Supplemental Tiger Den Meeting H

Plant a Seed! and Song Time

Elective 30. Elective 6.

Preparation and Materials Needed

- ▶ Ideally, identify what you'll plant and start this activity yourself weeks in advance, so that you can bring in examples of how the seeds will grow after the Tiger Cubs plant them (and you can see what works best).
 - As you see how they develop, you might bring in examples showing one, two, three or more weeks.
- ▶ Materials checklist (add to your den box of U.S. and den flags, paper and pencils, other supplies):
 - Seeds, pits, or green tops, preferably from something the boys often eat.
 - Suggestions: avocado pit, carrot tops, or citrus seeds, apple seeds, pear seeds, potatoes, sweet potatoes, pineapple tops, pumpkin seeds, or beet tops.
 - Planting containers
 - Planting soil
 - Words to the songs you're going to sing (if not in the *Tiger Cub Handbook*)
 - Tiger Track Beads for Tiger Cub Immediate Recognition Emblem

Before the Meeting

▶ Make final preparations with assistance from any assistant den leader or host team (Tiger Cub and adult partner) or other parent helper or den chief. Organize the space (seating, flags, advancement charts, activity materials, handouts, etc.). If you're snacking, organize space for that and the cleanup.

Gathering

- ► Have a gathering activity (games, puzzles, coloring, puppets) that will keep Tiger Cubs interested and busy, and that others may join as they arrive. If the den desires, serve a healthy snack during this time.
- ► Collect dues, record attendance and any advancement completed at home (a good job for an assistant den leader). Assign parents to meeting roles and hand out a meeting plan to each.

Opening

- ► Conduct flag ceremony and Pledge of Allegiance.
- ▶ Recite the Cub Scout Promise (or other opening); perhaps add a roll call and/or uniform recognition.

Business Items

- ▶ If a Scout has brought his family scrapbook back, allow him to show it to the rest of the den.
- ▶ Use this time to discuss participation in coming pack meetings or events, as needed.

Activities

- ▶ Elective 30 ("Plant a seed, pit, or greens from something you have eaten."):
 - Plant seeds or green tops, as described in the *Tiger Cub Handbook*, page 122.
- ► Elective 6 ("Along with your adult partner, teach a song to your family or to your den and sing it together."):
 - Sing the songs "I've Got That Tiger Cub Spirit" and/or "If You're a Tiger and You Know It."
 - Feel free to substitute or add appropriate songs that you and the Scouts want to sing.

Closing

- ► Award (or recognize) any advancement completed at this meeting; thank hosts, guests, and helpers.
- ▶ Closing ceremony: perhaps a den leader's minute, Law of the Pack, den yell, and/or Living Circle.
- ► Hand out or send family information letter.

After the Meeting

- ► If you've changed the sequence of den meetings, double-check to make sure you will still advance your boys appropriately and check with the Cubmaster to make sure you stay coordinated with the pack.
- ► Refreshments: If appropriate
- ► Cleanup: Recruit enough help to do a good job. Scouts always leave an area as clean, or cleaner, than they found it.



