**Story of Cub Scout Colors Ceremony**

This Ceremony is meant for Cub Scouts.

**Required:**

Leader.   
Awards.   
Tiger kerchief.   
Wolf kerchief.   
Bear kerchief.   
3 small clear bottle - containing water died yellow, blue, and orange.   
3 scouts, dressed in Indian attire.   
A tripod with a large cooking pot suspended over an imitation fire

**Preparation:**

Leader stands behind cookpot. 3 scouts are offstage.

**Notes:**

A small pot fits inside the large one and contains a yellow Wolf kerchief and a blue Bear kerchief and an orange Tiger kerchief and the awards to be presented. Dry ice may be packed around the small pot to give a smoking effect (smoke increases as water i

**Script:**

**Leader**: Many moons ago the great chief Akela called a council to see what could be done to make the Webelos tribe the best of all tribes. After many hours he called his three most trusted braves to the council fire. (He pauses as three braves come in and stand, one on each side of their chief.)   
**Leader**: He told the first brave to climb the mountain and ask the great eagle to fly high into the sky and bring back part of the sun. (The first brave leaves.)   
**Leader**: He told the second brave to go to the ocean and ask the salmon to swim far into the ocean and bring back part of the sea. (The second brave leaves.)  
**Leader**: He told the third brave to go into the forest and ask the fox to dig deep into the ground and bring back some of the earth. (The third brave leaves.)  
  
(All three scouts return carrying bottles - a bottle of yellow water, blue water, and orange water. They take positions, on the side of the fire, and hold bottles up for everyone to see.)   
  
**Leader**: (Addressing the first brave.) Pour some of the beauty of the sky into our council mixing pot.   
(The brave pours the liquid over the dry ice, being careful not to get any in the small pot.)   
  
**Leader**: (to second brave) Pour some of the beauty of the sea into our council mixing pot. (The second brave responds, and the boiling action increases.)  
  
**Leader**: (to third brave) Pour some of the beauty of the earth into our council mixing pot. (The second brave responds, and the boiling action increases.)  
  
**Leader**: From this day forward, blue will stand for truth and loyalty. Yellow will stand for happiness and good cheer. Orange will stand for curiousity and courage.  
  
(Akela stirs the pot, reaches in, and pulls out the orange, yellow and blue Cub Scout neckerchiefs. He holds them open for all to see, and speaks.)   
**Leader**: And that is why Cub Scouts use the colors blue, yellow, and orange. Now let us meet the parents and Cub Scouts who have helped to keep Cub Scouting alive and growing since we last met.   
(Akela stirs the pot again and takes the awards from the small pot. The boys and the parents are called forward and the awards are presented.)

**Arrow of Light Simple Ceremony**

This Ceremony is meant for Webelos scouts.

**Script:**

**Cubmaster**: Tonight we are assembled to honor those Webelos Scouts who have earned the Arrow of Light Award. Webelos has a wonderful meaning - We'll Be Loyal Scouts. The Arrow of Light is the highest rank a Cub Scout can reach. So, it is an honor tonight to present the Arrow of Light Award to these Webelos Scouts.   
We are striving to make it possible for every Cub Scout to attain this rank before he leaves the Pack to go into Boy Scouting. These Webelos Scouts have brought honor to the Webelos tribe. They have diligently climbed the Cub Scouting trail. They are now ready to go on to a bigger adventure in the great brotherhood of Scouting.   
Webelos Den Chief [name], please bring [names of Arrow of Light candidates] and their parents to the front.   
  
The parents will please stand behind their scouts. Webelos Den Leader [name], you have had much to do with the progress of these Webelos Scouts. Do you think them worthy of the Webelos tribe?   
  
**Webelos Den Leader**: Yes, I consider them worthy.   
  
**Cubmaster**: Den Chief, are they worthy?   
  
**Den Chief**: They are.   
  
**Cubmaster**: Parents, you have played the most important part in developing the character of these candidates. One of the greatest purposes of Cub Scouting is to develop comradeship between parents and sons. As you have worked together, your Webelos Scouts have learned to do things, to be useful, and to appreciate you. To you should go the honor of presenting your sons their awards.   
Our Webelos den leader will give the awards and certificates to you for presentation to your sons. Scout, please face your parents.  
  
(Webelos den leader presents certificates, awards, and safety pins to parents. The parents then pin the awards on their boys and congratulate them.)   
(Parent pins may also be passed out to the Scouts so they can affix them to their parent's lapel.)

**Akela Arrow of Light Ceremony**

This Ceremony is meant for Webelos scouts.

**Required:**

3 arrows: green, red, yellow  
large Arrow of Light symbol on stand  
(optional): campfire, drums

**Preparation:**

Lay the 3 arrows on the ground by the campfire.

**Script:**

**Cubmaster**: Tonight we have the special privilege of witnessing the presentation of the highest award in Cub Scouting, the Arrow of Light.  
  
(Lights are turned out and spots are shown on stage. Can have a slow drumbeat and campfire centerstage)  
  
**Cubmaster**: I, Akela, have heard the drums speak. I now call to the council fire, the following scouts and their parents - [call names]  
(scouts and parents come forward)  
  
**Cubmaster**: Gather around this campfire so that the others may look upon you. I, Akela, have heard of your great achievements and have brought for you the reward of your deeds. Look upon the symbol that stands beside you. (Spotlight on the Arrow of Light symbol)   
  
**Cubmaster**: Before you lie symbols placed here by your leaders. I, Akela, say to you Webelos Scout [one name], pick up the green arrow. Bring it back to your fellow Webelos scouts. All of you scouts as a single tribe, hold the green arrow with your left hand and give the Scout Sign.  
This green arrow represents perseverence and dedication to personal growth. Do you promise to continue to follow the trail of the Eagle, wherever it may lead you? If you do, say, "I Promise".   
  
**Cubmaster**: Webelos Scout [one name], retrieve the red arrow and have your fellow scouts hold it along with the green arrow.  
This red arrow represents the courage it takes to live the Scout Oath in your life.  
Give the Scout Sign. Do you promise to live the Scout Oath?  
  
**Cubmaster**: Now, Webelos Scout [one name], retrieve the yellow arrow.  
This yellow arrow represents the light and brightness that a true Scout brings to the world by obeying the Scout Law.  
Give the Scout Sign. Do you promise to be forever trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent?  
  
**Cubmaster**: This bundle of three arrows resembles the Scout sign. Like your three outstretched fingers, it stands for the three parts of the Scout Oath. Your hands holding the arrows together are like your thumb and little finger that, when brought together, stand for the bond that ties all Scouts together. Now you are ready to receive the highest award of Cub Scouting, the Arrow of Light.   
(Cubmaster retrieves bundle of arrows from scouts and sets it aside)  
  
**Cubmaster**: Before you stands the Arrow of Light. Within the tepee of many braves, this symbol has an honored place. Its shaft is straight and narrow - just as the path that you should follow throughout your life. Its tip points the way - the way to success in all that you do. It is pointing to the right - a symbol that nothing should be left undone; if it is within your power to do it, see that it is done.  
  
**Cubmaster**: And lastly, the symbol of the seven rays of the sun - one for each day of the week to remind you that every day is a new day, a day to do your best in everything. A day to honor your God and your country, to do your Good Turn, a new chance to follow the Scout Law and to remember these words: ON MY HONOR.   
  
**Cubmaster**: Now, Webelos Den Leader [name] will hand to the parents the Arrow of Light so they can pin it on their scout. Now the boys will pin upon their mom or dad the miniature Arrow of Light, and give them a big hug for all their help.   
  
**Cubmaster**: Now that you have received the Arrow of Light, let its light shine forth from you. Promise now to set an example for others to follow in your footsteps, set your eye on the Eagle and never waiver. Do you promise?   
  
**Webelos**: We promise.   
  
**Cubmaster**: I, Akela, declare that you are now full-fledged Arrow of Light holders. Pack, stand and join me in a roaring congratulations!

**Cross-Over Ceremony**

This Ceremony is meant for Webelos scouts.

**Required:**

Akela  
Sr. Patrol Leader or Scoutmaster of the troop receiving new scouts  
Simple cross-over bridge.

**Script:**

**Akela**: The moon is full, just as it was long ago on that night in the jungle when Mowgli first joined the wolf pack. It has been many years since Mowgli returned from living with the wolves. After he returned, he taught us many of the lessons he learned while in the jungle. The most important was that the strength of the wolf is the pack, and the strength of the pack is the wolf. That is why we are here tonight in this council ring.   
But just as Mowgli had to leave the pack, tonight we also have some man cubs among us who have grown strong and tall. The time has now come when they too must leave the pack to find their place in the world of men. They have learned many lessons as they have walked the trails of the bobcat, tiger, wolf, and bear.   
Tonight, these cubs are ready to begin their next adventure on their way to manhood. We will not hold them back, though we will miss them when they are gone. Instead, we will wish them well and send them into the wild where they will continue on their path.  
  
**Akela**: So let us begin. Parents, bring forward these man cubs.  
(Akela calls out the names of the Cubs who will be advancing to Scouts. Parents and Cubs come forward and face the rest of the pack.)  
  
**Akela**: Akela of men, do you hear me?  
  
**Sr. Patrol Leader**: I hear you, Akela of the man cubs. What is it that you want?  
  
**Akela**: We have among us several boys who have grown tall in body and strong in character. They have learned well the ways of the pack, but now they yearn to run with older boys in the wild places. They have been with the pack for many moons, and have been a source of pride for us all. But now it is time that they must leave us and search out greater adventure.  
  
**Sr. Patrol Leader**: I understand you and I will accept them into my tribe and guide them in those wild places.  
  
(Akela now leads the cubs, one at a time, to the bridge between Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts. He removes the Webelos kerchief and blue shoulder loops. He crosses the bridge to the scout waiting with scout handbook, troop neckerchief, and green shoulder loops.)  
  
**Akela**: These boys are no longer with our pack, yet we still call on the Great Akela of all Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts to always guide their way. We ask that the Great Akela watch over them as they learn to soar with Eagles in the wild places. And, in the fullness of time, we pray that these boys will return, tall and proud and strong, and present their own man cubs to be accepted into the pack. But until then, let us send them on their way with a mighty wolf howl.

**Bobcat Badge Ceremony**

This Ceremony is meant for Cub Scouts.

**Required:**

campfire prop - optional  
badges and pins or tape for affixing to uniform

**Script:**

**Akela**: The spirit of Cub Scouting burns here as it does in the hearts of Cub Scouts everywhere. The Cub Scout spirit is like a campfire. We must add wood to the fire or it will go out. In the same manner, we must add new boys to our pack, or the Cub Scout spirit will go out.  
  
**Baloo**: We have (number) boys who have earned the right to join our Pack.  
  
**Akela**: Are they ready to join in the Cub Scout spirit?  
  
**Baloo**: Yes, and they have learned the ways of our tribe. They have learned the Scout Promise, the Scout Law, and the Cub Scout Motto and their meanings. They have also learned the meaning and proper use of the Cub Scout Sign, Salute, and Handshake.   
  
These are the boys ready to join our Pack. When I call your name, come forward with your parents ...  
(Baloo calls the boys who are to receive the Bobcat badge.)  
  
(Both Akela and Baloo hand the badge to parents and congratulate the Cubs with the Cub Scout handshake)  
  
**Akela**: Parents, present the Bobcat badge to your son. The parent pin reminds you that Scouting is a family program.  
  
**Akela**: Will the new Bobcats join Baloo and me in saying the Scout Promise?  
  
**All**: 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.

**Tiger Wolf and Bear Paws Ceremony**

This Ceremony is meant for Tiger scouts, Wolf scouts, Bear scouts.

**Required:**

black water-based paint  
small paintbrush

**Script:**

**Leader**: When a boy joins our Cub Scouts, he earns the Bobcat badge and starts on an upward trail. This trail will lead him through the ranks of Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos and on to the highest award of Cub Scouting, the Arrow of Light. Tonight we are honoring scouts who have made significant advancement along this journey. I would like the following scouts and their parents to come forward. (Read names of Tiger scouts)  
I understand that you seek the rank of Tiger, is that true? (response) Please recite the Cub Scout Motto. (response)  
  
**Tigers**: Do Your Best.  
  
**Leader**: I can see by your knowledge of the Cub Scout Motto and the adventures that you have completed that you have worked hard along with your parents. You are now ready to become a Tiger scout.  
  
(With paint draw on the back of the Cubs hands the 1st toe) The first toe of the Tiger paw is for your work in making your family special.  
(Draw 2nd toe) The second toe of the Tiger paw shows you have learned about where you live.  
(Draw 3rd toe) The third Tiger toe says you are keeping yourself healthy and safe.  
(Draw 4th toe) The fourth toe stands for your effort in telling stories and communicating.  
(Draw the footpad) The pad of the Tiger paw represents your time spent outdoors.  
You have finished the requirements to be a Tiger Cub Scout and can continue to move up the scouting trail.  
(Present rank badges)  
  
**Leader**: I would now like the following scouts and their parents to come forward. (Read Wolf names)  
  
**Leader**: I understand that you seek the rank of Wolf, is that so? (response) Please recite the Scout Promise.  
  
**Wolf Scouts**: 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  
  
**Leader**: I can tell by your knowledge of the Scout Promise and your completed adventures that you have worked hard and put in much effort. These achievements are very important as they have helped you gain a deeper appreciation of many things. You are now ready to become a Wolf Cub Scout.  
  
(Draw 1st toe) The first toe of the Wolf paw is for your growth through feats of skill and having fun with your family.  
(Draw 2nd toe.) The second toe of the Wolf paw represents that you have learned about your home, community, country and your religious beliefs.  
(Draw 3rd toe.) The third toe stands for the skills you have gained in handling tools, trying new things, and making collections.  
(Draw 4th toe) The fourth toe represents your new appreciation for conservation and safety.  
(Draw the footpad) The pad of the Wolf paw represents your growth as a Cub and the increased responsibility you are now capable of handling. Wolf Cubs, remember the inscription of this paw. It shows you are ready to continue along the upward trail of Scouting.   
(Present badges)  
  
**Leader**: Would the following boys and their parents please come forward. (Read names)  
You are climbing on the trail to the Arrow of Light. Do you desire the rank of Bear? (response.) Then please recite the Scout Law.  
  
**Bear Scouts**: A Scout is:  
Trustworthy, Loyal, Helpful  
Friendly, Courteous, Kind  
Obedient, Cheerful, Thrifty  
Brave, Clean, and Reverent.  
  
**Leader**: I see that you have worked hard with your parents and Den Leaders to achieve your rank. You are ready to become Bear cubs.  
(Draw 1st toe) The first toe of the Bear paw symbolizes your increased understanding of God.  
(Draw 2nd toe) The second toe of the Bear paw symbolizes your new knowledge of your country, its folklore and heritage.  
(Draw 3rd toe) The third toe shows your increased appreciation of your family.  
(Draw 4th toe) The fourth toe stands for your increased understanding of your own self worth.  
(Draw footpad) The palm of the Bear paw represents your growth as a Cub, and your ability to take on new challenges and responsibilities. The climb up the Scouting trail is getting shorter, but steeper. Not everyone will finish. Follow the Promise and the Law so that no harm will come to you along the trail.  
(Present badges)

**Wolf Jungle Book Ceremony**

This Ceremony is meant for Wolf scouts.

**Script:**

(Call wolf scouts and parents, and den leader, to the front)  
  
**Cubmaster**: Many years ago, a boy named Mowgli was rescued by wolves, who raised him as their own. His wolf-parents, and Akela, who was the leader of the wolves, ensured that Mowgli grew strong in body and mind. Only by following Akela and his parents could Mowgli learn the skills and wisdom necessary to survive in the jungle.  
  
Mowgli explored far and wide, learning where he could find food. He learned tracking, and the ways of the jungle creatures. He learned to swim. He learned to find his way without becoming lost, and how to move undetected. He learned to find safe shelter. He learned the traditions of his pack. And he made friends among his brother wolves.  
  
When Akela was satisfied that he was ready, Mowgli’s wolf-parents presented him to be fully accepted by the pack as a wolf. Only when Baloo the bear and Bagheera the panther spoke for the boy and agreed to be responsible for his further training was he accepted.  
Likewise, tonight young Wolf candidates are presented to us.  
  
**Cubmaster**: (To den leader) Akela, you are the leader of this den. Have these scouts fulfilled the requirements of a Wolf?  
**Den Leader**: Yes, they have.  
**Cubmaster**: Parents, will you be responsible for their continued learning and growth?  
**Parents**: Yes.  
**Cubmaster**: (to audience) Pack, these scouts are ready to become brother Wolves. Please howl with your approval!  
(Pack howls until sign goes up)  
  
**Cubmaster**: Very well. You have proven yourselves and earned the rank of Wolf. Your journey is far from complete, as you will always have more to learn. You are no longer among the youngest in the pack, so you now are also expected to teach what you know to those with less experience and to set a good example so that they may follow in your footsteps.  
  
Tonight we congratulate you on your accomplishment and present you with this symbol so that all may know you as Wolves.  
  
(Present award to parents to pin onto uniforms.)  
  
Congratulations, brother Wolves.

**Bear Rank - Cherokee Legend Ceremony**

This Ceremony is meant for Bear scouts.

**Script:**

The Cherokee tell a legend of a boy who lived in one of their villages. The boy used to leave home and spend his days wandering in the mountains. At first, it would be for only a few hours at a time, but as the boy grew older he would be gone longer and longer. Eventually he was leaving before dawn and would not return until after dark.  
  
His parents were concerned with this behavior. He would not even eat at home. They noticed that long, brown hair was beginning to grow all over his body. They finally asked him why he preferred to be in the woods.  
  
"I find plenty to eat there, and it is better than what we have to eat in the village," he replied. "One day soon, I will leave and not return. If you like, you are welcome to come with me."  
  
His parents decided to discover what he was doing in the forest. The next day, they went with him as he trekked up the mountain. He took them the places where he found shelter. He taught them the ways he had learned to hunt. He showed them his water holes. The parents were impressed with all their son had learned and how self-sufficient he had become. As they stayed with him, they began to notice that the same long hair began to cover them as well.  
  
You, too, have become a Bear. Over the year you have learned many skills, and you have begun to become more independent. You have begun to change. You rely more on yourself or your den mates. But your parents are still welcome to share your adventure, and as you change, they change and grow as well.  
  
You have mastered many skills and achievements to reach this level, and tonight we commend you on your accomplishments.  
  
  
[Present Bear rank patch to parent to pin on his/her son's uniform.]  
  
Congratulations! Let’s all give a great bear growl!

**Indian Bear to Webelos Ceremony**

This Ceremony is meant for Bear scouts, Webelos scouts.

**Required:**

Fire or artificial indoor fire  
Indian headbands with feathers for Den Chief and Den Leader  
drum  
Webelos neckerchiefs, slides, handbooks, caps

**Preparation:**

3 Webelos scouts memorize the 3 Winds parts.  
Den Chief, Den Leader, and Akela have speaking parts.

**Script:**

Current Webelos den members come forward and sit in a circle around the fire with the den leader and den chief standing to the side of the circle.  
  
Advancement Chair, Cubmaster, or Bear den leader is Akela.  
  
**Akela**: Scouts of the Webelos tribe, I know of [number] boys who wish to join your council fire.  
**Den Chief**: Who are these boys that wish to join us?  
**Akela**: They are scouts of the Bear ... [read names].  
**Den Chief**: These Bears may come forward to the edge of our fire to be tested.  
(Bear scouts come forward. Beat drum while they are gathering.)  
  
**Den Chief**: Give the Cub Scout salute.  
**Den Chief**: Show me the Cub Scout handshake. (shakes with each scout)  
**Den Chief**: Wait here. (goes to the Den Leader)  
**Den Chief**: These scouts of the Bear are ready to join the Webelos.  
(hit drum once)  
  
**Den Leader**: Do I hear the South Wind?   
**South Wind**: I am the South Wind. I wish you good Scouting. As Cub Scouts you have been happy, game, and fair, and a credit to your den and pack.   
(hit drum once)  
  
**Den Leader**: Do I hear the East Wind?   
**East Wind**: I am the East Wind. I wish you well. I have spread the story of your fun and happiness as Bobcats, Wolves, and Bears in Cub Scouting with Pack [number], and how you lived up to the Cub Scout promise.   
(hit drum once)  
  
**Den Leader**: Do I hear the West Wind?   
**West Wind**: I am the West Wind. I would like everyone to know that these Cub Scouts going into the Webelos den did not walk the trail of Cub Scouting alone. Each had the help of his parents.  
(hit drum once)  
  
**Den Leader**: What are all the winds saying?   
**All Winds**: (All the winds in unison.) We wish you the best of luck in the Webelos den.   
  
**Den Leader**: The purpose of Webelos is to prepare scouts for their adventures ahead in Boy Scouts. Each Webelos scout can earn the Webelos badge and Cub Scouting's highest award, the Arrow of Light Award.  
  
**Den Leader**: Webelos, welcome these Bears into your tribe by putting on their Webelos neckerchief and slide, and cap, and giving him his Webelos Scout Handbook.

**Rank Achievements Ceremony**

This Ceremony is meant for Cub Scouts.

**Required:**

6 scouts - one that has completed each rank.  
Large replications of each badge - bobcat, tiger, wolf, bear, Webelos, and Arrow of Light.  
Each badge has that scout's lines taped to the back.

**Preparation:**

Lay the badges in order on a table at the front of the gathering.

**Notes:**

This is good for a meeting toward the end of the year, such as Blue Gold so you have scouts of every rank. Or, use it at the first pack meeting and invite a past Webelos scout back to do the Arrow of Light part.

**Script:**

**BOBCAT**: I have learned five new things. I can give the Scout Promise and the Scout Law. I promise to do my best. I am a Bobcat.   
  
**TIGER**: My adult partner and I are having fun learning about the world around us and Cub Scouts. We enjoy Searching, Discovering and Sharing. I am a Tiger.   
  
**WOLF**: I have completed seven adventures. I grew physically and spiritually. I developed habits and attitudes of good citizenship. As I grew in mind and body, I also grew within my family. I learned to get along with others and gained a sense of personal achievement. It is fun being helpful and doing your best. I am a Wolf.   
  
**BEAR**: I too have completed seven adventures. They required more skill and effort, but were fun and interesting. Many of the things I learned were preparing me to be a Boy Scout. I am a Bear.   
  
**WEBELOS SCOUT**: I have learned about the outdoors and leadership. I am a Webelos scout.   
  
**ARROW OF LIGHT**: I have learned the requirements to become a Boy Scout. I have visited a troop meeting and a Boy Scout outing. I have attained the highest award in Cub Scouting. I am The Arrow of Light.

**New Cub Scout Family Induction Ceremony**

This is Cub Scouting-Induction Ceremony-

Adapted from an Unknown Scouter.

Personnel: Cub master and 6 parents. Equipment: A table, 6 electric candles or flashlights.

Parent #1-Some people think that Cub Scouting is only for boys, but it isn’t. Cub Scouting is for the whole family.

Parent #2-Mothers and dads, as they work in Cub Scouting with their boys, strengthen their family ties.

Parent #3-Cub Scouts are considerate of others. They promise to help other people and do their best. When parents sign their boy’s membership application, they take on the motto: We

will help our son do his best.

Parent #4-Cub Scouting is an introduction to Boy Scouts of America. When parents are involved, they are helping to prepare their boy to enter Boy Scouting.

Parent #5-Cub Scouting operates to strengthen the family by living, playing, and growing together.

Parent #6-Today your boy is a 2nd grader. He has only a few more years of boyhood left before he looks away from home for his growing interests. What you do together today is important.

Cubmaster-Will all parents pledge their support to Cub Scouting? Now, join with the cub Scouts in the cub Scout sign and repeat the cub Scout Promise with me

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Let the Compass Guide You Advancement Ceremony

Props: Make a large compass to place in front of the advancement table.

Cubmaster: We look to the compass for our guide.

•To the east, where the new day begins we may find cub Scouts ready for the Bobcat badges. Will these boys and their parents come forward? Their eagerness is like the dawn of the day. (Present awards)

•To the south, where one experience the best of the day is the Wolf with his spirit of adventure. Will the Cub Scouts who have earned their Wolf badge come forward with their parents? (Present awards)

•To the north, heart of adventuring is the Bear hunting on the trail of Scouting. Will the Cub Scouts whohave earned their Bear badge come forward with their parents? (Present awards)

•To the west, land of the setting sun, is the Webelos, about to realize their boyhood dreams. Will these boys come forward with their parents? (Present awards)?

•Let the compass guide all of you on your trails and may you carry the ideals of Scouting all through your life.

**Pocket Advancement Ceremony**

Materials – A piece of tag board is cut in the shape of a pocket and covered with blue felt,

including a pocket flap and button. The badges which are attached are available at the Scout

office, or could easily be made out of cardboard. They are attached with masking tape. The

arrows are made of cardboard and covered with gold and gray felt.

Cubmaster: This is a pocket - a very plain pocket - not very interesting, and it could belong to

anyone. But wait, let's give this pocket to a Cub Scout.

Cubmaster places Bobcat badge on pocket.

Our pocket is turning into something with meaning. It represents a sense of belonging and will

soon bring our Cub Scout knowledge, skills, enjoyment and good fellowship. We would like to

present the following Scouts and parents their Bobcat badges.

(Cub Scout places Tiger badge on pocket).

Now our pocket turns to show cooperation and fun and learning with adult partners along the

first steps of Cub Scouts. We would like to present the following Scouts with their Tiger badges.

Please bring your parents with you as you come forward.

Cubmaster places Wolf and arrows on pocket.

With the Wolf rank, our pocket turns into something more special. It proudly displays the first

symbol of new-found knowledge of the flag, of keeping strong, of tools, of knots of safety, of

books and reading. It means our Cub Scout has mastered feats of fun. Tonight we are

privileged to recognize the following Cub Scouts who have achieved the rank of Wolf. Would the

following Wolf candidates and their parents please come forward?

Narrator places Bear and arrows on pocket.

Adding the Bear badge has increased our pocket's meaning even more. It shows our Cub Scout

Is completing increasingly difficult achievements which show he is growing in knowledge and

skill. Would the following Bear candidates and their parents please come forward?

Cubmaster places Webelos and Arrow of Light badges on pocket.

Our pocket has now had placed upon it the Webelos badge and Arrow of Light, the highest

awards which our Cub Scouts can achieve. To receive these awards, our Cub Scouts must

dedicate themselves to the hard work necessary in completing the required number of activity

badges and prove themselves ready to join the ranks of Scouting. Tonight we wish to recognize

these young men who have completed activity badges within the Webelos program. Will the

following boys and their parents please come forward?

(With the Webelos Scouts together, a candle ceremony may be added at this time.)

Our pocket is very special now. It is very rich in new possibilities. It opens up a whole new world

of challenges. Cub Scouting has taken our plain pocket, and turned it into a pocketful of

adventure, fun, and excitement. Congratulations to all the Scouts and their parents on all the

achievements.

**Pack Meeting ceremonies**

Starting the New Year off Right

6 Cub Scouts, each with a verse to read/memorize Scene – Cub Scouts in a line near the flag.

Cub #1: Another year is starting, and we’d like to welcome you, and tell you what our purpose is, and what we hope to do.

Cub #2: The Cub Scouts are a group of boys, it helps us to grow strong, it teaches us to do what’s right, and fight against what’s wrong.

Cub #3: It shows us how much we can do, if we work as a team. Then we’ll have fun and projects won’t be as hard as they first seem.

Cub #4: We’ll go on hikes and field trips, to learn of nature’s wonders. So we’ll respect her when we’re grown and not make any blunders.

Cub #5: And we’ll be shown in many ways that each Scout is our brother, and we will see the joy there is in helping one another.

Cub #6: We’ll learn to be good citizens, and hopefully we’ll see, that laws are made for all the men, so each man can be free.

ALL TOGETHER: To do this, the Cub Scouts need good leaders, that is true. That means we need the help of all of you. Please stand and join us in the Pledge of Allegiance

**Smile Closing**

Setting – 8 Cub Scouts with verses memorized or written on index cards as a reference.

Cub #1: I think there were 1,000 smiles here tonight, but did you know,

Cub #2: A smile costs nothing,

Cub #3: But it creates much.

Cub #4: It happens in a flash, but the memory sometimes lasts forever.

Cub #5: It cannot be bought, begged, borrowed, or stolen.

Cub #6: But it is of no earthly good to anyone unless it is given away.

Cub #7: So, if in your hurry and rush, you meet someone who is too weary to give you a smile,

leave him one of yours.

Cub #8: No one needs a smile as much as a person who has none left to give.