



OWANECO LODGE 313, ORDER OF THE ARROW
CONNECTICUT YANKEE COUNCIL, BSA
60 WELLINGTON ROAD
MILFORD, CT 06460

Dear Candidate,

On behalf of Owaneco Lodge 313, we would like to congratulate you on your nomination to the Order of the Arrow. The Order of the Arrow is Scouting's National Honor Society and originated in 1915. The purpose of the Order is as follows: to recognize those campers who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives, to develop and maintain camping traditions and spirit, to promote Scout camping, and to develop the Scout habit of helpfulness into a life purpose of leadership in cheerful service to others.

Candidates for the Order are chosen not only for what they have done, but for what they are expected to do in the future in serving the welfare of others. Your nomination occurred because the scouts in your troop saw your acceptance of the high ideals of the Scout Oath and Law. Because you were selected by your peers, we are confident that you are among the best in your Troop, and truly are worthy of this honor.

Induction in the Order of the Arrow will open many doors for you in the future. Our lodge participates in many events throughout the year. In addition, we provide some of the most valuable youth leadership training and opportunities available. These opportunities will build upon the knowledge you have already received during your Scouting experience.

To become a member of the Order, you must attend one of our induction weekends, known as an 'ordeal' weekend. This year, Owaneco Lodge 313 will offer three ordeal weekends, the first will be held at Deer Lake Scout Reservation in Killingworth, CT on **May 4-6**, the second Ordeal will be held at Camp Sequassen in New Hartford, CT on **June 1-3**, and the last Ordeal will be held at Camp Pomperaug in Union, CT on **September 14-16**.

The Ordeal experience is an experience like none other. You should be prepared to spend a night in the woods under the stars, and to work on Saturday. When you arrive on Friday evening please have your sleeping bag, a waterproof ground cloth, and a poncho (in case of inclement weather) rolled and tied together and separate from your other camping gear since you will need only these items (and no other) on Friday night. You should also bring some work clothes and work gloves for Saturday and a complete class-A uniform which you will wear on Saturday evening and Sunday morning. Don't forget sleepwear for Saturday night.

Plan to arrive at the camp between 6:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Friday night so that we may start promptly. Dress in comfortable clothes as you will want to be comfortable Friday night. A snack will be provided on Friday night, but you should bring something for dinner or eat before you arrive. You must plan on staying through the completion of the weekend (approximately 10:30 a.m. on Sunday morning).



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The cost of the weekend is **\$40.00**, which includes a sash, pocket flap, handbook, dues for 2012, a membership card, and all meals for the weekend. If you wish to attend the May ordeal please register online or send this registration form in no later than **April 27th** or for the June Ordeal no later than **May 25th**, or for the September Ordeal no later than **September 7th**. After those dates please register online or bring this form and a check to the event. We encourage you to register online at **www.owaneco.org/register** and securely pay with a credit card. You may also mail the enclosed form to the council office. Checks should be made payable to 'Connecticut Yankee Council, BSA' and mailed to:

Owaneco Lodge 313
P.O. Box 32
60 Wellington Road
Milford, CT 06460

Our lodge maintains a trading post stocked with Order of the Arrow items, including patches, t-shirts, golf shirts, fleece jackets, bolos, pins, and many more items. You will have time to make purchases on Saturday night and Sunday morning.

Once again, we congratulate you on your nomination to the Order of the Arrow. We look forward to seeing you at an upcoming Ordeal induction weekend, and wish you luck in completing your Ordeal successfully!

Yours in Brotherhood,
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2012 ORDEAL REGISTRATION FORM

2012 - CANDIDATE

Name:

Title First Name Middle Name Last Name Suffix

Address:

Street City State Zip Code

Personal Info:

Home Phone Cell Phone Email Address Date of Birth

Membership:

District Unit

I will attend the: May Ordeal (5/4-5/6) ◇ June Ordeal (6/1-6/3) ◇ Sept. Ordeal (9/14-9/16) ◇

Please bring a full BSA Health and Medical Record completed in the last 12 months to the event.