

## Sample Back-to-Back Arrow of Light/ Crossover Ceremonies

### Materials

- Awards
- Arrows
- 12 votive candles for the candelabra
- 4 tapers (two white, one yellow, one blue) -Arrow of light
- Green pillar candle -crossover
- Pack candelabra
- Lighter
- Table
- Blue, gold, or white table covering
- Flags

### ARROW OF LIGHT PART

**Cubmaster:** One of the reasons we are gathered here today is to acknowledge and to honor the following scouts who have earned the Arrow of Light award!

Scout A

Scout B

Scout C

Scout D

Will everyone please rise.

**Cubmaster:** Everyone may be seated.

As a Cub Scout, you have been guided down the Cub Scout trail with the help of many. You have been called here today because you have satisfied the requirements of Cub Scouting's' highest award: the Arrow of Light.

*(Lights the white taper on the table.)*

This ceremony is to remind you of the lessons you learned as Cub Scouts.

*(Lights the blue taper.)*

Blue represents the spirit of Cub Scouting: the spirit of giving goodwill and doing your best. Do you promise to fulfill the Scout Promise and the Cub Scout motto, Do Your Best, when you receive the Arrow of Light badge?

**AOL SCOUTS:** We do.

**Cubmaster:** *(Lights the white candle.)* White represents the Scout Law.

Youth and adult leaders will cheerfully show you the skills you need, but it will be up to you to live up to the 12 points of the Scout Law. Daily you will be faced with decisions and, at times, the trail will seem most difficult to follow. Make your choices by always remembering the Scout Law. In all you do, do you promise to be forever Trustworthy, Loyal, Helpful, Friendly, Courteous, Kind, Obedient, Cheerful, Thrifty, Brave, Clean and Reverent?

**AOL SCOUTS:** We do.

**Cubmaster:** *(Lights the yellow candle.)* Yellow stands for the Arrow of Light. Its shaft is straight and narrow: just as is the path that you Scouts 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. And lastly,

this is the symbol of the seven rays of the sun, one for each day of the week; this is 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 Country,  
to do your Good Turn,  
a new chance to follow the Scout Law  
and to remember these words: "On My Honor"

*(Blows out taper used to light the others.)* Each Scout has blazed their own trail toward the Arrow of Light award, and now the Arrow of Light will help them remember their promise to keep the Spirit of Cub Scouting alive. Do you promise to let its light shine forth from you, to set an example for others to follow in your footsteps, to set your eye on the Eagle and never waiver?

**AOL SCOUTS:** We promise.

**Cubmaster:** Then I, your Cubmaster, have the distinct honor to say to you: You are now full-fledged Arrow of Light holders! Parents, will you please pin your Scouts with their Arrow of Light emblems. *(Hands awards to each of the Scouts and parents pin patches on the Scouts' shirts under left pocket).*

*(Lights green candle)* Green symbolizes the beginning of your path toward Eagle as a BSA Scouts.

## CROSSOVER PART:

*The parents lead their Scouts to the beginning of the bridge, removes their AOL neckerchiefs, and takes their awards. Parents seat themselves in the audience.*

**Scoutmaster:** *(Stands on the other side of the bridge.) Troop XYZ would like to invite you to join them as you continue your journeys and your quest to uphold and instill the principals of the Scout Law.*

*Each older TROOP Scout steps forward and lights two candles and says 2 lines of the law.*

**Scout 1:** A scout is trustworthy, and loyal. A scout should trust others and be worthy of trust themselves. A scout is loyal and should remain loyal to their views and morals along with the ones they care for.

**Scout 2:** A scout is friendly and helpful. A scout should be a friend to all and should help others without being asked and without expecting recognition.

**Scout 3:** A scout is courteous and kind. A scout should be respectful, considerate, and polite to all those they meet. A scout should be kind to all those they come across.

**Scout 4:** A scout is obedient and cheerful. A scout should do what they're told when they're told to do it. A scout should go about their day and their chores in a happy and cheerful mood.

**Scout 5:** A scout is thrifty and brave. A scout should use resources in a logical and conservative matter. A scout should not be afraid to try new things, take on new challenges, and persevere into the unknown.

**Scout 6:** A scout is clean and reverent. A scout should clean up after themselves and keep a good sense of hygiene. A scout should respect others beliefs and opinions.

*AOL Scouts walk across bridge and receive their new neckerchiefs, and books from Scoutmaster*

**Scoutmaster:** You have now officially crossed over to Troop xyz. Through this program you will work to earn the ranks of Scout, Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star, Life, and Eagle with the help of those who have done so before you. (*Applause.*)