ELANGOMAT APPLICATION

An Elangomat is the Lenni Lenape word for "friend". The Order of the Arrow gives the title of "elangomat" to Arrowmen who lead Ordeal candidates through the power of their example.

Elangomats volunteer to participate again in all of the tests of the Ordeal along with the candidates. Elangomats spend the night alone in the same area as the candidates. They set a good example, working alongside the candidates, sharing in their scant food and silence. As the elangomats again successfully complete the four tests of the Ordeal, they teach their candidates by example and inspired leadership. As Allowat Sakima said "He who follows such a pathway in unwavering cheerful service will be seen by many others and, by inspiration, lead them."

An Elangomat should be highly motivated to help others, attend a training session to become familiar with the lodge's expectations, pre-register for the conclave, and be currently registered in Scouting and the lodge.

I would like to serve as an ELANGOMAT at:

_____ Fall Conclave August 19 – 21, 2011 at Camp Holaka
Training session is August 9, 2011 at 6:00pm at the Scout Service Center

Name_____

Address_____

City_____ State_____ Zip Code_____

Phone#_____Email_____

Chapter_____ Troop/Team_____

Circle one: Ordeal Brotherhood Vigil Honor

Have you served as an Elangomat previously? _____ Yes _____ No

Please refer to the back page for the Induction Principles.

Return this form along with your conclave registration form to: Tall Pine Council, Attn: O. A., 507 W. Atherton Road, Flint, MI 48507-2404

THE INDUCTION PRINCIPLES

The 10 Induction Principles outline the basic philosophy and spirit of the inductions of the Order of the Arrow. They apply to the entire induction process, from election through Brotherhood, helping to ensure the success of the election, call-out, Ordeal experience, journey to Brotherhood, and Brotherhood ceremony experiences. These principles also help to ensure the impressive nature of the ceremonies and are a reminder of the attitudes that should be assumed at all times during the induction sequence.

Principle One – Purpose
The purpose of the induction is to encourage and inspire each candidate to develop firm individual dedication to the ideals of brotherhood and cheerful service.

Principle Two – Eligibility
The right to earn Ordeal and Brotherhood membership is given only by the Scouts of a candidate's home unit during an authorized Order of the Arrow unit election. Only the candidate can overrule their decision.

Principle Three – Candidate's Compliance
The candidate has the continuous choice of meeting the tests of the Ordeal to the best of his or her ability or of withdrawing.

Principle Four – Members' Compliance
All members participating in the induction must respect and comply with the four tests of the Ordeal, to the extent allowed by their responsibilities.

Principle Five – Discretion
In cases where strict application of the tests and requirements of the induction is not possible, the lodge may choose an alternative that will best preserve the spirit of the induction and the quality of the candidate's experience.

Principle Six – Importance of the Individual
All actions and procedures must recognize the worth, dignity, and separate identity of the individual, and his present or potential ability to self-govern.

Principle Seven – Generosity
The attitude of members toward the candidate must be one of acceptance, respect, understanding, sincerity, friendly encouragement, support, and trust.

Principle Eight – Focus
Everything in the lodge-created environment must direct the candidate to the central meaning of the induction, without distraction.

Principle Nine – Symbolic Progression
No symbol or symbolic procedure should be mentioned or used unless and until it is called for in the authorized ceremonies.

Principle Ten – Active Membership
Lodge policy must recognize that if a member understands the Obligation of the Order and is striving to fulfill it; his dedication in itself accomplishes the major service of the lodge.