RESPONSIBILITY: OCTOBER 2012 CUB THEME DOWN ON THE FARM

Core Values & Character Connections (know-commit-practice)**:** **Responsibility:** Fulfilling our duty to God, country, other people, & ourselves. Being responsible is being dependable & doing what you say you will do.

Tiger	**Requirements/Electives**	**With Family** *A. = Achievement & *E. = Elective
	*E. 6 teach song or sing farming song	*A. 1F complete a chore outdoor or garden – C.C.=Responsibility *A. 3Fb family plan for being lost or separated *A. 3Fa plan/practice fire drill in your home
	*E. 11 Participate in a food drive *E. 13 pertend to have a farmers market	
	*E. 30 plant a seed and watch it grow	

Wolf	**Requirements/Electives** *A. = Achievement & *E. = Elective
Family Fun	*A. 10c Plan an outing to visit an farm museum.
Know Home & Community	*A. 4F (visit important place in community-discuss why it is important historic farm) *A 11a Complete and compare farmers faith.
Safe at Home & on Street Cooking & Eating	*A. 9A (Character Connection-Responsibility), 9D (practice good rules of street/road safety), 9E (know the rules of bike safety)(discuss what they need to look for in *A 9B & C) Help with *E. 8a, b, c Do the requirement, discuss how each machine is used on a farm. 12b do sequence drawing of a seed.
Home Work-given at beginning/verify at end of month: How did farmers provide the food you eat *A. 8a Food Pyramid 8b Plan your food 8c Fix a meal 8d Fix your breakfast, wash dishes 8e Cook outdoor meal	

Bear	**Requirements/Electives** *A. = Achievement & *E. = Elective
What makes America Special	*A. 3b Choose famous American Farmers (Carver and Chavez) 3d visit a historical farm, 9 a,b, c when preparing foods see what farm products are included, where it comes from and how it effects you
Saving Well, Spending Well	*A. 13 a, g Take of farm product sin your food, where they come from, how much they cost if prepared at home or away from home. 17d write a report about farming.
Electives	7b, c make a windmill or water wheel How would they be useful on the farm? 9c Draw or paint a picture of a farm. 10b make a farm animal mask. 12e especially seeds on a farm. 16 work all areas for farm animals.
Home Work-given at beginning/verify at end of month: *A. 7C (help with crime prevention for your home) 7D (where to get help in your neighborhood, write in book info.) 7E (learn emergency #s & post by phone in home) *A. HA: Achievement 11E (Family Escape Plan) 11F (optional-health checkup by physician) (optional)=*E. 3. Radio [A=make crystal/diode radio, B=make battery-powered radio]	

Patches: Utah Fire Fighters Museum & Memorial, Emergency Preparedness Award, Crime Prevention Award	**Belt Loops**: Good Manners Video Games

FUN FOR THE FAMILY	
1. Shaping Your Family Identity	P-Picture Perfect
2. Developing Personal Skills	D- Family Restaurant, K-Money Games.
3. Building a Family Team	E-Family Crest, G-Family Pet
4. Connecting with your Community	L- Garbage Weight
5. Facing Family Challenges	E-Frozen Feast

Good Idea for Leaders

Question: What happens to kids when "there's nothing to do!"?

Answer: They usually find something to do. And 9 times out of 10, it ain't what you want them to be doing!
Solution: Have something for them to do! That's one of the purposes of the Gathering Activity. It gives the scouts something to do while you're still running around getting things organized to actually run the meeting.

Gathering Ideas

Pick a Crop Challenge:
Alice, Golden Empire Council
Each boy, family or team tries to list as many crops as possible in a 3 minute time. See if anyone remembers that non-traditional "crops" are also farmed, such as trout on a trout farm.

Go Hunt in the Hay
Great Salt Lake Council
In a small pile of hay, hide pennies or toys that the kids must feel for with their eyes shut, or blindfolded.

Farm Safety 4 Kids Games : www.fs4jk.org (Website for games)
Check out the site for great online and printout games, coloring pages, activities – organization devoted to keeping kids safe around the farm. Here are two of the games from the site – the second one is more challenging – but lots more on the site – including online games and downloadable booklets!

1. Beans & Secrets Puzzle: Write the LAST letter of each picture in the CORRECT space to find out the answer to the question "Why should you never tell a secret to a bean?" Do not use this tiny picture –
Go to the website and copy this picture down in full size and while you are out there look for other great things to do!!! There are several tricks to this puzzle (Don't tell the boys, let them find out)
The pictures are not in order One number is used twice
(Answer: Beanstalk – Beans Talk!)

Animal Name Game
Great Salt Lake Council
Put the correct letter in front of the appropriate space.

_____ 1. adult female horse	A. piglet
_____ 2. adult male goat	B. rooster
_____ 3. a horse not yet a year old	C. calf
_____ 4. baby cow	D. drake
_____ 5. young male horse	E. colt
_____ 6. adult male duck	F. mare
_____ 7. baby pig	G. buck or billy
_____ 8. adult male chicken	H. foal
_____ 9. young duck	I. ewe
_____ 10. young goat	J. poults
_____ 11. adult male horse	K. kid
_____ 12. adult female pig	L. duckling
_____ 13. adult male cattle	M. stallion
_____ 14. adult female sheep	N. sow
_____ 15. young chickens	O. bull

Answers: 1-F, 2-G, 3-H, 4-C, 5-E, 6-D, 7-A, 8-B,
9-L, 10-K, 11-M, 12-N, 13-O, 14-I, 15-J

Corn Husking Contest:
Materials:
Corn still in husks,
2 pairs of very large leather work gloves,
Pot of water boiling on the stove so you can enjoy the fruit of your labors.
Your treat for the den or pack meeting can be the corn, along with butter to spread!
Directions:

- Divide into two teams, lined up to do a relay.
- First boy in each team runs to the pile of corn,
- Puts on the gloves, and
- 9 Removes all the husk.
- 9 Then he runs back and tags the next boy in line.
- 9 Repeat until every boy in each line has done the "chore."
- 9 First team done wins.

Alternate version:
Each boy works alone.
You can use the leather glove idea, or simply let the boys use their hands.
Set a 1 minute time limit and see who can husk the most corn.

The husks could also be used for another activity – let everyone make a corn husk doll or figure! (There's probably a parent or grandparent in the pack who remembers doing this!)

Farm Word Scramble
Alice, Golden Empire Council
Match up these scrambled words that have to do with
farming in the left column with the completed word in the
right column

nmradfal	seeds
etahwre	animals
aatlnru cursoeesr	crops
smainla	barnyard
dofo snrpogseci	weather
eedss	planting
niinevaterra	farmland
rnadaybr	grain elevator
tgeeevlbas	fruit
nrgia lverotea	natural resources
rpcos	tractor
vtahrse	vegetables
ttrcaor	veterinarian
ntlgapni	food processing
utfir	harvest

<u>Openers</u>
America, the Beautiful Opening
Baltimore Area Council
Cubmaster: Flying across the country, you can look down and see the patchwork quilt of the nations farms. Mile after mile of different crops, each one supplying a different color to the "quilt." You can look down and literally see the "amber waves of grain." Please stand and join me in singing,
"America the Beautiful.

Farm Country
Heart of America Council
Personnel: 5 Cubs dressed in farm clothes with posters depicting farm scenes on one side and their words in LARGE print on the other side.
Setting: Cub Scouts in farm work clothing parade into meeting room by dens to recorded farm music. Extinguish lights and shine spotlight on U.S. flag.
Cub # 1: Agriculture, the oldest work done by man, means "taking care of the fields". It is the work and science of using the earth to produce food.
Cub # 2: Farming means about the same thing, but we generally use the term when referring to a particular branch, such as dairy farming, chicken farming, cotton farming, wheat or vegetable farming. There have been farmers since history began. Cain, the first man born on earth, the son of Adam and Eve, was a tiller of the soil.
Cub # 3: Farm life, was quite different in days past. Entire families including children, had to carry their share of the load in order to raise enough food for themselves. The family did not have much time for comfortable living .
Cub # 4: Crowing roosters still announce dawn on many American farms. In the early morning fresh odors of growing crops and blooming flowers fill the air. Even before daybreak, in farm country, lights begin to twinkle as folks rise early to feed the animals and do the chores.
Cub # 5: Now may we all stand and sing "America the Beautiful".

Audience Participation
Jolly Green Giant & The Scarecrow
Heart of America Council
Divide the audience into four groups. Assign each of the groups one of the words below. Read the story. When one of the designated words is read, the appropriate group makes the indicated response. Practice as you make assignments.
Jolly Green Giant - Ho-ho-ho
Little Green Sprout - Me
Scarecrow - Booooo
Corn - Pop, pop, pop
Come gather around me, all ye Cub Scouts.
As I tell you the story of the Little Green Sprout.
The wise and friendly Scarecrow knows all, you see, About
how the Jolly Green Giant and his small friend came to be.
It seems these two friends in a big field of Corn
One bright sunny day, most surely before you were born.
For the old Scarecrow some talk overheard,
And has come here now to pass along the word.
In the field of Corn stood Farmer Brown and his son,
Hoeing out all those weeds till the day was done,
How those two worked as they did toil and sweat
To make their new crop the finest one yet.
The poor Scarecrow felt so guilty that day,
For all he must do was scare birds away.
He heard people say, "Isn't that Scarecrow grand.
He's made this Corn field the best in the land."
This made him sad and down deep in his heart,
Scarecrow knew that this job was just a small part.
As he stood there and watched, an idea came to his head,
The farmer and son were hoeing, the Scarecrow then said,
"I'll call them Jolly Green Giant and Little Green Sprout.
'Til soon the whole world will surely find out,

That the fields of Corn and other crops too
Are grown by people like these faithful two."
So he told the Jolly Green Giant and Little Green Sprout
How he knew what they did and sang praises with no doubt.
So the story of the Jolly Green Giant &Little Green Sprout
Was spread to people near and far and all round about.
So, don't think, my friend, it's just a bunch of Corn
'Cause that's the truth of how those two were born.
Whenever you hear of that famed Jolly Green Giant
Now you've heard the secret from the old Scarecrow
Of how those green people help make things grow.
Remember that those folks you see hoeing away,
Are symbolized now by that green pair today.
Three cheers for Jolly Green Giant, Little Green Sprout,
Scarecrow, and that field of Corn where it all came about.

Songs

Old Akela Had a Pack
Sung to the Tune: Old MacDonald had a Farm

Old Akela had a pack, E-I-E-I-O.
And in this pack he had some dens, E-I-E-I-O.
With a Den 1 here, and a Den 2 there;
Here a den, there a den,
Everywhere a happy den,
Old Akela had a pack, E-I-E-I-O.
And in this pack he had some chiefs, E-I-E-I-O.
With a den chief here, and a den chief there;
Here a chief, there a chief;
Everywhere a den chief;
Old Akela had a pack, E-I-E-I-O.
And in these dens he had some Cubs, E-I-E-I-O.
With a Cub Scout here, and a Cub Scout there;
Here a Scout, there a Scout,

Everywhere a Cub Scout;
Old Akela had a pack, E-I-E-I-O.
And for these Cubs he had some moms, E-I-E-I-O.
With a den mom here, and a den mom there;
Here a mom, there a mom,
Everywhere a den mom
Old Akela had a pack, E-I-E-I-O.
And for these moms he had some dads, E-I-E-I-O.
With a den dad here and a den dad there;
Here a dad, there a dad;
Everywhere a den dad;
Old Akela had a pack, E-I-E-I-O

Take Me Out to the Barnyard
Baltimore Area Council
Sung to the Tune: Take Me Out To The Ball Game
Take me out to the barnyard
Take me out there right now
Show me the cows, pigs and horses too.
I hear an oink and a neigh and a moo
There are chickens laying their eggs
If they don't lay, it's a shame
Oh, it's one, two, three eggs today,
And I'm glad I came.

Cheers

Trapper Trails Council
Turkey Cheer: "Gobble, Gobble, Gobble," then rub stomach and say "Yum, Yum."

Barnyard Cheer: Assign groups to make various sounds of animals as you point to each group have them make the sound. When you raise both hands, have them make their sounds at once.

Alice, Golden Empire Council
Hog Calling Cheer – Stand up, make a funnel of your hands around your mouth and call loudly, "SOOO-EEEE, SOOOEEE, Pig, Pig, Pig!

Cow applause: "Moooo, Moooo, Moooooove on up!"

RUN-ONS
Baloo's Archives
Cub #1 - Did you hear about my new pet pig?
Cub #2 - No, what is his name?
Cub #1 – Ball Point
Cub #2 - Is that his real name?
Cub #1 - No, that is his pen name.

Cub #1 - Did you know how long Wild Appalachian Cows are milked?
Cub #2 – No, I don't
Cub #1 – The same as short ones.

Alice, Golden Empire Council
How did the farmer count his cows?
With a "cowculator."

How do you fix a jack-o'-lantern?
With a pumpkin patch!

Why did the farmer stand out in the middle of his field?
He wanted to win the Nobel Prize.
Why did he think he could win the Nobel Prize?
He heard that the Nobel Prize is given to those who are out standing in their field!

Did you hear about the farmer who was milking his cow and a bug flew in the cow's ear?
No, what happened?
The bug squirted out with the milk – "In one ear and out the udder!"

Did you hear about the farmer you plowed his field with a steamroller ?
He wanted to grow mashed potatoes!

Why did the farmer call his pig "Ink"?
Because it was always running out of the pen.

What do you call cattle with a sense of humor?
Laughing stock.

Why did the ram fall over the cliff?
He didn't see the ewe turn!

What is the definition of a goose?
An animal that grows down as it grows up!

How do you stop a rooster from crowing on Sunday?
Eat him on Saturday!

Skits

Farmer Brown and His Friends
Heart of America Council
Personnel: 6 Cubs
Equipment:
Large piece of cardboard made to look like a barn with enough windows for each boy.
Farmer Brown needs to look like a farmer.
Setting: This skit is running jokes. All should have a copy of it and is funniest if done very quickly. Farmer Brown is in front of the barn, keeping things going.
Farmer Brown: Welcome to Den ___'s version of Hee Haw.
Cub 1: Hey Farmer Brown. What do you get when you
cross an onion with a potato?
Farmer Brown: I don't know.
Cub 1: A spud with watery eyes.
Cub 2: Hey (4) Why did the rooster crow early?
Cub 4: Because his cluck was fast.
Cub 3: Why does a cow wear a bell?
Farmer Brown: Why?
Cub 3: Because her horns don't work.
Cub 5: Hey (1) what three states have the most cows?
Cub 1 : Cow lorado, Moo ssouri and Cow lifornia.
Cub 2: What do you call it when you pawn a pig?
Farmer Brown: A ham hock.
Cub 5: Hey (3), Do you like raisin bread?
Cub 3: Can't say, never tried raisin' it.
Cub 4: (6) What do you call a carrot that insults a farmer?
Cub 6: I don't know, what?
Cub 4: A fresh vegetable.
Cub 6: What do you get when you cross a dog and a chicken?
Farmer Brown: A pooched egg.

Cub 5: Hey, (2), How many kinds of milk are there?
Cub 2: Well...there's whole milk, skimmed milk, condensed milk, and, say why do you want to know?
Cub 5: I'm drawing a picture of a cow and I want to know how many faucets to put on it.
Cub 1: Farmer Brown, what did the pig say when the farmer picked it up by the tail?
Farmer Brown: I don't know. What?.
Cub 1: This is the end of me.
Farmer Brown: (Turns around with ''THE END'' on the seat of his pants.)

Closing
Things That Grow
Heart of America Council
Personnel: 1 Cub Scout
Setting: Boy comes forward on signal and reads script.
Cub Scout: The theme this month was 'Down on the Farm', I too, am a thing that grows. I need nourishment, and love, and attention to grow. But most of all to grow. I need my sleep. Thank you everyone, and good night!

Fun Farm Facts:
Did you know that…..
Alice, Golden Empire Council
Did you know that…..

Potatoes have more vitamin C than oranges?
French Fries with skin have more vitamins than regular French Fries?
Baked French Fries have less fat than mashed potatoes with butter?
Farmers and ranchers provide food and habitat for 75% of the wildlife in the United States.
It takes just 40 days for most Americans to earn enough money to pay for their food supply for the whole year, but 129 days for the average American to earn enough money To pay their taxes for the year.
About 2 out of every 3 people in the world are farmers. In the United States, only 1 out of every 120 people are farmers but at least 2 of every ten jobs in the United States are related to agriculture and food in some way.
George Washington Carver, the famous botanical scientist who invented more than 300 products made from the peanut, graduated from high school in Minneapolis, Kansas in 1885.

Ideas for Den Activities:
Baltimore Area Council

- Build a model barn
- Visit a farm, pumpkin patch, or cornfield maze (Great Pack Trip, too)
- Go on a hay ride
- Make candied or caramel apples
- Learn about the United Nations and UNICEF, their organization for children
- Make butter by shaking half & half in a jar. Serve it with crackers at your Den meeting

Egg Drop
Great Salt Lake Council

Have the boys bring a prepared container from home, which could protect an egg when dropped from a height of several feet. An adult could drop them from a 12 ft. ladder, cherry picker, roof, or other pre-determined high spot, one at a time. Then open the containers and see whose egg survived.

Visit a Farm
York Adams Council
How many of the boys in your den have ever milked a cow or gathered eggs from chickens? This month's theme promotes the All-American Tradition of farming. Stop in at a local farm and check with the family running it to see if you can arrange a visit to the farm. Make sure to use the Local Tour Permit and permission slips before going, though!

Crafts

Potato Block Printing
Baltimore Area Council

- Cut a slice of potato so that you have a perfectly flat surface.
- Trace a simple design on the flat surface.
- With a sharp knife, cut away the potato around the design, leaving the design raised about 1/8".
- Press the potato on an inkpad and then onto a piece of paper to print.
- If you do not have an inkpad, cut a piece of blotter to fit in a jar lid and saturate blotter with ink or poster paint.
- For additional effects, cut designs on sponge or use erasers of various shapes.

(Great for printing the Cub Scout logo on napkins for your Blue and Gold. – Pat)

Barnyard Shadow Puppets
Baltimore Area Council
Go to diagram at the end of this issue Trace shapes onto cardboard or poster stock
Cut out animals
Thumbtack to pencil eraser (see picture)
Hang a screen or create a shadow box as shown
Place between light and screen to cast a shadow on the screen
Use animals to tell a story – they are shadow puppets

Watering The Horses
York Adams Council
Needs: Paper cup half filled with water for each Cub.
Directions:
Cubs are in dens, and each Cub is given a paper cup half filled with water.
In turn they race to a turning point about 10 yards away taking their cup with them.
When there they turn round, kneel, put the cups between their teeth, and with their hands behind their backs drink the water.
As soon as the cup is empty they get up and race back to their den, and the next Cub goes.

Rooster Fight
Trapper Trails Council
Materials: Bandanna or other scrap material for each child.
Set Up:
Make a circle on the ground about 8 feet in diameter. Have each player tuck a bandanna in the waist of his or her pants.
Play:

- Two kids hop into the circle and try to grab the bandanna hanging from each other

- The trick is, they must not put down their other foot, and they must keep one arm folded at their side like a wing, grabbing only with the free hand.
- Any player who puts his food down or grabs with his wing is out and a new opponent enters the ring.
- You may want to have teams, pairing up the kids and let them compete one pair at a time; to determine the winner, add up all the bandannas won by each team.
- Alternatively, play round robin style, with each new winner taking on new players until he gets eliminated.
- Another element of fun you could add is asking each player to be sure he flaps his wing and clucks like a chicken.

Halloween Games
Although not theme related I thought I would print a few Halloween Games.

Mummy Dress Up
Istrouma Council
Let the children wrap each other in newspaper or toilet paper and pretend to be mummies. See which group is the most creative.

Pin The Tail On The Cat
Istrouma Council
Cut out a cat shape from black felt. Use fabric paint to add the eyes, nose, and whiskers. Cut out several tails from black felt and sew or glue the hook side of Velcro onto the
end that attaches to the cat. The hook Velcro will stick to the felt anywhere the children put it. They play the game just like pin the tail on the donkey.

Ghost Hunt
Istrouma Council
- Cut white construction paper into 4"x5" pieces.
- Roll and tape to form tubes (these are ghost callers).
- Make one for each child.
- Also make 2 construction paper ghosts.
- Show everyone the two ghosts.
- Have children close their eyes.
- Den Leader hides the ghosts.
- Children open eyes and count 1-2-3 Ghost!
- On the count of "ghost" the hunt begins.
- The children who find the ghosts sit by the Leader.
- Give them a ghost caller and let them make ghost noises for the next ghost hunt.
- The noise helps call the ghosts from their hiding places.
- Continue until all children are making ghost noises.

Snacks
Dirt Cups
Baloo's Archives
Ingredients
24 clear 12-oz. plastic cups
2 pkgs. Oreo cookies
2 recipes of chocolate pudding
whipped cream
24 gummi worms (optional) 24 Pepperidge Farm Milano Cookies
(Optional) brown or black cake decorating gel

Directions
Crush all Oreos in food processor.
In the bottom of each cup, place about 1 Tbsp. of Oreos.
Mix remainder of Oreos in pudding mixture, Holding out about 2 cups for topping.
Then spoon about 2 TBSP Oreo mixture over pudding.
Poke one gummi worm down in dirt, but still showing on top.
You now have a cup of dirt to eat
Optional to turn the dirt cup into a grave for Halloween –
On each Milano cookie, write on top half "RIP" with cake decorating gel,
Stick them down in the back of the cup.
They will resemble tombstones.

Purple cows
Ingredients
3/4 C. low-fat milk
1 1/2 T. frozen grape juice concentrate
1/4 C. fat-free vanilla yogurt
Directions

- Combine ingredients in container with lid and
- Shake until well blended.
- Pour into a glass.

Candy Popcorn
Baloo's Archives
Ingredients
2 cups sugar
1 cup light syrup (white corn, Karo)
2/3 cup margarine
2 pkg. Koolaid
1 tsp soda
Directions
Boil the sugar, syrup and margarine together for 3 minutes.
Stir in soda and Koolaid.
Pour over 6 quarts of popcorn.
Bake at 225 F for 45 minutes,
Stir every 10 minutes.
Remove from the oven
Break up immediately.

Remember the boys are the most important thing. Help them to succeed.