



TINDEUCHEN LODGE #522

ORDER OF THE ARROW

CANDIDATES PLEASE READ THIS CAREFULLY

Congratulations on your selection as a candidate for membership in the Order of the Arrow (OA), Boy Scouts of America. For over 100 years, the OA has recognized Scouts and Scouters who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives. This recognition provides encouragement for others to live these ideals as well. Arrowmen are known for maintaining camping traditions and spirit, promoting year-round and long term resident camping, and providing cheerful service to others. OA service, activities, adventures, and training for youth and adults are models of quality leadership development and programming that enrich and help to extend Scouting to America's youth.

You will become a member of Tindeuchen Lodge #522, during our Ordeal induction weekend. This experience will afford you the opportunity to reflect on your personal commitment to the principles of the Scout Oath and Law and to become acquainted with the principles and purposes of the OA. The Ordeal is undertaken by every new candidate and is a meaningful and inspiring experience that will not be soon forgotten.

The following is a checklist of equipment that you **must** bring to the Ordeal:

YOU WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO PARTICIPATE WITHOUT IT!!

- Copy of current Scout Physical (Parts A & B)
- If you must carry medication with you, please have it in the original container.
- Complete BSA uniform for your program
- Ground cloth/tarp – Should be large enough for you to lay on and cover yourself up.
- Sleeping Bag – Check the weather; Sleeping bag should be rated for night temperature.
- Rain gear – We WILL be outside in whatever conditions we encounter.
- Canteen/Water bottle – A hydrated camper is a happy camper.
- Work clothes and gloves – Durable and able to get dirty.
- Other outer wear items to keep warm.
- Tent – This will be for Saturday night, **not Friday**. Tent sharing is permitted on Saturday **if YPT compliant**.
- Spending money, if desired, for OA items on sale after the Ordeal.

Check-in will be from 7:00 PM until 9:00 PM on Friday evening, at the OA Cabin (Epworth).

Yours in Brotherhood,
Lodge Chief

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