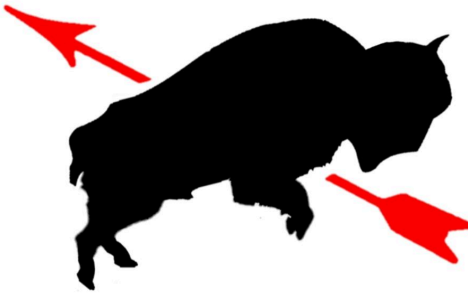




**2024**  
**Spring Ordeal Event Guide**



**NAKONA**

## Message from The Lodge Chief

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*Josh Eckert, Lodge Chief*

Registration is open at [Southplainscouncil.org](http://Southplainscouncil.org)

### Ordeal Candidate Weekend Schedule at a Glance

Friday - March 22nd

6:45 - 7:15 pm - Check-in at Camp Office

7:20 pm - Campsite setup

8:30 pm - Pre-Ordeal Ceremony

10:30 pm - Lights Out

Saturday - March 23rd

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 - 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, March 22nd at 6:45 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):

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|--|---------------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Class A Field Uniform | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Bottle | <input type="checkbox"/> Bug Spray                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Work Clothes          | <input type="checkbox"/> Pillow       | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal First-Aid Kit   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hat/Cap               | <input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping Bag | <input type="checkbox"/> Prescription Medications |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Work Gloves           | <input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping Pad | <input type="checkbox"/> Pen & Paper              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Toiletries   | <input type="checkbox"/> Tent         |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Towel                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Ground Cloth |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flashlight            | <input type="checkbox"/> 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

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|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| ● Tarp         | ● Pillow       | ● Flashlight |
| ● Sleeping Bag | ● Water Bottle | ● 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:

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|--|---------------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Class A Field Uniform         | <input type="checkbox"/> Work Gloves  | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunscreen                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Work Clothes                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Flashlight   | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal First-Aid Kit   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pocket Knife                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Bottle | <input type="checkbox"/> Prescription Medications |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>OA Handbook</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping Bag | <input type="checkbox"/> Pen & Paper              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hat/Cap                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Tent         |   |

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.

Register online at [Southplainscouncil.org](http://Southplainscouncil.org)

## 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 [BSA Medical Form parts A & B](#).

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](http://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: [Order of the Arrow | southplainscouncil](#)

## 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.aa-bsa.org](http://jumpstart.aa-bsa.org) after your Ordeal to get started.

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