CUBMASTER: Tonight we have 3 Cub Scouts who will embark on a new adventure in Scouting. Will those Scouts who are joining Troop 16 gather with their parents over on the left side of the bridge?

To the AOL Parents: During the years you and your sons have been in Cub Scouting, we have had numerous opportunities to work together along your trail. Your boys have reached the age and completed the required achievements to enter Boy Scouts. I’m sure you and your sons will find the same satisfactions there that you found in Cub Scouting. As a symbol of the growth of your sons and their entrance into Boy Scouting, I will ask you to prepare to guide them across the bridge into Boy Scouts when Mr. Chad obtains permission for your sons to enter their new Troop.

CUBMASTER: Hello! Scouts of Troop 16!

SCOUTMASTER: Hello! Cub Scouts of Pack 2! What do you desire?

Mr. Chad: I have the following Cub Scouts of Pack 2, Tyler Greene, Bobby Datson, and Adam Lenihan. They have prepared themselves for entrance into Troop 16 and all wear Cub Scouting’s highest award, the Arrow of Light.

SCOUTMASTER: Bring them forward to the bridge that joins us.

(Mr. Chad leads parents and boys to the bridge. Scoutmaster crosses the bridge and are introduced to the parents and boys.)

CUBMASTER: Boys, it has been a sincere pleasure knowing and working with you. In a few moments, you will no longer be Cub Scouts. I hope and pray that the desire, eagerness, interest and free spirit you have shown in Cub Scouting carries over into your families, church, school, circle of friends, and everything you do in your lives.

The trail to Eagle still lies ahead of you. It takes a strong desire, a willingness to sacrifice, a lot of guts sprinkled with a lot of love, to make it to the end of this trail. So, this is just the starting point. May your travels be ever onward and upward. May you have a marvelous journey toward being a successful, active, contributing citizen of the community.

Boys, you have contributed much to your den and pack, and we shall miss you and your parents. You leave us to enter Troop 16. There, I’m sure, you’ll continue to grow in Scouting skills and friendships.

Now that you are leaving our pack and Cub Scouting, will you please remove your neckerchiefs, hats and shoulder boards and give them to your parents? Your new Scoutmaster will soon present you with a token of your status as new Boy Scouts of Troop 16.

As you leave Pack 2, I would like to present to you a token to start you on your new path (present a compass to each boy). Let this compass be a reminder to you to always follow the right path. As the compass needle serves as your guide, so too will the Scout Oath and Scout Law guide you through your next stage of Scouting. Now cross over the bridge, and join your new Troop.

(Scouts and parents follow the Scoutmaster(s) across the bridge)

SCOUTMASTER: As Scoutmaster of Troop 16, I welcome you and your parents. There are many traditions in our troop, so many that we would not attempt to relate them all to you now. Instead, it is our pleasure to present you with this token of our Troop. We welcome you to our troop with your first official handshake. (Scoutmaster shakes hands with each boy.)

Cubmaster: (To the audience, while the boys the getting outfitted with Boy Scout gear). In Cub Scouting, the boys’ motto is to “Do Your Best”. This encourages the scouts to always give their best individual effort. When a scout gives their best effort, they can know they did a good job. This motto is inward focused and encourages the cub scout to grow as an individual. In Boy Scouting, the scouts motto is “Be Prepared” and the slogan is “Do a Good Turn Daily”. These 2 guides provide an outward focus and help the older boy scouts to grow in their ability to help others. It is from strong, well-formed individuals (our cub scouts) that our young adults can have the strength and confidence to be able to help those in need.

Scoutmaster: It is with great pleasure that I introduce the new members of Troop 16 – Adam Lenihan, Tyler Greene, and Bobby Datson. Please join me in congratulating them.