

Yule Log Opening

For Packs: (Source: <https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/2007-12.pdf> - page 2)

Props: Yule log, with three candles in the log. A fourth candle is used to light the others.

CUBMASTER: With all the festivities of this busy holiday season, the Cub Scouts of Den _____ will light our Yule log, which will burn throughout our meeting tonight, and offer to you their holiday wishes.

CUB SCOUT 1 (lighting candle): This wish is for all your dreams to come true.

CUB SCOUT 2 (lighting candle): This wish is for peace for all the children of the world.

CUB SCOUT 3 (lighting candle): This wish is for a year during which everything goes well for those we hold dear.

For Troops:

LEADER: In many lands, at this time of year, people bring a Yule Log into their home to burn in the fireplace, symbolizing warmth, peace, and the return of light to the world during the long winter nights. Tonight, our Yule Log brings wishes for all those around the world. (*Name of first Scout*), would you light the first candle?

(First Scout comes forward and lights the first candle.)

SCOUT 1: This first candle represents our wish that dreams come true for all people, that everyone may find hope and happiness in the future.

(Second Scout comes forward and lights the second candle.)

SCOUT 2: This second candle represents our wish for peace on Earth, that all children, all families, and all nations may live together in harmony.

(Third Scout comes forward and lights the third candle.)

SCOUT 3: This third candle represents our wish that we all have a good year ahead, filled with health, joy, and the spirit of Scouting as we do our best to help other people at all times.

(If using more candles, continue the pattern with additional Scouts and wishes.)

LEADER: May the light of these candles lighten our hearts and our paths throughout this year and the next. May we always remember the warmth of fellowship and the importance of a daily Good Turn.