



## **Congratulations on your election to the Order of the Arrow!**

### **Ordeal Candidates and Parents/Guardians**

You may take great pride in being elected to be a candidate for membership in the Order of the Arrow. It is considered a high honor to complete one's induction into the Order of the Arrow, the National Honor Society of the Boy Scouts of America. Organized in 1915 to recognize honor campers, the purpose of the Order of the Arrow is to recognize those who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives and through that recognition cause others to conduct themselves in a way that warrants similar recognition to promote camping, to develop leaders, and to crystallize the Scout habit of helpfulness into a life of purpose of leadership in cheerful service to others.

Both you and your parents or guardians probably have many questions concerning your election, induction, and participation in the Order. We hope this letter will address some of your concerns and increase your understanding about what you have been elected to join.

### **Your Complete Induction into the Order of the Arrow**

Completing the Ordeal is the first step to completing your induction into the Order of the Arrow. Six months following your Ordeal, you will be eligible to complete your induction experience once all of the Brotherhood requirements are completed.

### **Now That I am Elected, What's Next?**

Sikhs Mox Lamonti Lodge normally holds two events per year called Induction Weekends in which you can complete your Ordeal, up at Fire Mountain Scout Camp. You get to choose from two dates:

**June 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>, 2021 – Summer Induction Weekend at Fire Mountain Scout Camp**

**October 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 – Fall Induction Weekend at Fire Mountain Scout Camp**

The Ordeal is the first step in the induction process that is based on the principles of Brotherhood, Cheerfulness and Service. It is an 18 hour process that asks the candidate to reflect on their accomplishments, complete service and look to the future. As with all Scouting events, Induction Weekends are conducted within the guidance of the Scout Oath and Law. No hazing of any kind is allowed nor are any religious beliefs or principles violated. In addition to following all BSA National guidelines, we will be following all COVID guidelines as well, coordinated with Skagit County.



SIKHS MOX LA MONTI LODGE

## ORDER OF THE ARROW

This process is safeguarded so that mystery can be used to enhance the induction experience. Each of the candidates will be assigned an experienced Elangomat (“friend”) who you will be in contact with throughout the process. If you have any concerns, please contact us so we can address your concerns.

Transportation is the responsibility of the candidate. As a candidate, you will need to arrive at camp on Friday evening, check-in starts at 6:00pm, and ends at 7:30pm. Plan on eating before you arrive but we will have a cracker barrel to start the weekend off.

### What Do I Need for the Weekend?

- **Official BSA Health Form** (parts A and B only) – signed and filled out and any medications you need with dosage instructions – [click here](#). This form will not be returned, but kept by the Lodge for future events this year, then destroyed at the end of the year.
- **Mount Baker Council Pre Event Health Screening Form** – [click here](#)
- **Your uniform.** Bring your field uniform, no merit badge sashes
- **Backpack with personal camping gear** (no snacks or electronic gear)
- **Sleeping bag, water bottle, a tent, a pocket knife, rain gear, work clothes and gloves.**
- **Pre-registration:**
  - **Registration form:** [click here](#) to complete your registration, select the induction weekend you will be attending, and sign your parents up for a virtual parent meeting.
    - This is a chance for parents/guardians to ask questions and get a better understanding of the Order of the Arrow and what the Induction Weekend will entail.
    - **For the Zoom meeting link for this meeting, please contact us directly at the below emails and we will send this link to you.**
  - **Fee Payment:** Induction fees for 2021 are \$80.00. This fee covers Lodge membership dues for the 2021 and 2022 calendar years, Ordeal sash, lodge flap, OA handbook, meals, and Brotherhood sash (given when completing Brotherhood requirements). You can pay the fee by visiting our Lodge square store [here](#). If you would like to make other arrangements for payment, please contact us.

There will be a trading post at Induction weekend with extra Lodge patches, memorabilia, snacks, etc. for sale. Bring a few extra dollars and help support the Lodge program to better serve our units and the council.



SIKHS MOX LAMONTI LODGE

## ORDER OF THE ARROW

If you or your parents/guardians have any other questions, feel free to contact any of the Lodge leadership.

We are truly excited for you on this next step in your Scouting journey. For over 100 years, the Order of the Arrow has been developing the best leaders in Scouting and you are about to start down that journey.

Yours in Scouting,

Steven Glenn  
Associate Lodge Adviser – Inductions  
Sikhs Mox Lamonti Lodge #338  
[steven.glenn1@gmail.com](mailto:steven.glenn1@gmail.com)

Sean Connell  
Lodge Adviser  
Sikhs Mox Lamonti Lodge #338  
[sconnell@gwmail.gwu.edu](mailto:sconnell@gwmail.gwu.edu)