



ILLINEK LODGE #132

# ORDER OF THE ARROW



My Friend,

We wish to extend to you our heartfelt congratulations on your selection! You have been granted a great honor by your fellow Scouts. They selected you for membership into an organization dedicated to serving others – The Order of the Arrow. This is not an honor that is simply handed to Scouts, it is something that you have earned. Having been selected by your Scouting peers shows that you have a great dedication to your fellow Scouts and to the Ideals of Scouting.

Your selection identifies that you were chosen as a qualified Scout or Scouter who is worthy of membership in the Order of the Arrow. At your call-out ceremony, your unit leadership publicly announced your candidacy for membership. To formally become a member of the Order, you must complete the next step in the induction process – the **Induction**. The induction occurs over a weekend at our Council camp. During your Induction, you will be grouped with other candidates and undergo a series of tests. These tests will help you reaffirm your dedication to the Ideals of Scouting. At the conclusion of the Induction, if you are faithful in performing the tests, you will be inducted into the Order of the Arrow.

Enclosed is information regarding the Induction weekend, as well as opportunities that you will have as a member of Illinek Lodge. The last page is your registration form. You may pre-register online at [illineklodge.org/events](http://illineklodge.org/events).

## **What comes after my Induction weekend?**

Your Induction weekend is the next step in a journey of membership in the Order of the Arrow. This journey began with your election. Your membership in the Order becomes sealed when you become a Brotherhood Member. Six months after completing your Induction, you will be eligible to seal this membership. During the six months, you are expected to continue active membership in Scouting with your fellow Scouts. Those who chose you need you. You are also encouraged to be active within Illinek Lodge by attending lodge events and participating in one or more lodge committees or operations.

If you have any questions, please contact any of the officers or advisers listed below. Again, congratulations on your election to the Order of the Arrow. We wish you well on your next step of the journey.

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## 2026 INDUCTION WEEKEND INFORMATION

### Induction Weekend Dates:

Friday through Sunday, June 12-14, 2026	Camp Illinek (Springfield, IL)
Friday through Sunday, August 14-16, 2026	Camp Illinek (Springfield, IL)
Friday through Sunday, October 9-11, 2026	Camp Illinek (Springfield, IL)

You have 12 months from the date of your selection to take your Induction. If you cannot arrive at camp no later than 7:30 pm, you should select a different weekend. If you pre-register for a weekend and need to change to a later weekend, you will need to cancel and pre-register online for a different date. Please notify us promptly if changing dates.

### Induction Weekend Cost:

The cost of the 2026 Induction weekend is \$80.00. Pre-registration may be made online at [illineklodge.org](http://illineklodge.org) no later than one week prior to our event. The cost for the weekend will pay for your Order of the Arrow sash, an Illinek Lodge #132 pocket flap, an *Order of the Arrow Handbook*, a Lodge Totem, your first full calendar year's dues (through December 31, 2027), and all your meals for the weekend.

### Induction Weekend Arrival/Dismissal:

Friday	6:30 – 7:30 pm	Candidate registration, tent set-up Parent/Guardian Orientation Session
	8:00 – 9:00 pm	
Sunday	10:30 am	Dismissal from camp

### Induction Weekend Description

On the weekend of your Induction, please arrive at camp in full uniform between 6:30 and 7:30 pm Friday. You will be expected to check in at the registration table, set up your tent, change into your work clothes, and be ready for the weekend events promptly at 8:00 pm. Make sure you arrive in plenty of time. At 8:00 pm Friday, there will be a Family Orientation session to acquaint your parents or guardian or spouse with the Induction process and the Order of the Arrow in general. After the meeting, they will leave and your Induction will begin. You will be dismissed from camp by 10:30 am Sunday. Lunch will **not** be served on Sunday.

The weekend will include a non-denominational religious observance. Our Lodge trading post will be open Friday evening and Sunday morning to offer the opportunity to purchase T-shirts, memorabilia, and materials of the Lodge or the Order. Following your Induction, you will be asked to consider joining, supporting, or attending the Lodge's operating committees and future activities (see page 4). After your Induction, you will be receiving the Lodge newsletter, *The Red Flame*, when it is published for as long as you continue paying our annual dues.



## 2026 INDUCTION WEEKEND INFORMATION

You will need to bring the following items with you to your Induction weekend. All of these items are important and will **NOT** be provided for you at your Induction, so it is of the utmost importance that you do not forget any item.

- Complete Scout Uniform (to be worn on arrival Friday evening)
- Tent for Saturday night (consult with your Troop if you do not own one. Scouts must provide individual tent arrangements.
- Sleeping bag
- Ground cloth
- Poncho or rain gear
- Work clothes, possibly long sleeve shirt, tee shirt, long pants, socks and shoes/boots
- Work gloves
- Warm clothing, in case of inclement weather
- Grooming kit, shower soap, shampoo and towel
- Spirit of the Arrow Booklet 1 (included in this packet)
- Optional money for the trading post on Sunday

For candidates under the age of 18, you will not be allowed to carry (1) cell phones, (2) car keys, or (3) watches, during the Induction. These items will be collected on Friday evening by the Medical Adviser, along with any medications that you may require during the weekend. This is to ensure that they are not lost during the Induction and to avoid disrupting the activities.

Rescue inhalers should be kept by each person for use as needed. Just let us know if you have them.

If you have special dietary restrictions, please indicate this in your pre-registration, then mention this again at check-in on Friday, and include it on your medical form, which you must turn in Friday evening upon check-in.

**Required;** See: <https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/ahmr/>



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## **Officer and Committee Opportunities**

- Ceremonies – conducting ceremonies, role-playing, recognitions
- Communications – *Red Flame* newsletter, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram
- Finance – trading post, fundraising, budgeting
- History & Design – lodge patches, garments, and memorabilia, promotion of lodge history
- Inductions – carrying out Induction events, bringing in new members, Luminary's
- Marketing – Camp Bunn video, Cub Camp video, handouts and booklets, displays
- Membership – becoming Brotherhood, staying active in the lodge, recruiting former members
- Programs – events to promote fellowship and fun
- Service – Camp workdays, Trail's End Café, Klondike Derby, First Aid Meet, service hours, US Flag retirement
- Training – various events in preparation for leadership, fellowship, and service.
- Unit Relations – Unit elections, OA Unit Representatives, ASK program, unit involvement.

## **TRADING POST (sample list)**

OA Sash*	Patches	T-Shirts \$20
OA Handbook*	Belt Buckles	Sweatshirts
Lodge Flap*	Stave Medallions	Ball Caps \$20
Insignia	Key Chains	¼ Zip Jackets
Pins	Decals	Bracelets

\*First Sash, Lodge Flap, and Handbook are included in Induction Registration.



Visit Our Website: [www.IllinekLodge.org](http://www.IllinekLodge.org)

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**Abraham Lincoln Council  
Scouting America**

**Illinek Lodge #132  
Order of the Arrow**

## 2026 INDUCTION WEEKEND REGISTRATION

Mail or take this completed registration form to:  
Abraham Lincoln Council, BSA

5231 South Sixth Street Road  
Springfield, Illinois 62703

I plan to attend the following Induction weekend:

**Registration deadline:**

_____	June 12-14, 2026 Camp Illinek	\$80
_____	August 14-16, 2026 Camp Illinek	\$80
_____	October 9-11, 2026 Camp Illinek	\$80

June 8, 2026
August 10, 2026
October 5, 2026

Enclosed is my payment of \$80.00 for the Induction weekend. This covers my Order of the Arrow sash, an Illinek Lodge #132 pocket flap, an *Order of the Arrow Handbook*, a lodge totem, my first calendar year's dues (good through 12/31/2027), and my meals for the weekend. I understand that my payment may be transferred to a different Induction weekend, if necessary, but is not refundable. (Only list one candidate per registration weekend form and please print).

Make checks payable to: **Abraham Lincoln Council, BSA**

Induction Candidate Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Troop #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

BSA Member# \_\_\_\_\_

Unit Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Health Insurance Carrier: \_\_\_\_\_

Policy #: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Authorization (required if the Induction candidate is less than 18 years of age).**

I hereby authorize the youth named above to attend the Illinek Induction listed above. In the event of illness or accident in the course of such activity, I request that measures be instituted without delay as the judgment of medical personnel dictates.

Parent/Guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

A completed BSA medical form "Annual Health & Medical Record form 34605, MUST be submitted with your registration. Parts A & B are to be completed. (The medical you are using for summer camp will suffice.) Any medical or dietary concerns should be discussed by your parent or guardian, with the Lodge Advisor or Event Medical Officer when you arrive Friday evening. A complete menu for the weekend will be available for review on Friday evening so those parents may also verify areas of potential concern. A blank copy of the medical form is online at: [http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/34605\\_Letter.pdf](http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/34605_Letter.pdf)

Unless otherwise required, meals may include dairy, wheat products or grains, nuts or nut-based oils, fruits, sugar, and similar products. We can adjust these on a case-by-case basis, but we must know in advance to ensure we have acceptable foods. Please include any dietary restrictions with this registration form.

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