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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHIEF

My Brothers,

I hope all of you had a relaxing and enjoyable summer. As the season comes to a close, the time has arrived to begin making plans for the 2011 Fall Reunion. Within this edition of *The Lookout*, you will find information on how to register, a reunion schedule, and your chapter's camping location. Also, for those of you who earned the Ordeal Honor last fall, be sure to take a look at your Brotherhood Progress Card and strive to achieve the Brotherhood Honor. The Fall Reunion is a perfect opportunity to welcome our newly elected candidates into our brotherhood, as well as rededicate ourselves to a lifetime commitment of cheerful service.

The One Day of Service this year was very successful. Our lodge had a strong presence at St. Francois State Park, and our members made tremendous improvements to the park's ecosystem and trail network. Despite some rain and demanding tasks, your willingness to persevere and serve our community was inspirational. The Missouri Department of Conservation has commended the Shawnee Lodge for our gracious accomplishments.

Before long, registration forms for the 2012 National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) will be available to our lodge. For those of you who have never attended NOAC before, I would strongly recommend attending. The conference will be held at Michigan State University, in East Lansing, MI, from July 30 to August 1, 2012. While staying in college dormitories for the week, you will have the unique opportunity to interact with members of our Order from across the country. Training cells, arena shows, ceremony and dance competitions, as well as plenty of fellowship opportunities, are all included in the weeklong conference. The 2009 NOAC was one of my most memorable Scouting experiences, and I would urge you to consider representing the Shawnee Lodge in 2012.

As our program year comes to a close, I would like to thank you for granting me the opportunity to serve you as your Shawnee Lodge Chief. I am most proud and humbled by the accomplishments made by our members this past year, and I look forward to seeing all of the great strides you will make in the coming years. Let us continue in our lifelong commitment of service, and never forget the reasons why we were chosen as members of the Order.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Ben Luedloff
Shawnee Lodge Chief

Fall Reunion 2011

The Shawnee Lodge will hold its annual Fall Reunion September 9-11 at the S bar F Scout Ranch. Our Reunion is one of the nation's largest (and greatest) O.A. events. Join us for a great weekend of fun, service, and fellowship! Inside this edition of *The Lookout*, you will find a parking plan, a list of service projects for each chapter, and some safety guidelines. Each youth member must have adequate adult supervision to participate in the entire weekend. All Arrowmen must provide their *own* equipment and meals, with the exception of Saturday dinner if purchased (remember: no one under the age of 21 can operate a chainsaw and no one under the age of 18 can operate a weed whacker).

The price of Saturday dinner and patch is \$14.00, if paid before August 27th, and \$17.00 thereafter. (The price is \$20 at the door.) The patch by itself is \$10.00 and \$12.00 after August 27th. (The price is \$15 at the door.) Both tickets include the ice cream social on Saturday evening.

The emblem for the Reunion is only available for those who purchase a ticket for the event. Since our Lodge does not collect dues, our Lodge must rely on paying participants at Lodge events. There will only be a limited number of emblems available, so purchase your ticket in advance. Enclosed is a return envelope for making your reservations. The numbers of tickets sold will *not* exceed the number of emblems. Make your reservations quickly, as the event has sold out in past years; meals and emblems are limited.

Fall Reunion: Rules and Regulations

The lodge will enforce the following rules to insure that all Brothers and Candidates have a safe and enjoyable weekend. Your cooperation is absolutely essential to keeping the weekend emergency-free.

1. **Do not** arrive before 4:00 p.m. The gates will be locked; you will not be able to enter. In the past, those arriving early have created problems in the layout of the campsites and chapter area headquarters. While this is a youth run event, it is not necessary—or desired—that a Scout leave school early.
 2. Thanks to past service projects by chapters, the east side of the main asphalt road will be open to head-in parking. Please be careful, it's rough in spots! Signs will be posted on the west side of this road prohibiting stopping or parking, so please obey them. We would like to keep this road open for two-way traffic.
 3. No parallel parking on or next to the main road.
 4. Please make use of the expanded areas of the camporee field west of the power cut.
 5. The power cut road is open for one-way traffic only. Head-in parking is allowed on both sides.
 6. Do not drive on the camporee field. No one wants to sleep in your tire ruts.
 7. No traffic will be allowed during ceremonies! The roads will be closed after 7:00 p.m. on Saturday night. If you need to leave, move your car to the designated area near the Rand Building.
 8. No individuals are allowed in the back of trucks.
 9. The S bar F Ranch speed limit is 20 M.P.H. Due to the large number of people in camp, please drive at a slower speed and use caution when driving on the roads near the camporee area. Slow down on gravel roads. "One Scout's life is worth your time, please slow down." The speed limit will be strictly enforced.
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Fall Reunion: Schedule

Friday:

- 4:00 p.m. Begin to arrive at camp, follow parking instructions
8:00 p.m. Pre-Ordeal Ceremony at Famous Eagle Council Ring
9:00 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting at Famous Eagle Council Ring: Chapter Chiefs and Advisers, Lodge Officers and Advisers, Chapter Service, Ordeal, and Brotherhood Chairmen, and Administrative Personnel
9:45 p.m. Lodge Officer Elections, Camp Famous Eagle Council Ring
11:00 p.m. Taps

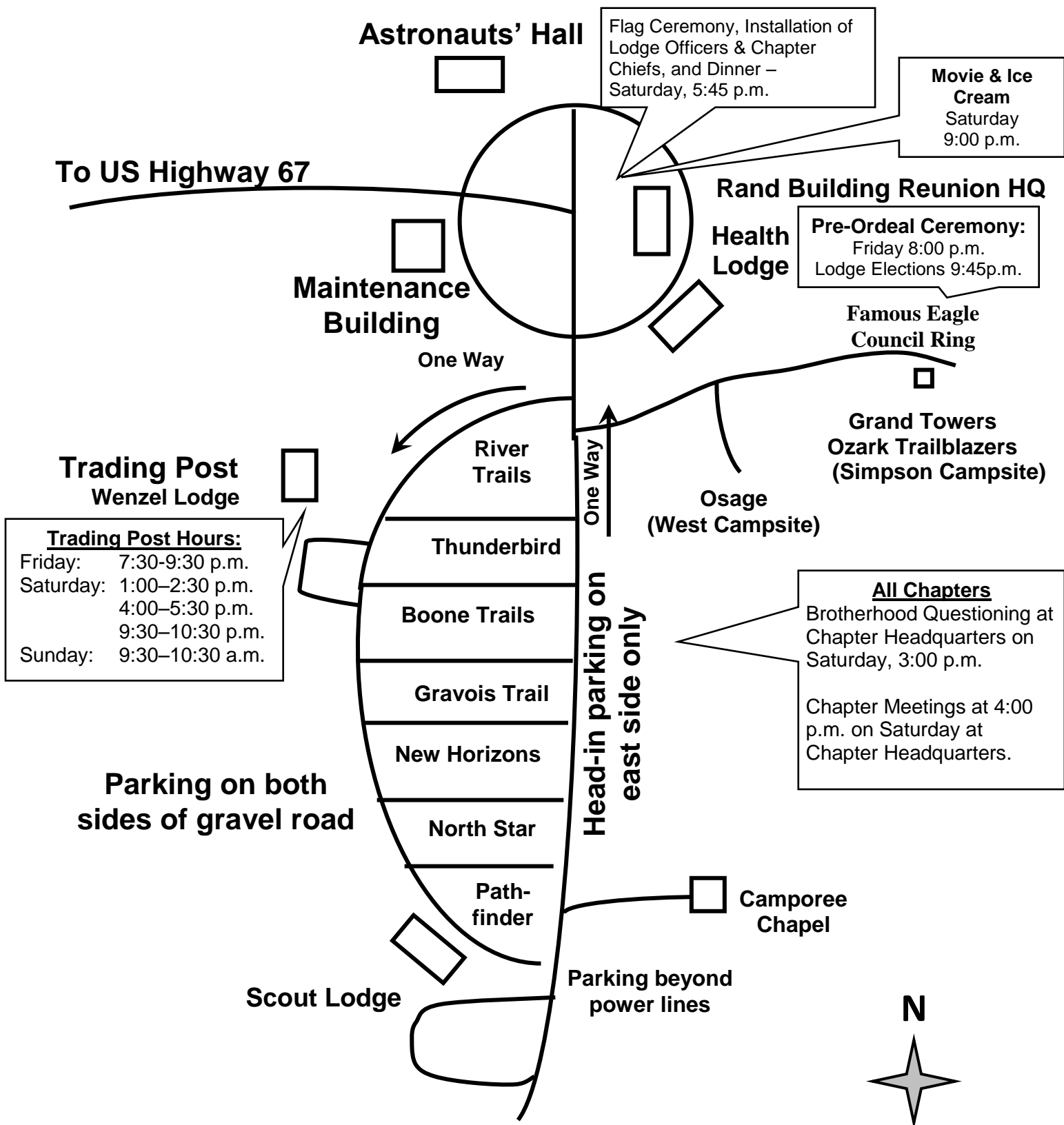
Saturday:

- 7:00 a.m. Candidates report to their Chapter HQ for check-in
8:00 a.m. Candidate breakfast at chapter headquarters
8:45 a.m. Ordeal teams & Brotherhood teams meet at Maintenance Area
11:00 a.m. Chapter Advisers meeting at Rand Building; pick up candidate materials
12:00 noon Lunch at Chapter campsites (Brothers) & project sites (Candidates)
12:45 p.m. Candidates back to work
1:30-3:30 p.m. Prepare Chapter ceremonial grounds and ceremonial team rehearsals
2:30 p.m. Candidates stop work so they can attend chapter meetings
3:00 p.m. Brotherhood questioning at Chapter HQ
4:00 p.m. Chapter meetings at Chapter HQ
5:30 p.m. Chapter Brotherhood Chairman picks up material at Rand Building
5:45 p.m. Formal retreat and installation of new Lodge Officers and Chapter Chiefs (Rand Building Parade Field)
6:00 p.m. Supper served at Astronauts' Hall
7:15 p.m. Candidates assemble at Chapter HQ for Ordeal ceremonies
9:00 p.m. Brotherhood candidates assemble at Chapter HQ for Brotherhood ceremonies
9:00 p.m. Entertainment – movie and ice cream at Rand building
11:00 p.m. Taps

Sunday:

- 7:30 a.m. Reveille
7:30 a.m. Breakfast
8:30 a.m. Church Services:
 - Catholic at Famous Eagle Council Ring
 - Jewish at Rand Building porch
 - Lutheran at Famous Eagle office porch
 - Protestant at Trading Post tent
- 9:30-11:30 a.m. Cleanup & checkout with a chapter officer who will inspect your campsite & sign your Brotherhood card

O.A. REUNION MAP



Fall Reunion: Service Project

The following are the work assignments for Brothers and Candidates at the Fall Reunion:

- Boone Trails – Main Entrance Road
- Gravois Trail – Main Entrance Road
- Grand Towers – Camp Sakima
- New Horizons – Camp Sakima
- North Star – Meet at Maintenance Yard
- Osage – Huck’s Cove Parking Lot
- Ozark Trailblazers – Huck’s Cove Lot
- Pathfinder – Meet at Maintenance Yard
- River Trails – Rand Circle
- Thunderbird – Family Camp
- Skilled Adults – Maintenance Area & Shop
- Injured and Disabled – Rand Building

All Brothers are asked to bring the following equipment: work gloves, hand weedwhips, bow saws, strong garden rakes, and lots of water. Adults are asked to bring chain saws and gas weed-whips. Proper protection is required with weed whips and saws.

Fall Reunion: Trading Post

The trading post will be located in Wenzel Lodge which is the building on the west side of the gravel road. A wide variety of OA and summer camp items will be available.

Come by the trading post for candy, soda, and a whole lot more! The trading post hours are:

Friday: 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.
Saturday: 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.
 9:30 – 10:30 p.m.
Sunday: 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

A Note for Ceremonialists:

Please remember that a short-term camping reservation must be made with the Council’s Camping Department when individuals or a unit plans to visit, camp, or conduct an activity on Council property. This includes wanting to look over a ceremonial site.

If you go to a Council property without completing a reservation with the Camping Service, the Camp Ranger will ask you to leave. Reservations are important for the safety of the individuals on property and the Camp Rangers. Your cooperation with this long-standing Council policy is appreciated.

“Who serves his fellows
is, of all his fellows,
greatest.”
Chingachgook

Wimachtendienk,
Wingolauchsik,
Witahemui

Get Connected

Yearly Registration: signing up with the Lodge annually automatically puts you on a mailing list so that you can keep receiving the Lookout, postcard about upcoming Chapter Meetings, and other important Shawnee Lodge material. To remain on the Shawnee Lodge mailing list, you must complete the following:

1. Be registered as a Scout or Scout leader in the Greater St. Louis Area Council.
2. Re-register yearly with the Lodge. This can be done online by going to the Lodge website, www.shawneelodge.org, or by filling out the enclosed registration card.

Whereas most Lodges require annual dues with your yearly registration, the Shawnee Lodge is unique in that it doesn't collect dues. Rather, Shawnee Lodge members support their Lodge by attending events, buying cool memorabilia, and collecting patches.

Shawnee E-News Newsletter: if you have an email and want to receive free updates about upcoming Lodge events by email, the Shawnee E-News Newsletter is for you. It's fast, it's easy, and it's definitely worth your time. Stay in the know about Shawnee Lodge events; go to the Shawnee Lodge website, www.shawneelodge.com/enews/, to register.

Facebook and Twitter: for those who are technologically savvy, go online and check out the Shawnee Lodge page on both Facebook and Twitter. There's a lot of great information just waiting for you.

Texting: texting is a vital part of contemporary communication. If you're a voracious texter, just text "shawneelodge51" to 40404 to receive Lodge news via texting. Standard message rates still apply.



Gravois Trail

Brothers,

As the year comes to a close, there are still events you need to be aware of. Our August Chapter Meeting will be held at Beaumont Scout Reservation Pool on August 3rd at 6:30pm. The program will be swimming. Bring sunscreen, pool toys, and lawn chairs, and come ready to enjoy yourself. Also, if you know someone or are someone who is a lifeguard and would be willing to help us that evening, please let me know a.s.a.p. Thanks, and see everyone there!

Finally, I want to thank everyone who has participated in the chapter this year, whether that was attending a meeting, participating in a service project, or partaking in a ceremonial team. Also, thank you to my fellow officers and for giving me the chance to serve you! I've had a great time these past two years, and I hope you have as well!

If you have any questions or comments for me, please don't hesitate to email me at chief@gravoistrailoa.org. Thanks again!

Yours in Brotherhood,
Joe Shaver
Gravois Trail Chapter Chief



North Star

North Star,

The future is looking bright! It's been a wonderful year, and I thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve you as your chapter chief for the past year. We had amazing programs from Demolition ball to Family Feud 'n' Food to the chapter lock-in. The August meeting is approaching rapidly! Do your best to make it out to this meeting, as it is always relaxing and fun.

Meanwhile, the biggest event of the year is almost here – Fall Reunion. If you only go to one event per year, this is the one to go to. The whole lodge unites to put on a fantastic weekend of brotherhood, cheerfulness, and service. Don't dare miss out on an event like this.

Once again, thank you for your support. I hope you continue to dedicate yourself in new ways as we launch ourselves forward into new beginnings.

Yours in Cheerfulness,
Michael Kremer
North Star Chapter Chief



Osage

Fellow Order of the Arrow members,

I hope your summer has been amazing! I hope you all enjoyed summer camp! I would like to congratulate all who were tapped at this past summer camp. Be on the lookout for upcoming service projects and activities.

I would like to thank everyone who made this past year great. Hope you had a lot of fun, made some new friends, and learned a lot.

Your chief,
Glen Hervey
Osage Chapter Chief



Pathfinder

Dear Brothers,

We have been having a great year so far. Our May Meeting was a blast; we all got to play Demolition Ball, which was a lot of fun. This was really an awesome chapter meeting, and I strongly encourage everybody to come out to the next one.

Our next meeting is our annual "Picnic in the Park" meeting. It will be on August 13th at 2 p.m., at Vago Park, 2700 Fee Fee Rd. There will be hamburgers, hot dogs, and brats there. We ask everyone bring a donation to help cover the cost of food. This is also the meeting that we have officer

nominations, so if you think you might want to be an officer for next year, come to this meeting and get nominated. It's really a fun job!

We are planning to have a really exciting program. We are working to have a SWAT team or an army recruiter come. We will have brotherhood cards at this event, making this another great opportunity to get your brotherhood card signed off. This is going to be a really cool meeting, and I hope you all attend.

Camp Promotion has officially ended and Mike Anderson did a great job running it. Thank you to all who helped with Camp Promotion, it was a successful year. If you didn't help out this year, you can sign up for next year at our next August Meeting. Camp Promotion is also a great opportunity to get your Brotherhood card signed off.

As fall approaches, we'll start preparing our Ceremonial Teams. We need more Ceremonial Team members to put on great ceremonies for all of the Candidates. You should really sign up because Ceremonial Teams are a lot of fun. You meet lots of people and make new friends. Ceremonial Teams are a great experience and we really need your help so please sign up. If you are interested please sign up at our August Meeting, or check Pathfinderoa.org for the next Ceremonial team meetings. We will start practice in the beginning of August.

As I always say, the Order of the Arrow is so much more fun if you get active and try something new. You'll meet new people and have a lot of fun. Sign up for something it's really a lot of fun.

WWW,
Sam Picus
Pathfinder Chapter Chief

2011 Section Conclave

The 2011 Section Conclave for Section C-3B will be at Camp Lewallen! Our brother Lodge, Anpetu-We, will be hosting this spectacular event from October 14 – 16, 2011. Make sure you go out and support them! Not only is this a great weekend of service and fellowship, but you'll get to meet brothers from other lodges across the Midwest. To find out more information, visit the section website: <http://www.sectionc3b.org>.

Extended Elangomat Program

This program uses the Elangomat to give a candidate guidance throughout his first year in the Order of the Arrow. The Elangomat will be expected to keep in contact with the new Ordeal member and encourage him to attend Order of the Arrow functions. The two-part patch for the Extended Elangomat Program, as well as additional information about the program, can be found on the Lodge website, www.shawneelodge.org.

For those of you trying to obtain the Brotherhood honor, serving at an Elangomat at Fall Reunion will help you complete the requirements!

Troop Representative Program

The Troop OA Representative Program is aimed at dispersing information quickly to the entire Lodge. Because of its vital role in communication, it

is imperative that each Troop have an Order of the Arrow Representative who will fulfill his role in the Troop OA Representative Program. Contact your Chapter Officers for more information or to sign up.

100th Anniversary Pocket Flap

Last year, to commemorate a century of Scouting, the Shawnee Lodge released a special edition of the Lodge pocket flap. This pocket flap can be obtained by completing the requirements card and turning it in at any lodge event. The last opportunity to earn this pocket flap will be this Fall Reunion.



Vigil Nominations

All nominations for the Vigil Honor are due in the council office by November 15, 2011. The Vigil Honor is the highest honor in the Order of the Arrow. The Vigil Honor is only presented to Brotherhood members who have shown outstanding service to the Order on a Chapter or Lodge basis, and the Boy Scout camping program, or Boy Scouting in general. Unlike both Ordeal and Brotherhood, there is no set of requirements for you to meet. Rather, you are nominated by your peers in the Order. Remember that any member of the Order of the Arrow may submit a nomination.

Forms are available from the West Pine Office or online at the Lodge website: http://www.shawneelodge.org/downloads/vigil_nomination.pdf. When you've filled out the form, send it in to:

Shawnee Lodge
Vigil Honor Committee
4568 West Pine Boulevard
St. Louis, MO 63108-2179

Winter Fellowship Banquet

Mark your calendar now. On December 21, 2011, the Shawnee Lodge is hosting its annual Winter Fellowship Banquet. The Lodge hosts the banquet each year for all its members, and some of the highlights for the evening include: the annual business meeting, some comments from the Section Leadership, a review of 2011 in the Shawnee Lodge, and the introduction of the 2012 Vigil Honor Candidates. There will also be a small trading post set up to sell Shawnee Lodge items. More information will be coming later this fall.

Seal Your Membership







If you are an Ordeal member, then seal your membership in the Order of the Arrow by obtaining the Brotherhood Honor. Fill out all the requirements on the progress card, which can be obtained from your Chapter Officers or on the Lodge website: www.shawneelodge.org/downloads/brotherhood_card.pdf. You must also complete the Brotherhood questioning with a statement of rededication on Saturday afternoon of the Spring Conclave and Fall Reunion. The answers to these questions can be found in the Ordeal ceremony, as well as in the Shawnee Lodge Handbook. Additional information can be found on the lodge website, www.shawneelodge.org.





BROTHERHOOD QUESTIONS

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. What is the initial honor in the Order of the Arrow?2. What are the objectives and purposes of the Order of the Arrow?3. What are the four parts of the Ordeal and their respective purposes?4. Who are the four ceremonial characters and what are their offices and duties?5. Repeat the obligation. (From memory)6. What is the legend of the Order? (In your words)7. How and when is the symbol of the Order of the Arrow worn?8. Tell what the symbol of the Order is and why it was chosen. | <ol style="list-style-type: none">9. Give the handclasp of the Order. How is it a modification of the Scout handclasp and what is the meaning of this modification?10. How must the admonition of the Order be given?11. What is the admonition?12. What is the meaning of the admonition?13. Describe and give the hailing sign of the Ordeal.14. What is the full name of the Order?15. In what language is it given?16. What is its meaning in English?17. Give the words or sing the song of the Order.18. What is the purpose of Brotherhood membership? |
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2011-2012 Lodge Officer Candidates

Name:	Honor:	Rank:	Positions Held:	Profile:
Chief				
Bobby Kaye	Vigil	Eagle	Lodge 1 st Vice Chief, Lodge Corresponding Secretary, Chapter Secretary	
Michael Kremer	Vigil	Life	Chapter Chief, Chapter 1 st Vice Chief, Chapter Secretary, Chapter Website and Media Chairman	
1st Vice Chief				
Ben Moore	Vigil	Eagle	Chapter Chief, Chapter 2 nd Vice Chief	
Clayton Weems	Vigil	Eagle	Lodge Corresponding Secretary, Chapter Chief, Chapter 1 st Vice Chief, Chapter Service Project Chairman, Chapter Ordeal Chairman	
2nd Vice Chief				
Aaron Burton	Vigil	Eagle	Lodge Treasurer, Lodge Brotherhood/Ceremonies Chairman, Chapter 1 st Vice, Chapter 2 nd Vice	
Josh Bright	Brotherhood	Life	Chapter 2 nd Vice Chief, Chapter Secretary	

Corresponding Secretary				
Sam Picus	Brotherhood	Eagle	Chapter Chief, Chapter 2 nd Vice Chief	
John Woeltje	Brotherhood	Life	Lodge Program Chairman	
Recording Secretary				
Glen Hervey	Brotherhood	Eagle	Chapter Chief, Chapter Ordeal Chairman	
Jasen Jackson	Brotherhood	Life	Chapter Chief, Chapter 2 nd Vice Chief	No Picture Available
Treasurer				
Josh Hill	Brotherhood	Eagle	Chapter Chief (2x)	
Joe Shaver	Brotherhood	Eagle	Chapter Chief, Chapter 1 st Vice, Chapter Webmaster (2x), Chapter Banquet Chairman	