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**To: Order of the Arrow Lodge Officers & Advisers
(Please distribute and share with current Lodge Advisers and Youth Officers)**

**From: Ryan M. Hay– 2009 Region Chief
Thomas S. Bain - Region Chairman
Brian R. Gray – Region Staff Adviser**

**Friday, March 26, 2010 - 7:00 p.m. to Sunday, March 28– 2:00 p.m.
At Alpine Scout Camp, Alpine, NJ – Off of the Palisades Parkway between Fort Lee and the New York Thruway.**

Cost: \$70.00 per person, includes lodging for two nights, cracker barrels, meals from Saturday breakfast through and including Sunday lunch, seminar handouts, certificate, and seminar recognition(s).

PURPOSE

The National Leadership Seminar is a 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 services to the Boy Scouts of America and the greater community. The weekend format is designed to complement the longer, more detailed Wood Badge and Youth Leadership Training Programs. Near the end of the seminar, participants make a contract with themselves to apply the skills studied in the seminar on projects in their lodge, council, and community. Because the course content and learning points build from the very first session, arrangements should be made to be present at the camp as close to the 7:00 p.m. arrival time as possible. Participants are to be present for the entire seminar including the closing lunch and graduation. The seminar will conclude by 2:00 PM on Sunday. The contents of this invitation and the next page should be provided each participant by the lodge.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

It is recommended that youth participants be at least 15 years of age or a lodge officer. Completion of the Lodge Leadership Development Course is desirable. The seminar is an intensive experience in learning about the nature of leadership and practicing some of the skills that a leader uses. While it is designed to be fun, the course challenges participants mentally as well. Participants should be developmentally, physically, and mentally prepared to actively engage in an exhausting, invigorating weekend. NER OA Website: www.northeast.oe-bsa.org

The course is limited to a maximum of 84 participants; therefore, normally no more than 4 or 5 register per council. The NLS is designed for one-time participation; repeat attendance is not encouraged. More youth (under age 21) than adults should attend. It is understood that these guidelines will have to be interpreted flexibly to solve transportation and youth protection issues. Normally adults should not attend if they are not driving youth members or a lodge/chapter adviser/staff adviser. Each NLS will be open to all lodges and sections in the Northeast Region. Two additional courses will be offered this year: May 1 - 3 at Camp Squanto, Plymouth, MA, of the Old Colony Council and in the fall at Camp Alpine, Alpine, New Jersey. It is expected that each lodge will send representatives to a National Leadership Seminar at least once every other year. This course is very popular and routinely fills up, so get your reservations in early. If full, we will notify the council, and return the applications and fees. This NLS will also be held in conjunction with a National Lodge Adviser Training Seminar (NLATS).

REGISTRATION

Please return the attached registration form to the regional office. The deadline for registration is Friday, March 5, 2010. Registrations for the first 84 attendees will be accepted; after that, registrations will be returned. All potential participants should be sent in with the initial registration, even if exceeding the numbers recommended above. Registrations will not be accepted at the door. Confirmations are not normally sent. Please make copies of this notice and share with drivers and all participants.

DIRECTIONS (Camp Alpine, 441 U.S. Route 9W, Alpine, NJ 07620)

From NORTH: FROM INTERSTATE 87, TAKE PALISADES INTERSTATE PARKWAY SOUTH TO EXIT 4. GO SOUTH ON ROUTE 9W ABOUT 1 MILE TO CAMP SIGN ON RIGHT (OPPOSITE PARKWAY ENTRANCE), OR GET OFF AT EXIT 3 AND CROSS ROUTE 9W INTO CAMP. IF CROSSING FROM THE GEORGE WASHINGTON BRIDGE, TAKE PALISADES PARKWAY NORTH AND TAKE EXIT 2 TO NORTH ON ROUTE 9W, AND TURN LEFT INTO CAMP

From SOUTH: FROM THE NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE OR I 80 (Stay in Local Lanes), FOLLOW SIGNS TO GEORGE WASHINGTON BRIDGE (IMMEDIATELY AFTER INTERSTATE 80 INTERSECTIONS STAY IN RIGHT LANES. DO NOT TAKE EXPRESS LANES – STAY IN LOCAL LANES or LOCAL EXIT LANES). TAKE EXIT 72 (PALISADES PARKWAY, ROUTES 1 & 9W) FROM TURNPIKE – FOLLOW DIRECTION SIGNS TO AND TAKE PALISADES PARKWAY TO EXIT 2 (ALPINE APPROACH ROAD), THEN ROUTE 9W NORTH ABOUT 1 ¼ MILES TO CAMP SIGN ON LEFT. CAMP IS 9 MILES NORTH OF THE GEORGE WASHINGTON BRIDGE.

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS & FAX FOR ALPINE

(201) 768-1910 – Camp office and answering machine - Fax (201) 784-1663

FOR EXTREME EMERGENCY ONLY: Brian Gray at (214) 675-9589

No Smoking

In accordance with the OA Guide for Officers and Advisers, smoking will not be permitted at this event or on the camp property.

WHAT TO BRING

Full Scout Uniform and OA Sash are required for the weekend. Sleeping bags or bedding and your own personal items (towels, soap, etc.) will be needed. Bring a flashlight. You may wish to bring extra money: An OA Trading Post with T-shirts, pins, patches, etc., will be available, as well as collection at the Religious Services for the Maury Clancy Fund. Have Participants download the new Personal Health & Medical Record Form off the BSA website (http://scouting.org/filestore/pdf/34605_Letter.pdf) and complete at least the health history portion.

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MARCH 26 - 28, 2010 – Alpine Scout Camp, Alpine, NJ**



LODGE REGISTRATION FORM

(Reproduce as necessary for each participant)

Please print or type the information below with your name printed in full or how you would like it on the certificate. No individual confirmation notice will be mailed. You should reproduce this registration form locally. A copy of this form must be sent for each participant.

Name: _____
(First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name)

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Phone (Home): () _____ **Phone (Cell):** () _____

EMAIL: _____ **Date of Birth:** _____

Council: _____ **No.** _____

Lodge: _____ **Section NE -** _____

OA Position: _____

Check one: **Male** _____ **Check one:** **Adult:** _____

Female _____ **Youth:** _____

COUNCIL ATTENDANCE APPROVAL: _____ **Attendance Priority:** _____

Signature: _____
Scout Executive (Staff Adviser or Lodge Adviser)

Please attach this registration form with your payment of \$70.00, made payable to Northeast Region BSA and mail to:

**Northeast Region, BSA
SUM 250 Attn: Brian R. Gray
PO Box 152079
Irving, TX 75015-2079
(972) 580-2288 Fax: (972) 580-2430**

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Deadline: FRIDAY, MARCH 5, 2010

Account # 62005-9385

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T-SHIRT ORDER FORM



Would you like to have a Northeast Region NLS T-Shirt? List the number, size (L, XL, 2XL, or 3XL), and quantity below. The L and XL are \$12.00 each; the rest are \$14.00 each. Sizes above XL may be a different color. The shirts will be available for pick up during the seminar on Saturday morning.

LODGE NAME: _____

Council _____

<u>Name</u>	<u>Size</u> <u>L, XL, 2XL, 3XL</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	
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TOTAL _____ \$ _____

Amount included: \$ _____

Please include this form and the money with your registration. Make your check payable to Northeast Region BSA and mail to:

Northeast Region, BSA
 SUM 250 Attn: Brian R. Gray
 PO Box 152079
 Irving, TX 75015-2079

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