

# A Year of Celebration, A Century of Making a Difference

Cub Scout's NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DEN \_\_\_\_\_ PACK # \_\_\_\_\_

**Cub Scout** Patch Requirements (Circle each item you plan to complete. Enter the date completed on your personal **Year of Celebration Record Scorecard**)

***Complete three of the five requirements in a category to earn a ribbon for that category.***

## **LEADERSHIP**

Scouting has a proud tradition of producing great leaders. Self-determination, teamwork, and preparedness are synonymous with Scouts everywhere. For Scouting's 100th Anniversary, let's celebrate this tradition of developing youth leaders.

The Year of Celebration Leadership Award encourages Scouts to explore and reflect upon the qualities of a good leader. The award recipients will work on leadership skills. The Leadership Award rewards participants for reflecting upon and sharing leadership lessons and skills. Scouts earning this award will look to role models, lead groups, and participate in leadership-building activities. Adults and alumni will build their unit leadership skills by emphasizing membership growth, volunteering, and providing role models.

1. Explain what makes a good leader and give an example of a Scout (past or present) demonstrating those qualities. Ask your parent or den leader what makes a good leader.
2. Practice being a leader such as being a denner for one week. Write or tell your parent or den leader about what you did during that week.
3. Get a friend to join Cub Scouts. Friend's name \_\_\_\_\_
4. Organize the den to set up and take down chairs at the pack meeting.
5. With the approval of your den leader, plan and lead a den activity.

## **ACHIEVEMENT**

Achievement in Scouting builds self-esteem and fosters collaboration with others. With every rank advanced and award earned, Scouts develop pride in themselves and their units. More than just getting a patch, Scouting's myriad of awards challenge Scouts to excel, have fun, and grow into healthy, prepared adults. In addition to advancement, the award recipient makes an active effort to reflect on personal achievements and those of other Scouts.

The Year of Celebration Achievement Award highlights the possibilities for personal achievement. Scouts will pursue rank advancements, religious emblems, as well as engage adults and alumni in conversation about their own achievements in Scouting.

1. Choose something you'd like to do better, and work on it for a week. Write or tell your parent or den leader about your progress.
2. Earn one Cub Scout Academics belt loop and one Cub Scout Sports belt loop.
3. Complete one achievement or activity badge for your rank.
4. Complete one elective for your current rank.
5. Complete one Cub Scout Sports or Academics pin, or the BSA Emergency Preparedness Award or the BSA Physical Fitness Award.

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Scouting's contribution to society is most visible in the movement's commitment to community service. Service is interwoven into many of Scouting's honors and is mandatory for earning the higher rank advancements. Through service, Scouts demonstrate that they provide an essential function to their communities.

The Year of Celebration Community Service Award rewards recipients for providing time and resources at no charge for the good of their local community. More than just engage in service, the award recipient must also share their thoughts about why service is crucial to our society and how Scouts today fulfill a 100-year-old legacy of serving communities.

Over the years, the Boys Scouts of America has partnered with several national organizations to accomplish some great service projects. If you are looking for service project ideas, consider the following options:

**Nothing But Nets**  
**Scouting For Food**  
**Habitat for Humanity**  
**Our National Parks**

**American Red Cross**  
**Arbor Day Foundation**  
**Take Pride in America**  
**The Salvation Army**

**Cell Phones for Soldiers**  
**Preserve Our Waterways**  
**2010 US Census**  
**Other \_\_\_\_\_**

\* Make sure that all service hours are recorded online for "Good Turn For America."

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1. With your parent or den leader, identify a person who serves the community. Write or tell about what that person does for others.
2. With your family or den, help plan and carry out a community service project. Write or tell about the project.
3. With your family and/or den, clean up your Pack's chartering organization's parking lot, a neighborhood park, the school grounds, or other public area.
4. Participate in a nature beautification project such as a tree or natural vegetation planting.
5. Give service to a community organization such as a food bank or feeding station.

### **CHARACTER**

Scouting is a character-building enterprise. Youth learn that personal responsibility and integrity are essential to accomplishing one's goals. They learn to do good turns without expectation of reward. They learn to be brave when challenged to do the right thing.

The Year of Celebration Character Award rewards recipients for engaging in an active conversation about living by the Scout Law. The award involves elements of citizenship, family life, and personal fitness. Scouts will reflect on their own character and values. Adults and alumni will rediscover the impact Scouting makes on their own character.

1. Talk to your parent or den leader about the Cub Scout Promise or Law of the Pack. What does it say about the kind of character a Scout should have?
2. With your family or den, plan and carry out a game that helps demonstrate one of the Character Connections™. Write or tell about your experience.
3. Talk to your parent or rabbi, minister, cleric, or other religious leader about how trust in God provides inner strength and confidence.
4. Talk to your parent or den leader about honesty. Talk about why it is important to be honest in everything you say and do.
5. Become a friend of a boy who is being left out of the group. Discuss how compassion and cooperation are essential to good character.

### **OUTDOORS**

From campouts to High Adventure, Scouting happens outdoors. Since its inception, Scouting has centered on teaching values through working and playing outside, and fostering respect and understanding of one's natural surroundings.

The Year of Celebration Outdoors Award is geared toward getting individuals active in nature. The recipients must participate in outdoor activities and show growth in personal outdoor skills. They must also demonstrate increased knowledge of nature. Scouts must show understanding of the impact humans can have on ecosystems and why one must Leave No Trace when experiencing the outdoors. Adults and alumni are encouraged to share their outdoor Scouting experiences with Scouts, as well as non-Scouts of all ages. The Award centers on principles of stewardship, discovery, and personal fitness.

1. With your family or den, help plan and carry out an outdoor activity. Write or tell about your experience.
2. Describe to your parent or den leader the different kinds of plants and animals you can find around your neighborhood.
3. Earn Cub Scouting's Leave No Trace Awareness Award or the Cub Scout Outdoor Activity Award.
4. Go on a hike with your family or den.
5. Participate in a district or council outdoor experience (day camp, resident camp, etc.).