

Silver Tail Ceremony

(Leader 1) While the White tail Beavers are older than the rest of the colony, Keeo was bigger. When Keeo swam, he made waves. Today, the waves were made by the coming storm. As it often happens, the storm winds grew stronger. The Trees started to bend. The white tipped waves rolled across the pond. All the beavers scurried for their shelter. Keeo checked to see that each kit was safely in their lodge. The older beavers stood guard near the lodges.

(Leader 2) Suddenly, a brilliant flash lit up the sky. It wasn't lightening. It wasn't the sun. There was something magical about it. The light shone where all the older beavers sat. They knew something magical was happening to them. Their fur was changing to silver. To their great surprise, they found that they were thinking in "beaver" as well as like a human – with words.

(Leader 3) When the storm passed, all the younger beavers gathered around the new silver beavers. In beaver language, Keeo explained that the older beavers had seen the magical flash of light and they could now speak with the humans.

(Leader 4) The older beavers wondered why they could talk with the humans. "It is up to you to talk to the human families on behalf of all the forest animals, especially us beavers," said Keeo. "With your help, we can learn from them and they can learn from us how to take better care of the world.

(Section Lead) With their new talents, the Silver White Tail Beavers ventured on to land to explore and communicate with the world around them.