

FLAG CEREMONY

BUGLER sounds Attention.

PATROL LEADER leads color guard in with flags, coming to halt facing audience. (Do not post the colors yet).

PATROL MEMBER #1: Sir, may I ask a question?

PL: Yes.

PATROL MEMBER #1: Why do we salute this flag?

PL: To show that we respect it as the emblem of our country -- one nation, indivisible -- with liberty and justice for everyone.

PATROL MEMBER #2: Sir, why does the red appear on our flag?

PL: Because red was the color of Mother England. Englishmen gave their blood for liberty.

PATROL MEMBER #3: Sir, why do the white stripes separate the red?

PL: Because when England denied us liberty, we separated from her.

PATROL MEMBER #4: Sir, why is the union shown by a constellation of stars?

PL: Because our union was formed with the help of God.

PATROL MEMBER #5: It is a beautiful flag. And it stands for a great nation.

PL: Let us all pledge it our allegiance. . . . Right hand, salute! . . . I pledge allegiance . . . etc.

(PL leads pledge, with everyone joining)

PL: Bugler, sound off!

BUGLER plays To the Colors.

PL: Two. Color guard, post the colors (colors are posted). . . . Color guard, dismissed!

PATROL LEADER leads color guard out.