



OWANECO LODGE 2010 Brotherhood Quest

If you have been an Ordeal member for at least ten months (became an Ordeal member in June 2009 or before), then it is now time to officially seal your membership in the Order of the Arrow by partaking in the Brotherhood Quest. The Brotherhood Quest is a journey and reflection upon you, your Scouting past, and your future. But there's no need to worry, the Brotherhood Quest is nothing like the Ordeal process where you have to successfully complete the four tests of the Ordeal. And best of all it's **FREE!!!**

You may be asking yourself, "What is Brotherhood"? Well, the Brotherhood is the next step on your journey that started when you were inducted into the Order. The Ordeal introduced you to the mysteries of the Order. Now, during your service as an Ordeal member, you have ample opportunity to increase your knowledge of the Arrow and make it work for you. Brotherhood members are identified by the bars on their sash which are above and below the Arrow. Essentially, the bars "seal" the Arrow, or seal your membership in the Order.

The process of becoming a Brotherhood member is simple. First, check the Brotherhood Quest box next to the ordeal you are planning to do it at. Then, prepare for the ordeal by completing the requirements below. All the information can be found in the Order of the Arrow Handbook you received at your Ordeal.

- Memorize the signs of Arrow membership. Memorize the Obligation, the Song, the handclasp, and the admonition.
- Further your knowledge of the Ordeal. Learn about the Ordeal which you passed through, such as the four tests and the principles.
- Bring a letter with you to camp, or write it there, to the Lodge Secretary, explaining:
 - What the Obligation means to you.
 - How you are living the Obligation in your troop.
 - How you have used your understanding to help you.
- Describe your plans for service to the Lodge or Chapter in the future.

Finally, come to an Ordeal weekend, put your name on the Brotherhood sign up list, and we'll take care of the rest! Please note that the Brotherhood Quest takes place during the morning and afternoon on Saturday. Please plan accordingly.

