Congratulations on your election to the Order of the Arrow! Your selection by the Scouts in your troop is an honor, and we look forward to your participation in our Lodge.

To become a member of the Coosa Lodge of the Order of the Arrow, you must complete the induction process called the Ordeal. Six (6) months after your Ordeal, you may seal your membership by completing your brotherhood. The scheduled Ordeals for this year can be found on coosa50.org/calendar.

You have one year to complete an Ordeal, but you must pre-register for the Ordeal. You can do so by completing the form below and attaching it when you register online at coosa50.org. The cost of the Ordeal is $70, an early bird discount of $20 (total fee of $50) is offered to those who pre-register at least two weeks of the Ordeal they are wanting to attend, and must be (postmarked) with this completed form by the deadline listed. If your unit election is performed after the two week window and you would still like the discount, you may contact the Vice Chief of Administration by email (admin@coosa50.org) for the possibility of getting that discount. If your pre-registration is late, you will be charged the $70, or if you do not pre-register, you will be charged $70 on-site registration on Friday. This cost covers the cost of the Ordeal, an OA sash, a OA Handbook, a Coosa Lodge pocket flap, and your Lodge Dues for the Current year! You will receive an email and bring it with you to the Ordeal - it is your proof of pre-registration. Be sure to bring Parts A, & B of The BSA Medical Form (Form 680-001, available on scouting.org.)

The Ordeal begins promptly at 8 PM Friday evening (registration is from 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM), and concludes approximately 9:00 AM Sunday morning. No candidates will be accepted after 9 PM, if you have to arrive later, please send an email to the Vice Chief of Administration (admin@coosa50.org) to let us know, No emails for being late will be accepted after 6 PM on Friday. No supper will be served Friday evening, so plan to eat before you arrive. However there will be a small cracker barrel available. Information on what to bring to your Ordeal may be found on the second page of this document.

Maps to camp may be obtained from the Greater Alabama Council website at 1bsa.org. Please remember that if you do not go through the Ordeal within the one year since your call out, you must be re-elected by your troop again.

Please complete the checklist below and make sure you are properly prepared for this, your current undertaking.
Checklist for before Ordeal/ Ordeal prep

1. Register for the Ordeal you wish to attend by completing the online registration at coosa50.org/registration-base.

2. The Ordeal will begin at approximately 9 PM Friday evening. Registration is open from 5 PM till 9 PM on Friday.

3. Parent orientation is on Friday, you may attend to learn more about the Induction Weekend and additional information on the Order of the Arrow. There are 3 sessions, 6:30 PM, 7:30 PM, and 8:30 PM, you may attend any of these sessions. Keep in mind that these sessions are not required, but will benefit you with more knowledge of the Order of the Arrow.

4. No supper will be served Friday evening, so plan to eat before you arrive. There will be a small cracker barrel before starting.

5. You will need a photocopy of current physical at registration, please have it ready when you arrive. For all participants, part A and B of the BSA Med Form is required. Please bring a photocopy so that you will not need to have it returned to you after the Ordeal.

   **You will NOT!! Be allowed to go thru the Ordeal if you do not have a medical form with you.** (Form 680-001)

6. You should bring only the following items: • Work clothes and gloves • BSA Field Uniform (Class A Scout Uniform) • Ground Cloth and Sleeping Bag • Flashlight • Water Bottle • Toiletries • Poncho or rain cover • Tent • Scout pocket knife.

7. Do not bring anything else, unless it is of medical necessity.

8. Adult candidates are requested to bring hand tools, rakes, chain saws, etc. if they have them. Please make sure your tools are labeled with your name, safe to operate and are checked in with the Vice Chief of Service before arrival (service@coosa50.org).

9. If you have a special skill (plumber, electrician, etc.), please bring your work tools and notify us at registration on Friday.

10. The Induction weekend will end around 9 AM on Sunday, immediately following clean up, if you are scheduling rides, keep in mind you may be picked up at 10 AM at the latest. Your Lodge flap, registration card, handbook, and information packet will be given to you during the new member orientation session on Saturday night. If necessary, after the new member orientation Saturday night, you may checkout to leave camp early.

11. The Coosa Lodge Trading Post is complete with Lodge memorabilia such as limited edition patches, shirts, caps, jackets, etc. opening immediately after the new member orientation Saturday night and again Sunday morning.

   **We look forward to seeing you at your Ordeal!**