

2023

Fall Ordeal Event Guide



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Message from The Lodge Chief

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Logan Taylor, Lodge Chief

Registration is open at Southplainscouncil.org

Ordeal Candidate Weekend Schedule at a Glance

Friday - September 15th 6:15 - 7:15 pm - Check-in at Camp Office 7:15 pm -Campsite setup 8:30 pm - Pre-Ordeal Ceremony 10:30 pm - Lights Out

Saturday - September 16th 7:15 am - Flags & Breakfast 8:15 am - Work Projects Begin 11:55 am - Lunch 3:45 pm - Ordeal Ceremony 5:30 pm - Flags & Dinner 6:30 pm - Flags & Dinner 6:30 pm - Arrowman 101 7:30 pm - Fellowship 10:00 pm - Cracker Barrel 11:00 pm - Lights Out

8:00 am - Breakfast 8:45 am - Interfaith Worship Service 9:00 am - Camp Clean Up

FULL MEMBER SCHEDULE PASSWORD IS THE ADMONITION **NO CAPS**

[FOR VIGIL MEMBERS ONLY] THERE WILL BE A VIGIL REDEDICATION SATURDAY MORNING!

Guide for Ordeal Candidates

Congratulations! You have been selected by your troop to be a candidate for membership in the Order of the Arrow. Your weekend begins with check-in on **Friday, September 15th at 6:15 pm.**

Do not be late and do not make plans to leave before Saturday at 7:30 PM. Make sure to eat a hearty meal before you arrive at camp on Friday evening as no dinner will be served. Plan on bringing the following items for the weekend (a backpack/daypack is recommended):

Class A Field Uniform	Water Bottle	Bug Spray
Work Clothes	Pillow	Personal First-Ald Kit
🗌 Hat/Cap	Sleeping Bag	Prescription
Work Gloves	Sleeping Pad	Medications
Personal Toiletries	🔲 Tent	🔲 Pen & Paper
🔲 Towel	Ground Cloth	
Flashlight	Sunscreen	

You may also want to bring money for the Lodge Trading post that will be open throughout the weekend.

Friday Night Packing List - Keep in your Daypack/Small Bag

• Tarp

Sleeping Bag

- Pillow
- Water Bottle

- Flashlight
- Bugspray

The Ordeal will take place in **ALL** weather conditions so be prepared! You must report in your official class A field uniform. Do NOT bring outside food or snacks: they are not allowed, nor in the spirit of, an Ordeal weekend. The fee for your Ordeal weekend is \$55 and covers your sash, lodge flap, Order of the Arrow handbook, annual dues, materials and meals.

Guide for Brotherhood Candidates

What is brotherhood: From the inception of the Order in 1915, it was intended that all members should be of the same rank or standing. Brotherhood membership does not carry with it any degree of rank, status, or special privilege within the Lodge. Brotherhood is simply an act of commitment to future service in the Order and in Scouting. Brotherhood is signified through the addition of a bars above and below the arrow on the sash.

Purpose: Brotherhood is an opportunity for members to reflect on their contributions to Scouting and the Lodge, and reaffirm their belief in the higher purposes of the Order.

Requirements: After Ordeal, serve your Unit and OA actively for at least 6 months, advance your understanding of Ordeal membership, memorize the signs of the Ordeal membership, and complete the Brotherhood Test. The Brotherhood study guide is available HERE.

Your weekend begins with check-in on **Friday, September 15th at 6:15 pm.** Do not be late and **do not** make plans to **leave before Sunday at 8:45 AM**. Plan on bringing the basic camping essentials for the weekend including:



You may also want to bring money for the Lodge Trading post that will be open throughout the weekend.

Brothers, your weekend begins with check-in at 6:15pm on Friday and continues with participation in the Pre-Ordeal Ceremony with fellowship to follow in the Dining Hall. On Saturday, we will tackle some meaningful projects around camp, participate in the Brotherhood and Ordeal ceremonies and enjoy a celebratory feast. On Sunday, we will pack up and head home.

The fee for Brotherhood candidates is \$25 to cover your sash, materials and meals. You will be emailed a Brotherhood study guide; be prepared and study BEFORE arriving for the weekend.

Medical Forms & Youth Protection

All Candidates must present their current Boy Scout Medical Forms part A & B (part C if available) upon check in. The Medical Forms will be kept secured but available in case of emergency and will be returned upon check out on Sunday. For your convenience, here is a copy of <u>BSA Medical Form parts A & B</u>.

In addition, the Boy Scouts of America requires that all participants 18 years or older have proof of Youth Protection Training. This training must be taken every two years and is evidenced by a certificate of completion available on the scouting.org website or through a card/certificate indicating the YPT live training performed at council or camp facilities.

Membership Dues

Please remember that your membership in the Order of the Arrow is only current if your \$15.00 dues are paid. If you need to pay your 2023 dues, or go ahead and pay 2024, visit our website at: <u>Order of the Arrow | southplainscouncil</u>

After Ordeal

After you complete your Ordeal, it's time to get active in the lodge. Attend your Lodge meetings and lodge events. To have the most fun possible in the Order of the Arrow, join one of our committees like the Ceremonies Committee, Unit election Committee, Elangomat & Niamat Committee, Patch Design Committee, Trading Post Committee, Events Committee, & Publications Committee. Get active and you'll learn the true meaning of Brotherhood, Cheerfulness and Service.

After 6 months of service as an Ordeal member, you'll be eligible for Brotherhood. Sealing your membership by becoming a Brotherhood member shows your commitment and furthers your experience with the Lodge.

The Order of the Arrows Jumpstart program is a great way for Arrowmen to learn more about the OA, the Ordeal, and to view and study the requirements for Brotherhood. Visit **jumpstart.oa-bsa.org** after your Ordeal to get started.

2023 UPCOMING EVENTS

October 1st - LEC Meeting

The LEC Meeting stands for Lodge Executive Committee (Lodge Chief + 5 Vice Chiefs + OA Reps). Although it is called an "LEC" meeting **ALL MEMBERS** are **WELCOME** to participate especially if you are a committee member. The LEC Meetings run similarly to a PLC Meeting in your troop and is a great way to become active in the lodge. ALL LEC Meetings will be held on the 1st Sunday of **EVERY MONTH** upstairs in the <u>Scout Office</u> at **2:00 PM**. There are snacks and drinks occasionally.

October 7th - OA Workday

Nakona Lodge's OA Workdays are a great opportunity for you and your troop to have fun and gain conservation service hours while helping to make Camp Post better for all council and troop activities. The OA Workdays are open to ALL SCOUTS not just OA members, so be sure to invite your troop.

November 11th - Nakona Leadership Development

Nakona Lodge is proud to announce our 2nd annual Nakon Leadership Development. This event will run similarly to a merit badge college, but instead of choosing merit badges; you will choose classes. The Nakona Leadership Development will have classes from servant leadership and planning to patch trading and regalia. This event is exclusively for OA members, so be sure to invite all the arrowman you know. Be sure to be checking the SPC website for when registration goes live, and make sure you follow Nakona 150 on Instagram.

November 5th - LEC Meeting

ALL LEC Meetings will be held on the 1st Sunday of **EVERY MONTH** upstairs in the <u>Scout Office</u> at **2:00 PM**. **ALL MEMBERS** are **WELCOME** to participate. There are snacks and drinks occasionally.

December 2nd - Lodge Fellowship & Lodge Elections

Get ready to have some fun and fellowship while we elect our new Lodge Leaders for 2024! More information is to come so be sure to follow Nakona 150.

December 3rd - LEC Meeting

ALL LEC Meetings will be held on the 1st Sunday of **EVERY MONTH** upstairs in the <u>Scout Office</u> at **2:00 PM**. **ALL MEMBERS** are **WELCOME** to participate. There are snacks and drinks occasionally.

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