For Whom the Tiger Roars

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Within this silent circle of friends
   We hear the tiger roar.
In Secrecy, Conspiracy—
   When will the tiger score?

The candle in the tiger's eye
   Doth know for whom she seeks.
'Tis love for which the candle burns,
   For which the tiger speaks.

The candle 'round the circle goes
   Now passed from hand to hand.
Anticipation of the end
   Enthralls this sisterly band.

Now once more 'round the candle goes
   To seek the one for whom she glows,
In sudden darkness stakes her claim.
   For Me the tiger roars His name!