

Lodge Officer Nomination Form

This form has been developed to aid an Arrowman in the approval process to run for a lodge office in Tarhe Lodge, and to provide a description of the duties and expectations.

THE PURPOSE OF THE LODGE IS TO SUPPORT THE UNIT

If an Arrowman is needed by his unit in a critical position, he should not run for a lodge office. If an Arrowman runs for office, he must be prepared to fulfill the office. Several times in the past years there have been officers that have not fulfilled their duties because they were too busy with other activities, could not find transportation, went away to college etc. The year is too short to allow this to happen.

DO NOT complete this form if you have questions or concerns about fulfilling the duties of a lodge officer without first speaking to your unit leader and lodge adviser.

- If the Arrowman has not been an active part of the Lodge Executive Committee, running for Lodge Chief is not helpful to the Lodge. Running for Vice Chief, Secretary, or Treasurer would be a better choice.
- Please do not run for Lodge Chief if you are only interested in another position. While this may be the normal political wisdom, it is not helpful to the Lodge Adviser or to the Lodge as a whole.
- Please remember that all candidates **MUST** have the following items completed by the assigned deadline:
 - Signatures of the candidate, parent/guardian, unit leader, and lodge adviser;
 - Completed nomination form;
 - A copy of an up-to-date BSA membership card.

All candidate forms with all of the above completed must be received by the Lodge Adviser on or before MIDNIGHT the Friday night of Fall Fellowship. Late forms will not be accepted.

Tarhe Lodge General Officer Responsibilities

Attendance

- Officers are required to attend all Lodge Executive Committee meetings, lodge events, and other events as designated by the Lodge Chief or Lodge Adviser.
- The Lodge Chief is expected to attend all meetings of the Section Council of Chiefs.
- All officers are expected to remain active in their home units.
- Officers should be able to provide their own transportation to all events.
- Officers must be under the age of 21 during their entire tenure in office.

Uniform

- Officers are Tarhe Lodge are required to be in proper, clean Scout uniform whenever representing the Lodge and/or the Order of the Arrow.
- Since the Order of the Arrow is a unit of the Boy Scouts division, officers are expected to wear the tan Boy Scout uniform shirt and khaki pants or shorts of the Boy Scout Supply Division, **regardless of their personal unit affiliation.**

Duties

- Most duties are found in the [Guide for Officers and Advisers](#) or the Tarhe Lodge Bylaws. The Lodge Chief or Lodge Executive Committee may assign specific duties throughout the year.
- All officers are expected to be in contact with lodge advisers and the Lodge Chief whenever necessary.

Commitment

- Being a Lodge officer is a huge commitment. It involves a significant amount of time, energy, and travel to perform the duties of the position.
- Scouting activities are secondary to family, church and school responsibilities. Therefore, if your present responsibilities are time demanding (e.g.: sports teams at school, difficult school classes, heavy family responsibilities, etc.) then you need to re-think where the O.A. fits in to your life.



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Lodge Office I am Seeking: _____

Please print all information.

Arrowman's Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Birth Date: ___/___/_____ Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Scouting Rank: _____ Current Unit#: _____ Position: _____

Past OA Leadership Positions Held: _____

Reasons for wanting to be a Tarhe Lodge officer: _____

I understand the obligations of being an officer in Tarhe Lodge. I agree to take an active leadership role if elected, and to fulfill my assigned responsibilities fully and in a timely manner.

Arrowman's Signature: _____ Date ___/___/_____

Parent's Signature: _____ Date ___/___/_____

I endorse the candidacy of this youth from my unit. I believe he will be a positive influence upon the Scouting program.

Unit Leader's Signature: _____ Date ___/___/_____

I have discussed the obligations with the candidate and believe he fully understands them and will be a positive influence upon the program and the youth of the Order of the Arrow and Scouting in general.

Lodge Adviser's Signature: _____ Date ___/___/_____