

**PETITION TO
RUN FOR LODGE OFFICE**

*Note: This petition must be completed & delivered to the Lodge Adviser no later than June 12th 2009.
No petitions will be accepted after that time.
Petitions are required to run for a Lodge Office*

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone~ _____

E-mail: _____

Please check the position of which you wish to run. They are listed by seniority and in the order in which elections will occur,) You may not “drop down” in the election, i.e., if you lose the election for chief, you may not run for the next position

- 1. Lodge Chief_____
- 2. Vice Chief Administration_____
- 3. Vice Chief Advancement_____
- 4. Vice Chief Program_____
- 5. Vice Chief Correspondence

Please summarize your Scouting leadership experience (attached sheets are acceptable) and why you are running. This portion will be published in the August Smoke Signal and given out at the August meeting prior to Lodge Officer elections. There will be no time given to speak from the floor prior to the election.

Being a lodge officer entails many responsibilities, all of which are time-consuming. You must be prepared for your lodge office to be one of the highest priority, if not the highest priority, extracurricular activities during the coming school year. You must be prepared and willing to work hard. You are, after all, the future of the Nampa-Tsi Lodge and represent nearly 700 members and the Great Rivers Council.

As part of your pledge, please read and initial each of the commitments below, signifying your understanding of them and willingness to make them.

LODGE CHIEF

___1. I am willing to make goals to lead the lodge in the coming year, and to work on those goals together with my adviser and the lodge vice chiefs and committee chairmen.

___2. I understand that I will need to report to the scout office in Columbia at least every three weeks, and more often before major events (e.g., Conclaves, rechartering, vigil nomination, Banquet), to execute paperwork and to conduct lodge administrative functions. This will be in addition to my duty to preside at Lodge Executive Board meetings, which will be held monthly at various locations throughout the lodge, including points south and north. It will also be in addition to meetings with the adviser, which may occur weekly though not necessarily in person.

___3. I understand that I will need to be available for Key Three meetings as the need for these may arise, in addition to the need to visit the scout office and with the lodge adviser. I will also be available by telephone/email seven days a week.

___4. I understand that I will not necessarily be reimbursed by the lodge for my travel expenses, if any, to fulfill these responsibilities.

___5. I understand that I will be required to attend the Lodge Leadership Development Course. I will also seek to attend the National Leadership Seminar (NLS) during my term of office and encourage other Lodge Officers to also attend.

___6. I understand that I will be required to attend the C-5C Section Conclave, and will serve as the Section Chief may direct, I will be responsible for my fees for this event, including transportation

___7. I understand that my presence at all major lodge events, such as Conclaves, Banquet, General Business meetings and the Lodge Executive Committee meetings, Section Council of Chiefs (CoC's) and similar such events is absolutely required, without exception.

___8. I understand that I will be a member of the Council Camping meeting along with the Lodge Adviser, and will be required to attend the quarterly meetings of that committee. The location and date of such meetings are determined by the chairman. These meetings are in addition to the meetings mentioned above.

___9. I recognize that the only way I can efficiently discharge my position is to use computer technology and e-mail. I understand that I must have daily access to a computer and e-mail.

___10. I will attend the Fall Conclave August 10th, 11th, and 12th where I will be interviewed by the staff adviser, lodge adviser, and lodge chief.

VICE CHIEF POSITIONS

You will not have the same obligations as the chief, but still must make serious commitments. Candidates for these positions need only initial paragraphs 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, and 10.

I am free willing and able to discharge to office for which I petition. I have done so considering my schedule and my other obligations. I will also have my guardian's support in doing so.

Required approvals:

Candidate: _____

Parent/Guardian _____

Unit Leader _____

Chapter Adviser _____

Lodge Adviser _____