



# ORDER OF THE ARROW

## KINTECOYING LODGE 4



To the parents or guardians of the candidate

### **Congratulations!**

Your Scout has been elected by their peers as someone who exemplifies the ideals of unselfish, cheerful service, and should be inducted into Scouting's National Honor Society, the Order of the Arrow.

The O.A., as it's often called, aims to recognize those campers who best live up to the Scout Oath and Scout Law in their daily lives and to guide them in expanding the service that has made them outstanding. The Order is entirely youth led, promotes Scout camping, develops leaders, maintains traditions, and has a lot of fun at the same time!

You can recognize an Order of the Arrow member by the white sash with a red arrow they wear during ceremonial occasions and the patch attached on their right pocket flap.

Now that your Scout has been elected, to become a member they must attend one induction weekend to complete their Ordeal. This series of challenges will demonstrate his or her dedication to the ideals of Scouting and the Order of the Arrow. Those who complete the challenges take a pledge of service and are admitted into our Brotherhood. Every youth and adult member of the Order of the Arrow has completed the same Ordeal for more than 100 years.



Kintecoying Lodge 4, the local branch of the Order of the Arrow in New York City, offers four Induction Weekends each year. Registration is now open for our two spring 2019 options.

**Pouch Scout Camp** - Friday April 5 – Sunday April 7, 2019  
Check-in Friday at Berlin Lodge between 7:00 PM and 9:00 PM  
Register online or print paper forms here: [www.bsa-gnyc.org/April-Induction](http://www.bsa-gnyc.org/April-Induction)

**Camp Keowa, Ten Mile River Scout Camps** - Friday May 17 - Sunday May 19, 2019  
Check-in Friday at the Camp Keowa office between 7:00 PM and 9:00 PM  
Register online or print paper forms here: [www.bsa-gnyc.org/May-Induction](http://www.bsa-gnyc.org/May-Induction)

Your Scout also must bring a copy of the BSA part A&B health form or mail it with their paper registration – *these must not be emailed for security reasons*. Please note that the A&B form does **not** need a doctor's signature and will not be returned following the event. Links to blank forms are available on the registration sites above.

Our lodge has many activities and projects. We've done everything from caving and Six Flags trips to helping at a run to fight cancer and cleaning up tornado damage at Ten Mile River Scout Camps. We do a lot, but our program does not replace the member's responsibility to their own unit. Indeed, each O.A. Brother is expected to give richer service to their troop, crew, or ship in return for the honor their unit extended to them.

We are sure you have questions. We've answered some of them in the FAQ accompanying this letter (also available on the registration sites above). If you have other questions, please email us at [OAinductionsNYC@googlegroups.com](mailto:OAinductionsNYC@googlegroups.com).

We look forward to welcoming your Scout into Scouting's National Honor Society!

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