Generic Lodge OA Call-out

Setting: stage with campfire and 4 primary speakers, dressed in Native American regalia appropriate for their title, although never referring to their title aloud (the four principals). Torchbearers in appropriate regalia, as needed.

Note that the principal’s names (Kichkinet, Nutiket, Meteu, Allowat Sakima) are not spoken or used aloud during this call-out. They are written here only to assign parts of the ceremony, with regalia as appropriate for the assigned part. If you wish, you may change their names to Guide, Guard, Medicine Man, and Chief…

Scene 1
Kichkinet: (walking out first from behind the campfire)

Greetings Parents and Fellow Campers:

It is my privilege to bring before you my brothers in the Order of the Arrow.* Our purpose tonight is to recognize and honor those among us who have been found worthy of admission to our brotherhood, known as Scouting’s National Honor Society.

*(Nutiket, Meteu, and Allowat Sakima follow Kichkinet, in that order)

Scene 2
Nutiket: (stepping to the front)

Fellow Scouts and guests, look closely on those who will be recognized tonight – these are Scouts who have advanced to First Class or beyond, and are experienced campers. By virtue of their Scout-like example to the members of their troop, they were elected by their fellow Scouts for this honor. As honor campers, they join a long tradition of Scouts who have distinguished themselves as leaders in their troop.

Scene 3
Meteu: (stepping to the front)

Our brotherhood is not a new fad – the Order of the Arrow was started at a Scout camp in 1915, and in 1948 the OA became the official honor camper society of the Boy Scouts of America. Called the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service, the OA has a long history of providing service to the local council - from work projects at camp to assistance with Scouting events, the OA leads the way in setting the example of servant leadership. In our own council, the Order of the Arrow has been active since ______. The name of our OA lodge here in the ___________ Council is ________, named after the _________________________________.

Each member of the _______ Lodge wears the emblem of our lodge proudly on the pocket flap of his Scout uniform.
Scene 4
Allowat Sakima: (stepping to the front, as Nutiket and Meteu step back)

The Purpose of the Order of the Arrow is fourfold:

To recognize those campers – Scouts and Scouters – who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives, and by such recognition, cause other campers to conduct themselves in such manner as to warrant recognition.

To develop and maintain camping traditions and spirit.

To promote Scout camping, both year-round and in the summer camp.

To crystallize the Scout habit of helpfulness into a life purpose of leadership in cheerful service to others.

As you can see, our brotherhood is not just for recognition, but is also a call to servant leadership – the OA emphasizes the ideals of cheerful service to reinforce the values found in the Scout Oath and Law.

Scenes 5 and 6
Nutiket:

Recognition of Candidates

As I call out the name of each new candidate for membership in the OA - Scouting’s National Honor Society, please come to the front to be recognized:

Call out: name of candidate / unit number / community

Each one is met at the front of the stage by Kichkinet, who leads him to Allowat Sakima, who gives him the Scout handclasp. Meteu then leads him to a formed line of candidates, and gives him a letter of recognition and welcome from the Lodge Chief.

Scenes 6 and 7 – “the challenge”
Allowat Sakima:

(Moving toward the campfire in front of the line of candidates:)

Parents and Fellow Scouts, look upon these new candidates for membership in our brotherhood – these are the Scouts who live out the Scout Oath and Law as they serve those in their troop.
Rightfully so, they are now chosen to embark upon another challenge, to seek to develop a life purpose of leadership in service to others.

As our campfire burns brightly to illuminate those honored tonight, may the ideals of Scouting burn within each Scout here, so brightly that all may see the virtues of cheerful service. As we leave this place tonight, may it be the goal of each Scout in this audience to evaluate his commitment to the Scout Oath and Law, and in so doing, strive to be worthy of the honor bestowed on these we have recognized here tonight.

_Candidates are then led in single file by Kichkinet, with Nutiket and Meteu on each side of the line, and Allowat Sakima at the end of the line. They are led to a previously specified place, where they are given the Spirit of the Arrow booklet 1, and information on upcoming Lodge Ordeals._
Scene 1—Kichkinet proceeds from behind fire, followed by Nutiket, then Meteu, then Allowat Sakima, each one coming behind the other to his place marked above.

Scene 2 - Nutiket moves up for his first speaking part.
Scene 3 - Meteu moves up for his first speaking part.

Scene 4 - Allowat Sakima moves up for his first speaking part, as Nutiket and Meteu move back to their original position.
**Scene 5** - Nutiket moves up for the Recognition of Candidates.

**Scene 6** - As Nutiket calls out each candidate’s name, Kichkinet meets the candidate at the aisle, and leads him to Allowat Sakima. Meteu then leads the candidate to his place in the line of candidates formed in the back.
Scene 7 - After the last candidate has been called-out, Kichkinet positions himself at the front of the candidate line, with Nutiket and Meteu proceeding toward the front of the line. Allowat Sakima then proceeds toward the fire, passing in front of the line of candidates as he speaks the first paragraph of “the challenge”. When he reaches the campfire, he speaks the second paragraph of “the challenge”. After the challenge, Kichkinet leads the procession, with Nutiket and Meteu flanking the line. Allowat Sakima is at the end of the procession, and is the last to leave the stage.