

This publication will provide
information about your
induction into the Order of the
Arrow.

Please bring a personal copy to
your induction weekend.

Tsoiotsi Tsogalii Lodge
Order of the Arrow



Candidate Guide

2016

Candidate,

Congratulations on being tapped as an Ordeal Candidate in Tsoiotsi Tsogalii Lodge. The Order of the Arrow is perhaps the most highly regarded institution within the Boy Scouts of America. Admittance to this honor society is granted only to those honor campers who exemplify the Scout Oath and the Scout Law in their daily lives. Your peers have found you to be worthy to wear our sash, and we extend to you an invitation to join our brotherhood.

As an Ordeal Candidate, your greatest trial is still ahead of you. Before you are inducted as a brother in the Order of the Arrow, you must first pass through an Ordeal. This Ordeal will test your willingness to serve your brothers cheerfully, and without regard to your personal well-being. Throughout this Ordeal, you will be asked to make sacrifices to help better the lives of your fellow brothers.

Within the coming year, Tsoiotsi Tsogalii Lodge will be hosting three Inductions weekends. As an Ordeal Candidate, you must attend one of these inductions weekends, and pass through the Ordeal in order to become a brother. Each Induction weekend will be held at different locations. Further information about these weekends can be found in this booklet. We look forward to seeing you at your Ordeal. Our congratulations to you and best of luck.

Brandyn Myers
2016-17 Lodge Chief
Tsoiotsi Tsogallii Lodge

Letter from
the Chief

Registering for your **Induction**

You must complete your ordeal at one of the weekends listed below if you were elected in 2016:

Aug 26 - 28
Woodfield Scout Preservation

Sep 30 - Oct 2
Cherokee Scout Reservation

May 5 - 6
Cherokee Scout Reservation

Induction weekends are limited to the first 175 to register. Directions to each camp can be found on the council website at <http://bsaonsc.org>.

Registration

Your next step is to choose an Inductions Weekend and pre-register for the weekend by filling out a registration form and submitting the form with payment to the Council Office or register online through the lodge website. Register early, as space for the Inductions weekends is limited to the first 175 candidates. Registration forms are available at the Council Office, or you can register and pay online at: <http://lodge70.org>. A medical form is also required for each candidate that does not require a doctor's visit and signature. The cost for the Inductions Weekend is \$50, and includes: Meals, Ordeal Sash, Dues, OA Handbook, lodge pocket patch, and cost of brotherhood sash for conversion.



What to Expect

The Ordeal is a vital part of the induction process of the Order of the Arrow. The Ordeal provides a time for a Scout to reflect upon his experiences within Scouting. These reflections will hopefully broaden his experiences, and reaffirm his love for Scouting. During the Ordeal experience, a candidate is required to:

- Maintain silence
- Receive small amounts of food
- Work on Camp improvement projects
- Sleep alone and apart from other campers

The entire experience is designed to teach significant values. Induction weekends are filled with many activities, all of which are safe and fully supervised in accordance with BSA Policies. There are hundreds of thousands of OA members, all of whom have participated in an Ordeal. The Ordeal experience is one that no scout will ever forget because of the honor that has been given by being inducted into the Order of the Arrow.

Arrival Information

Please plan to arrive to the Inductions Weekend Location no later than 7:00 p.m. on Friday evening. Proceed immediately to the registration table where you will be given instructions and a schedule for the weekend's activities. Please arrive on time, as tardiness will delay the progress of the weekend. A dinner is provided on Friday night after check-in from 6 to 7:15pm.

Departure Information

The induction weekend will conclude on Sunday at 9-9:30 am. All parents are invited to a brief meeting in the dining hall prior to departure.

About your

Induction

What to Bring with you

Packing List

- This booklet
- Medical Form Parts A & B
- \$50 Registration Fee
(If you didn't preregister)
- Work clothes – wear to camp Friday
- Appropriate footwear for work
- Work gloves
- Sleeping Bag
- Ground cloth
- Personal tent*
- Water Bottle
- Full Class A Uniform*
- Shower supplies*
- Extra Clothing*
- Flashlight*
- Raingear
- Optional money for trading post

Remember to pack your items in a bag. Items followed by an asterisk (*) will be unavailable Friday night. Due to unknown weather conditions pack clothes appropriate for both cool and warm weather along with proper raingear.

ONSC Refund Policy

Please be advised refunds on Council, District, or OA Events and Activities will be made only if an adult calls 5 days before the event to the Council Office to cancel that registration. The only exception to the policy will be the case of illness, accident and/or death in the family and that cancellation must be called in the day before the event. Refunds cannot be transferred to future events or functions. The exception being High Adventure Activities. Refer to the High Adventure payment schedule.



Mission

The mission of the Order of the Arrow is to fulfill its purpose as an integral part of the Boy Scouts of America through positive youth leadership under the guidance of selected capable adults.

Purpose

As Scouting's National Honor Society, our purpose is to:

Recognize those who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives and through that recognition cause others to conduct themselves in a way that warrants similar recognition.

Promote camping, responsible outdoor adventure, and environmental stewardship as essential components of every Scout's experience, in the unit, year-round, and in summer camp.

Develop leaders with the willingness, character, spirit and ability to advance the activities of their units, our Brotherhood, Scouting, and ultimately our nation.

Crystallize the Scout habit of helpfulness into a life purpose of leadership in cheerful service to others.

What the OA has to offer:

Leadership opportunities ranging from the district level to the national level

American Indian activities including dancing, drumming, singing, and ceremonies

Fun filled weekends where you can meet and interact with over 1400 Arrowmen from all over NC

Treks at BSA High Adventure bases restricted to only members of the OA

The ability to make new friends from outside of your unit

Top class leadership training to take back to your unit offered by local and national elected youth

What is the
OA?

Resources

Websites

National OA Website: <http://oa-bsa.org>

Tsoiotsi Tsogalii Lodge Website: <http://lodge70.org>
(sign-up here)

Council Website: <http://bsaonsc.org>

Phone Numbers

Council Office: (336) 378-9166

Woodfield Scout Preservation (office): (336) 625-9944

Cherokee Scout Reservation (office): (336) 694-6440

Locations

Woodfield Scout Preservation:
499 Woodfield Scout Trail, Asheboro, NC 27205

Cherokee Scout Reservation:
3296 Boy Scout Camp Rd, Yanceyville, NC 27379