



Buckskin Lodge #412

Order of the Arrow

Theodore Roosevelt Council, BSA

Dear Candidate,

Congratulations on your election into the Order of the Arrow! You were chosen as someone who exemplifies the Scout Oath and Law in your everyday life. Our lodge is grateful to have dedicated Scouts like you in our council who cheerfully serve others to the best of their ability

As I am sure you have some questions about what your next step is, this packet serves as your official information guide for your upcoming Ordeal weekend. The Ordeal offers a unique opportunity to reflect by undergoing a series of tests. Please be assured that these tests are very much within your capabilities. Do not let others fool you or shake your confidence. The Induction Weekend is a personal experience and will teach you much about yourself and is an experience that will not be soon forgotten.

The induction weekend will be taking place from November 3rd through November 5th. Check-in will begin at 5:00pm and end at 7:00pm. All candidates **MUST** arrive at Schiff Scout Reservation by 7:00pm. Candidates are required to be in attendance during the entire time to complete the Ordeal Induction.

After your Ordeal, it's time to celebrate! We have a super fun program planned for you and all of our Arrowmen. This weekend is sports-themed, so be sure to have your favorite sport/team's merch and jersey for Saturday night. There will be patch trading, games, events, and much more!

Once again, congratulations on being elected! I am looking forward to meeting you at our upcoming induction weekend. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the weekend or the Ordeal process, please contact cataldim13@gmail.com and smithbro@aol.com.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Michael Cataldi
Lodge Chief

Philip McCabe
Lodge Adviser

Ordeal Candidate Schedule

You have been selected to become a member of the Order of the Arrow, also known as the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service. To fulfill your election into this Society, you will have to complete an Ordeal Weekend. We'd like you to get off to a good start, so we've gathered the information you'll need to safely participate in activities and carry out tasks to have a successful Ordeal Weekend experience.

Friday

- Check-In 5-7pm
You should ask another member of your unit or a friend to keep your Saturday Night gear and save you a place to sleep Saturday night.
- Pre-Ordeal Hikes
- Pre-Ordeal Ceremony
Class A / Field Uniform

Saturday

- Ordeal Projects
Class B / Work Clothes
- Ordeal Ceremony
Class A / Field Uniform
- Feast
- Fun & Fellowship
Activities include: Patch Trading, Outdoor Games, Music

Sunday

- Breakfast 8am
- Flags 8:45 pm
- Religious Services 9am
- New Arrowmen Orientation 9:15am
- Camp Breakdown
- Camp Closed 12pm



Ordeal Candidate Gear List

The following list is the gear needed for the Ordeal, this should be packed in a day bag and ready to go on Friday night. Please bring anything else you would usually bring on a weekend camping trip. It is also necessary to bring a tent to this event. Be sure to check the forecast before you come and arrive dressed in outdoor clothing appropriate for the weather.

Sleeping Bag

Poncho

Tarp / Ground Cloth

Pocket Knife

Sleep-wear

Flashlight

Work Clothes

Water Bottle

Health & Safety

Brothers & Candidates,

All participants are required to have updated Part A, B1, and B2 of the BSA Medical Forms (from within the last 12 mos.). For minors, these forms must be filled out by the participant's guardian. Please note, these forms do NOT need to be completed by a healthcare professional in NYS and are to be updated with any changes in health.

Anyone who is taking any medications while at this event, must have ALL medications listed on Part B2 of the medical forms including any over-the-counter medications (OTC) taken on a routine basis. Any medications listed on the medical form are expected to be with the participant upon arrival.

As per national policy, anyone driving to and from camp must be at least 18 years of age.

- **Anyone without the medical forms will not be permitted into camp.**
- Anyone under the age of 18 will have to hand their medications in at medical check-in. All medications must be in their original labeled container. All medications listed on the medical form must be brought to camp unless documentation is provided to reflect any differences.
- The medical team on-site will distribute all medications as prescribed and confirmed by the guardian on-site.

You MUST have a BSA Medical Form Parts “A” & “B” in paper format

NO Electronic Medical forms will be accepted

You cannot participate without the BSA Medical Forms - You WILL be sent home.

Yours in Scouting,

Jenn O'Brien
Chief Medical Officer

Aidan Stutzmann
Medical Staff

The Trunk

Once you are a member of the OA, you're going to want to show it. Be sure to visit The Trunk to purchase all your OA merch! We have patches, t-shirts, sweatshirts, hats, and all the OA paraphernalia you could ever want!

Event Contacts

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SCHIFF SCOUT RESERVATION

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