

2007 Tamegonit Lodge #147

Order of the Arrow

Induction Weekend & Brotherhood Feast

WHEN: May 4th and 5th, 2007

DEPARTURE: We will meet at 4:30 pm at the Wendys' at 135th and State Line (same center as Target). We will plan to eat supper there (or before) & then head to Camp Naish. Please contact David Contag if you can transport Scouts to Camp Naish on Friday evening.

REGISTRATION: Ordeal and Brotherhood members should sign up at troop meetings or email Mr. Contag at contags@everestkc.net before April 25th. Elections for Ordeal candidates were completed at the last meeting, but results will not be revealed until tap-out at the upcoming Fishing Campout on April 28th. Parents must confirm your son's ability to attend Induction Weekend to David Contag by email BEFORE Tuesday May 1st.

WHERE: Camp Naish, Bonner Springs, Kansas

DIRECTIONS: maps available if needed

MEALS: All meals will be provided. Ordeal candidates will eat in the dining hall.

COSTS: **Ordeal Candidates: \$45.00**

This includes food, program materials, an O/A sash, pocket flap, & wooden coup.

Brotherhood Candidates: \$40.00

Other Arrowmen-\$35.00

ORDEAL CANDIDATES: Your Induction will begin on Friday Evening. You will be given directions and instructions to gather your overnight articles. Following the Pre-Ordeal ceremony, you will be led to a place to spend the night out on the ground. You will spend the next day in self-evaluation and unselfish service. Your Ordeal Ceremony will take place Saturday evening. We will have a brief Troop 10 celebration in your honor on Saturday night and call your parents for pick up at Camp Naish around 9PM. **WE WILL NOT CAMP AT NAISH ON SATURDAY NIGHT.**

Ordeal Candidates will need the following items for Friday Night:

1. Plastic Ground Cloth-you will be sleeping outside, on the ground, on Friday
2. Sleeping Bag-cold weather bag
3. Flashlight
4. Rain Gear and warm clothing
5. Canteen & Water **(water only!!!)**
6. Prescribed Medications (if needed) PLEASE EMAIL MR. CONTAG WITH DETAILS.
7. **Backpack recommended to carry these items**
8. Insect repellent
9. Work Gloves
10. Work Clothes
11. **Class "A" Uniform Shirt - Worn at Tap Out on Friday and Induction Ceremony Saturday**

PLEASE NOTE: Some Ordeal candidates around you may not fully respect the traditions of Order of the Arrow. Troop 10 O/A members take these traditions very seriously.

Bring ONLY those items listed. Scouts found with additional items, food or drink (other than water) may be asked to leave.

While on “silence” it means just that... Scouts talking while on silence may be asked to leave.

While completing work projects you will be expected to give your best at every task requested.

Parents and scouts:

Troop 10 leaders will supervise this weekend outing and arrange transportation. If you have any questions, please call Mr. Contag at Cell: 913-221-9649 or Home : 913-338-1720

This will be the only Induction Weekend where Troop 10 will provide leadership and transportation. However, if you son has been Tapped Out but cannot make this event, contact Mr. Contag for alternate dates in May, June and August.

In case of an emergency you may try Mr. Contag's cell number or call the Camp Ranger at Naish.

Please email me with any notes about medications, food allergies, or any special needs that leaders should be aware of for this out door event.

Dear Troop 10 Parents,

Your son was voted on at last Monday's Troop meeting for **possible election** by his peers into Order of the Arrow. This is an important honor within Scouting and not every eligible boy is selected each year.

However, I would like to provide you notice that, if elected, your son will be asked to attend an Order of the Arrow Induction Weekend at Camp Naish on May 4th and May 5th. The Induction will be just one week after our Troop 10 Fishing Campout where elected O/A candidates will be formally Tapped Out during an elaborate ceremony on Saturday night. **YOU AND YOUR SON WILL NOT KNOW IF HE HAS BEEN ELECTED INTO O/A UNTIL APRIL 28TH.**

The purpose of this note is two fold: One, I want to give you notice to plan for a possible event not now on your family schedule. Second, I need to provide the council a reservation list and prepare transportation documents well before your son knows if he has in fact been selected (not an easy task).

I would like to ask you to e-mail me with a firm pre-reservation for your son for the Induction Weekend on or before April 25th. You may casually ask him if he plans to attend if elected, but please do not imply that he has been selected at this time. It is critical that we don't remove the suspense of the Tap Out or generate unnecessary disappointment for those who are not chosen.

I NEED YOUR Pre-Reservation RESPONSE BY APRIL 25TH.

David Contag at: contags@everestkc.net

IF YOUR SON IS ELECTED: I will confirm your initial reservation in a packet given to your son at the Tap Out Ceremony on April 28th. The registration fee of \$45.00 will be charged to your Troop 10 account. The event details will be in the packet.

IF YOUR SON IS NOT ELECTED THIS YEAR: I will automatically cancel your initial reservation. You do not need to take any additional action.

If this process seems confusing please feel free to call me with any questions. **YOUR SON HAS NOT BEEN ELECTED TO O/A AT THIS TIME** and I want to ensure that the boys do not misjudge this process as confirmation that they will be Tapped Out .

Thank you in advance for your help.

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