



Nendawen Lodge 618 2007 Planbook

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Order of the Arrow  Boy Scouts of America

A Note from the Chief

My Fellow Brothers,

You have in front of you a great piece of informative literature - the Nendawen Lodge Planbook. As far as I know, this is the first one our lodge has ever made. Its purpose is to provide you with valuable information that you can use to become better acquainted with and more knowledgeable about the inner workings of not only our lodge, but also of the OA in general. The other lodge officers and I are going to make this a big year for Nendawen lodge. This Planbook includes valuable information about the officers and advisors of the lodge. These officers and advisors are the ones who run the lodge and make all the wonderful events we have happen. Their contact information can be found within these pages.

The lodge holds many activities throughout the year, all of which can be found on the calendar in this book. The Winter Banquet is the most important of all these events. This is where the officers of the lodge are elected by the youth. If you want a voice in the lodge, make a point to be at the Winter Banquet. A history of the lodge has been compiled and has been put in the book. There are several forms in this Planbook that will help you be connected further with the lodge. I hope you will take the time to fill out at least one of the Where to Go Camping forms and send it back to us. By doing this, you will help us complete one of our other publications as well as help us realize a goal. I hope you use these resources to their fullest potential. There is a lot of valuable information within these pages. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please don't hesitate to email me. Enjoy!

Yours in Brotherhood,



Brian C. McQueen
2007 Nendawen Lodge Chief

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“The Order of the Arrow is a thing of the spirit rather than of mechanics. Organization, operational procedure, and paraphernalia are necessary in any large and growing movement, but they are not what count in the end. The things of the spirit count”

--E. Urner Goodman--

2007 Calendar of Events

January

- 12-14 - Lodge Officer Retreat - Camp Kootaga
- 13 - Pinewood Derby - Little Kanawha District
- 20 - Pinewood Derby - Hock-Hocking District

February

- 3 - Council Pinewood Derby - Parkersburg

March

Elections Begin March 1

- 3 - Pinewood Derby - Bridgeport
- 9-10 - Witahemui Weekend - Camp Kootaga
- 23-25 - WV State Pinewood Derby - Bridgeport
- 30-1 - Spring Fellowship - Camp Kootaga

April

- 20-22 - Ceremonies Weekend - Camp Mahonegon
- 27-29 - Spring Ordeal - Camp Mahonegon

May

- 4-5 - Witahemui Weekend - Camp Kootaga
- 18-20 - Conclave - Beaumont Scout Reservation

Elections End May 31

June

- 1-2 - Witahemui Weekend - Camp Kootaga
- 8-9 - Vigil Weekend - Camp Mahonegon
- 21, 28 - Call-outs - Camp Kootaga

July

- 5, 12, 19 - Call-outs - Camp Kootaga

August

- 3-5 - Ceremonies Weekend - Camp Kootaga
- 10-12 - Fall Ordeal - Camp Kootaga

September

- 14-16 - Fall Fellowship - Camp Mahonegon

December

- 8 - Winter Banquet - Cottage Corner Restaurant, Salem WV

Event Descriptions

Lodge Officer Retreat – This is the first event of the year and is designed to bring the LEC together in order to build a stronger team. There are several training sessions that help build the knowledge of our lodge officers. This is also where the first LEC meeting is held and sets the pace for the entire year.

Pinewood Derbies – Pinewood derbies are held throughout the council for the Cub Scouts. We attend the events and help out wherever we are needed.

Witahemui Weekend – These weekends are designed specifically for service to the council summer camp. Arrowmen come in on Friday night to have fun and hang out. Saturday is spent completing various service projects around the camp.

Fellowships – There are two fellowships throughout the year. These weekends are specifically for the Arrowmen. You can sleep, play games, go hiking, WHATEVER! It's really just to build brotherhood.

Ceremonies Weekends – These weekends are designed for the ceremonies and dance teams to spend time out at camp building their outfits and preparing for the upcoming Ordeal Weekend. If you are interested in either of these activities, you should attend.

Ordeals – This is where the new OA members are inducted. Help is always needed to run the event and serve as Elangomats.

Call-outs – These are every Thursday night at summer camp. Candidates are called out for induction into the OA.

Conclave – This is a weekend of Brotherhood and training hosted by the section. All ten lodges in the section attend.

Vigil Weekend – This is a weekend for only Vigil Honor Members. New vigil honor candidates go through their vigil this weekend.

Winter Banquet – The Winter Banquet is one of the most important events of the year. It is where all of the business for the next year is completed. Elections are held and awards are presented.

OA Basics

Purpose of the Order of the Arrow

The purpose contains four parts:

- 1) To recognize those Scout campers who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives.
- 2) To develop and maintain camping traditions and spirit.
- 3) To promote Scout camping.
- 4) To crystallize the Scout habit of helpfulness into a life purpose of leadership in cheerful service to others.

History

The Order of the Arrow (OA) was founded by Dr. E. Uner Goodman and Carroll A. Edson in 1915 at the Treasure Island Camp of the Philadelphia Council, Boy Scouts of America. It became an official program experiment in 1922 and was approved as part of the Scouting program in 1934. In 1948, the Order of the Arrow, recognized as the BSA's national brotherhood of honor campers, became an official part of the national camping program of the Boy Scouts of America.

Membership Requirements

Scouts are elected for Order of the Arrow candidacy by their own unit members, following approval by the unit leader. To be eligible for candidacy and membership, one must meet the following requirements:

- Be currently registered with a Boy Scout troop or Varsity team
- Hold the rank of First Class or higher
- Within two years prior to the election date, have participated in fifteen days and nights of Scout camping, including one (but no more than one) long-term resident camp approved by the BSA.

Adult Scouters are nominated by units and selected by a council committee based on their ability to provide assistance to youth and help fulfill the purpose of the Order of the Arrow. Recognition should in no way serve as a motive for the selection of Scouters for Order of the Arrow candidacy. Selection should be based upon a Scouter's demonstrated ability to serve as a positive role model and advisor for the youth of the Lodge. With the

exception of the requirement of rank, the same membership requirements for youth apply for adults.

The Obligation

I do hereby promise, on my honor as a Scout, that I will always and faithfully observe and preserve the customs and 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.

The Order of the Arrow Official Song

Firm bound in brotherhood, Gather the
clan That cheerful service brings To fellow man.
Circle our council fire, Weld tightly ev'ry link That
binds us in brotherhood, Wimachtendienk.

(Music is printed in the Order of the Arrow Handbook)

The Admonition

The admonition of the Order, given to you by Allowat Sakima in the Ordeal Ceremony, is a safeguarded phrase that is not to be written down. It is used to confirm one's membership in the Order. To find out this information if it is forgotten, consult with a member of the Ceremonial Team or another knowledgeable Arrowman.

Ordeal Membership

The induction weekend and ceremony, called the Ordeal, is the first step toward membership in the Order of the Arrow. During the experience candidates go through different challenges to help them realize the meaning of the Order's tenets, and their importance in being successful in Scouting and in life.

Brotherhood Membership

From the beginning of the Order in 1915, all members have been equal. There are no ranks. As an Ordeal member you are entitled to all of the rights and privileges of membership in the Order. Yet, so important is the induction sequence that the Order strengthened it by creating the Brotherhood membership. Before becoming a Brotherhood member, each Arrowman makes a special effort to serve their unit and to learn about the Order. Your primary obligation as an Ordeal member is to serve your unit, and you are only ready for more after you are satisfied that you have done this. The Brotherhood obligation includes a pledge to support the work of the Order. As an Ordeal member, you are invited and encouraged to serve in lodge activities, but you have no obligation to do so. As you approach Brotherhood membership, you should develop a definite idea of how you can serve the Order. Your Ordeal consisted primarily of physical impressions. The Brotherhood ceremony is one of deeper and quieter mental impressions. To prepare yourself for Brotherhood membership, refer to the Order of the Arrow Handbook. Another great resource to prepare for Brotherhood membership is the OA Jumpstart web site, located at <http://www.jumpstart.oa-bsa.org>.

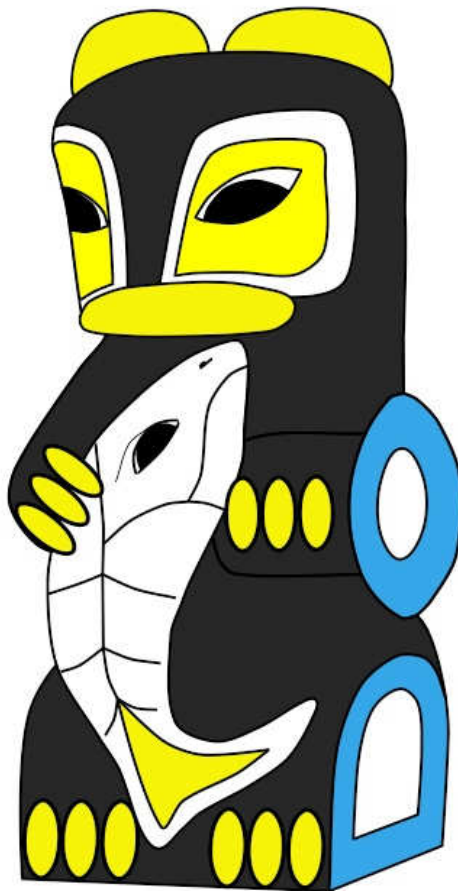
The following serve as the requirements for Brotherhood induction:

1. Memorize the following signs of OA membership:
 - The Obligation
 - The Order of the Arrow Official Song
 - The Admonition
 - The sign of Ordeal membership
 - The Order of the Arrow Handclasp
2. Be able to demonstrate an understanding of the Ordeal.
3. Serve your unit actively for at least 10 months.
4. Determine how you want to serve the Lodge and the Order. Keep your dues current, and form a specific plan in order to become involved once you have attained Brotherhood membership.
5. When you have completed these preceding tasks, write a letter to the Lodge Secretary. This should include your thoughts on the meaning of the Obligation, how you go about fulfilling this Obligation, and your plan for service upon attaining Brotherhood membership.

Brotherhood questioning and ceremonies are offered at every Ordeal and Fellowship weekend.

Vigil Honor Membership

The Vigil Honor is the highest honor that the Order of the Arrow can bestow upon its members for service to Lodge, Council, and Scouting. Vigil Honor members have an honorable tradition to uphold. They must at all times conduct themselves in accordance with the ideals of Scouting, the Order of the Arrow, and the Vigil Honor. Any member of the Order of the Arrow currently registered in Scouting and in good standing with a regularly chartered Lodge is eligible for recommendation to the National Order of the Arrow Committee for elevation to the Vigil Honor, provided that, at the time of the recommendation, the individual has been a Brotherhood member for a minimum of two years. Members can be inducted into the Vigil Honor only with the written approval of the National Order of the Arrow Committee.



Lodge History

In 1991 a merger took place between Kootaga Council located in Parkersburg, WV and the Central WV Council located in Clarksburg, WV. Tom Kramer was adviser for Kootaga Lodge 201 and Dwight Davis was adviser of Buckongehannon Lodge 527. Al Billips was asked to advise the newly formed Nendawen Lodge 618.

Kenny Barnhouse and Pete Roth were Chiefs of the merging lodges. With representatives from both lodges, they confirmed the name "Nendawen" for the new lodge and designed a new patch reflecting two buckskin covered arms each holding a torch and having the numerals 201 on one sleeve and 527 on the other sleeve. The torches were directed to a firelay in the center of the patch with a red border and by a flip of the coin Kenny Barnhouse became the first Lodge Chief and Pete Roth was the Vice Chief. A new set of Lodge rules were formulated and adopted.

The first Winter Banquet was held in December, 1991, at Salem Teikyo University and at that banquet each chapter was required to have a minimum of 10 youth members present to elect their Chapter Vice Chief. This presented a problem since Hock Hocking with Chapter Advisor Gus Morris was the only chapter able to hold their election. The rules were amended to take out the 10 member present rule.

Al Billips left the advisorship of Nendawen Lodge 618 in order to serve as Section Advisor for EC6B and later C5B which covered all of West Virginia and a large area of Ohio. He was succeeded in 1993 by Gus Morris as the second Nendawen Lodge 618 advisor. Gus was succeeded in 1999 by Bruce Enlow as the third Nendawen Lodge 618 Adviser. Bruce Enlow then resigned in 2001 and Jay Wilson took over as the Lodge Advisor.

LODGE RULES

SECTION I: NAME AND AFFILIATION OF THE LODGE

- A. The name of this lodge of the Order of the Arrow shall be the NENDAWEN Lodge, Wimachtendienk, Wingolauchsik, Witahemui.
- B. The Lodge shall be affiliated with the Allohak Council, 618, Boy Scouts of America, and shall be under the supervision of the Council Camping Committee, and the administrative authority of its Scout Executive.

SECTION II: REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURE FOR ELECTION TO MEMBERSHIP

- A. The requirements for membership in this lodge are as stated in the most recent printing of the Order of the Arrow Handbook.
- B. Procedure for the Ordeal shall be as stated in the Order of the Arrow Handbook and Administration Guide for the Ordeal.
- C. Unit elections shall take place between the first day of March and the last day of May (Amended 12/05).
- D. Unit Elections shall be held at a time and place determined by the unit leader within the time frames specified in IIC. The order shall be represented by a two-or-three member team from the lodge or chapter unit elections committee. Elections, if not provided by the lodge or chapter committees, may be performed by a troop representative team.
- E. Each Year, the unit committee may recommend to the lodge executive committee one adult leader for consideration as a candidate for induction. This candidate must fulfill the current membership requirements described in the latest edition of the Order of the Arrow Guide for Officers and Advisors.
- F. The District Chairman, Council President, Scout Executive, or members of the professional staff may recommend to the lodge executive committee adult leaders in council and district positions for consideration as candidates for induction. All requirements set forth for adult leaders in units must be fulfilled, with the exception of the camping requirements, which may be waived at the discretion of the lodge executive committee.

SECTION III: OFFICERS, ADVISORS, AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- A. The officers of this lodge shall be lodge chief, lodge vice-chief, lodge secretary/treasurer, chapter chiefs (one for each chapter), ceremonies vice-chief, dance team vice-chief, and the elangomat vice-chief. These elected officers must be younger than 21 during the entire term of office.
- B. All officers and members of the lodge must be registered members of the Boy Scouts of America with lodge dues current.
- C. Lodge officers shall be elected at the annual Winter Banquet from a slate of nominations by a nominating committee appointed by the Lodge Chief; and, from any additional nominations from the floor at the banquet.
- D. The elected term of office is January 1 to December 31.
- E. The executive committee shall be composed of the elected officers, immediate past lodge chief, lodge operating committee chairmen, lodge advisors, camping committee member, chapter chiefs and advisors to each chapter, Scout Executive, and lodge staff advisor.
- F. The lodge adviser is appointed annually by the Scout Executive in consultation with the camping committee chairman.
- G. The lodge chief shall appoint chairmen (under 21 years of age for entire term of office) to such lodge operating committees as may be needed or required with the approval of the lodge executive committee.
- H. The lodge advisor appoints an adult advisor to each committee, in consultation with the lodge chief and lodge staff advisor.
- I. Vacancies in elected offices may be filled by appointment by the lodge chief with the approval of the lodge executive committee.
- J. Duties of lodge officers and operating committee shall be as described in the most recent edition of the Order of the Arrow Handbook and/or the Guide for Officers and Advisors.
- K. In the event the lodge chief's position is vacated, the lodge vice-chief will assume that office.

SECTION IV: LODGE MEETINGS

- A. Lodge meetings will be held on a date specified by the lodge chief with consultation with the lodge advisor; and two weeks prior written notification is required by the lodge secretary to the active membership or appropriate designee.

- B. Executive committee meetings may be held at least six times per year with two weeks written notification from the lodge secretary prior to the meeting required.
- C. Special meeting of the executive committee or the lodge may be called by the lodge chief with the approval of the Scout Executive or the staff advisor, and two weeks prior written notification required.
- D. Each meeting of the lodge shall be opened with the obligation of the Order of the Arrow; and, shall be closed with the Order of the Arrow Official Song.
- E. Voting. Adult Scouters, age 21 or older, do not have a vote in matters of lodge business. This is national policy and not subject to change by council or lodge.
- F. A quorum of the executive committee shall consist of the voting members present at the scheduled committee meeting, lodge meeting, or special meeting. Voting by proxy is not permitted.
- G. Parliamentary procedures shall be followed at all meetings of the lodge.

SECTION V: FINANCES

- A. All Order of the Arrow funds shall be handled through the council service center and go through all normal council accounting procedures. (Mandated by national policy.)

SECTION VI: DUES AND FEES

- A. There shall be an induction fee as determined by the executive committee at the time of registration for the Ordeal. Call outs performed by a lodge other than Nendawen are permitted if accompanied by written permission of the Scout Executive, or staff advisor, lodge advisor and lodge chief. However, this candidate may participate in the Ordeal ceremony only at his own namely Nendawen Lodge # 618. For each fee, each new Ordeal member shall receive:
 - a. Membership card with dues paid for the remainder of the year through December 31.
 - b. An Ordeal sash.
 - c. A current edition of the Order of the Arrow Handbook.
 - d. A red-bordered ordeal lodge flap.
 - e. Spirit of the Arrow booklets
 - f. Meals
 - g. A red Ordeal Bead
 - h. Any other items as determined by the executive committee.

- B. Dues to this lodge as determined by the executive committee shall be collected annually by the lodge treasurer and deposited with the Council office. Dues cover the annual year from January 1 to December 31. Dues may be received at any OA function.
- C. Inactive members may be restored to active lodge membership status by paying one year's back dues plus the current year's dues.
- D. A lodge budget is formulated and approved at the first executive committee meeting scheduled after election. Any expenses not budgeted must have prior approval by the executive committee.

SECTION VII: BROTHERHOOD MEMBERSHIP

- A. Completion of Brotherhood membership shall be in accordance with the requirements in the current printing of the Order of the Arrow Handbook.
- B. There shall be a membership fee as determined by the executive committee prior to registration. For such fee the members shall receive the following:
 - a. A brotherhood sash
 - b. A yellow bordered brotherhood lodge flap.
 - c. A membership card marked Brotherhood.
 - d. Meals.
 - e. A yellow brotherhood bead.
 - f. Any other items as determined by the executive committee.

SECTION VIII: THE VIGIL HONOR

- A. Attainment of the Vigil Honor shall be in accordance with the requirements in the current printing of the Order of the Arrow Handbook.
- B. All decisions pertaining to the Vigil Honor Membership shall be made by a Vigil Committee appointed by the lodge chief.

Lodge Rules

1. Members of the Vigil Committee should be Vigil Honor Members; however, any member of the lodge may be selected to serve on this committee.
2. Voting members of the Vigil Committee shall be under 21 years of age.
3. Vigil Honor members receive a sash, certificate, Vigil Honor membership card, a white Vigil bead, a blue bordered Vigil lodge flap.

SECTION IX: AMENDMENTS

- A. These rules shall be subject to amendment at any regular or special meeting of this lodge; provided, such amendment has been submitted in writing to the executive committee at least one month prior to such meeting and, that due notice has been sent to all active members at

- least two weeks prior to such meeting. A two-thirds majority vote of the members present shall be required for passage of the amendment.
- B. All lodge rules must be in harmony with the national policies of the Order of the Arrow as set forth in the latest edition of the Order of the Arrow Handbook and Guide for Officers and Advisors.

AMENDMENTS

1. The lodge totem shall be that of a bear holding a salmon. (12/05)
2. In the event that a secretary/treasurer is not elected into position, the lodge vice-chief may assume those responsibilities until a willing arrowman can be found to assume the responsibilities. (12/05)
3. Order of the Arrow merchandise cannot be purchased from this lodge by non-dues-paid Order of the Arrow members or by non Order of the Arrow members. (12/05)
4. In order to purchase lodge flaps of a specific honor from this lodge, the member purchasing the lodge flap must be of that honor or of a higher honor. (12/05)

11/12/90

12/28/91

12/11/99 Revised

12/10/05 Amended/Revised

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Appendices

1. Lodge Health Form

This form must be filled out by all who attend lodge events. Only one must be turned in per year.

2. Troop Representative Form

This form must be filled out by all Troop Representatives. In order to fulfill the responsibilities of Troop Representative you must register and participate in the operations of the lodge.

3. Lodge Dues Form

This form must be filled out and submitted with every years dues. This helps us to keep accurate records of the membership. If the member has not paid for some time, he must pay one years worth of back dues as well as current years dues.

4. Where to go Camping Guide Information Form

We would appreciate troops filling out as many of these forms as they can. This will help us create a “Where to go Camping Guide” that will be distributed to all troops within the council—free of charge.



ORDER OF THE ARROW
NENDAWEN LODGE 618
HEALTH FORM
(COPY FORM AS NEEDED)

EVERY PERSON AT AN EVENT MUST FILL OUT THIS FORM.

Name _____ Troop # _____

In case of emergency notify:

Name _____

Relationship _____

Address _____ Phone # _____

Family Physician _____ Phone # _____

HEALTH HISTORY

Has or is subject to: (CHECK IF YES)

___ Asthma ___ Fainting Spells ___ Convulsions ___ Diabetes ___ Allergies
___ Heart Trouble ___ Allergic Restrictions ___ Other (explain) _____

Has difficulty with: (CHECK IF YES)

___ Eyes ___ Ears ___ Nose ___ Throat ___ Lungs ___ Digestion

List any medication you are currently taking: _____

Who will have the medication with them? _____

Explain any restriction for medical reasons: _____

****PARENT AUTHORIZATION: This Health History is correct to the best of my knowledge, and the person herein described has permission to engage in all prescribed activities, except as noted by me and the physician. In the event I cannot be reached in an emergency, I hereby give permission to the physician, selected by the adult Leader in charge, to hospitalize, secure proper anesthesia, or to order injection, surgery, or treatment for my son, daughter, or myself.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN _____

DATE _____

PLEASE BRING THIS FORM TO THE EVENT WITH YOU AND
TURN IT IN ON FRIDAY NIGHT. DO NOT TURN IT IN TO THE
COUNCIL SERVICE CENTER.



OA Troop Representative

Registration Form

A copy of this form must be filled out and filed with the lodge to be considered an actual OA Troop Representative.

Date: _____ Term of Office: _____

Name: _____ Troop # _____

Address: _____ District: _____

_____ OA Chapter: _____

_____ O/B/V: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

E-Mail: _____

Scouting Experience: _____

OA Experience: _____

Name of Advisor: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Fax: _____

_____ E-Mail: _____

_____ O/B/V: _____

Scoutmaster: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Fax: _____

_____ E-Mail: _____

_____ O/B/V: _____

I understand the responsibilities set forth in the OA Troop Representative Job description and will do my best to exemplify the traditions of the Order of the Arrow, Wimachtendienk, Wingolauchsik, Witahemui.

OA Troop Representative

Advisor

Scoutmaster

Please send Completed forms to:
Troop Relations Vice-Chief
Nendawen Lodge 618
1340 Juliana St.
Parkersburg WV, 26101



Nendawen Lodge 618 Dues Form

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE #: (home) _____ (work) _____

UNIT #: _____ BIRTHDATE: _____

| | | | |
|-------|-------------|-------|------|
| _____ | ORDEAL | _____ | DATE |
| _____ | BROTHERHOOD | _____ | DATE |
| _____ | VIGIL | _____ | DATE |
| _____ | FOUNDER'S | _____ | DATE |

CURRENT MEMBER DUES -- \$10.00 YEAR _____ \$ _____

PAST YEAR'S DUES -- \$10.00

(For members who have not paid for the year before) \$ _____

LODGE FLAP -- \$4.00 EACH

(Please circle: O B V) _____ flaps X \$4.00 = \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

Make Checks Payable to: Boy Scouts of America/OA

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“Where To Go Camping Guide” Information Form

Facility Name: _____

Telephone #: _____

Fax #: _____

Email Address: _____

Website: _____

Address line 1: _____

Address line 2: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Please briefly describe the camping facility (include number of campsites, campsite size, drinking water source, attractions, facility size, available amenities and any special features):

Please check any of the following that you know are available at the facility:

- Tent Camping
- Cabins
- Activity Field
- Fire Ring
- Pavilion

- Pool
- Lake (swimming)
- Lake (boating or canoeing)
- Showers
- Restroom Facilities

What would you rate this camp?

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

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The Obligation

*I do hereby promise, on my honor as a Scout, that I will
always and faithfully observe and preserve the customs and
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.*

The Song

*Firm hound in brotherhood, Gather the
clan That cheerful service brings To fellow man.
Circle our council fire, Weld tightly ev'ry link That
binds us in brotherhood, Wimachtendienk.*



*The Order of the Arrow is a thing of the outdoors
rather than the indoors. It was born in an island
wilderness. It needs the sun and rain, the woods and
plains, the waters and the starlit sky..*

-E. Urner Goodman-

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