

Order of the Arrow  
Ha-Kin-Skay-A-Ki Lodge 387  
Pikes Peak Council, Colorado Springs, CO 80903

Dear Candidate,

The next step to becoming a member of the Order of the Arrow is for you to participate in our Ordeal Weekend and Ceremony. I can tell you that it is not an initiation and it's not a religious ritual. Hazing is not permitted and you will not be harassed during the weekend. You will be asked to work with the other members of the Order of the Arrow in the important job of maintaining our beautiful Camp Alexander. **Your candidacy will expire one year from the date of your election.** If you do not attend one of the two weekends listed below, you must be re-elected next year at your unit's election.

**You must pre-register for the weekend and pre-pay the \$35.00 fee which covers your food for the weekend, your Ordeal Order of the Arrow Sash, an Order of the Arrow Handbook, a Lodge Flap for your uniform pocket and your dues for the remainder of the 2008 dues year, ending Oct 31, 2008 and all of 2009 dues year ending Oct 31, 2009.**

Check in at Camp Alexander on Friday evening between 6:00pm and 8:00pm. There is no walk up registration at camp. Pre-registration and pre-payment is mandatory. It is critical for you to arrive between these times in order for you to be assigned to your clan (just like a patrol). **Eat before you come, no meal is served Friday evening. You should also bring your basic camping gear. You will need work gloves, work clothes, a ground cloth, sleeping bag, tent (for Saturday Night) pack or frame to carry your equipment (no hand-carried plastic bags), complete scout uniform (as complete as you have) canteen, flashlight, rain gear, hat, and jacket. Bring your uniform for Saturday evening ceremony (you will have the opportunity to shower). Be sure to bring your filled out Camper Information/Health History form available at the scout office or downloadable from oa.pikespeakbsa.org. Please notify us in writing if you have special diet or activity restrictions required by religious belief or medical requirement.**

Banquet activities and ceremonies will be completed by Saturday evening around 9:00PM. The ceremonies are not open to the public. Parents wanting more information about the ceremonies should contact Mike Caruthers, Lodge Adviser at 591-6505 or Kyle Smith, Staff Adviser, at 634-1584 for more information. May 11 is Mother's Day and we encourage our members to honor their mothers on this special day. We encourage all Scouts to stay Saturday night and participate in a Vigil Call Out ceremony held on Sunday of the August weekend. We understand that personal family and religious obligations may require you to depart on Saturday night after the ceremonies. Parents planning to take their son home on Saturday night should arrive at camp about 9:00pm to avoid a long wait at the Elks Lodge for activities to end. We have a trading post, where you can purchase additional Lodge Flaps and other Order of the Arrow merchandise. This will be the only spending money needed for the weekend.

**Remember your eligibility expires one year from the date of your election, not from your callout! Please do not miss this opportunity to enhance your scouting experience.**

**Deadline to sign up for the weekend is the close of business on dates listed below.** Mail this form to: Council Service Center, PO BOX 25159, Colorado Springs, CO 80936-5159

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**CANDIDATE Order of the Arrow Weekend Registration Form**  
**PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION NEATLY!!! Fee is \$35.00**

\_\_\_\_\_ I will attend the Spring Weekend – May 9-11, 2008 (Act 813) Registration Deadline May 2, 2008

\_\_\_\_\_ I will attend the Fall Weekend – August 15-17, 2008 (Act 816) Registration Deadline August 8, 2008

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial \_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ **YOUTH or ADULT** (circle one)

Troop \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (month/day/year) Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

BSA ID Number (can be found on the bottom of BSA registration card) \_\_\_\_\_