

Date: Saturday, November 5, 2016

Time: 2:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. Dinner: 6:00 P.M.

Location: Goodman Pavilion, Camp Horseshoe

Cost: Free!!!



The *Brotherhood Blitz* is a one-day event that allows qualified Ordeal members to **complete Brotherhood** outside of a service weekend. The lodge is aware that many brothers are unable to attend our service weekends due to other commitments or are vital workers on important projects during the service weekends. The *Brotherhood Blitz* provides our brothers another opportunity to participate in the *Brotherhood Experience*.

Why should I complete my Brotherhood?

You fulfill the **COMMITMENT** you made during the Ordeal ceremony to *conclude* the *induction process* that you started when you were called-out as a candidate for the Ordeal!

You learn the other part of the *Legend*... about Uncas' challenge while helping the Lenâpé force back the fierce marauders.

You learn the symbolism behind the **two bars** on the Brotherhood sash.

You will meet new friends outside your troop.

You set the example that other Arrowmen should follow.

You help your lodge achieve the *Journey to Excellence* award.

You rededicate yourself to the traditions of the Order of the Arrow.

You discover what "service to others" really means.

You gain further awareness of the Order's purpose.

You gain a sense of belonging to something greater than yourself.



It renews your enthusiasm for Scouting.

It teaches the value of leading by example.

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"It is a rewarding experience!"

Am I eligible to complete my Brotherhood at the Brotherhood Blitz?

If you took your Ordeal during **2015** or before, then you are **NOW** eligible to seal your membership with the Brotherhood ceremony. The only other requirement is that your lodge dues for **2016** are paid.

We need 15 brothers to complete their Brotherhood to earn the *Journey to Excellence* award!

CAN OCTORARO LODGE 22 COUNT ON YOUR HELP?

How do I sign-up for the Brotherhood Blitz?

See the reverse of this flyer (page 2) for details.

Octoraro Lodge 22 needs You!!!

How do I sign-up to attend the Brotherhood Blitz?

You should sign-up for the Brotherhood Blitz online at: http://www.octoraro22.org/event-registration

Must I pre-register for the Brotherhood Blitz?

You do not need to pre-register for the *Brotherhood Blitz*; however, an e-mail alerting the Brotherhood adviser, Brian White, that you will be attending will be appreciated so the lodge can properly prepare *your Brotherhood Experience*. E-mail: **Brotherhood22@comcast.net**

Pre-registration is **REQUIRED** in order to be provided dinner after the *Brotherhood Blitz*.

Deadline: 8:00 P.M., Tuesday evening, November 1, 2016 — No EXCEPTIONS!

How do I prepare for the Brotherhood Blitz?

See the "How to Prepare for the Brotherhood Blitz" sheet — available from the Brotherhood committee.

What must I bring to the Brotherhood Blitz?

Report to the *Brotherhood Blitz* on November 5 in your full, "class-A" uniform with your Ordeal sash. You **MUST** bring your *Brotherhood letter* and your *Brotherhood totem*. **We will begin <u>PROMPTLY</u> at 2:15 P.M.**

Please note: prior to the start of the *Brotherhood Experience*, the Brotherhood committee will confirm whether you meet the requirements for Brotherhood membership. Should it be found that your dues are not current, you might not be allowed to participate in the *Brotherhood Blitz*.

What is the *Journey to Excellence* award?

The Journey to Excellence award signifies to the wider Scouting community what the brothers of our lodge already know: that Octoraro Lodge 22 provides a superlative program along with tremendous service to the Horseshoe Scout Reservation. Achievement of this award allows us to apply to the national organization for matching funds for vital improvement projects in camp. In 2010, the lodge received a \$4,400 national service grant to repair hiking trails in the Horseshoe Scout Reservation and the Goat Hill Serpentine Barrens Public Wild Plant Sanctuary, part of the William Penn State Forest; our grant was the largest given to any lodge in the nation!

ADULTS: The *Journey to Excellence* program does <u>NOT</u> distinguish between youth and adult members. Please support the youth by completing *your* Brotherhood.

Thank you for helping Octoraro Lodge 22 earn the Journey to Excellence award.

Lastly, by completing Brotherhood, you express *your GRATITUDE* to those who saw your potential and elected you to the Order of the Arrow:

"Membership in our Order is given, not only for what you have done, but for what you are expected to do. He alone is worthy to wear the Arrow who will continue to serve his fellow man. Strengthen the ties of brotherhood. Build upon the fire of cheerfulness. Ease the burdens from the shoulders of your fellow Scouts! When you have done these things, you will again find yourself before me, prepared to see the full meaning of the Arrow."

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