



Memorandum

To: Scoutmasters and Varsity Team Coaches

From: Eisen Gross
Tahosa Lodge Chief

Date: January 2009

Subject: Ordeal Registration Forms

This year, members of your unit elected one or more youth as a candidate for membership in the Order of the Arrow. To become a member each of these candidates, must participate in our Ordeal activities and induction ceremony.

Enclosed are registration forms and a letter from me *To the Order of the Arrow Candidate* with instructions for attending an Ordeal.

*****It is important that you distribute them to each elected youth. IT IS THE ONLY INSTRUCTIONS THEY WILL RECEIVE ON ATTENDING AN ORDEAL.*****

We look forward to the Scouts of your unit becoming members of our Lodge. Although their first responsibility remains with their Troop or Team, I am sure they will find our program of fun, cheerful service to others, fellowship, and leadership development a rewarding experience in their Scouting career.

If you have any questions, please send me an email at LodgeChief@tahosalodge.org.



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To the Order of the Arrow Candidate

Recently you were elected by members of your unit to become eligible for membership in the Order of the Arrow. Your selection in itself signifies that you live up to the Scout Oath and Law and that you are indeed an honor camper. I offer you congratulations on behalf of your Chapter and Lodge. However, before you become a member you must first undergo an Ordeal to test your sincerity and worthiness.

Your Ordeal must be completed at one of our Spring Cony Parties, during summer camp, or at the Council Service weekend of this year. You do not have to be attending camp to do your Ordeal during the summer at Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch. Please call, (303) 480-0805 ext 172 for additional information concerning Ordeals at camp.

The first Cony Party at Peaceful Valley is May 1-3 for **White Buffalo Chapter (Frontier District) the host, Spirit Eagle (Pioneer Trails District), and White Eagle Chapter (Arapahoe District).**

The second Cony Party at Peaceful Valley is May 8-10 for **Medicine Pipe Chapter (Centennial District) and Medicine Bear Chapter (Valley District) the host.**

The third Cony Party at Tahosa is May 15-17 for **Running Antelope Chapter (Timberline District) and Kodiak Chapter (Gateway District) the host.**

Please arrive wearing your Scout uniform. Check in at headquarters between 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Friday evening. Remember to eat before you come, dinner will not be served. If you have any food allergies, physical limitations, or medications you take be sure to check in with the Lodge Chief, Lodge Adviser, or a designee when you arrive for your Ordeal. **The Cony Party will end at approximately 10:00 a.m. on Sunday. Return transportation should be scheduled accordingly.**

In addition to your uniform, you will need to bring:

Personal camping equipment	Sleeping Bag	Two ground cloths
Canteen/water bottle	Rain gear	Tent
Work gloves	Work cloths	Cold weather gear
Day pack/backpack	Pocket knife	Totin' Chip

**** Remember to bring a Denver Area Council Class I Medical form. ****

The fee for the Cony Party and Ordeal is \$35.00. This includes your OA Sash, Lodge dues through December 31, 2009, membership packet and all Saturday meals and Sunday breakfast. The Tahosa Lodge trading post will be available to purchase additional Order of the Arrow items after your Ordeal.

If you have any questions, feel free to give me a call at (303) 480-0805 ext 172 or contact your local Chapter Adviser.

Sincerely,

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