



SIKHS MOX LAMONTI

ORDER OF THE ARROW

Congratulations on your election to the Order of the Arrow!

Ordeal Candidates and Parents

You may take great pride in being elected to be a candidate for membership in the Order of the Arrow. It is considered a high honor to complete one's induction into the Order of the Arrow, the National Honor Society of the Boy Scouts of America. Organized in 1915 to recognize honor campers, the purpose of the Order of the Arrow 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 to promote camping, to develop leaders, and to crystallize the Scout habit of helpfulness into a life of purpose of leadership in cheerful service to others.

Both you and your parents probably have many questions concerning your election, induction, and participation in the Order. We hope this letter will address some of your concerns and increase your understanding about what you have been elected to join.

Your Complete Induction into the Order of the Arrow

Completing the Ordeal is the first step to completing your induction into the Order of the Arrow. After ten months following your Ordeal, you will be eligible to complete your induction experience once all of the Brotherhood requirements are completed. The Induction fee covers both your Ordeal and Brotherhood experiences.

Now that I am elected, What's Next?

Sikhs Mox Lamonti Lodge holds two induction weekends per year called Ordeals. If you can't complete your Ordeal during one of these opportunities in the next year, you will need to be re-elected by your unit in order to be inducted. The Ordeal dates are:

June 7-9, 2019 - Summer Ordeal at Fire Mountain

October 11-13, 2019 - Fall Ordeal at Fire Mountain

The Ordeal is the first step in the induction process that is based the principles of Brotherhood, Cheerfulness and Service. It is a 24 hour process that asks the candidate to reflect on their accomplishments, complete service and look to the future. As with all Scouting events, Ordeals are conducted within the guidance of the Scout Oath and Law. No hazing of any kind is allowed nor are any religious beliefs or principles violated.

This process is safeguarded so that mystery can be used to enhance the Ordeal experience. Activities are supervised by selected capable adult advisers at all times and follow all National policies. Should you have any concerns regarding this, please contact me so I can address your concerns.

Transportation is the responsibility of the candidate. As a candidate, you will need to arrive at camp on Friday evening, check in (Ordeal Registration) is between 6-8 PM; plan on eating before arriving but we do have a Cracker Barrel to start the weekend off. You should decide which Ordeal you will be attending and complete the attached pre-registration form.



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You and your family are invited to the party on Sunday

Following the completion of the Ordeal experience on Saturday evening, there will be fellowship to have some fun with your fellow Arrowmen and rest after the day of arduous labor. **On Sunday you are invited to attend an orientation session party with a brunch starting at 9:30 AM.** This is an opportunity to learn together what the Order is to help internalize and understand the Ordeal you just went through. In addition, you'll learn what opportunities are available. You won't want to miss it.

What do I need to bring:

- Official BSA Health Form (parts A and B only) - signed and filled out and any medications you need with dosage instructions.
- Backpack with personal camping gear. (Please no snacks or electronic gear).
- Sleeping bag, water bottle, your uniform, a tent (with a ground cloth), a separate tarp/ground cloth, rain gear, pocket knife, work clothes and gloves.
- Bring your full Field Uniform but do not bring your Merit Badge sashes.
- \$60.00 Induction Fee (Please prepay fees at the Everett office so we can properly plan for your experience)

Induction Fee includes: Ordeal sash, lodge flap, handbook, dues for the current year, meals for the Ordeal weekend and Brotherhood sash (given when completing Brotherhood requirements).

There will be a trading post with extra lodge patches and memorabilia for sale. If you are interested, you might want to bring a few extra dollars for the trading post. All sales support the lodge program to better serve our units.

Further Information

If you or your parents have any other questions, feel free to email any of the lodge leadership.

I'm truly excited for you on this next step in your Scouting Journey. For over 100 years, the Order of the Arrow has been the developing the best leaders in Scouting and you are about to start down that journey.

Nick Spencer-Berger

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Ordeal Candidate Registration Form

Name: First _____ Middle _____ Last _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____ Birth Date (MM/DD/YY) ____/____/____

Primary Phone Number: (____) _____ - _____ Cell Phone number: (____) _____ - _____

Gender: M ___ F ___ BSA Mem. ID (from your Membership Card): _____

Email: _____

Unit Type and #: _____ District: _____

Current Unit Leadership Position you hold: _____

Payment Method accepted: Cash Check Credit Card

Cash payments need to be made in person at either the Bellingham or Everett Scout offices

To make payment by check, make payable to "Mount Baker Council, BSA"

Return your **\$60** Induction Fee to:

Mount Baker Council

Attn: Ordeal Candidate

1715 - 100th Pl SE #B

Everett, WA 98208

You can mail or fax Credit Card payments to the Scout office at 425-338-3477

CC Type: _____ CC number: _____ CC Exp: ____/____

Signature: _____

Adult Only Section

Your primary registered position in Scouting: _____

How can you help your OA Lodge and/or BSA Council? _____

Work / Occupation: _____

Trade / Experience: _____

(Labor, construction, electrical, masonry, plumbing, printing, etc...)

Materials and Equipment: _____

(Discounts on materials, Equipment or tools at my disposal etc...)

I already know how I will serve as a Youth Adviser Yes _____ No _____

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