

Brotherhood Membership Application

_____ First, Middle, and Last Name plus Title if any	_____ Nickname, if any	____/____/____ Birth Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
_____ Mailing Address	Please Select Your Chapter <input type="checkbox"/> NL <input type="checkbox"/> SP	
_____ City	_____ State	_____ Zip Code (5 or 9 digit)
____/____/____ Ordeal Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	_____ Ordeal Location	_____ Ordeal Clan
		_____ Unit Type and Number

The Five Challenges of Brotherhood Membership

You must meet the following five challenges before you can enter the Circle of the Brotherhood.

<p>1. Memorize the signs of Order of the Arrow membership These are 1) the Obligation (printed on the back of your membership card), 2) the Official Song, 3) the Admonition, 4) the sign of Ordeal membership, and 5) the Handclasp of the Order.</p> <p>2. Advance in your understanding of the Ordeal. To advance in your understanding of the Ordeal, you should have some understanding of the Ordeal and the Ordeal Ceremony that you undertook. Study and be able to answer questions about the thirty-one questions and answers on the other side of this form.</p> <p>3. Serve your unit.</p> <p>a) Be a registered active Scout or Scouter.</p> <p>b) Have six months active service as an Ordeal. The period from a Fall Conclave until the next Spring Conclave satisfies this requirement.</p> <p>c) Continue and expand your service to your own unit.</p>	<p>4. Plan for service in your Lodge. Be a registered, dues paying and active member of the Order of the Arrow. Be aware that acceptance of Brotherhood membership involves a pledge of service to the Lodge. Develop a concrete idea of how you plan to fulfill this pledge.</p> <p>5. Review your progress. When you feel that you have met the four challenges above, write a letter to the Lodge Secretary expressing why you feel you are ready for the Brotherhood. As a minimum, this letter should include:</p> <p>a) Explain what you think the Obligation means.</p> <p>b) Tell how you have been fulfilling this Obligation in your unit, District, or Council, and in your daily life; and how you have used your understanding of the Ordeal to aid in this service.</p> <p>c) Describe your specific plans for giving service to the Lodge.</p>
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APPROVAL

1. Memorize the signs of Membership.	- Obligation _____ - Song _____ - Admonition _____ - Handclasp _____ - Sign of the Ordeal _____	
2. Advance in your understanding of the Ordeal	(look at the other side of this form)	_____
3. Serve your Unit	- Registered Active Scout or Scouter _____	_____
	- Six Months of Active Service as an Ordeal _____	_____
4. Plan for Service in your Lodge	- Registered Active Member _____	_____
	- Chapter Advisor Approval _____	_____
5. Review your Progress	- Letter to the Lodge Secretary _____	_____
Indian Name	_____	_____
	Indian Name, in English, picked by you and verified by the Lodge Secretary	
Lodge Secretary Approval	_____	Date ____/____/____
Lodge Chief Approval	_____	Date ____/____/____

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_____ Current Dues Paid	_____ Brotherhood Fees Paid	____/____/____ Brotherhood Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	_____ Brotherhood Card	____/____/____ Entered in DB (mm/dd/yyyy)

Order of the Arrow Brotherhood Questionnaire

Questions and Answers relating to the Ordeal

1. **Q. What is the name of the initial membership in the Order of the Arrow?**
A. Ordeal Membership
2. **Q. Why is it so called?**
A. It is proceeded by a fourfold Ordeal.
3. **Q. What are the four parts of the Ordeal and their purposes?**
 1. A night camping alone under the heavens, to prove my self-reliance
 2. A day of arduous toil, to indicate my willingness to serve others
 3. 24 hours of scant food, to demonstrate my power of self-denial
 4. A like period of silence, to turn my thoughts inward.
4. **Q. How were you prepared for the Ordeal?**
A. I was led by Kichkinet to the north end of camp where the significance of the Arrow was revealed as I tested the bow.
5. **Q. When you had completed the Ordeal, how were you dealt with?**
A. I was placed on the trail which leads to the Circle of the Lodge.
6. **Q. By whom were you first stopped as you approached the Circle?**
A. By Nutiket, the guard, who asked if I had passed the Ordeal without flinching.
7. **Q. Who next barred your further progress?**
A. Meteu, who inquired if I had been given the Admonition.
8. **Q. Had you been given the Admonition?**
A. I had not, but Kichkinet, my guide, had and gave it for me.
9. **Q. Before whom did you last arrive?**
A. Before Allowat Sakima, the Mighty Chief, who asked if I had been completely prepared to receive the Obligation.
10. **Q. What was Kichkinet's reply to this inquiry?**
A. Only in the binding of them together.
11. **Q. How did Kichkinet call the attention of each of the officers to your presence?**
A. By three taps of the hand upon the shoulder of the officer.
12. **Q. What did these three taps represent?**
A. The three parts of the Scout Oath.
13. **Q. How did each of the officers respond to Kichkinet's taps?**
A. By one tap, followed by two taps, on the right shoulder of Kichkinet.
14. **Q. What did these taps represent?**
A. The twelve points of the Scout Law.
15. **Q. How were you and your companions bound together?**
A. By a rope, which represented our tie to Brotherhood until we took the Obligation.
16. **Q. How was your preparation for the Obligation completed?**
A. Nutiket directed me to hold my right hand in the Scout Sign and repeat the Obligation after Allowat Sakima.
17. **Q. Repeat the Obligation.**
A. I do hereby promise on my honor as a Scout that I will always and faithfully observe and preserve the traditions of the Order of the Arrow, Wimachtendienk, Wingolauchsik, Witahemui. I will always regard the ties of Brotherhood in the Order of the Arrow as lasting and will seek to preserve a cheerful spirit even in the midst of irksome tasks and weighty responsibilities, and will endeavor, so far as in my power lies to be unselfish in service and devotion to the welfare of others.
18. **Q. In what did Meteu then instruct you?**
A. In the Legend upon which our Lodge is founded.
19. **Q. Who are the central figures in that Legend?**
A. The aged Chieftain, Chingachgook, and his son, Uncus, who by their cheerful and self-sacrificing service are said to have saved the Delaware Lodge from annihilation.
20. **Q. What did Allowat Sakima then give you?**
A. The symbol and the handclasp of the Order, the Admonition, and the sign of the Ordeal membership.
21. **Q. What is the symbol of the Order?**
A. The arrow, whose undeviating course, when aimed high, is a token of leadership.
22. **Q. How is it worn?**
A. Pointing up and over the right shoulder.
23. **Q. Give me the handclasp of our Order.**
A. (Give it to your counselor.)
24. **Q. How must the Admonition always be given?**
A. Whispered in the right ear.
25. **Q. What is the Admonition?**
A. (Give it to your counselor.)
26. **Q. What does it mean?**
A. To love one another.
27. **Q. What is the sign of the Ordeal?**
A. (Give it to your counselor.)
28. **Q. What is the full name of our Order?**
A. Wimachtendienk, Wingolauchsik, Witahemui.
29. **Q. In what language is it given?**
A. In the language of the Delaware Indians, the Lenni Lenape.
30. **Q. What is its meaning in English?**
A. The Brotherhood of Cheerful Service.
31. **Q. Give the words of (or sing) the Official Order of the Arrow song.**
A. Firm bound in Brotherhood, gather the Clan, that cheerful service brings to fellow man. Circle our Council Fire, weld tightly every link, that binds us in Brotherhood, Wimachtendienk.