



**THE  
BLUE & GOLD  
BANQUET  
PLANNING  
GUIDE**

**COMPILED FOR YOU BY  
COMEDY MAGICIAN - LYNDEL**

## **AN AGE OLD TRADITION TO CELEBRATE SCOUTING**

In 1933 "Cub Leaders' Round Table" suggested Parent / Cub dinners. Soon thereafter, Pack 1 of Michigan City started a tradition of pot-lucks where the dads were to bring utensils made of wood; whittled by the Cub with his dad.

In the 1930s father / son 'bean dinners' and 'Cub family dinners' began to become commonplace. Finally, in 1943 the name "Blue and Gold Banquet" first appeared in BSA literature, and became synonymous with celebrating "the birthday of Scouting."

Today, the Blue and Gold banquet is one of the highlights of the program year. It brings together your Pack's families for a dinner and an evening of fun. The meal is important, but even more important is the warm, congenial atmosphere created as families enjoy each other's company.

# Welcome to Banquet Planning

To be successful, the banquet must be well planned in advance. The pack committee selects a banquet chairman. That person recruits helpers to carry out the responsibilities listed on the following pages. This general outline will help make your planning easier. Try to involve as many people as possible, and avoid giving den leaders too many additional responsibilities - they will be working with their dens.

## Planning Your BLUE & GOLD BANQUET

**What Type of Meal?** There are several options a pack can consider. One option is pot-luck where each family brings a dish to share with everyone else. Be sure to have them provide enough for their family +2 since there will be guests attending. Another option would be for the pack to purchase and supply the meat and other items such as paper products, utensils and beverages.

Each den could be assigned salads, vegetables, breads, or desserts. If your budget allows, your pack may decide to have the meal catered. This is the easiest way to go, but also the most expensive.

**How Will the Pack Pay for it?** Some packs pay for all of the Banquet costs by budgeting it in at the beginning of the Scouting year and earning sufficient funds through popcorn sales or other fund raisers throughout the year. Other packs charge those attending (if the meal is catered). A good idea is to add \$1 per person to cover the cost of decorations and guest dinners unless your pack can afford the extra cost. Another option is to have the entire event sponsored by a local business.

**How Much Food and Seating?** It is best to have families make reservations and pay in advance or you will not be able to plan for the proper amount of food and your pack may have to pay for food planned on but not eaten. A simple RSVP on each invitation could be returned along with the required amount of money if charging admission.

**Decorations, Invitations, Programs?** It is always more fun for the boys to be involved in their banquet. If your pack decides for the boys to make some of the decorations, it would be a good idea to enlist and rotate extra parental help at den meetings prior to the banquet. The programs could be done by a parent; ask if anyone in the pack enjoys computer work or works at a print shop. Remember to use all your families' talents and resources.



Your invitations list should include the head of your Charter Organization and the Chartered Representative, and also may include a local Scoutmaster, and any other people who have been particularly helpful to your pack like district workers or the staff of your meeting place.

## Steps to Planning a Blue and Gold Banquet

### 1. Select date, time, place:

The banquet often takes the place of the February pack meeting, although it is not necessarily held on the regular meeting night. In selecting

the place, consider the following:

1. Adequate space for seating and displays.
2. Availability of parking space, rest rooms, coat racks.
3. Program needs, such as microphones, stage, etc.
4. Convenience for food preparation and/or serving.
5. Reserving the meeting place well in advance.

### 2. Dinner

Select meal plan - catered, potluck, etc.  
Determine serving needs - kitchen and utensils.  
Select menu and estimate cost.  
Assign serving and cleanup jobs.

### 3. Program

Entertainment—Comedy Magician Lyndel  
Props for skits and ceremonies.  
Recognition for boys and leader.  
Make assignments for various parts of the program:

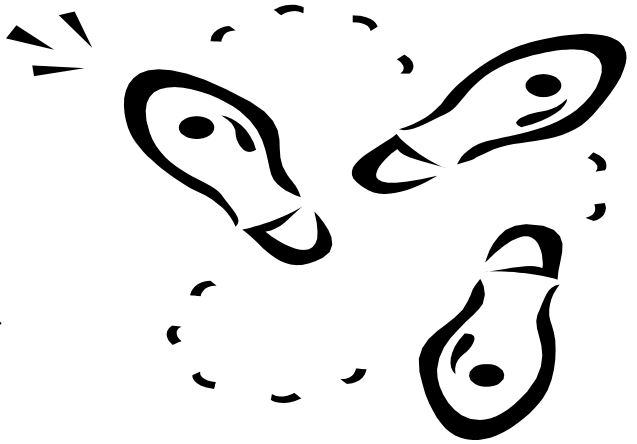
1. Invocation
2. Welcome and introduction of guests
3. Ceremonies
4. Recognitions
5. Entertainment

### 4. Decorations

Room decorations  
Table decorations  
Displays

### 5. Publicity

Inform all pack families of date, time, place, and cost.  
Invitations - consider inviting guests such as the head of the Chartering Organization, school principal, Chartered Organization representative, Scoutmaster, District Executive and District Commissioner.



## Sample By-Date Calendar

(Based on the Blue and Gold being held the last week of February. Adjust accordingly)

### August

At the annual Pack planning meeting decide date, time, and place for Blue and Gold banquet if possible. If a school location is desired, be sure all requisitions for building are started. Recruit Blue and Gold chairman.



### September or October

Recruit committee sub-chairmen for the following:

Physical arrangements

Invitations

Program

Dinner

November

Location selected and reservations made.

Subcommittees to begin duties as stated.



### January

#### Week 1:

Blue and Gold committee to meet with Den Leaders to give directions for decoration, program, invitation information, etc. Dinner committee decision made. Entertainment secured or assignments made Physical arrangements committee to visit location of banquet to check out needs.

#### Week 2:

Dens to begin work on decorations.

#### Week 3/4:

Invitations for Blue and Gold Banquet to families. Special guest invitations mailed.

### February

#### Week 1:

Reconfirm location, time, and place. Reconfirm entertainment. Buy supplies, plates, coffee, etc.



#### Week 2:

Program agenda ready for printing. Deadline for R.S.V.P. Let dinner committee know of reservations to make final food orders.

#### Week 3:

Make seating chart. Give to setup committee.

#### Banquet Day:

Early PM - setup Scheduled time - This is it, have FUN!!

#### Late PM

Clean up. Be sure to write "Thank You" notes for entertainment, donations, etc.

## THE BANQUET PROGRAM

The Cubmaster should be involved in planning the banquet program. It is the Cubmaster's responsibility to lead it, unless the pack decides to use a master of ceremonies.

Select a theme for the banquet. This can be the regular monthly theme or another. The theme is important, since the decorations and program will be planned around it.

Some Packs have visiting entertainers like comedy magician—Lyndel. His magic has multi-generational appeal and outside entertainment allows everyone to relax and enjoy the evening. The boys won't be worried about remembering lines to skits or experience performance anxieties, thus making their special event even more enjoyable!

Working with the Cubmaster, plan a program and recruit a person to handle each item on the agenda.

The following is a suggested agenda for the banquet program. It can be adjusted to fit your Pack's needs. Try to limit the total program time to a maximum of 1-1/2 hours (not including meal). Keep the program moving and interesting.

### Gathering Period

Have a welcoming committee to greet people as they arrive, give them nametags, and direct them to their tables. Have displays and exhibits. Also have games or some activity to keep the younger children occupied until the meal is served.

### Opening Ceremony

This should be short and simple. A flag ceremony is always good. If the flags are not brought in during an opening ceremony, be sure they are posted in the room.

### Invocation

This may be given by a pack leader or clergyman and should be non-sectarian.

### Dinner

Welcome and Introductions:

Recognize pack leaders and special guests. Be sure to recognize the Tiger Cub group if they are in attendance. Keep the comments short, with plenty of applause.

### Greeting from Head of Chartered Organization

### Songs

Use song sheets or have songs printed in souvenir program so everyone will join in. Include "Happy Birthday to Cub Scouting."

Entertainment: Lyndel's comedy magic show is a turn key show. All you have to do is provide the space and the audience and the show "just happens" all by itself. Lyndel provides the props, tables, sound equipment—everything for an awesome evening of fun and magic!

### Webelos Demonstration

### Advancement Awards Ceremony

### Recognition of Leaders

Present certificates of appreciation to leaders, den chiefs, and parents who have helped during the past year.

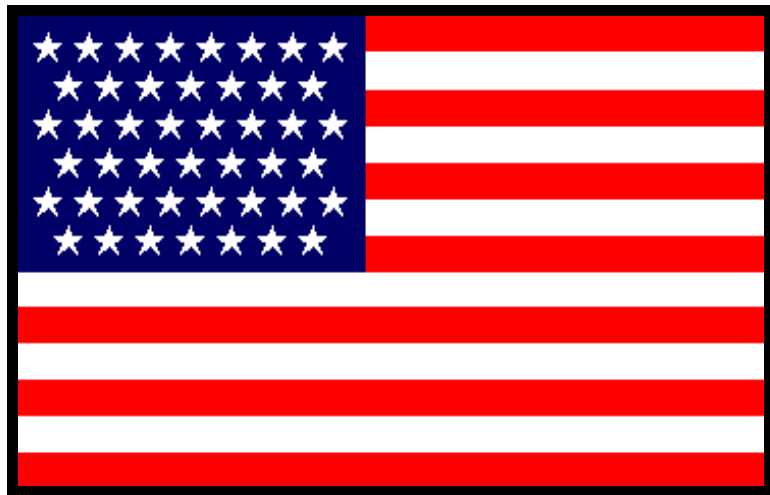
### Webelos Graduation Ceremony

Involve the Scoutmaster and boy leaders of the troop or troops into which the Webelos Scouts are graduating.

### Announcements and Thanks

### Closing Ceremony

At this point in the program, the "tone" should be more serious. Close with something inspirational or patriotic.



## RESOURCES FOR BANQUET PROGRAM IDEAS

Program ideas suitable for the Blue and Gold Banquet can be found in Cub Scout Program Helps, Group Meeting Sparklers, Cub Scout Songbook, The Cub Scout Leader's HOW-TO Book, and Staging Den and Pack Ceremonies, as well as at Cub Scout leaders' roundtable and the Pow Wow.

## **MEAL PLANNING**

The following four meal plans are examples of differing ways that a great meal can be served for your guests. The Pack Committee should work closely with the Blue and Gold Committee to decide which plan works best for your Pack.

### **Potluck Plan**

Decide if dens will plan their own menu or if each family will bring food for an overall pack menu.

Let each family know how much and what type of food to bring.

Ask each family to bring their own plates and utensils.

Decide if pack will furnish salt, pepper, sugar, napkins, etc. If so, make arrangements to buy them or have them donated.

Determine serving arrangement.



### **Food Committee Plan**

Decide what the pack will furnish (all or part of the food, paper products, etc.)

Purchase food and other dinner items.

See that each den receives its share of leftover purchased goods.

Recruit enough helpers to prepare meal. Follow health rules.

Accept reservations and estimate attendance. Be sure there is enough food.

Prorate cost of meal among families attending.

Determine serving arrangement. Plan for two serving lines if more than 100 people will attend.

Arrange for kitchen utensils, serving dishes, large containers for hot and cold drinks, if needed.

### **Catered Plan**

Get estimates and decide on caterer.

Agree on menu and cost in writing.

Find out if caterer provides plates, utensils, drinks, dessert.

Check time of delivery. Be sure someone is there.

Accept reservations and estimate attendance. The caterer will need to know how many to expect.

Collect money from families in advance.

### **Restaurant Plan**

Decide on restaurant or cafeteria. Agree on menu and cost in writing.

Reserve a private meeting room where program can be conducted.

Accept reservations and estimate attendance. Let restaurant know how many to prepare for.

Collect money prior to banquet. (If meal is to be at a cafeteria, you may wish to have pack families go through line and pay for their own meals then.)

Plan to have birthday cakes or cupcakes. This is a birthday party.

Work with program team in adhering to time schedule for serving, eating, entertainment, etc.

## **FEEDING A CROWD**

If you've decided on a potluck or food committee meal plan, the following information will help the dinner team in planning.

Potluck Meal. For a den of eight families, two families bring meat dishes, two bring vegetables, two bring salads, one brings dessert, one brings bread and beverages.

The quantity buying table shown below will serve as a guide for the committee in buying food for the banquet.

**Quantity Buying Table**  
**(Amounts to serve 25 people)**

Baked beans 4 quart bowl  
String beans 3 No. 2 cans  
Peas 5 No. 2 cans  
Mashed potatoes 4 - quart bowl  
Potato salad 1 - quart bowl  
Gelatin salad 9 - by - 13-inch dish  
Lettuce 3 heads  
Salad dressing 1 pint or 1/2 -pound  
Baked Ham (boneless) 8 pounds  
Swiss steak 10 pounds  
Meat loaf 1-1/2-pounds  
Pork 3-1/2-pounds  
Beef Frankfurters 7 pounds (2 each)  
Frying chicken 40 pieces  
Turkey 18 to 20 pounds  
Stuffing for poultry 5 quarts  
Rolls 3 to 4 dozen  
Jelly 1-1/2 pints  
Butter 1/2 pound (32 servings)  
Potato chips 2 pounds  
Coffee (regular) 1 pound (40-50 cups)  
Coffee (instant) 24 oz. jar (40 cups)  
Sugar (tea or coffee) 1/4 pound  
Punch or Iced Tea 2 gallons  
(50 - 5-ounce servings)  
Ice Cream 2 gallons

**Note**

If the banquet is potluck or prepared by a food committee, it is usually best to use paper plates and cups and plastic utensils to avoid dishwashing. Check at warehouse stores like Costco or Sam's Club for large quantity items.

**BLUE AND GOLD MINTS**

For those of you that have read this far into this Planning Guide, Lyndel has a special reward! A mint recipe! Make Blue and Gold mints for your banquet! To make them, you need:

6 tablespoons margarine or butter  
2 teaspoons peppermint

3 pounds powdered sugar

7 tablespoons water (color half with blue and the other half with yellow food coloring)

Dash of salt

Cream margarine or butter. Add flavoring and salt.

Divide into two batches. Add colored water to each batch.

Add 1 pound powdered sugar to each batch. Blend with mixer, then knead in another 1/2-pound of sugar.

Press into molds or roll out to desired thickness and cut or shape mints. Let dry on cookie sheet in refrigerator.

When mints are dry, store in covered tin or air tight box to prevent hardening.



## OTHER PROGRAM PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

Besides developing the actual 'agenda' for the evening, (as described earlier) the following important items should also be considered by the "Program Team:" Work with the "Physical Arrangements Team" to plan general room decoration and head table decoration.

Consider having a souvenir program printed.

Again, send written invitations to special guests. Ask for RSVP. These guests could include

- a. Head of chartered organization
- b. Chartered organization representative
- c. Minister, rabbi, or other religious leader
- d. Scoutmaster (s)
- e. Pack alumni
- f. School principal
- g. Council or District Scouts
- h. The Unit Commissioner

### Note:

Some of the special guests might have a part on the program.

Be sure each den has a part in the program.



## BANQUET GAMES

If time allows, the following games can be worked into the evening. It gets everyone in the spirit and sets the tone.

### The Over and Under Relay.

Each team is given a Cub Scout hat. The teams form rows with players one behind the other. The team leaders stand at the front of the line and hold the hats above their heads with both hands. On signal, each leader passes the hat between his or her legs. The second player passes it over his head. The third, between the legs again, and so on, over and under. The last player in line runs to the front and starts again. The first side to have the original leader run to the front wins.

### Clip It.

Each table has a small dish filled with paper clips. On signal, the first person joins two paper clips together and passes the bowl and beginning of the chain to the next person. That player adds another clip to the chain and passes it on. After a set time (5-8 minutes), the paper clip chains are held high in the air to see which group has the longest.

### Match Box Relay.

Form relay lines. First person in each line sticks an empty match box cover over his nose. He transfers it to the nose of the next player without using his hands, and so on down the line. First team to finish is the winner.

### Orange Passing Relay.

Divide into relay teams. On signal, first player in each team puts an orange beneath his chin. Without using his hands, the player next to him must get the orange from him between his own chin and neck, and so on down the line. If the orange drops to the floor, the player must pick it up and replace it under his chin before resuming play.

### Stringer.

People at each table form a team. Give each team a chenille stem and several buttons or wooden beads. On signal, the first person strings a button on the stem and passes it to the next player, who does the same. Continue until all buttons are on the stem. First team to finish holds its stem in the air and yells, "We did our best!"

### The Banquet Quiz.

Make copies for each boy and adult to complete during banquet. Copies can be left at each place setting if desired.

The Banquet Quiz game is printed in black and white on the next page so you can print it out and print copies of it at the local quick print.

BONUS TIP: Have them printed on gold and light blue paper. When placing them at the place settings, alternate the colors.





# THE BLUE & GOLD BANQUET QUIZ

**How much do you know about Cub Scouting?  
Can you answer the following questions?**

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| How old is Cub Scouting this year?                         | How many Webelos activity badges may be earned? |
| How old is the Boy Scouts of America this year?            | What is your den number?                        |
| Who was the founder of Scouting?                           | What is our pack number?                        |
| Who started the Boy Scouts of America?                     | What chartered organization sponsors our pack?  |
| What is the first rank in Cub Scouting?                    | What district are we a part of?                 |
| How many achievements are required to earn the Wolf badge? | What council are we a part of?                  |
| How many electives are required to earn an arrow point?    | What is the Cub Scout motto?                    |

## Blue & Gold Banquet Themes & Ideas

You may choose to use the monthly meeting theme or go in a completely different direction. Remember, no matter which theme you go with, Lyndel's Blue & Gold Magic Show will be a great addition! He might even be able to incorporate your theme into his show!

Here are some ideas to get your creative juices flowing:

### Snoopy

Dog houses, Peanuts' characters, stuffed dogs, dog biscuits/bowls

### Circus

Tent/canopy, balloons, cotton candy, popcorn, three rings, parade, aerial wire, juggling, wagons



### Monopoly

Chance cards, jail, play money, houses/hotels, properties, pawns

### Dalmatians

Dogs, leashes, fire hydrant, classic car, spots



### Baseball

Positions, ball/bats, bases, diamond, stadium, scoreboard, pennants

### Football

Goalposts, porn-poms, yard markers, helmets, balls

### Olympics

Medals, trophies, 5-ring symbol, theme music, 3x5' flags, award stands, torch, events, countries

### Music

Instruments, notes, albums, staff, music stands

### Tools/Building

Tools, construction, saw horses, wheelbarrows, tape measure, hard hats, wood, metal, trucks, tool boxes

### Indian Lore

Teepees, bows/arrows, artifacts, buffaloes, dream catchers, animal hides, drums, totem poles, horses, peace pipes, campfires, tomahawks



### Trains

Station, models, luggage, tickets, conductor, sound effects, tracks

### Patriotic

Flags, eagles, bunting, campaigns, town crier, 1776, scroll



### Presidents

Silhouettes, flags, buttons, slogans, band muddonkeys, elephants, constitution, quill pens



### Country Store

Dry goods, barrels, candy jars, sacks, counter, prices, crates, lanterns, checkers

### Military

Ranks, symbols, medals, uniforms, camouflage, targets

### Medieval

Banners, armor, knights, castles, jousting, dragons

### Pirates

Ships, treasure chests, Jolly Roger, skull/crossbones, eye patch, gold doubloons, maps, parrots, water, cannons



### School

Chalkboards, report cards, apples, rulers, dunce cap, letter charts, globes, houses, playground, bell



### Western

Cattle, brands, irons, campfires, chuck wagons, rail fence, hay bales, wood wheel



### Kites/Balloons

Baskets, sandbags, clouds, trees, scenery, various shaped kites

## Blue & Gold Banquet Themes & Ideas

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### Farms

Barns, tractors, implements, hay bales, silos, fences, animals, pies



### Jungle

Animals, trees, bushes, ferns, sound effects, hanging vines. Tarzan



### Luau

Palm trees, mats, low tables, pig roast, Mu Mus, leis, Hawaiian music, pineapples, coconuts, volcanoes, tikis, hula skirts, canoes, surfboards

### Oriental

Origami, chopsticks, silk, characters, artifacts, videos, kimonos, hats

### Fish

Tissue fish, water/waves, streamers, underwater, reefs, corals, fishnets, lures. poles/hooks. bobbers, boats

### Send the Light

Lighthouses, rocks, waves, blinking lights, signal flags, Morse code

### Valentine

Hearts, candy, ribbons/bows, valentines, flowers, cupid

### Anytime

Create life-size cut-outs of your Cubs. Roll out craft paper on floor, trace around each, cut out and have them decorate it. Try action poses for added interest.

### Boys Club

Clubhouses, "boys only" signs, the international "no" sign over a girl silhouette, male baking contest



### Outer Space

Rockets, stars, planets, aliens, spacesuits, moon rocks, mission control panel

### Around the World

Countries, Cub promise in other languages, flags, traditional costumes, artifacts, songs

### Disney

Characters from movies. videos, movie posters, pictures from color books. tiny toys from fast food restaurants



### Southwest

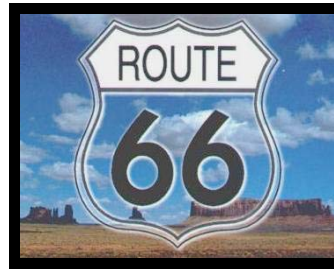
Pueblos, Indian symbols, music, desert, cactus, rocks/canyons. sunsets

### Occupations

Teaching, preaching, healing, transmitting, building. flying, growing

### Bees

Hives, honey, clover, flowers, clothes, honeycomb



### Highways

Road maps, cars, traffic signs, billboards, gas station, roads made of black paper with adding machine white tape in center, Burma signs

### Computers

Function keys, stylized letters, continuous paper, disks, terms, monitors, zeros and ones



### Noah's Ark

Ark, animals, rainbow, dove, water, raindrops



### Birdhouses

Birds, branches, nests, sound effects, twigs, birdseed, birdbaths, bird feeders

### Library

Books, stands, shelves, carts, titles, magazines, card catalogue, Dewey Decimals

And last but not least... MAGIC!

Plastic top hats with popcorn, magic wands, and a great evening of magic presented by Lyndel—Comedy Magician!



## **Ceremonies**

Scouting has a rich history! Keep its traditions alive by including one or more of these ceremonies in the program!

### **FOR GOD AND COUNTRY**

(Opening Ceremony)

Arrangement. Den chief and Cub Scouts, in uniform, carry small U.S. flags and line up on stage. Each speaks his part.

DEN CHIEF. Two hundred years ago, God gave us a nation; a land of wealth and bounty, choice among His creations. We must protect its freedom and defend its worthy cause, and support our Constitution, which is based upon God's laws. We must pledge to be loyal throughout each coming year, and with God's help, we will know no doubt nor fear. When we keep our promise to do our best each day, God will bless our country and us in every way. Please stand and join us in singing, "God Bless America."

(After audience is seated, Cub Scouts continue.)

FIRST CUB SCOUT. We're glad you came to our banquet! We have many things to say about our love for America as we celebrate today.

SECOND CUB SCOUT. Independence is a big word, and hard for me to say. But I know it means a lot to all Americans today.

THIRD CUB SCOUT. Our national bird is the eagle. Have you ever wondered why? It may be because it soars above all birds to reach the sky.

FOURTH CUB SCOUT. The Liberty Bell is ringing, though its sound we do not hear. Freedom of speech and worship, freedom from want and fear.

FIFTH CUB SCOUT. Without our flag of red, white and blue, things would be different for me and you. It's a symbol of pride in the American way, so we should be loyal and true each day.

SIXTH CUB SCOUT. Please stand and join us in the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

### **STORY OF CUB SCOUT COLORS**

(Opening Ceremony)

Arrangement. As curtain opens, three boys dressed in Indian costume are seated around artificial campfire. One wears a chief's headdress; the other two are braves. Hanging on a tripod over the fire is a kettle which has a small can of dry ice and a blue and gold Cub Scout neckerchief concealed in it.

NARRATOR (Cub Scout or den chief): Many, many moons ago, the great chief Akela called a council to see what could be done to make his tribe the best of all tribes.

He told the first Indian brave to climb the mountain and tell the eagle to fly high into the sky and bring back part of the beauty of the sun. (One brave exits.)

He told the second brave to go into the forest and tell the sparrow to fly high into the sky and bring back part of the beauty of the sky. (Second brave exits.)

After a while, both braves returned. (Both braves enter. One carries a bottle of blue water, - the other a bottle of gold water. They hold up bottles to show everyone.)

NARRATOR: Akela told one brave to pour some of the beauty of the sun into the council mixing pot. (The brave pours some of the gold water into the can in the pot, causing smoke.)

NARRATOR: Then he told the other brave to pour some of the beauty of the sky into the council mixing pot. (The brave pours blue water into the can, causing smoke. Akela, the chief raises hands toward the sky.)

NARRATOR: Akela says that from this day forward, blue will stand for truth and loyalty and the sky above. Gold will stand for warm sunlight, happiness, and good cheer. (Akela reaches into pot and pulls out Cub Scout neckerchief)

NARRATOR: And that's why the Cub Scouts colors are blue and gold.

### **SCOUTING AROUND THE WORLD**

(Opening Ceremony)

Arrangement. A world globe sets on the head table.

NARRATOR: (Pointing to United States on globe): This evening we are holding our blue and gold banquet here. But did you know that all over this world (spins globe) Cub Scouts just like us are taking part in Scouting activities too? Well, it's true. The Scouting movement exists in 115 countries - almost every nation of the free world. Those Cub Scouts are much like us. They have similar ideals, a similar promise, and the same brotherhood of service. So let's think of our brother Cub Scouts around the world as we join in the Cub Scout Promise. (Leads Promise with everyone standing.)

## Ceremonies (continued)

### CUB SCOUT SPIRIT

(Closing Ceremony)

Arrangement. Head table holds candelabra with three candles and one larger candle in separate holder.

NARRATOR: Tonight we have had a lot of fun at the (number) birthday party of Cub Scouting and the (number) birthday of our own pack. As Cub Scouts and leaders, we are following the trail left by millions of other boys and leaders who have been involved in Cub Scouting since it began in 1930.

All of those boys and leaders have had the Cub Scout spirit, which we symbolize with the flame of this one candle. (Light large candle. Dim room lights.) What is Cub Scout spirit? That's easy. It's the three things we promise to do in the Cub Scout Promise. In the Promise, we say, "I promise to do my best to do my duty to God and my country." That's the first part. (Light first candle on candelabra.)

The second part is: "To help other people." (Light second candle). And the third part is "to obey the Law of the Pack." (Light third candle.)

Now while these three candles burn as a reminder to us, I will ask all Cub Scouts and all former Cub Scouts to stand, make the Cub Scout sign, and repeat the Promise with me. (Lead Promise.)

### THE BLUE AND GOLD

(Closing Ceremony)

Arrangement. Eight, Cub Scouts speak their lines and place the following cards on a large blue flannel board: "Truth, Faith, Loyalty, Sunlight, Good Cheer, Happiness, and a cutout golden sun"

FIRST CUB SCOUT. Back in the good old days, school colors gave people a feeling of school pride and loyalty. Today, the blue and gold of Cub Scouting helps to build this spirit among Cub Scouts.

SECOND CUB SCOUT. (points to blue flannel board): The blue reminds us of the sky above. It stands for truth, spirituality, and steadfast loyalty.

THIRD CUB SCOUT. (places "truth" card in upper left corner of board): Truth means we must always be honest.

FOURTH CUB SCOUT. (places "Faith" card in upper

right corner): Faith means a belief in God.

FIFTH CUB SCOUT. (places "Loyalty" card across bottom): Loyalty means being faithful and loyal to God, country, and our fellow man.

SIXTH CUB SCOUT. The gold stands for the warm sunlight (He places the sun in center of board and the "sunlight" card across top of the sun).

SEVENTH CUB SCOUT. Gold also stands for good cheer and happiness. We always feel better when the sun is shining and so will those to whom we give good will. (He places "good cheer" and "happiness" cards on each side of sun cutout.)

EIGHTH CUB SCOUT. As we wear our Cub Scout uniforms, may the meaning of the blue and gold colors make us remember our Cub Scout ideals, the Cub Scout Promise, and the Law of the Pack.

### CLOSING THOUGHT

NARRATOR: Lord Baden-Powell, the founder of Scouting, said: "I often think that when the sun goes down, the world is hidden by a big blanket from the light of heaven, but the stars are little holes pierced in that blanket by those who have done good deeds in this world. The stars are not all the same size; some are big, some are little, and some men have done small deeds, but they have made their hole in the blanket by doing good before they went to heaven. Try and make your hole in the blanket by good work while you are on earth. It is something to be good, but it is far better to do good." Think of Baden-Powell's words when you promise to help other people.





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