

Order of the Arrow - Arrow of Light Campfire

MC: There's a legend about an Indian chief who used to camp and hunt near here. They say that if his name is called three times, he will answer the call, and help you with your quest. If only I could remember the name of the chief ...

Plant: Akela!

MC: Excuse me, did someone say something?

Cubs: Akela!

MC: What?

Cubs: Akela!

(At the third yell, begin a slow, measured drumming as Akela walks into the campfire area. When he stops, a quick double beat and stop.)

Akela: Whom do you seek?

MC: We seek Akela, the mighty chief..

Akela: I am Akela. What do you seek?

MC: My young friends seek the Arrow of Light.

Akela: This is a worthy and noble quest. (Turns to Cubs). Young ones, hear me! I am Akela, your chief. I too, sought the Arrow of Light in my youth. Like many of your leaders, I found the arrow, and have worn it proudly. The trail you are on is not an easy one - it can be long and difficult.

All of you have been members of the clan of the Bobcat where you learned the promise and law that govern our tribe. Most of you have also been members of the Wolf clan and of the clan of the Bear. Along the way you have gathered arrow points in preparation for the quest you are now on.

Now, you are all members of the Webelos clan. Many of you have just begun your quest for the Arrow of Light while some of you are very near the end of your trail, and the Arrow is in sight. You have searched the four points of the compass in your quest, you have learned many things, and earned many honors.

The arrow, too, is the badge of my order. In time, as you follow the admonition contained in your clan name - We'll Be Loyal Scouts - you too may be privileged to wear this arrow. Your path is not easy. Join your brethren who have found the Arrow of Light, and have worn it proudly. I too, have worn the Arrow of Light. Listen to me, young ones. I am Akela.

(Measured slow drumming as Akela turns and exits the campfire area. When he is out of sight, a quick double beat.)