

## Planning the Pack Year 2005 and 2006 Dates are subject to change Roundtable dates are for American Elm

During your last Pack meeting have all the parents, guardians or adults fill out the **Parent and Family Talent Survey** sheets, if you have not done so before. These can be found in **Chapter 34 on page 10 in the Cub Scout Leader book #33221 or page 11 in #33221C**. All the information from their name, phone number, talents and interests can be found on these sheets. This will highlight what they do best and give you the best possible program. Knowledgeable and interesting teachers create the best learning environment.

Now that you know a little about the people in the Pack, sit down with your committee and create an outline of the areas that your Pack wants to participate in. Look over the Talent sheets to see which adult survey fills those needs best and contact them to see if they would help on those committees.

### **Some of the areas a Pack participates in are:**

- a. Good starter positions for new leadership
- b. Better for seasoned leadership, more time is involved
- a. School recruiting
- a. Monthly pack meeting
- b. Ceremonies
- a. Scouting for Food
- a. Popcorn sales
- a. Caroling
- a. Cake decorating contest or bake sale
- a. Winter Fun Day
- b. Blue and Gold Banquet
- a. Summer Time activities
- a. Halloween parade
- a. Memorial Day parade
- b. Pack Pinewood Derby Races
- b. District Pinewood Derby Races
- b. Council Pinewood Derby Races
- b. District Day Camp
- b. Resident Camp
- b. Advancement Ceremonies

Don't limit you meetings to just leaders or committee members; tell Parents that their **input** is very important to the strength of your Pack.

You should hold an **annual pack program planning conference** found in **Chapter 24 on page 3 in the Cub Scout Leaders book #33221C**. This allows you to plan twelve months of activities in advance to create a well-rounded program. The Cub Scout year's program is based on monthly themes that are found in the current **Cub Scout Helps book**.

Between the months of May and August you need to sit down and make an overview of your major events. Your dates will vary due to holidays and school activities. If you are on track, you will have your **National Summertime Pack Award Activities (Chapter 29 on page 2 in the Cub Scout Leaders book #33221C)** all planned and other members of your Pack can see that they are run as planned. This allows you to start planning for August. Depending on when your Pack does some of these activities you could arrange your calendar like the example below:

As you can see from this list, there are many activities in a Pack, District and Council. It takes planning by everyone to create a well run and exciting program. We hope that this list helps you start your planning this summer so that you can assign duties to your support staff and create a great program for your Pack.

Online Youth Protection Training! Go to our Council web site and click on Youth Protection found under Training at <http://www.blackswampcouncil.org/newwebsite/youthprotection.htm> All parents and leaders in your Pack should be encouraged to take this training. Registered Leaders will receive a trained card and letter from the Scout Executive. Non-registered adults will receive a letter from the Scout Executive.

**August** RT Theme—**Race To Scouting** Webelos **Communicator, Scientist**

- **Roundtable 11<sup>th</sup>** (held second Thursday of every month). This is additional training that gives you a sample of how your Monthly Pack Meeting can work. Your leaders and any support staff (potential leaders) should come and attend the different segments to learn all they can. The Round Table staff follows the monthly theme the month before your Pack would run the theme so you are familiar with the activities and can get more out of them.
- **Pack Leaders' meeting**-located in **Chapter 24 on page 5 in the Cub Scout Leaders book #33221C**. This meeting is where you plan the details of the next den and pack meetings and go over the plans for what will happen at this months' Pack meeting.

**September** RT Theme—**To The Rescue** Webelos **Showman, Scientist**

- **American Elm New Leader Essentials Sat. Sept. 24, 2005 8 –NOON**
- **Fast Track Training** -for anyone new to a leadership position. This tape should be seen as soon as the leader takes the position. Can be found at <http://www.scouting.org/cubscouts/faststart/> and the written guide is at <http://www.scouting.org/cubscouts/faststart/art/06-801.pdf>
- **Pack Leaders' meeting**
- **Roundtable 8<sup>th</sup>**
- **School Night and or Roundup.** -this is covered in **Chapter 10 page 4-9 in the Cub Scout Leaders book #33221C**.

This is when you recruit new member and leaders into your Pack. If you have photos, finished projects and interesting people to talk with the new recruits the better you can show what your program is about.

- **First Monthly Pack Meeting**- this is where your new recruits get their first impression of what your program is like. Depending on your planning, this can make or break you depending on if it comes off smooth and fun or confusing and they're glad it's over.
- **Trainer Development Conference (TDC) formerly Train the Trainer Sat. Sept. 24, 2005 See Chapter 26 on page 5 in the Cub Scout Leaders book #33221C**

**October** RT Theme—**My Family Tree** Webelos **Craftsman, Citizen**

**Cub Mobile Races 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM Main Street Kenton, OH**

- **Pack Leaders' meeting**
- **Roundtable 13<sup>th</sup>**
- **Monthly Pack Meeting**
- **Bobcat Rank Ceremony**- (first step after registering for new scouts entering Scouting regardless of age or rank).
- **Popcorn Sales- Starts Oct. 10, 2005 through Nov. 14, 2005**
- **Halloween parade**- units are to dress in Class A not costume if representing the BSA.
- **Jamboree-On-the-Air third weekend in Oct.15, 2005**

**BALOO training (Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation)**

for Cub Leaders Sat., Oct. 22 , 2005 at Camp Lakota

- American Elm New Leader Essentials Tues. Oct. 25, 2005 6:30 PM -9:30 PM

November RT Theme—Faith, Hope, and Charity Webelos Craftsman, Citizen  
American Elm Cub Scout Leader Specific Sat. Nov. 5, 8 - 1PM

- Pack Leaders' meeting
- Roundtable 10th
- Popcorn Sales- started Oct. 10, 2005 through Nov. 14, 2005
- Monthly Pack Meeting

December RT Theme—Music Magic Webelos Fitness, Readyman

- Pack Leaders' meeting
- Roundtable 8th
- Caroling
- Monthly Pack Meeting

### START OF NEW YEAR 2006

January RT Theme—Cubs in the Future Webelos Scholar, Engineer

- Pack Leaders' meeting
- Roundtable 12th District Dinner No RT. The staff will give you an overview in December for Jan.
- Webelos Day/ Black Swamp Area Council Outdoor Show January 14, 2006
- Monthly Pack Meeting

February RT Theme—Cubstruction Webelos Handyman, Engineer  
Scouting For Food Bags at RT

- Pack Leaders' meeting
- Scout Sunday February 5, 2006
- Council Dinner February 5, 2006
- Winter Fun Day 11th
- Roundtable 9th
- Blue and Gold Banquet
- Monthly Pack Meeting

March RT Theme—Our Feathered Friends Webelos Sportsman, Athlete  
BALOO training (Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation) for Cub Leaders  
Saturday, March 4, 2006

- Pack Leaders' meeting
- Roundtable 9th
- Scouting For Food Collection Day March 11, 2005
- University of Scouting March 25, 2006 Lima at Apollo

April RT Theme—Diggin' In The Dirt Webelos Outdoorsman, Family Member

- Pack Leaders' meeting
- Roundtable 6th Early Due to Easter week vacation
- Summertime activities- planning session start listing ideas at a Pack meeting so that you will have a variety to pick from, if possible get dates that the majority could attend.
- District Pinewood Derby April 8, 2006
- Monthly Pack Meeting
- Youth Protection Training Week April, 2006

May RT Theme—Invent a Reason to Celebrate Webelos Traveler, Artist

- Pack Leaders' meeting

- **Roundtable 11<sup>th</sup>** this is the last Roundtable for the year (all three themes discussed) until the **Aug. 10<sup>th</sup> 2006 Corn Roast/Roundtable.**
- Advancement of Rank for Scouts
- Pinewood Derby **Council May 20, 2006**
- Memorial Day parade
- Memorial Day Family Camp **May 26- 28, 2006**
- Monthly Pack Meeting

**Two summertime activities** (one an informal event and the other a bigger event possibly so scouts could attend one each month and earn the summertime activity pin).

Day Camp Orientation (to be announced later)

June RT Theme---**Red, White and Baloo** Webelos **Aquanaut, Geologist**

- Two summertime activities (one an informal event and the other a bigger event possibly so scouts could attend one each month and earn the summertime activity pin)
- Mom and Me (**Tom Sawyer**) **at Camp Berry June 24-25, 2006**

July RT Theme—**Scouting It Out** Webelos **Naturalist, Forester**

- Dad and Lad (**Space**) **at Camp Lakota July 8-9, 2006**
- Resident Camp ( **Wacky Camp**) First session **at Camp Berry July 23-25, 2006**
- Resident Camp (**Wacky Camp**) Second session **at Camp Berry July 27-29, 2006**

August

Cub Scout Summer Camp (**Under the Sea**), **Aug. 7-11, 2006 at Camp Berry**

- Also another event for the scout who misses Camp but wants to earn the summertime activity pin.

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American Elm Family Campout **Sept. 23-24<sup>th</sup>, 2006**

Also, check out [www.Cubroundtable.com](http://www.Cubroundtable.com) for the latest info in the American Elm District and Black Swamp Area Council.