERS		
DEN CHIEFS		
PACK		
TRAINING COURSE		

National Summertime Pack Award Summer Activity 1

JUNE PACK LEADERS' MEETING

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Date_____ Time_____ Place _____

GOAL: EARN THE NATIONAL SUMMERTIME PACK AWARD

JUNE PACK MEETING

AGENDA

Date

Time	Activity	In charge

TRY TO HAVE EVERY CUB SCOUT A SWIMMER

JULY 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Featured this month in *BOYS' LIFE* magazine: Scout Law/Pack Meeting Theme (for July): **Trustworthy/Let the Games Begin** Boy Scout Troop Program Feature (for August): **Technology**						1
2	3	4  Independence Day	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 30	24 31	25	26	27	28	29

JULY SCOUT LAW/PACK MEETING THEME: TRUSTWORTHY/LET THE GAMES BEGIN

Use the monthly theme to help Cub Scouts earn credit in achievements and electives. See "*Boys' Life* Preview page," found in each issue of *Scouting* magazine.

MEETINGS	DATE	LOCATION
ROUNDTABLE		
PACK LEADERS		
DEN LEADERS		
DEN CHIEFS		
PACK		
TRAINING COURSE		

National Summertime Pack Award Summer Activity 2

JULY PACK LEADERS' MEETING

Use this page for planning next month's program. This meeting occurs at least one week before the pack meeting.

Date_____ Time_____ Place _____

GOAL: EARN THE NATIONAL SUMMERTIME PACK AWARD

JULY PACK MEETING

AGENDA

Date

Time	Activity	In charge

GOAL: EARN THE SUMMERTIME PACK AWARD

AUGUST 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
BOYS' LIFE is essential.		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	**Featured this month in *BOYS' LIFE* magazine:** Scout Law/Pack Meeting Theme (for August): **Friendly/#CUBSCOUTS** Boy Scout Troop Program Feature (for September): **Orienteering**	

AUGUST SCOUT LAW/PACK MEETING THEME: FRIENDLY/#CUBSCOUTS

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MEETINGS	DATE	LOCATION
ROUNDTABLE		
PACK LEADERS		
DEN LEADERS		
DEN CHIEFS		
PACK		
TRAINING COURSE		

National Summertime Pack Award Summer Activity 3

AUGUST PACK LEADERS' MEETING

Use this page for planning next month's program. This meeting occurs at least one week before the pack meeting.

Date_____ Time_____ Place _____

GOAL: AT LEAST ONE NEW CUB SCOUT FAMILY PER MONTH

AUGUST PACK MEETING

AGENDA

Date

Time	Activity	In charge

EVERY FAMILY ATTENDS EVERY PACK ACTIVITY

DEN MEETING PLAN TEMPLATE

Easy-to-follow den meeting plans can be found in your *Den Leader Guide*. This template will be helpful when additional or supplemental meetings are needed.

☐ **Tiger Den** ☐ **Cub Scout Den** ☐ **Webelos Den**

Date_____ **Time**_____ **Place** _____

Adventure

Materials needed

Before the meeting starts

Gathering

Opening

Talk time

Activities

Closing

After the meeting

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Date_____ **Time**_____ **Place** _____

Adventure

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Date_____ **Time**_____ **Place** _____

Adventure

Materials needed

Before the meeting starts

Gathering

Opening

Talk time

Activities

Closing

After the meeting

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Date_____ **Time**_____ **Place** _____

Adventure

Materials needed

Before the meeting starts

Gathering

Opening

Talk time

Activities

Closing

After the meeting

NATIONAL DEN AWARD

The National Den Award recognizes dens that conduct a quality, year-round program. It can be earned only once in any 12 months. The 12-month period (charter year, calendar year, etc.) is determined by the pack committee.

Service projects, field trips, character development, and Cub Scout camping are areas that are emphasized. Dens earn the award as a team, not as individual den members. The recognition is a ribbon for the den flag or den doodle.

REQUIREMENTS

☐ A. Have at least 50 percent of the den's Tigers, Cub Scouts, or Webelos Scouts attend two den meetings and one pack meeting or activity each month of the year.

☐ B. Complete six of the following during the year:

- ☐ 1. Use the denner system within the den.
- ☐ 2. In a Tiger den, use shared leadership and rotate the boy/adult host team.
- ☐ 3. Have 50 percent of the den go on three field trips per year. A field trip may be used in place of a den meeting.
- ☐ 4. As a den, attend a Cub Scout day camp, Cub Scout or Webelos Scout resident camp, or a council family camping event with at least 50 percent of the den membership.
- ☐ 5. Conduct three den projects or activities leading to a discussion of the Scout Law.
- ☐ 6. Have 50 percent of the den earn at least three elective adventure loops or adventure pins.
- ☐ 7. Have 50 percent of the den participate in a patriotic ceremony or parade.
- ☐ 8. Have 50 percent of the den participate in a den conservation/resource project.
- ☐ 9. Have 50 percent of the den participate in at least one den service project.

Den_____ of Pack_____ has completed the requirements for the National Den Award.

Den leader_____

Cubmaster_____

For the pack committee _____

Once the requirements are completed as stated, the signed National Den Award application is sent to the local council service center where the ribbon can be obtained.

2016 NATIONAL SUMMERTIME PACK AWARD

The pack can qualify for the National Summertime Pack Award certificate and streamer by planning and conducting three pack activities—one each in June, July, and August (or during other school vacations if your pack is in a year-round school).

Dens with an average attendance of at least half their members at the three summer pack events are eligible for a colorful den participation ribbon. Boys who participate in all three pack events are eligible to receive the National Summertime Pack Award pin, which they can wear on the right pocket flap of their uniform. This is an individual recognition for boys, not adults. The award application may be found at www.scouting.org.

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