

Nentico Lodge

ORDER OF THE ARROW

BALTIMORE AREA COUNCIL
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

701 WYMAN PARK DRIVE
BALTIMORE, MD 21211

Dear Candidate,

Congratulations on your election as a candidate for membership in the Order of the Arrow.

To become a member of our Order, you must now undergo the Ordeal that is a series of tests of your dedication to the ideals of Scouting and the Order. These tests are meant to signify a great deal about Scouting and your life. None of these tests will be easy, but all will be within your capabilities. Do not be fooled by the words of others. The Ordeal holds nothing you need to fear. It will be a rewarding and memorable experience. When you complete the Ordeal satisfactorily, you may take the Obligation of our Order and become an Ordeal member.

On the registration form attached, you will find a list of Ordeal dates from which you may select. We request you report to **the Ordeal at 7:30 PM on one of the dates listed. The Ordeal will conclude on Sunday at approximately 10:00 AM.** Please make arrangements for transportation to arrive no later than **10:00 AM.**

Present yourself in full official Scout uniform and bring the following items in a pack suitable for carrying on your back: work clothes, poncho, ground cloth, and bedding, 36" of cord, pocket knife, and necessary toilet articles. You should also bring a tent for use Saturday night. Be prepared to sleep under the stars Friday night. You will also need to bring a copy of the **BSA Annual Health and Medical Record, parts A and C.**

The cost of the Ordeal will be **\$40.00**, which will cover the Ordeal weekend, a handbook, a sash, food and administrative fees, including current year dues. So we can more accurately plan for food you should **register at least 2 weeks in advance.** If you do not there is a \$2.00 late fee. Please fill out and return the form along with the fee as soon as possible so that we can make the necessary arrangements.

You may want to attend your district's Ordeal, but you may attend anyone you like. If for some reason you cannot make any of the scheduled Ordeals please indicate on the form and return it to the Lodge. **You must take your Ordeal within one year of the date of your election, or you must be reelected.**

I again congratulate you on your election as a candidate to membership and look forward to having you as a brother in the Order of the Arrow.

Yours in Service



Michael A. Staskowiak, Jr.
2010 Lodge Chief