

December Monthly Character Connection – Respect

respect for disability's and handicapped awareness

fumble fingers game: have everyone in the den untie their shoes then have them tie them using only one hand, afterwards talk about how hard it must be to have a disability and how we can be respectfully of others limitations.

Ships in the fog game: a blindfolded scout heads into a room with many obstacles and his team mate try's to guide him threw the obstacles using only his voice, this teaches boys the importance of listening and how that can be respectful and help-full in relationships.

respect for nature

go on a nature hike and talk about "leave no trace" also do a service project and do a park clean up, also you can contact solv.org and get information about conservation clean ups all over the state and your community that you can help with.

respect for family

make a chore board and follow it for a month and talk about how family members can help each other.

respect for peers

go on an outing to play mini-golf, its a game that teaches manors and the importance of taking turns.

respect and responsibilities

have the boys plan an over-nighter (maybe indoors since its DEC) and have them come up with the structure of every ones responsibilities are like who prepares the food, who eats first, duty roster and how fill filling your duty's is respectful to your fellow scouts and leaders.

Holiday Theme Ideas

Why "Holiday Lights"?

Many of our holiday traditions this month involve lights—the star of Bethlehem, miracle of the lamps, the morning star that enlightened Buddha, the bonfires at Yule. We show respect for the customs of others by sharing our holiday traditions with the pack and den: lights on a Christmas tree, candles on a menorah for Hanukkah, or on a Kwanzaa kinara. Boys can light the way this month by brightening someone's holiday season while learning more about how others celebrate this season.

As a pack or den, visit a nursing home, preschool, or children's ward, and sing holiday favorites. Conclude your outing by sharing cookies decorated by the boys. Help those less fortunate with a service project or toy drive. How about a holiday dessert pot luck? Each family can bring a traditional dessert to share at the pack meeting.

Holiday Pledge of Allegiance

Personnel: A Cub Scout (or several Cub Scouts), den chief, or adult leader reads the lines for narrator (NAR) and the audience (AUD) reads the other lines together.

Either print the lines in the Program or Distribute the ceremony beforehand.

NAR: I pledge allegiance

AUD: At this joyous time of the year

NAR: To the flag

AUD: A symbol of unity

NAR: Of the United States of America

AUD: Where we join together in peace

NAR: And to the republic for which it stands

AUD: Where people do their best to help each other

NAR: One nation under God

AUD: Where we have freedom to worship in our own way

NAR: Indivisible

AUD: We will stand strong, giving respect to others.

NAR: With liberty and justice for all.

AUD: Where people of all races and faiths can experience true fairness

NAR: Let us remember all our blessings as we pledge our allegiance to the flag.

Camping in the Woods on Christmas Eve

T'was the night before Christmas
And all through the woods,
Not a scout was stirring, they were all being good.
Their sneakers were hung by the camp fire with care.
In hopes the delivery guy, soon would be there...
And I in my Neckerchief,
And Mr. _____ in his Cub-Cap,
Had just settled down for a short camping nap,
When deep in the woods there arose such a clatter,
I sprang from my sleeping bag,
To see what was the matter.
Away to the tent, I flew, I was scared,
I grabbed a hammer and shovel,
In case it was a bear.
Then what to my wondering eyes should appear,
But Scouter Clause, with some pizza and root beer.
He was a little old scout, so lively and quick,
I knew in a moment, He was scared of ticks.
More rapid than an Eagle Scout the pizzas they came,
and he whistled and shouted and called them by name,
Now sausage, now peppers, now onions and pepperoni,
On meatball, on, ham. On, hold the anchovies.
To the top of the tents, to the top of the trees,
Dash away, Dash away, with extra cheese.
As I got to my feet and was turning around,
Into the campsite, he came with a bound.
He was dressed all in uniform from his head to his toes.
His shirt was garnished with badges and bows.
A bundle of pizzas he had flung on his back,
And he looked like a new scout,
doing the opening ceremony, for his pack,
His eyes, how they twinkled, His dimples so merry,
His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a berry.
He had a broad face and a little round belly,
That shook when he laughed like a bowl full of jelly.
He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old scout,
And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself.
He spoke not a word, but went straight to work,
Gave out the pizza and then turned with a jerk,
And laying a finger onside of his nose,
and checking his compass, Down the trail he goes,
I sprang to my feet, to the boys gave a whistle
And up they all flew, like the down of a thistle.
We ate all the pizza and drank all the soda,
Our stomachs, all felt like they would explode.
And we heard him exclaim, as he drove out of sight,
Merry Christmas Pack _____, & to all a good night!

SONGS:

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TUNE: We Wish You a Merry Christmas
I listen to my elders, I give to the needy,
I respect everyone's color, creed, religion and views.
I shovel neighbor's walks, whenever it snows.
I respect the air and water, plants and animals too.
I help my little sister, I honor my older brother,
As a family, we're together — we respect one and all.

R-E-S-P-E-C-T

Tune: Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star
R-E-S-P-E-C-T,
What's it mean for you and me?
Honor, care, civility,
Even when we disagree.
Those that fight are bound to fall,
United we can do it all.
R-E-S-P-E-C-T,
We are Cubs and we agree:
Keep the promise, Do our best,
Give good will and all the rest.
I'll do for you, you do for me,
That's how we build community.

EDIBLE CRAFT:

Snacky Snowflakes

Using pretzel sticks and both large and small white marshmallows let the scouts use their imagination and build their own edible snowflakes.