



Ransburg Scout Reservation Order of the Arrow Sunday Night Campfire Ceremony



(Drums are heard in the distance as the OA ceremony song is heard. Actors enter with torches or lanterns.)

Chief: Many years ago there was a tribe of Indians that lived in the Delaware River Valley. These Indians were known as the Lenni Lenape. In 1915, the late Dr. E. Urner Goodman developed the ideals that became the basis for the Order of the Arrow. These ideals came from those that lived in the Valley hundreds of years before. The three ideals of the Order of the Arrow are Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service.

Guard: The purposes of the Order are:

- To recognize those campers who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives and by such recognition cause other campers to conduct themselves in such a way that they should be recognized
- To develop and maintain camping traditions and spirit
- To promote Scout camping
- To encourage all into a habit of helpfulness, a life purpose of leadership and cheerful service to others

Medicine Man: The requirements to be inducted into the Order are:

- The Scout must uphold the ideals of Scouting including the Scout Oath and Law
- The Scout must meet a camping requirement of 15 days and nights, 7 of which must be long term
- The Scout must have the First Class Rank
- The Scout must undergo an election by his peers in which they must answer the following questions:
 - o Who is a friend to all and a brother to every other Scout?
 - o Who is pleasant and easy to get along with?
 - o Who is kind and helpful?
 - o Who is cheerful even when there are many things that must be done?
 - o Who is willing to give unselfish and wholehearted service to others?

Guide: Membership in the Order of the Arrow consists of three levels: Ordeal, Brotherhood, and the Vigil Honor, but all are Arrowmen. The Order of the Arrow has various activities here at Ransburg this week that we would like you to be involved in:

- There will be an OA Movie Night at the Inlow – admission is your OA sash or membership card. The movie will begin at _____ PM.
- Tuesday night is Order of the Arrow sash night at dinner; all dues paid Arrowmen are encouraged to wear their sash.
- Tuesday night is the OA Recognition Ceremony and Brotherhood Ceremony.
- If you are a Crossroads of America Council Arrowman and are interested in sealing your membership by becoming a Brotherhood, please see one of the OA Representatives.
- Arrowmen interested in helping with ceremonies should also see of the OA Representatives.
- The Order of the Arrow Troop/Team Representative Meeting will be held on _____ at _____ PM at the _____ Shelter.

We hope your week will be fun and full of excitement!

(The drums are heard again as the song erupts from the woods.)