Agenda:

- New Leader Questions (5-10 Min can meet afterwards too.)
- Discussion Topic: Recruiting (5-10 Min)
  - Keep documents on hand? (Transfers and new Scouts)
  - Ask the boys if they know of any new boys.
  - Summer time moves.
  - Boys becoming old enough to attend.
  - Use your key activities to get interest, (Blue and Gold, Pinewood Derby)
- Activity: Plan a closing ceremony for “Space-The New Frontier” or “Courage”
  - Break out groups.
- BSA Fun for the Family Award
  - Strengthening families is one of the purposes of Cub Scouting. Fun for the Family is Cub Scouting’s family program. It contains a series of activities and requirements meant to strengthen families.
  - [http://burchcreekcubscouts.org/Fun4Fam.htm](http://burchcreekcubscouts.org/Fun4Fam.htm)
  - Can be done by any Scouting family individually or as a coordinated effort within the Pack
  - There are five areas of focus. After completing each area a patch is earned.
    - Shaping Your Family Identity
    - Developing Personal Skills
    - Building a Family Team
    - Connecting With Your Community
    - Facing Family Challenges.
  - Families can choose how they want to participate in the program.
  - Example of activities: Building a Family Team.
    - There are about 20 different possibilities of which families choose. Options include, go on a hike, budget, chore...
DISCUSSION TOPIC:

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- What can we do to recruit youth members?
- How can we help the boys recruit new members?
  - Recruiter Patch

**JULY CORE VALUE: COURAGE**

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Courage means being brave and doing what is right regardless of our fears, the difficulties, or the consequences. Cub Scouts will learn that courage means making the right choice and doing what is right no matter what friends are doing.

**THEME: SPACE – THE NEW FRONTIER**

*How does this month’s Space – The New Frontier, represent the Core Value of Courage?*

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It takes courage to explore a new frontier, to cast aside the comfort of the life we know, and to go forth and explore our universe. Our Cub Scouts show similar courage in exploring the options and challenges of their advancement in Scouting, which we know will help them grow up strong and courageous as they lead our complicated world and learn more about our universe.

**POTENTIAL PACK ACTIVITY**

**Space Derby**

This might be a great time to hold a space derby for the pack. Be sure to provide space derby kits a month ahead so Scouts can make their spaceships.

**Play with Rockets**

Create and play with rockets. There are many types and plans for launchers that can be found online.

**PREOPENING ACTIVITIES**

**Preopening Activity: Planet Quiz**

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**Materials:** As families enter, have a preassigned den hand out a copy of the planet quiz to each family. Set out pencils on tables. Explain that each family should work together to find the answers to the quiz work together as a family to find the answers to the following questions.

1. I am extremely hot and very dry. I am closest to our sun. I am a small planet. My diameter is half of Earth’s. I am named after the speedy messenger of the ancient Roman gods. What planet am I? __________
2. I am the eighth planet from our sun. I am the fourth largest planet in diameter. I was named for the ancient Roman god of the sea. What planet am I? __________
3. I am the sixth planet from our sun. I orbit the sun in 11 of Earth’s orbits. I have thousands of rings made of tiny particles of floating ice circling me. What planet am I? __________
4. I have been called the “evening star” or “morning star,” even though I am a planet. I am surrounded by thick clouds filled with droplets of sulfur. I am Earth’s sister planet—almost the same size as Earth and the second planet from our sun. What planet am I? ______
5. I have 50 official moons—maybe more. I am the fifth planet from our sun. I am named after the king of the ancient Roman gods. What planet am I? __________
6. I have a tilted rotation around the sun—my north and south poles are where the equator is on Earth. I have 27 known moons. I am the seventh planet from the sun. What planet am I? __________
7. I am the biggest of all the terrestrial planets. A terrestrial planet is a dense planet found in the inner solar system. About 30 percent of my surface is covered with land, while about 70 percent is covered by water. I am the third planet from our sun. What planet am I? ___
8. Recently, evidence of ice water was found on me. I used to be called the “red planet” because I appear red
when viewed through a telescope. I am the fourth planet from the sun. What planet am I? ______________


Preopening Activity: Astronaut Eggs  BSA Roundtable guide 2013-2014

Materials: Eggs; resealable bags; tape; Styrofoam sandwich box; packing materials such as cotton, newspaper, peanuts, grass, leaves, etc. Scientists spend a lot of time making an astronaut’s journey safe. For the preopening activity, have the Cub Scouts pack an egg so that it can survive a 10-foot drop onto a hard surface. Put the egg inside the resealable plastic bag, then pack it any way you want inside the box. Tape the box well, and write Scout’s name on it. Drop the boxes from a balcony, or high place, then check to see whose egg survived.

PRAYER / DEVOTIONAL

We are grateful to the courageous scientists and astronauts who have expanded our knowledge of the universe. We pray that we, too, will be courageous to explore and expand our knowledge of this new frontier.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

BSA May Perseverance

The Cubmaster welcomes all to the pack meeting and extends a special welcome to new pack members, families, and special guests. Now is a good time to thank all those who helped prepare for the meeting.

OPENING / FLAG CEREMONIES

Opening Ceremony:  Planet Skit  BSA Roundtable guide 2013-2014

Materials: Six Cub Scouts

(Cub Scouts enter, each representing a planet.)

Cub Scout 1: Mercury (enters jumping around)! You’d really get a hot foot if you lived on me. The temperature is 950 degrees on Mercury.

Cub Scout 2: Venus (enters moving hands as if parting fog)! You might think that Venus is lovely as can be, but the 200-milethick clouds make it hard to see.

Cub Scout 3: Mars (enters wearing red cape over his uniform)! From its canals to polar caps, Mars is hard to understand. I’m frozen ice and barren rocks, but I do the best I can.

Cub Scout 4: Jupiter (enters strolling with hands behind back)! If you like to walk in moonlight, you’d love to live on me. I have not just one moon, but 50 for you to see.

Cub Scout 5: Saturn (enters wearing a scientist’s white coat over his uniform)! I’m not just surrounded by three rings, as people thought me to be. Saturn has many, many rings that you can see for free.

Cub Scout 6: Uranus (enters leaning to one side, tilted)! Some think I orbit sideways, looking just like this, but that’s because my poles are where your equator is.

Cub Scout 7: Neptune (enter wearing an overcoat over his uniform, shivering)! I’m named for King Neptune, who lived under the sea. Old King Neptune would be frozen if he lived on me.

Out in Space  BSA Roundtable guide 2013-2014

Materials: Five Cub Scouts

Setting: Four Cub Scouts are standing on stage looking up to the sky.

Cub Scout 1: What’s out in space?

Cub Scout 2: Mostly lots and lots of space, but also billions and jillions of stars, galaxies and solar systems, planets and moons, blazing comets, and deadly rays.

Cub Scout 3: Yeah, and sometimes even people!

Cub Scout 5 (Walks out dressed in a space helmet and says those famous words of Neil Armstrong): One small step for man. One giant step for mankind.

Cub Scout 4: That’s what’s out in space! Let’s all stand and remember the American flag flying on the moon. Please join with us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

DEN DEMONSTRATIONS.

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Invite the dens to bring things they have made over the last month and show them to pack in a den display.
ADVANCEMENT & RECOGNITION CEREMONIES


Materials: Prepare a ceremony poster board resembling a chart of the sun and planets with the Boy Scout symbol on the sun and Cub Scout ranks on the planets. For other recognitions, such as Cub Scout Sports and Academics belt lines and pins, use shooting stars. Use a small silver cardboard rocket for each Scout receiving a rank advancement. Hang each badge or pin below the rocket with tape.

Cubmaster (Calls each Cub Scout to the front with his parents to receive his recognition): We are proud of the courage you have shown in taking another flight forward in the Cub Scout galaxy. (Presents the award to his parents to give to the Scout and moves his rocket to the appropriate rank or award.) Your parents present this recognition to you because they have acted as launch control for your flight of achievement.

Cubmaster (After all awards have been presented): Let’s give these Scouts and families the rocket cheer!

ALL: ZZZZZZZOOOOOOOOGGGGGGMMMM!

Flying Saucer Ceremony BSA Roundtable Guide 2013-2014

Personnel: Cubmaster, Webelos den leaders, and an adult who can sail a Frisbee well.

Materials: Several Frisbees. Tape badges of rank, Arrow Points, Webelos activity pins, and Webelos badges to the Frisbees.

Station the Frisbee thrower some distance away, perhaps behind the audience. After a leader has called forward the award winners and their parents, he calls for the appropriate awards from “outer space” and suddenly a “flying saucer” arrives with the awards.

CUBMASTER’S MINUTE

Cubmaster’s Minute BSA Roundtable Guide 2013-2014

History changed on October 4, 1957, when the Soviet Union successfully launched Sputnik I. The world’s first artificial satellite was about the size of a beachball. That launch opened the door to new political, military, technological, and scientific developments. For thousands of years, humans had dreamed and imagined what the universe might be like beyond our planet Earth. Today, we know more than ever before, through the courage of those who dreamed about space. With courage and support from your family, you boys can make your dreams come true as well in this new frontier. Good night and dream well, Scouts!

CLOSING / FLAG CEREMONIES

Space Shuttle Closing BSA Roundtable Guide 2013-2014

Materials: The word CUBS is spelled out on a poster board replica of a space shuttle. “Fanfare for the Common Man” by Aaron Copland or similar music is played in the background. A flashlight or other light lights each letter as it is shown. Parts may be read by Cub Scouts or adults. Cub Scout 1: “C” stands for catch. Catch the spirit of Scouting and you’re starting the countdown. Cub Scout 2: “U” stands for unite. When we unite, we see how much we can do and how important teamwork really is. Cub Scout 3: “B” stands for balance. In Scouting, the hard work that we do can be fun. As a Scout, work and fun are balanced. Cub Scout 4: “S” stands for straight. The Cub Scout Promise and the Law of the Pack remind us that if our arrow is true, we may cross the bridge and become Boy Scouts. Cub Scout 5: Together these letters form the vehicle that will transport us to the outer limits of Scouting in the hopes that one day, each of us will be able to say those well-earned words, “The Eagle has landed.”

CHEERS, SKITS, RUN-ONS, JOKES

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CHEER OR APPLAUSE

Space Explorer Applause: Point toward the sky and say, “You’re out of this world!”

Satellite Cheer: Move your hand and arm around your head in a circle, opening and closing the hand while saying, “GLEEP, GLEEP, GLEEP!”

Saturn Cheer: “Ring! Ring! Ring! That rings true!”

Venus Cheer: “Morning star, evening star, you’re a star to us!”

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Apollo cheer. (Count down 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, blast off! Move one hand up like a rocket, gain orbit, and make a fist and move your head around like a satellite, saying, “Beep, beep, beep!”)
SKITS

Materials: Eight Cub Scouts. A large box the Cub Scouts can step into and out of; decorate front with knobs and dials. Props for each occupation (e.g., paper chef’s hat for chef). Note: Occupations (except Cubmaster) may be changed. Maybe let boys choose what they want to be

Cub Scout 1: Ladies and gentlemen, this is the fantastic, terrific, magic, future machine. It takes a lot of courage to enter this machine because by entering you will know your future career. Pretty scary, huh?

Cub Scout 2: Let me try it first.

Cub Scout 1: OK, enter the chamber. (Turns dials on the front.) Come out and reveal your future. (Repeat this with each Cub.)

Cub Scout 2: Wow, I’m going to be a truck driver. 10-4, good buddy.

Cub Scout 3 (Enters then exits.): Hey, I’m going to be a chef—dinner anyone?

GAMES & ACTIVITIES

Game: Moon Rock Toss  BSA Roundtable guide 2013-2014
Materials: Each Cub will need five small stones, each with the same color marked on them. Use several colors of markers. It’s all right to have duplications in the colors. Distribute the moon rocks to Cub Scouts as they arrive. Cub Scouts challenge each other only if they have different colors on their stones. To play, they throw stones toward an empty can (moon craters). The Cub Scout who has the most stones landing in the crater now can challenge someone else.

Game: Rings of Saturn Relay  BSA Roundtable guide 2013-2014
Materials: Toothpicks and Lifesavers This is an old relay race that takes on a new meaning in light of the theme. Divide the den into two teams and give each boy a toothpick. Then place a “ring of Saturn” (Lifesaver) on the toothpick of the first boy in each team. He must pass the ring to the next boy to the next and so on. Once he has passed the first ring successfully, place the second ring on the toothpick. And then the third, and fourth, and as many as will fit on a single toothpick! The first team to pass the rings to the last player wins. (If a ring falls to earth, replace it with a fresh one!)

Game: Round the Moon  BSA Roundtable guide 2013-2014
Materials: Chair All the dens line up at the end of the room. Each Cub places his hands on the waist of the Cub in front so the dens form a “rocket.” A chair is placed at the far end of the room opposite each den; these are the moons. On “Go,” the dens run the length of the room, around their moon, and back into orbit. As they pass base, the “rockets” drop a section each time and the Cub Scouts sit down there one by one, until finally the “nose cone”—the first in line—returns home. The first team to be sitting down is the winner.

Audience Participation Story

Audience Participation: Astronaut Story  BSA Roundtable guide 2013-2014
Divide audience into five sections. Assign each section one of the parts below. Every time a section hears the narrator say its assigned word, that section stands and shouts its part.

Astronaut: Hello from Earth!
Spaceship: Vroom!
Saturn: See my rings!
Jupiter: See my moons!
Martian: Eeek! Eeek!

Once there was a courageous astronaut who was sent out in his spaceship to explore the galaxy. The first planet the astronaut landed on was Mars. When the astronaut landed his spaceship, he saw a Martian. The astronaut held up two fingers as a sign of peace and said, “Greetings from Earth!” but all the Martian said was, “Eeek! Eeek!” After thinking about what the Martian words could mean, the astronaut decided to return to his spaceship and try another planet. He
looked on his solar system map and found Jupiter and Saturn. He said, “Jupiter looks about right, and it’s a little bigger.” The astronaut started his spaceship and headed for Jupiter. Every so often he wondered what the Martian had said to him. Soon the astronaut arrived on Jupiter and started searching for signs of life. He searched all over Jupiter, but found nothing. He marveled at the beautiful moons of Jupiter, but climbed aboard his spaceship and headed toward Saturn. Arriving on Saturn, the astronaut said, “This sure is different from Mars and Jupiter!” He again searched for signs of life, but found no evidence of life on Saturn. However, floating in the rings of Saturn, he found an odd-looking device labeled “Martian translator.” The astronaut jumped into his spaceship and headed back to Mars to find the Martian. He landed his spaceship and found the Martian. Holding his Martian translator from Saturn, the astronaut held up two fingers as a sign of peace, and once again said, “Greetings from Earth!” Again the Martian said, “Eeek! Eeek!” Out of the translator was heard, “Do Your Best!”

**SONGS**

“The Astronaut’s Plea” BSA

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**Tune:** “My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean”

I went for a ride in a spaceship.
The moon and the planets to see.
I went for a ride in a spaceship,
And listen what happened to me!

**(Chorus):**

Bring back, bring back,
Oh, bring back my spaceship to me, to me.
Bring back, bring back,
Oh, bring back my spaceship to me.

I went for a ride in a spaceship.
The capsule was crowded and I,
Developed a cramp in my muscles,
So I took a long walk in the sky.

**(Chorus)**

I went for a walk in my spacesuit.
The ship was controlled from the ground.
But someone in charge down at NASA,
Forgot I was walking around!

**(Chorus)**

**ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:**

BSA Pack Meeting Plans: Download Monthly Pack Meeting Plans [Character Connection and three supplemental plans for each month]

