Northeast Region
Order of the Arrow

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TO: All Lodge and Section Advisers and Staff Advisers
FR: Northeast Region OA Key 3

2013 National Leadership Seminar Registration Information

This year the Northeast Region will conduct **3 National Leadership Seminars**. They will be held:

March 15 to 17 at Camp Alpine, New Jersey (registration deadline is March 4th)
April 5 to 7 at Camp Squanto, Massachusetts (registration deadline is March 25th)
November 15 to 17 at Camp Alpine, New Jersey (registration deadline is November 4th)

The cost for each of these seminars is **$85 per person** and includes lodging for two nights, meals from Saturday breakfast through Sunday lunch, seminar materials and recognition items.

About the NLS:

The National Leadership Seminar is an intense weekend conference on the skills and attributes of leadership. It is intended primarily to enhance the leadership skills of the Order of the Arrow's key youth and adult members as they seek to improve their service to their unit, chapter, and lodge.

Participants need to arrive by 7:00 PM on Friday and the seminar will conclude at about 1:30 PM on Sunday. It is important for each participant to be present for the entire weekend to complete the course. At its end, each participant will complete a contract and agree to accomplish a few goals. They will receive support before, during, and after the seminar from members of the staff to do this.

Who should attend:

It is recommended that youth participants be at least 15 years of age or a lodge officer. Prior completion of a Lodge Leadership Development course for both youth and adult participants is suggested. The weekend will be challenging and exhausting as it is packed full of interactive sessions. You should be prepared to be in a learning environment for the entire weekend, and also know that your involvement in the seminar is not complete until you complete your contract back home.

Registration Information:

Each course has a maximum capacity for participants, so please register as soon as you can. Our courses last year filled up and those who waited until the last minute were unable to attend. Each Lodge may send up to 4

participants to the NLS, however exceptions can be made with prior approval. Adults attending are encouraged to drive youth members. Walk-ins are NOT accepted!

If you would like to attend NLS, please contact your Lodge Adviser or Staff Adviser to register.

You will need to provide detailed contact information including address, phone numbers, emergency contact information, email address, position in the lodge, date of birth, and other personal information. Please be sure to complete all of the information for each participant that you register.

Payment:

Each lodge will receive a bill for the total number of participants that they registered, regardless if they show up or not. If someone needs to cancel once they are registered they need to write to the Region Chairman and Staff Adviser at least 5 days in advance of the weekend.

What to Bring:

Participants will be required to be in full Class A uniform the entire weekend. Those showing up without may be sent home, so please be sure they come prepared! They will also need to bring sleeping bags/bedding, personal items (towels, soap, etc.), and a **current BSA Medical History Form.** There will be a region trading post with shirts, patches, and other items available for purchase throughout the weekend. We accept cash and checks only.

Questions or additional information:

Lodge Advisers and Staff Advisers can direct questions to their Section Advisers, Region Chairman Mark Chilutti (chairman@northeast.oa-bsa.org), or Region Staff Adviser Brian Gray (Brian.Gray@scouting.org).