Wolf Cub Scouts FAST TRACKS ON THE ADVANCEMENT TRAIL

Wolf Den Meeting #1

Achievement 2: Your Flag *(partial); Elective 9b:* Make a gift *(partial); Elective 12e:* Make a stencil pattern

Preparation and materials needed:

- Bring a U.S. flag; have index cards with the Cub Scout Promise and Law of the Pack printed on one side and the Pledge of Allegiance on the other side (make enough for all people attending the meeting).
- Bring an undecorated den flag (can be part of a sheet of fabric), flag stands, squares of yellow-gold felt (one per boy), ballpoint pens, youth scissors, camera, and film.
- Have snack and napkins set at each boy's place before the boys' arrival.

Gathering:

- Snack, collect den dues, and record attendance.
- At this first meeting, develop a den code of conduct. Have each boy tell the den what one rule for good behavior during a den meeting should be. With a little prompting from the den leader, all the rules can be covered. Try to focus on what you want the behavior to be rather describing a negative action. For example: *Only one person speaks at a time. Stay in the meeting room, unless you have permission from the den leader to go elsewhere. Use good, appropriate, and positive manners. Walk in the building unless we are doing an activity requiring otherwise. Leave our meeting room cleaner than we found it.*

Opening ceremony:

- Conduct an outdoor flag ceremony (Achievement 2f).
  - — Choose the first boy alphabetically to carry the U.S. flag; he may also serve as your denner if you use the denner system. The second boy will be next meeting's U.S. flag bearer and will carry the den flag today. (The den flag is not yet decorated.) The third and fourth boys are the color guards.
  - — The remaining boys in the den and all adults present form a reviewing line that the color guard passes on the way to the flag stands.
  - — The den leader can call the flag ceremony at the first few meetings until the boys learn how to do so.
- After the flags are posted, have all recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Provide index cards printed with the Cub Scout Promise and Law of the Pack for each person present. After the Pledge, all may read the Cub Scout Promise and Law of the Pack

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Training Opportunities and Resources

- Fast Tracks Program – lays out entire den meetings!
  http://www.bsascripts.com/fasttracks/
- Den Leader Kit – Numerous resources including: program helps, den activities, program planning, Scout orientation, Outdoor program guidelines and newsletter templates
  http://www.scouting.org/sitecore/content/Home/CubScouts/Leaders/DenLeaderKit.aspx
- Training – general information on the different training programs available to leaders and how to access on-line training
  http://www.scouting.org/sitecore/content/Home/CubScouts/Leaders/Training.aspx
- Program Helps – information for Pack and Den leaders on how to plan and run a meeting
  http://www.scouting.org/sitecore/content/Home/CubScouts/Leaders/CubScoutHelps.aspx
- Pack Planning resources – contains links on: parent guides, selecting leadership, creating budgets, outdoor programs, National Summertime Pack Award and OA involvement in Cub Scouts
  http://www.scouting.org/sitecore/content/Home/CubScouts/Leaders/PackPlanningResources.aspx

- MyScouting – On-line resources for: training, rechartering, advancement, tour permits, etc
  www.myscouting.org