

Dear Brotherhood Candidate:

It has been at least 6 months since your induction as an Ordeal member in the Order of the Arrow. If you have continued faithfully to serve your fellow man, you may now seal your membership in the Order through the Brotherhood Ceremony by completing the following requirements:

a. Memorize the Order of the Arrow Obligation,
b. Advance your understanding of the Ordeal,
c. Serve your unit and maintain your registration in Scouting,
d. Plan for future service in Ti'ak Lodge,
e. Review your progress on your path to Brotherhood.

It is important not only that you meet the above requirements but that you feel you are prepared for the Brotherhood. Write a letter to the Ti'ak Lodge Vice Chief of Induction expressing your beliefs in the following:

a. Explain what you think the Obligation means,
b. Describe how you have fulfilled this Obligation in your Troop and in your daily life, and how you have used your understanding of the Ordeal to aid in your service,
c. Describe your specific plans for giving future service to the Lodge program.

Included with this letter is a form which may be used to complete your letter. Feel free to use this or use your own. As long as the above items are covered, either will be fine. Deliver this letter to the chapter chief of your chapter at your next chapter meeting. At this meeting you will have an opportunity to show you are prepared to participate in the Brotherhood Ceremony. The next opportunity to participate in the Brotherhood ceremony will be held at Camp Tiak during Fall Induction which is scheduled for November 13-15. 2026.

Once all steps have been completed, please let us know your intentions by registering for the Induction weekend so preparations can be made for all those who will attend. You can register online on the Pine Burr Area Council website or through your OA Membership Portal account by accessing the event on the Calendar.

Noah McKinney
Lodge Chief



TI'AK LODGE
BROTHERHOOD QUESTIONNAIRE

Part I
Know the Signs of the Ordeal

1. Who is Kichkinet?	**Guide**
2. What does he symbolize?	**Helpfulness and Friendliness**
3. Who is Nuticket?	**Guard**
4. What does he symbolize?	**Cheerfulness**
5. Who is Meteu?	**Medicine Man**
6. What does he symbolize?	**Brotherhood**
7. Who is Allowat Sakima?	**Mighty Chief**
8. What does he symbolize?	**Service**
9. What are the four tests of the Ordeal?	**Scant Food** **Silence** **Arduous Labor** **Night Alone Under the Stars**

10. What does each test illustrate?

Cheerfulness
Brotherhood
Service
Leadership

11. During your Pre-Ordeal Ceremony, who asked you to test the bow?

Allowat Sakima

12. What are the three symbolic preparations for the Obligation?

Hand on shoulder
Binding with rope
Advancing three steps

13. What is the tradition handed to us by Uncas in the Legend?

Cheerful Service

14. What is Ordeal membership?

A time of trial

Part II
Advance in Your Understanding of the Order

15. What do the three W's stand for?

Wimachtendienk
Wingolauchsik
Witahemui

16. Translate them into English.

Brotherhood
Cheerful
Service

17. Who was the first Vigil Honor member of the Order of the Arrow?

E. Urner Goodman

18. Recite the Obligation.

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

19. Recite or Sing the Order of the Arrow Song.

> **Firm bound in brotherhood, Gather the clan**
> **That cheerful service brings to fellow man.**
> **Circle our council fire, Weld tightly every link**
> **That binds us in brotherhood. Wimachtendienk.**

20. What is the Admonition?

(Hint: What does an elephant weigh?)

21. What is the meaning of the Admonition?

Love One Another

22. What is the sign of Ordeal membership?

Right hand drawing an arrow from a quiver

23. Demonstrate the Ordeal handclasp.

(Left hand, little finger entwined)

24. Who founded the Order of the Arrow?

E. Urner Goodman & Carroll A. Edson

25. When is a member ready to accept Brotherhood membership in the Order?

After 6 months of service to their unit

26. What did each of these characters hold or bring to the Pre-Ordeal Ceremony:

Nuticket	**Unstrung Bow**
Meteu	**Bowstring**
Allowat Sakima	**Quiver of Arrows**
Kichkinet	**Nothing**

27. After which Indian tribe is the Legend patterned?

Lenni Lenape

Part III
Know Your Lodge

28. What is the name of the Lodge?

Ti'ak

29. What is the totem of our Lodge?

Pine Burr

30. What is the meaning of our Lodge name?

Tall Pine

31. What Indian language does it come from?

Choctaw

32. When was our lodge founded?

December 4, 1948

33. Who are the current Lodge Officers?

Chief	**Noah McKinney**
Vice Chief-Inductions	**Kenzie Leggett**
Vice Chief-Communication	**Kaleb Thompson**
Vice Chief-Program	**Carter Krell**
Vice Chief-Service	**Gehrig Herring**

34. What is the name and totem of your Chapter?

Chapter Name	Chapter Totem
Ayupka **(Smith, Jasper, Covington, Jones, & Wayne Counties)**	**Mighty Owl**
Hommi Hishi **(Marion, Lamar, Jeff Davis, Forrest, & Perry Counties)**	**Coral Snake**
Ittibapishilli **(Hancock & Harrison Counties)**	**Seagull**
Woapalanne **(Jackson, George, & Greene Counties)**	**Bald Eagle**
Wulelensin-Achtu **(Pearl River & Stone Counties)**	**Proud Deer**

Part IV
Discussion

Describe how you have fulfilled your Obligation to the Order of the Arrow in your Scouting Unit and in your daily life.

How have you used your understanding of the Ordeal to aid in this service?

Describe how you plan to continue to fulfill your Obligation in your Scouting Unit, Chapter, and Lodge.

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Approved By:

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Chapter Chief

Brotherhood Review Date: _____ / _____ / _____