



PARENT PARTICIPATION

The patrol leaders' council can involve parents in the program feature this month by:

- Asking those qualified to assist with instruction for camping and hiking skills.
- Inviting them to the hobby show.
- Asking them to provide transportation to the camp, if necessary.
- Asking them to demonstrate their hobbies.

PATROL LEADERS' COUNCIL

The PLC should meet in the middle of the previous month to plan troop activities for this program feature. If you don't complete all items on the following agenda, continue planning at PLC meetings after each troop meeting.

- Decide on the location for the outing. If permission will be needed, assign someone to secure it.
- Decide whether it will be a day outing or a campout.
- Review skills needed for the outing.

- Plan the special activities for the campout. If special gear or tools will be needed, assign someone to obtain it. Seek help from the troop committee if necessary.
- Hold a junior leader training session on advancement (*Scoutmaster Handbook*).
- Plan the location for the hobby show.

FEATURE EVENT

Hobby Show

When your Scouts share hobbies with others at a hobby show, it makes for an interesting event. A little advance planning by your troop leaders, plus preparation by the Scouts, will guarantee that your show is a real sparkler.

You could plan a hobby show as the preopening activity for your Boy Scout Week parents' night and open house during February, or at any regular troop meeting. Invite members of the family and troop alumni to attend.

Here are some suggestions:

- Scouts who do not have a hobby or special interest should be encouraged to select one, if only for the hobby show.