



Official Order of the Arrow Webelos to Scouts BSA and Arrow of Light Ceremonies

Introduction

The following ceremonies were developed to provide lodges the ability to assist Cub Scout Packs in conducting appropriate ceremonies marking the transition from a Cub Scout earning their Arrow of Light badge and transitioning to the Scouts BSA program. These are nationally approved ceremonies that are to be performed by Scouts wearing the Scout uniform. These ceremonies may be freely used by any Scouts BSA troop or representative, district or council. If an Order of the Arrow lodge, chapter, or ceremony team is invited to perform, these ceremonies are the only ones authorized to be used.

One of the challenges of the Webelos/Arc of Light to Scouts BSA transition ceremony is that the circumstances where it is offered are varied. Some packs elect to award the Arrow of Light rank as soon as it is earned, which may be many months before the close of the Pack's program year and the Scout's formal transition to the Scouts BSA program with a new unit. Other Packs plan their program so that the presentation of the Arrow of Light badge marks the conclusion of those Scouts' involvement with the Pack. For this reason, we offer separate Arrow of Light and Crossover ceremonies. Individual units and lodges may choose to offer one of these ceremonies, both at different times of the year, or a combination of both ceremonies at the same time.

These ceremonies should be conducted by capable youth members of Scouts BSA, Sea Scouts or Venturing wearing the full Scout Field uniform. Any youth Eagle Scouts participating in these ceremonies are encouraged to wear their Eagle Scout medal. These ceremonies should only be presented in Scout uniform. No form of costume, including American Indian costume, are to be used. Other than handshakes where indicated, no other ritualized physical contact, including shoulder tapping, should be a part of these ceremonies. While it is always strongly preferred that the chosen ceremonial parts be memorized, circumstances may dictate that portions of it be read. It is essential that the lines be delivered clearly so that they may be understood and appreciated by all who witness these ceremonies.

Purpose

The crossover is designed to have a powerful inspirational effect, not only on the Webelos Scouts participating in it, but on the other Cub Scouts witnessing it, giving them a glimpse into what lies ahead on their Scouting journey. Alternative #1 is a more formal ceremony. Alternative #2 is more engaging and may be more appealing to an audience comprised of a greater number of young Cub Scouts.

In both ceremonies, the ceremonialists dress in complete field uniform. When performed by an Order of the Arrow lodge or chapter team, ceremonialists should wear sashes for the ceremony.

Neckerchiefs, handbooks, shoulder loops, and any other customary items for presentation should be pre-staged and ready for presentation. A "crossover bridge" is optional and may be incorporated as described in the text.



THE WEBELOS TO SCOUTS BSA CEREMONY (ALTERNATIVE #1)

Introduction

The goal for this ceremony is to start these new Scouts BSA members on the trail to Eagle with confidence and resolve, in addition to impressing upon parents and other loved ones the amazing Scouting journey their newly minted Scouts BSA member is beginning. Even if the audience for this ceremony (i.e. the Scout, Cub Scout leaders, siblings, friends, parents, and other family members) knows very little about the Scouts BSA program, they will almost certainly know about the honor and prestige of becoming an Eagle Scout. While there is clearly much more to the Scouts BSA program than completing the requirements to become an Eagle Scout; the goal of this ceremony is to start these newly minted Scouts BSA members enthusiastically on the trail to Eagle with the full support of their family so that they will be receptive to the many life-changing experiences that they can enjoy while continuing as a Scout.

This ceremony will support both the simply staged ceremony done in the final fifteen minutes of a regular pack meeting, or an elaborately staged celebration as the centerpiece of a Blue and Gold Banquet or another special event. This ceremony was written to provide ceremonialists with an ample degree of flexibility in delivery and staging.

This ceremony may be conducted independently of the ceremony used to present the Arrow of Light rank or together, depending on the needs of the Pack.

Ceremonialists may elect to process into the meeting area. Ceremonialists may elect to sing "Trail the Eagle" repeatedly while processing in.

The Ceremony

[At times, there may only be one or two youth ceremonialists able to conduct this ceremony. In other instances, a large number of Scouts may be willing and able to participate. The ceremony is marked into short paragraphs that should be divided up between the participants as they feel able and comfortable.]

We are here from (unit/OA Lodge or chapter) to mark a very special occasion. Today, Webelos Scouts from Pack _____ will begin a new journey on a new trail. We call this trail, the trail to Eagle.

As a member of Scouts BSA, you will take on many new challenges. We know you have come a long way already. The trail to Eagle will only become more challenging. You will experience many adventures and challenges along the trail.. You will discover that the best part will be that you will share this journey hand in hand, not just with your friends, or the fellow Scouts in your troop, but also with your family and the entire community.

[As the ceremonialists below discuss each point of the Scout Law, consider incorporating twelve candles or signs so that the ceremonialist can emphasize each point when discussed.]

Trail markers are used on all good trails to help you along the way. You have already learned about some important trail markers in Scouting - the twelve points of the Scout Law.



On the trail to Eagle, you will need to be **Trustworthy**. Just as for every bridge you cross, placing your trust in the builders and designers who made it, your fellow Scouts will need to be able to trust you. The journey you are taking is not easy. We all must learn to lean on each other for support along the way.

Being **Loyal** is something that will come in handy on this trail. Just as you need to earn the loyalty of your fellow Scouts in your troop and patrol, they will need to earn your loyalty. You will find that loyalty is best earned by sharing this trail with your fellow Scouts, learning together, through challenges and triumphs.

A Scout is **Helpful**. There are many who have helped you along the way thus far. Many of those who have been helpful are here with you tonight. We invite you to look around this room and say thank you to your Cub Scout leaders, your parents, your friends, and your fellow Scouts that have been a help to you. The best way to repay them for their helpfulness is to promise to be helpful to others. A helping hand can shorten even the longest trails.

As you leave the Cub Scout and Webelos program, you will have the opportunity to join a Scouts BSA troop and meet lots of new friends. We trust they will be **Friendly**, and welcome you into the troop. (*if appropriate, add: _____ and _____, serve as _____ in Troop _____ and are also here to welcome you.*). A Scout is a friend to all, especially to a fellow Scout, whether from the same troop or from anywhere else in the world.

While you have already learned a lot as a Webelos Scout, there is so much more to discover as we begin tonight. Others who have gone before you, older Scouts or adult Scouters, have much to offer you. A Scout is **Courteous** to others and shows respect, as there is something to be learned from everyone you meet.

While on the trail to Eagle, you will learn many skills that can benefit your world. You may even learn a skill that you will use to save someone's life. Learning about first aid, how to rescue a drowning person, or even how to tie a knot is useless without committing yourself to being **Kind**, and to use these skills to make your community, your nation, and your world a little better.

Your fellow Scouts and Scouters have much to teach you on your trail. Your fellow travelers deserve your respect. Scouts must be **Obedient** in order to learn, grow, and protect themselves.

The trail to Eagle is not an easy one. You might get discouraged. However, you will find that a **Cheerful** heart will carry you over even the roughest parts of your journey.

This trail is not undertaken lightly. It will come at a cost. We learn that a Scout is expected to be **Thrifty**, to use their money and resources wisely. Take care of what is given to you. The destination you seek at the end of your journey cannot be bought for any price.

A Scout must be **Brave** to face the trail to Eagle, and all the challenges that lie ahead. Take courage from your fellow Scouts and face the unknown in spite of any doubts or fears.

You will probably get a little dirty at times along the trail to Eagle. It is important that you complete this journey with your honor intact. Therefore, remember that a Scout is **Clean**, in thought and in actions. Your character will define who you are.



We remember our duty to God as Scouts and trust that you will remain **Reverent**, and secure in the knowledge that no one walks this trail alone.

Presentation of Arrow of Light Award (optional)

[A simple presentation as outlined below may be used here or the full "The Arrow of Light Ceremony" may be used instead]

We would now like to call upon _____, (Cubmaster/Webelos Den Leader/Parent-Guardian-Friend) to present the Arrow of Light Award to _____ (name of scouts or 'these Scouts').

[The presenter makes a presentation of the Arrow of Light Awards to the Scouts.]

The Arrow of Light Award represents the fulfilment of your hard work and dedication as Cub Scouts and Webelos Scouts. You have worked hard to earn it and we congratulate you. As a permanent reminder for all that you have learned here in Pack ___, wear your Arrow of Light Award proudly on your Scouts BSA uniform.

The Webelos to Scouts BSA Ceremony Resumes:

In a few moments, we will invite you to take your first step on the trail to Eagle. This trail will take you through learning new skills of Scoutcraft, leadership, and self-discovery. Mark the stages of this journey by earning the Scout Rank, followed by the Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class Scout Ranks. Once a First Class Scout, grow as a leader by taking on responsibilities, such as being a patrol leader, quartermaster, or troop guide. Earn merit badges that will show you the wonder of the natural world, open your eyes to a future occupation, and learn valuable skills you will use for the rest of your life. After you become a First Class Scout, continue your journey as a Star Scout, advancing to Life Scout. As a Life Scout, your goal will be fully in view, to one day again stand with your family and friends, much like you are today, receiving Scouting's highest honor, the coveted rank of Eagle Scout.

We invite you forward now, first to bid a fond farewell to your Webelos and Cub Scout leaders [from Pack ____], and then make your first step on the trail to Eagle, where we can welcome you to the Scouts BSA.

[While not required, some basic props will improve the visual appeal of the ceremony, help emphasize the appropriate points and aid the ceremonialists. Many of these ceremonies are traditionally staged with a decorative bridge or span to visually indicate the "crossing over" aspect of what this ceremony is often called. Such a visual prop can be easily incorporated into this ceremony here. Large representations of the Arrow of Light and Scouts BSA rank insignia can also be used.]

If a bridge or crossover-type span is available, the Scouts should be instructed to line up behind their Cubmaster or Webelos Den Leader on one side of the bridge. Otherwise, the Scouts and Cub Scout leader should line up to the left of the audience. The Scoutmaster, Senior Patrol Leader, ceremonialists, and other Scouts BSA representatives are invited to line up to the right of the bridge or right side of the audience.



As the Scouts names are called, the Cub Scout leader is then invited to shake the hand of the first Scout in line. The Scout is encouraged to walk toward the waiting Scouts BSA representatives, who each in turn shake hands with the new Scout. This would also be an appropriate time to present new scouts with a special troop neckerchief, hat, hiking stave or other local token of membership in the troop or Scouts BSA program. A brief explanation what is to be given to each new Scout may be added before or after all Scouts are recognized. Once all Scouts have been recognized, the ceremony continues.]

As Scouts, we are distinguished not just by our uniforms, but also by the oath or promise we make. The Scout Sign is made by holding up three fingers of your right hand [demonstrate the Scout Sign]. I now invite you for the first time as members of the Scouts BSA to commit yourself by making the Scout sign and by joining all Scouts in attendance in the Scout Oath or Promise.

[All present are invited to stand, make the Scout Sign, and repeat the Scout Oath. A poster or other type of visual display with the words of the Scout Oath are encouraged.]

On my honor,
I will do my best
to do my duty to God and my country
and to obey the Scout Law;
to help other people at all times;
to keep myself physically strong,
mentally awake and morally straight.

One day in the not too distant future, we hope to see you once again, surrounded by your family and friends, much like you are today, as you earn the title and distinction of becoming an Eagle Scout.

[Optional: The final point of the Scout Law is A Scout is Reverent; We now invite _____ to lead us in the benediction.]

On behalf of _____, the Scouts BSA, and the entire Scouting Family, we welcome you on the trail to Eagle. Let us congratulate our new Scouts!

Ceremonialists may elect to march out together, leading the new Scouts, singing Trail the Eagle.



THE WEBELOS TO SCOUTS BSA CEREMONY (ALTERNATIVE #2)

Purpose

This crossover ceremony was developed by members of Tiwahe Lodge. Whereas alternative #1 is a more formal ceremony, this alternative format is more engaging and may be more appealing to an audience comprised of a greater number of young Cub Scouts.

As in alternative #1, the ceremonialists dress in field uniform—the summer version with shorts and knee socks is preferred as being more distinctive, but is not required. They wear hiking shoes or boots. Each carries a knapsack or backpack that appears to be full. One carries a compass; one carries a map. Additionally, they may have such things as wooden hiking sticks and/or a patrol flag, a wooden canoe paddle, flashlights, canteens, a bugle, a sleeping bag rolled and strapped to a pack—backpacking and camping items that suggest outdoor adventure.

Setting the Scene

This ceremony is all about creating an atmosphere of adventure, friendship, and fun. Ceremonialists need to convey the impression—by dress, equipment, and attitude—that they are on a trek, and have come to a “point of interest.”

The ceremony is written for two Scouts, but can be modified for three or more, or for one. If one Scout must conduct it, the Scout presents the dialogue as a monologue; for example “I remember the echo in a canyon I hiked at Philmont...” etc.

The Cubmaster, in advance, has given the Scouts the names of the Webelos Scouts crossing over and the units they'll be joining. Representatives from the Webelos Scouts' new units participate at the designated time.

The Ceremony

The ceremonialists prepare out of sight of the Pack in a room or hall nearby, or out of sight and just out of earshot if outdoors. If a bridge is used, it is placed to one side, left or right of center, angled between the Pack and the ceremonialists' entrance.

When the Pack is ready, the Scouts “offstage” begin playing a kazoo or calling to the Pack to wake up, as if the Pack is camping at a summer camp. The Pack should hear them as if they are coming from a distance, growing nearer and louder. They continue as long as it takes to arrive in front of the Pack. If possible, the lights may be dimmed for the hikers' entrance, then raised as the skit begins. The Scouts enter the meeting area, cross the bridge if one is being used, and finish in front of the Pack. They take off their knapsacks and begin the following dialogue:



SCOUT 1 (Kazoo)

SCOUT 2 Wake up for Breakfast, Scouts!

SCOUT 1 According to this map, we're at the campsite of Pack # ___! Let's see if we can get confirmation.

[Calls to one side, one hand cupped to mouth on the side away from the Pack.]

Is this Pack # ___? *[Wait for scattered answers.]*

Couldn't hear that... is this Pack # ___? *[Should get a louder shout this time.]*

Yup, it is.

SCOUT 2 *[consulting a compass]*: One hundred and ___ campsites *[use the number of years since 1910, the founding year of the B.S.A.]* we've visited now, and here we are, Dan! *[The Scouts may use their own names if they wish.]*

SCOUT 1 *[holding a map]*: How 'bout that, Mark! Exactly the number of years since Scouting began in 1910.

SCOUT 2 *[speaking to the Pack]*: Well then, I'm going to say "hello" in my big, bright Scout voice, and you're going to say "hello" back in your big, bright Cub Scout voices! *[Cup hands around mouth, as a megaphone.]*

HELLO, Pack ____! *[Listen with hand cupped behind ear, then draw it out.]*

HELLOO!! *[Listen as before, then louder and longer.]*

HELLLLOOO!!! *[Allow response.]*

Wow! Nice echo here!!

SCOUT 1: Remember the echo in that canyon we hiked at Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico last summer? Now THAT was an echo!

SCOUT 2: And that track left in stone by a T-rex?

SCOUT 1: And climbing the Tooth of Time? Man, that was one tough mountain!

SCOUT 2: But the view was so great! Philmont is really something! And that's only one of the adventures we've been on since we joined our troop. Remember sailing and SCUBA at Sea Base in the Florida Keys? And in a year or so we can get in on that canoe trek in the Great North Woods wilderness at Northern Tier. And then there's white water rafting and zip lining at The Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia.

SCOUT 1: Those are big... but our troops hike, camp, or explore a new place nearly every month.

SCOUT 2: Yeah, there's so much fun stuff to do! It's like, anything you can imagine, there's a merit badge for it! Archery, Astronomy, Aviation!

SCOUT 1: *[with increasing excitement]* Climbing, Engineering, Environmental Science!



SCOUT 2: Moviemaking, Robotics, Space Exploration!

[The merit badges above have been selected for their range and “coolness,” but the ceremonialists may substitute their favorite merit badges if they wish.]

SCOUT 1: I’m glad we decided to be Scouts. *[pause]* Say, isn’t that why we’re here?

SCOUT 2: Yup. We’re here to meet some Webelos Scouts who are taking the next step on their Scouting trail!

Let’s see if they’re here. *[to the Pack]* If I call your name, c’mon up and join us.

[Scout 2 announces the names of the Webelos Scouts crossing over, giving time enough between names to allow each one to come up individually. Scout 1 leads applause for each one, gives each the Scout handshake, and shows them to a place in a line where the audience can see them.]

SCOUT 1 *[looking them over]:* Do you think they’re ready for the next step on the Scouting trail by advancing to Scouts BSA? It gets steeper from here on. Do you think they’re prepared?

SCOUT 2: Well, they may have “tender feet” for a while, but I think they’re made of the right stuff. What do you say, Scouts? Are you prepared? *[He waits for the group to answer “yes.” If they hesitate, he repeats the question.]*

Good! In Scouts BSA we are all on The trail to Eagle. It is challenging. Sometimes you’ll be on your own, making your own choices. But the fifteen points of the Scout Oath and Law are blazes that mark the trail. You’ll find, as Scouts have found for over a hundred years, that they will help you make those choices.

[The ceremonialists face the Webelos Scouts they have called up to indicate that they, not the Pack, are expected to repeat the Scout Oath and Law.]

Let’s say the Scout Oath:

CEREMONIALISTS & WEBELOS SCOUTS CROSSING OVER REPEAT TOGETHER:

“On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country
and to obey the Scout Law; to help other people at all times;
to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.”

SCOUT 2: And the Scout Law:

CEREMONIALISTS & WEBELOS SCOUTS CROSSING OVER REPEAT TOGETHER:

“A Scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent.”

SCOUT 1: We’ve got some gear for you that will come in handy on the trail. Will the representatives from the troops these Scouts are joining please come forward and make the presentations?

[Troop representatives come forward and present each Webelos Scout with the customary tokens, such as a troop neckerchief and a Scout Handbook, and assist with changing the Scout’s shoulder loops. The ceremonialists do this for Webelos Scouts whose new troops are not represented. The Webelos Scouts are now the ceremonialists’ companions on the trail, not just followers. To reinforce this impression, one



option might be to hand each Webelos Scout a hiking stick, or some easily carried item that the ceremonialists brought in, such as the map and compass.]

SCOUT 2: Your trail in Cub Scouting now continues into Scouting. It leads to life: to leadership, life-skills, character, and citizenship. This is the Trail to Eagle and we're on it! Let's see where it leads. Are you with us? [They answer "Yes."]

Okay! Then on to our next adventure!

[with an overhead wave of his hand] Follow me, Scouts!

Scout A leads the new Scouts accompanied by their troop representatives across the bridge (if there is one), out of the meeting space and away. Scout B steps back, puts on his backpack, waves, and follows.]

CUBMASTER: *[steps forward] Let's congratulate Pack #___'s most recent graduates, and thank*

___[Your-lodge-name, Order of the Arrow / the Scouts of Troop #___] for a fine ceremony!

[Cubmaster leads a round of applause.]



THE ARROW OF LIGHT CEREMONY

Introduction

This ceremony is designed to be performed by two Scouts dressed neatly in the full Scout Field Uniform. The “Voice of the Arrow” should be positioned out of ceremonial area, but should be able to view the movements of the participants. The ceremonial area should include a table with seven candles. An Arrow of Light styled candelabra is encouraged to provide a visual representation of the Arrow of Light badge. Six younger Cub Scouts are positioned in either a semi-circle or straight line (as space provides). These Scouts should be spaced apart, to represent the trail the Webelos have journeyed upon to reach the Arrow of Light. If available, the Cub Scout holding each rank sign, should be a Scout of that rank. This ceremony may be offered as a standalone ceremony or in conjunction with the about Webelos to Scouts BSA ceremony.

The Ceremony

SCOUT 1: There are some among us worthy of the highest award in Cub Scouting, the Arrow of Light. Let's seek them out and bring them forward.

SCOUT 2: It shall be done.

[Scout 2 finds the Webelos Scouts who are getting their Arrow of Light. They are formed into a line and lead to a Cub Scout holding the Lion symbol.]

SCOUT 2: These are the Scouts who are worthy of the Arrow of Light!

SCOUT 1: Go forth and seek the arrow on the upward trail.

[pause]

[If this ceremony is used in conjunction with the above “Webelos to Scouts BSA ceremony” begin this ceremony here]

Scouts stop behind each Cub Scout rank along the Cub Scout Trail “The Voice of the Arrow”, who is hidden from the audience, reads the narration for each station.

SCOUT 1: The seven candles represent the rays of the sun rising to illuminate a new day, just as you are embarking on a new phase in Scouting and in life. As they are lit, you will hear how they stand for the seven great adventures in Cub Scouting.

The Voice of the Arrow: LION: The youngest cubs who enter the Pack, take their first steps here on the Scout Trail. This is where the adventures in Scouting begin, and with the heart of a Lion, a young Scout will search for more.

Scout 2 leads the Webelos to the next station



The Voice of the Arrow: BOBCAT: All Cub Scouts encounter the tests of a Bobcat. They learn what it means to be a Cub Scout, and they learn the Scout Oath and Scout Law. With the keenness of a Bobcat, they embrace the three words that will inspire them to meet all other challenges: Do Your Best.

Scout 2 leads the Webelos to the next station

The Voice of the Arrow: TIGER – The next steps along the trail are spent as a Tiger. There, Scouts experience many new challenges. They learn new things, and with the fierceness of a tiger, continue to look for more.

Scout 2 leads the Webelos to the next station

The Voice of the Arrow: WOLF – While on the trail, a Cub Scout will next become a Wolf. Here they are met with challenges, harder than the Tiger tests, but with the cleverness of the Wolf, they will meet them and continue on their journey.

Scout 2 leads the Webelos to the next station

The Voice of the Arrow: BEAR – Now the trail becomes tougher and fainter. As a Scout reaches these heights, they become a Bear. New experiences and adventures are presented before them. A Scout's knowledge grows, and their spirit is strengthened. It is with this strength of spirit, like the Bear, that prompts them to move onward.

Scout 2 leads the Webelos to the next station

The Voice of the Arrow: WEBELOS - As they near the summit, a Cub Scout becomes a Webelos Scout. They begin to experience a deeper understanding of the ways of a Scout. As a Webelos Scout, they work on specialized activities, and explore the deeper meanings behind the Scout Oath and Scout Law. Now at last you have reached the summit and the highpoint of this part of your journey.

Scout 1 lights the seventh candle.

SCOUT 1: Let us congratulate these Webelos Scouts on reaching the Arrow of Light!

After the Webelos are recognized, the ceremonialists position the Webelos in a straight line facing the audience. The younger Cub Scouts exit.

SCOUT 2: As a symbol of your achievement, the arrow has been well chosen. The arrow point must be sharp, to pierce the wind. The shaft must be straight, to keep it on a true path. The fletching must be strong, to guide the arrow to its target. The Arrow of Light Badge is the only Cub Scout Award that can be worn on the Scouts BSA uniform. It serves as a link between the two programs, and points the way toward new adventures in Scouting. It is the first step on the path to Eagle Scout, the highest rank in Scouting. Wear it proudly!



SCOUT 1: Seven adventures of Cub Scouting, seven rays creating an Arrow of light. You will find that if you live by the virtues of the Scout Oath and Law, they will guide you to happiness and success throughout your life.

SCOUT 2: These Scouts have not made this journey alone. Many have aided them in their cause. Parents who have stood by them, please come forward, and stand behind them now.

SCOUT 1: *Gives out the Arrow of Light Award to parent(s) to present to Scouts*

SCOUT 2: Please pin the Arrow of Light Award, just below their left-hand pocket, and remain standing behind them.

SCOUT 1: Scouts, the sunrise on these badges shows us that you have completed the first steps of your journey. The arrow points you in the direction forward, to continue on to more adventures and fun, on the trail to Eagle Scout!

SCOUT 2: Here is an Arrow of Light Pin for you to pin on your parent. Parents, you should take pride in wearing the Arrow of Light pin. It honors your support during their time in Cub Scouting. They will need your continued support when they move on to Scouts BSA.

SCOUT 1: Let us now congratulate these new Arrow of Light Scouts.

SCOUT 2: Parents you may now return to your seats.

SCOUT 1: Now, as arrows arching skyward in the sunrise catch the light, know that you are seen by others as examples, shining and bright!

[If this ceremony is done in conjunction with the Webelos to Scouts BSA Ceremony, the Arrow of Light Ceremony concludes here. Resume the Webelos to Scouts BSA Ceremony beginning with the line "In a few moments, we will invite you to take your first step on the trail to Eagle."]

If the Pack is only using this ceremony, this would be an appropriate time to invite a Scouts BSA troop representative to invite and welcome the new Arrow of Light recipients to the Scouts BSA program. Alternatively, a reflection from a Den Leader or Cubmaster may be appropriate.]

SCOUT 2: Let us all repeat the Scout oath and Law together.

SCOUT 1: Let us now conclude this ceremony with a benediction. [slight pause] May the Great Scoutmaster of all Scouts be with us until we meet again.