

## **MULTIPLE ADVANCEMENT CEREMONY**

This ceremony is designed for use when there are many different ranks receiving advancement and there is not time for individual ceremonies. This allows Bobcats, Wolves, Bears and Webelos to advance together in one ceremony.

CHARACTERS: *Akela* in full Indian Dress, Some *Drummers* with Indian trimmings, *Shere Kahn* in some form of Tiger Suit, *Cub Master* in Uniform or Indian stuff.

The pack is seated in a semi-circle around the council fire. The drummers make the other half of the circle. There is room for circle entrance between the drummers. The boys who are to receive rank are on the inside of the circle.

**CUBMASTER:** TONIGHT WE HAVE SEVERAL BADGES OF RANK TO PRESENT. THE BADGE OF RANK IS A SPECIAL HONOR. TO HELP WITH THE PRESENTATION WE WOULD LIKE TO CALL ON GREAT CHIEF AKELA, THE CHIEF OF ALL CUB SCOUTS. BEFORE WE CAN CALL HIM WE MUST HAVE COMPLETE SILENCE. (PAUSE) DRUMMERS SUMMON OUR CHIEF.

(Exit CUBMASTER. Drummers start. Appropriate background music here.)

(Enter Akela through the top of the circle through the drummers. As Akela raises his hand the drums stop)

**AKELA:** WHY HAVE I BEEN SUMMONED ?

(Abruptly enter SHERE KAHN the Tiger who is menacing the boys who are to receive rank)

**SHERE KAHN:** BECAUSE THESE MAN CUBS ARE AFRAID OF ME AKELA. THEY CLAIM TO BE A PART OF THIS PACK BUT I THINK THEY ARE WEAK. THEY SHOULD BE GIVEN TO ME.

**AKELA:** YOU KNOW THESE CUBS ARE STRONG IN THIS PACK. THEY WILL SHOW YOU. I AM THE CHIEF OF ALL WEBELOS. WEBELOS STAND AND SAY THE LAW OF THE PACK.

( Webelos say Law)

**SHERE KAHN:** I SEE THEY ARE WISE AND STRONG, BUT THEY ARE OLDER. I SHOULD HAVE THE SMALLER ONES!

**AKELA :** THESE WOLVES AND BEARS ARE NOT TO BE YOURS. THEY BELONG TO THIS PACK ALSO. THEY WILL SHOW YOU. BEARS AND WOLVES STAND TOGETHER. SAY THE MOTTO LOUDLY FOR THIS OLD FIERCE TIGER THAT HE MAY HEAR YOU WELL.

( Bear and Wolves say the Motto)

**SHERE KAHN:** I SEE THEY ARE BOLD AND BRAVE, BUT... THE SMALLEST AND NEWEST BOBCATS... SURELY YOU WILL ALLOW ME TO HAVE THEM , WISE AKELA.

**AKELA:** BOBCATS ARISE YOU ARE THE NEWEST HERE BUT I KNOW YOUR SCOUTING SPIRIT IS STRONG. YOU MUST SAY THE PROMISE TO PROVE YOURSELF.

( Bobcats say the Promise)

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**SHERE KAHN:** WELL, I SEE THESE CUBS ARE TRULY YOURS, WISE AKELA. BUT THOSE WHO DO NOT LEARN THE WAYS OF THE CUB SCOUT MAY SOON COME DOWN MY TRAIL.

**AKELA:** BE GONE FROM OUR COUNCIL RING SHERE KAHN. WE MUST HONOR THESE SCOUTS AND THEIR PARTENTS WHO HAVE TAUGHT THEM WELL.

( ENTER Cub Master who presents awards to parents as Akela gives the Cubs the Cub Scout handshake. )

( exit Akela)

**CUBMASTER:** THANK YOU WISE AKELA. I NOW PRESENT TO THE PACK OUR NEWEST BOBCATS, WOLVES, BEARS, AND WEBELOS.