

Campfire Opening

This lit candle represents the spirit of Scouting. Like a candle, the Spirit of Scouting has a "glow" of its own. It is easily passed from one to another. (Lighting the candles of the first four people, they then light the candles of the next four people, and so on until all candles are lit.)

Now as we light each other's candle, notice how bright the light gets as the candles unitedly burn. The Spirit of Scouting, like the candles, glows brightly when amongst other Scouts and Scouters.

Being human, we all make mistakes that dim or (blow out speaker's candle) temporarily extinguish the Spirit of Scouting and if we are quick to make right that which we did wrong the spirit is quickly and easily rekindled (light the speaker's candle).

As we light this fire, may it remind us of the Spirit that is within each of us. (Speaker lights fire.) WOOOOOSH! You may now blow your candles out.