



**ESWAW HUPPEDAY LODGE #560**

ORDER OF THE ARROW, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

## **Order of the Arrow**

### **Unit Elections/Ordeal Information for Scoutmasters - 2008**

To all Scoutmasters – Please **READ** and **FOLLOW** all the instructions!

The election forms for 2008 contain a few changes which include additional information the Lodge requires for ordeal candidates. Please use the new forms and discard any older election forms you may have at your troop. You can also download all the current forms from the Lodge Website at - <http://www.eswau.org/>.

**The Lodge is asking that you work with your chapter advisor for any election questions.**

#### **Basic Election Guidelines:**

- **Scouts must be First Class Before the Unit elections**
- **They must have completed at least 15 nights of camping within the last 2 years, of which 5 nights were at summer camp.**
- **The troop must have at least 50% of the registered youth present for a valid election**
- **Each candidate must receive 50% of the votes of the youth present during the election**
- **For Adult Elections – Please review the following instructions.**  
“Selection and induction into the Order of an adult Scouter should take place only when the adult's job in Boy Scouting or Varsity Scouting will make Order of the Arrow membership more meaningful in the lives of the youth membership. It must not be for the purpose of adult recognition.”

Information updated in 2008 include:

- 1 - Scoutmaster Information Sheet**
- 2. Unit Election Form and Adult Election Form**
- 2. Ordeal Information Sheet with Registration Section**
- 3 - Eswau Health/Permission & Release Form (2 page form)**

Please complete the entire unit elections form and mail the form as soon as possible to the address listed at the bottom of the form. Fill in all the blanks and sign the form. **Be sure to include the elected candidate's address, phone number, and National BSA membership number (from their membership card) on the table provided with the form. National BSA policy now requires each Lodge to review all participants current BSA membership cards at OA events. All OA participants must be current BSA members.**

Your chapter advisor should be handing out the forms listed above to all the elected candidates at your district Camporee call-out ceremony. Please make copies of the attached forms if your youth that cannot attend your district call-out ceremony or if they do not get all the forms. You can call-out your candidates at a troop meeting/function/camping trip if they cannot attend the district call-out.

Please give me a call at 704/799-2089 or email me at [camperfox428@yahoo.com](mailto:camperfox428@yahoo.com) if you have any questions or need hard copies of the forms.

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