

- Asking those qualified to assist with instruction for citizenship and business skills.
- Inviting families on the outing.
- Asking them to provide transportation for the visit to a business and the outing.

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 what business the troop will visit this month and make arrangements for the visit.
- Make arrangements to invite a community or business leader to the second troop meeting to discuss his work and moderate a discussion of the rights and duties of a citizen.
- · Plan the special activities for the outing.
- Inventory the troop's camping equipment, if not done recently.
- Plan details of troop meetings for the month. Assign patrol demonstrations, covering skills that will be needed for completion of advancement through First Class.

FEATURE EVENT

Business Outing

Discovering the world of business and how business and government in our country work together can be an exciting

adventure. You have an opportunity to see how business works right in your own community. Take the opportunity to get to know how your community, and especially local businesses, works. Get a local business person to meet with the troop and discuss how his or her business operates.

Business Projects

Here are ideas for patrols or individual Scouts.

STOCK MARKET. Do some research on a particular stock and follow it on the stock market for several months. Record its price changes and see what you would have made or lost if you had bought at the beginning and sold it at the end of the period.

LOANS. Find out how to get a loan from a bank. What would the interest rate be? How much interest would you have to pay if the loan was for 6 months?

BONDS. Look into the cost of purchasing a municipal bond. How much interest would you earn by the time the bond matures?

"RUN" A COMPANY. Set up an imaginary company to manufacture widgets. Make a product plan, and develop a marketing strategy and a sales plan.

PRODUCT SALES. Set up a sales campaign and a marketing plan for some product—baseball gloves, hiking boots, tents, etc.