This summer, Tamegonit Lodge will once again provide three opportunities for people to go through the Induction process to become Ordeal members of the OA or seal their membership in the OA by coming Brotherhood members.

You can join us on June 4-5 or June 11-12 or June 18-19. Like the Spring and Fall Inductions, all registrations must be received two weeks prior to the beginning of the Induction.

How do I register for Summer Inductions? You can register online at http://www.hoacbsa.org/Camping/HonorCampingPrograms/OrderOfTheArrow/Activities.aspx. Click on the “Register Online” links listed after each Summer Induction. All the support documents you need to be prepared for Summer Inductions have already been posted online. You can also fill out the hard copy registrations and turn that in at the Council Office or mail it in to the Council Office.

When do I need to check-in? Check-in will begin at 6:00 p.m. at the Central Camp Office on each Monday of Summer Inductions (June 4, 11, and 18).

What will happen? Ordeal Candidates will go through the Induction process to join the OA; Ordeal members wishing to seal their membership in OA may go through the Brotherhood process.

What is the cost? If you are going through the Ordeal or Brotherhood and are camping with your troop during that same session, the cost is $25 for Ordeal Candidates and $15 for Brotherhood Candidates. If you are not camping with a unit at that same camp session, the cost is $40 for Ordeal Candidates and $30 for Brotherhood Candidates.

Will walk-in registrations be accepted? No walk-in or late registrations will be accepted.

What can I do to help? Any Arrowman who wishes to volunteer as a Runner, Elangomat, Nimat or Ceremonies Team Member should contact the Chairman or Marty Stevens, Vice-Chief of Inductions. You can reach Marty at Naish this summer by calling 913.422.1035.
LETTER FROM THE EDITOR, Ian Boyd

My name is Ian Boyd and recently took over as the Torchbearer Editor. I am looking for your help! We are in need to article editors, photographers, and feature writers to help us out. If you are interested in helping as a staff member to the Torchbearer, please contact me through our Lodge Staff Adviser at cortland.bolles@scouting.org.

VIGIL NOMINATIONS & FOUNDER’S AWARD NOMINATIONS

VIGIL NOMINATIONS: Each year, Tamegonit Lodge recognizes those members who stand out as models of the brotherhood of cheerful service. Those members recognized as most outstanding in their service to their unit, their council, scouting, the lodge, and/or camps are selected Vigil Honor members of the Order of the Arrow. A person can do nothing to earn this recognition as it is an honor bestowed upon members. An individual must be nominated for this recognition and only those nominated with the highest level of service will be selected to receive the Vigil Honor. Nomination forms are available online and through Roundtables. All nominations MUST be received by July 1.

FOUNDER’S AWARD NOMINATIONS: The Founder’s Award was created to honor and recognize those Arrowmen who have given outstanding service to the lodge. The award is reserved for an Arrowman who demonstrates to fellow Arrowmen that he or she memorializes in his or her everyday life the spirit of achievement. Nominations for this award must be received by July 1. Nomination forms are available online and through Roundtables. Lodges may petition the national Order of the Arrow Committee to present up to four awards annually, based on lodge membership. If the lodge presents more than one award, one must be to a youth under the age of 21.

Hi! I am Aaron Prothe, Section Conclave Chair. Section C5B Conclave will be September 14-16 at Camp Jayhawk Linn, by Topeka, Kansas. Four other lodges will join Tamegonit Lodge at Section Conclave. The theme for the weekend is the Olympics with many themed events including a competition between Lodges for dance and ceremonials teams. Chapters can also participate in events to win awards including games and much more! If you would like to help or get involved for this event please contact me, Aaron Prothe, Section Conclave Chair; Jesse Miller, Section Chief; or Colby Soden, Tamegonit Lodge Chief. See you at this exciting event!