

Shawnee Lodge #51
Order of the Arrow
2012 Journey to Excellence – Silver Lodge

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A Message from our Chief

My Brothers,

As we provide cheerful service in the latter part of this year, it is only right to recall that it is our brotherhood that holds us together. I urge each of you to strengthen the ties of brotherhood this coming spring and participate cheerfully in both Lodge and Chapter events. Most importantly, however, are the firm bonds of brotherhood formed within each of these events that build lasting friendships in which the values of our order are cherished.

Along with multiple chapter meetings and service projects, it is your responsibility as an Arrowman to serve cheerfully at both the annual One Day of Service and the Spring Conclave. After a successful debut of the Arrowman Experience, the Shawnee Lodge can continue its ascension undeviatingly by your dedicated participation in these events, more notably the One Day of Service in Forest Park on April 6th. Remember, you can register for both these events online at shawneelodge.org. Please give your time to give back to your St. Louis community.



Furthermore, I firmly encourage all ordeal members to strive for the Brotherhood Honor. As a Lodge, it is important to continue the success we have been experiencing. This can only be done by **continuous, dedicated involvement** in Lodge and Chapter activities. While our Lodge is well known for its exceptional programs and output of service, we are stunted by the lack of Ordeal members who strengthen their membership with the Brotherhood Honor. In fact, the Lodge did not qualify Gold Level of Journey to Excellence due to our poor Brotherhood conversion rate. If we were to have a successful Brotherhood conversion rate, the Shawnee Lodge would easily be a Gold Level lodge **and would** receive numerous grants for our efforts. For that, I again urge each and every Ordeal member to strive for the Brotherhood Honor this coming spring and fall.

I am looking forward to a successful year defined by all Arrowman's acceptance of my challenges of Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service. It is up to you to spread the values of the Order of the Arrow by example. I am confident in the Lodge's ability to achieve such high goals.

Austin Smith
Shawnee Lodge Chief

New Lodge Camp Promotions Program

At the beginning of the term, the Lodge Executive Committee decided that a Camp Promotions overhaul was essential. We noticed that the effectiveness of the old program had diminished significantly and fewer Scouts were attending summer camps.

After much work, we are happy to announce that there is a new Camp Promotions program in place. This program, focused towards Boy Scout Troops, will help promote the many new programs offered this year at our Council camps.

This year Troops may either self promote or request an outside promoter. Please go to the Camp Promotions page <http://www.shawneelodge.org/index.php/programs/camp-promotion> under the Programs tab on Shawneelodge.org. Select your Chapter and fill out the form. There, you can choose if you want to self-promote, where one of your own scouts will do the presentation, or ask for an outside presenter.

Promoters will now present an NYLT-style slideshow to Troops throughout their Chapter. It includes information on the changes to our Council's camps that will be in effect for this summer, as well as information on specialty camps, NYLT, and the new Trail to Eagle Camp. If you would like to download this information, visit the Resources section on the Camp Promotions Page. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Lodge Camp Promotions chairman at caleb.barger@shawneelodge.org.

National Scout Jamboree

The National Scout Jamboree is coming soon. Are you going? Held in the brand new Bechtel Summit High Adventure Base, this event will truly be one you will remember forever.

This will be the first opportunity anyone will have to camp at this beautiful new camp, and all of the programs are designed to be fun for individuals and your group. The Summit offers many high adventure opportunities like mountain biking, white water rafting, BMX parks, and even a zip line.

Does this sound like fun? Do you want to learn more? If you answered yes, be sure to visit <http://www.shawneelodge.org/index.php/events/oa-national-jambo-2013>. Here you will find links to the official website for the Jamboree, as well as information on the many staff opportunities offered exclusively to Arrowmen. See you at the Summit!

Special Summer Camp Opportunities Abound

Camp Gamble and Famous Eagle – 5 new merit Badges, New Program Features

Ranger Program – Explore the backwoods for S-F

National Youth Leader Training – NYLT; 4 weeks + 1 for Venturers

<http://www.stlbsa.org/training/youth-training/Pages/National-Youth-Leadership-Training.aspx>

Horse Camp – July 28 to August 3rd

<http://www.stlbsa.org/camping/allaboutsummercamp/boy%20scout%20summer%20camp/pages/horse-camp.aspx>

Eagle Trail Camp – July 21 – 27 at Camp Gamble

<http://www.stlbsa.org/camping/allaboutsummercamp/boy%20scout%20summer%20camp/pages/eagle-trail-camp.aspx>

High Adventure Camps – Join an OA Service Crew

<http://www.scouting.org/scoutsorce/HighAdventure.aspx>

Florida Sea Base

Philmont Scout Ranch

Northern Tier

National Scout Jamboree – July 15 to July 24 <https://summit.scouting.org/en/Jamboree2013/Pages/default.aspx>

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Journey to Excellence Awards - Do *You* Have What it Takes

Our Lodge

The Shawnee Lodge achieved 1900 points for the Journey to Excellence Award. This is 500 points more than needed for the Gold Award. However, we only received the Silver Award. Why you may ask? We did not achieve a required goal: Brotherhood Conversion.

This year our focus as a Lodge is going to be on Brotherhood Conversion. If you or someone you know hasn't sealed their membership in the Order, check out the Brotherhood Requirements below and complete them at Spring Conclave. YOU are the key to the Lodge earning the next Journey to Excellence Award.

This week we were notified that the Shawnee Lodge achieved the Silver Level Journey to Excellence Award. Thank you all for helping the Lodge achieve this award. However, we would have gotten the Gold Award if our Brotherhood conversion rate was higher. The Gold Award provides grant money that we can put towards our Council's camps, so achieving this highest award is our top priority this year. We encourage any Ordeal member to attain the Brotherhood honor. Not only will this help the Lodge receive the Gold Award, but you will be sealing your membership in the order. If you know someone who has not yet attained Brotherhood, please encourage them to do so. For more information on how to get Brotherhood, see the "[Seal Your Membership](#)" section below or talk to your chapter officers.

Seal Your Membership! – Help us Achieve Quality Lodge/Chapter

If you are an Ordeal member, then plan on sealing your membership in the Order of the Arrow by obtaining the Brotherhood Honor. In 2012, we were 18 new Brotherhood members short of Quality Lodge; as a result we lost the opportunity for significant national grants to improve our camps and programs. All Ordeal members should strive and achieve the Brotherhood Honor.

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Requirements for Brotherhood include attendance at Chapter meetings and [Summer Camp](#), [participation](#) in a service project, [and assistance](#) with camp promotion. You also must complete the Brotherhood questioning and submit a statement of rededication, which should include either what the Order of the Arrow means to you, how obtaining the Brotherhood Honor will help you as an individual, or what the words brotherhood, [cheerfulness](#) and service mean to you. The answers to the questions can be found in the Ordeal ceremony as well as in the Shawnee Lodge Handbook. Additional information can be found on the Lodge Web site, www.shawneelodge.org. Questioning will take place in the afternoon at Spring Conclave.



BROTHERHOOD QUESTIONS

1. What is the name of the initial honor in the Order of the Arrow?
2. What are the objectives and purposes of the Order of the Arrow?
3. What are the four parts of the Ordeal and their respective purposes?
4. Who are the four ceremonial characters and what are their offices and duties?
5. Repeat the obligation (From memory)
6. What is the legend of the Order? (Tell in your own words)
7. How and when is the symbol of the Order of the Arrow worn?
8. Tell what the symbol of the Order is and why it was chosen.
9. Give the handclasp of the Order. How is it a modification of the Scout handclasp and what is the meaning of this modification?
10. How must the admonition of the Order always be given?
11. What is the admonition?
12. What is the meaning of the admonition?
13. Describe and give the hailing sign of the Ordeal.
14. What is the full name of the Order?
15. In what language is it given?
16. What is its meaning in English?
17. Give the words or sing the song of the Order.
18. What is the purpose of the Brotherhood membership?

[Need help with these? Ask your OA Troop Representative or another knowledgeable member of your Troop.](#)

Lodge Calendar

One Day of Service

April 6

Spring Conclave

April 12-14

Beaumont Scout Reservation

May Chapter Meetings

May 1-14

August Chapter Meetings

August 1-14

September 6-8

Fall Reunion

S-F Scout Ranch

Section Conclave

September 20-22



The Vigil Honor

The Winter Banquet took place on December 17th; the Lodge had the honor of nominating 31 people for the Vigil Honor. The Vigil Honor is a high mark of Distinction for Arrowman who goes beyond their tasks and responsibilities and exemplify cheerful service for the Order of the Arrow. It is the highest honor bestowed in the Order of the Arrow. Congratulations to all of our brothers who received this recognition:

Matt Beyes, Sr.

Josh Bright

Matt Bruton

Daniel Busse

Carol Casey

Christopher Colletti

Justin Crain

Lucas Duenwald

Valerie Ferguson

Adam Glassl

Gerhard Glassl

Benjamin Herries

Robert Hervey

Jakob Horner

Adam Kaul

Frank Keleman

Kenneth Kost

Lawrence Kremer

Noah Krull

Ben McDowell

Michael Mouser

Jeffrey Pack

J. Alan Ritter

Joseph Shaver

Jack Tejcek

Nicholas Tuley

Thomas Van Horn

Kyle Walsh

David Weber

John F. Woeltje

Timothy Yahl

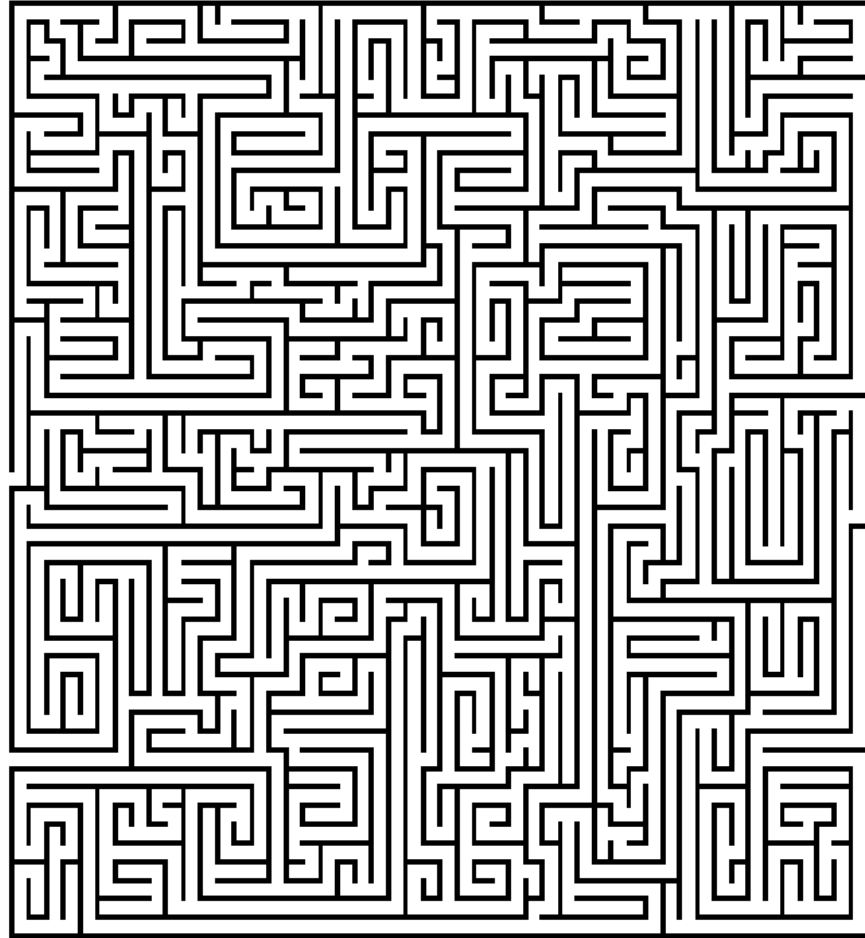


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Congratulations to these Arrowmen and thank you for your dedicated service. To read full descriptions and Bios, go to the Vigil Honor Recipients page under Resources at Shawneelodge.org. Also, be sure to attend the sashing ceremony, which will take place at 5:30 PM Saturday at the Emerson Center Flagpoles at the Spring Conclave.



It's a long way to Beaumont - Here's a Puzzle!



Be an OA Troop Representative

If you want to help the Lodge effectively communicate, then you should be a part of the Troop Rep program. Visit <http://shawneelodge.org/index.php/programs/troop-representative> for information, online registration, and tips on how to be a Troop Rep.

If you are already a Troop Rep, make sure that you remind and encourage all OA members of your Troop to attend all OA related activities coming up. Use several forms of communication when informing OA members of your Troop of upcoming events. Make sure you work with the Troop when they schedule activities so they don't conflict with OA events. At last but not least attend events with your OA brothers with a smile on your face!

Elangomats

Being an Elangomat is a great and exciting way to help others attain brotherhood membership in this great order. "Elangomat" means "friend" in the Lenni Lenape language. At Spring Conclave and Fall Reunion, the Elangomats help with the service projects by leading small groups of ordeal candidates called clans. Their duties do not end at the end of the OA weekend. The Elangomat also guides his clan until they reach the Brotherhood Honor. They make sure each of their clan members know about of all upcoming OA activities on the Chapter level as well as on the Lodge level. They use many forms of communication such as Facebook, emails, and phone calls to share information. All Elangomats will be trained on the Chapter level by the Elangomat chairman, and the Elangomat must attend this training to receive credit for their work.



Spring Conclave 2012

The 2014 Spring Conclave will be held at Beaumont Scout Reservation on April 12-14. The Spring Conclave is a great opportunity to seal your membership in the Order by obtaining Brotherhood.

The fee for Brothers for the Spring Conclave is \$12.50 and includes the Spring Conclave patch, ice cream social and the Saturday evening dinner. After April 1, the fee increases to \$15. Without the Saturday evening dinner, the fees are \$8.50 and \$11 after April 1.

Spring Conclave Schedule

Friday:

4:00 p.m. Arrive in camp after 4:00 p.m.
8:00 p.m. Pre-ordeal Ceremony - Council Ring
10:30 p.m. Taps

Saturday:

7:30 a.m. All Candidates report to Chapter Headquarters
8:00 a.m. Breakfast for Candidates
8:45 a.m. Candidates begin work day
12:00 noon Lunch
3:30 p.m. Chapter Meetings at Chapter Headquarters
5:30 p.m. Retreat, Vigil Sash Presentations, and Supper
7:30 p.m. Candidates gather for Ordeal ceremonies at Chapter HQ
8:30 p.m. Ice cream social and movies - Dining Hall
9:00 p.m. Gather at Chapter Headquarters for Brotherhood ceremonies
11:00 p.m. Taps

Sunday:

6:30 a.m. Reveille
8:00 a.m. Breakfast
8:30 a.m. Religious Services
10:30 a.m. Check-out. Check with your Chapter Chief who will inspect your camps.

A more detailed and accurate schedule will be given to Arrowmen upon arrival.

Camping Locations:

Lane Area

- Boone Trails
- Gravois Trails (pavilion)
- New Horizons
- Osage

Shippey Area

- Grand Towers
- Ozark Trailblazers
- North Star
- Pathfinder
- River Trails (pavilion)
- Thunderbird

Don't forget to pick up your Limited Edition Shawnee Lodge Belt Buckle in the trading post at the Spring Conclave!



A Word from Your Chapter Chiefs

Boone Trails

Hello, Boone Trails Arrowmen,

Thank you to **everyone** who attended the Chapter Banquet. My officers and I hope you had a good time, **and** the next Chapter Meeting will be May 9th. There are several OA events between now and the craziness of a Boy Scout's summer. **From the One Day of Service and Spring Conclave in April to our Chapter Meeting in May, I hope that you all stay involved in the coming months.** I want as many people as possible at each event to show the dedication of the Boone Trails Chapter. Finally, I would like to thank the OA Representatives for all that they do at the Troop level. All of you are my and my officers' primary way of contact to our Arrowmen. For all that you do, I and your Chapter thanks you.



Live out our principles in your daily lives:
Wimachtendienk, Wingolausik, Witahemui.

Yours in Service,
Nicholas Keesey, Chapter Chief

Grand Towers

Hello Brothers,

This has been a great start to our 2013 year! I would like to thank you all for attending the Chapter **Banquet**. **We had a great meeting and a lot of fun!** Our Ceremonial Team is back and better than ever! There is always room on team for new comers, please inform our 2nd Vice Chief if you would like to be on the Ceremonial Team. March 30th will be the Pillow Case for Cancer Service Project. Please make sure you attend, there will be fellowship and a Movie after the service. Thank you for all of your hard work and dedication!



Yours in Service,
Shemar Lee, Chapter Chief

Gravois Trail

Hello this is Adam Kaul. I would like to thank everyone for attending our Chapter banquet on February 6th. If you have any suggestions for next year, please feel free to contact me. For upcoming events we have the One Day of Service April 6th. The event is free and the outcome will be great. **Spring conclave will be held on April 12-14.** I highly suggest everyone attends and, **if eligible, seal your membership by becoming Brotherhood members.** I would also like to congratulate all of the Gravois Trail Vigil nominees on their honor and thank them for their dedication to scouting.



Yours in service
Adam Kaul, Chapter Chief

New Horizons

Hello New Horizons,

First, I would like to thank **everyone who** came out and joined us for a night of fellowship and fun at the February Banquet. We have an exciting spring coming up with plenty of ways to get involved. You could join the **Elangomat** program which will be on March 16th and April 6th, **or you could go to Serve St. Louis on April 6th.** And of **course, Spring Conclave,** will be April 12th through the 14th. If any of these programs interest you there are more details at newhorizons.shawneelodge.org. If you have any questions about these upcoming events please feel free to contact me via the New Horizons web page. Make sure you like us on Facebook for the most up to date info!



Yours In Service,
Scott Mayberry, Chapter Chief

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North Star

Greetings Brothers,

We are approaching the half way mark for this year; however, the excitement has only begun! With two Successful Chapter Meetings down, we plan to fill the next two with even more Brotherhood and Cheerfulness! I will strive to make our meetings and events so spectacular that every member will be begging to be a part of the excitement!



With that being said, I Challenge each and every member our Chapter to continue to help us make the year a success. This program is for you, and with your help and attendance we will take on the second half of this year and make it better than the first. As the year unfolds, let us all remember what Allowat Sakima says in the ordeal ceremony, "He alone is worthy to wear the Arrow who will continue to serve his fellow man."

Your Chief,
Cody Meinert, Chapter Chief

Osage

Hello fellow Arrowmen!

I hope you're having a great time, and I would like to thank all of you that attended the chili cook off! It was a blast! Please come and help with all of our upcoming projects and events! You can find all of our events on the Lodge website. I hope to see all of you at the Spring Conclave! We are going to have a stellar time!



Yours in brotherhood,
Matt Bruton, Chapter Chief

Pathfinder

My Fellow Arrowmen,

I would like to thank everyone that came out to the Chapter Banquet. To all 71 of you, I would like to thank for taking the time to come and support the Chapter. It means a lot to get good turnouts, but with the banquet being old news we can look forward to the One Day of Service, the Chapter's March Service Project, and the Spring Conclave. I strongly encourage all Arrowmen to go to the One Day of Service as it will be an exciting event filled with great opportunities to serve St. Louis. The March Service Project will be at Beaumont at 9:30. We will meet up at the parking lot head over to Blackberry Hollow. I hope to see you all there.



Yours through Scouting,
Zack Becker 2012-2013 Pathfinder Chapter Chief

River Trails

Fellow Arrowmen,

This has been a great year so far for our Chapter as well as the Lodge, and I look forward to the rest of the year. And, of course, work on your brotherhood!

Yours in Service,
Tyler Bryant, Chapter Chief

Thunderbird

Greetings fellow Arrowmen,

I hope all of you had a good time the February Chapter banquet. If you weren't there, you missed out on a great time. We have a service project coming up on March 16th at Beaumont at 9am. Check the Chapter website or send me an email if you have any questions. I hope to see all of you at the Spring Conclave.



Yours in service,
Justin Crain, Chapter Chief

New Adult Election Procedures

Nationally, the Order of the Arrow has modified the requirements for the nomination of adult unit Scouters for induction into the Order. The changes increase the number of currently-serving Scoutmasters and Varsity Team Coaches and unit Scouters (all 21 years of age and older) who can be nominated to be candidates. They will be effective in the Shawnee Lodge for the 2013 election cycle.

The following states the new standards and replaces previously published information:

1. Adult leaders in units: Each year, upon holding a Troop or Team election for youth candidates that results in at least one youth candidate being elected, the unit committee may nominate adults to the Lodge adult selection committee. The number of adults nominated can be no more than one-third of the number of youth candidates elected, rounded up where the number of youth candidates is not a multiple of three.

For instance:

<u>Number of Youth Elected</u>	<u>Maximum Number of Adults Who May be Elected</u>
0	0
1 to 3	1
4 to 6	2
7 to 9	3
9 to 12, 13 to 15 ...	Continues at One-Third of the Youth Elected Rounded Up

2. In addition to the one-third limit, the unit committee may nominate the currently serving unit leader (but not assistant leaders), as long as he or she has served as unit leader for at least the previous **twelve** months. [This special nomination will not affect the number of other adults that can be nominated.](#)

The Troop is to know (estimate) the number of youth eligible for election to the OA at summer camp. In your Committee Meeting before summer camp, you are to elect adults. A listing, in order, of adults to be elected into the Order shall be given to the youth running the election before the youth are elected. The [Arrowman](#) running the election will strike all names from the adult ballot, over the maximum number of adults who may be elected.

An adult who is being considered for nomination may make it known, to the adult supporting election activities, that he wished to go in conditionally. [For example: they wish to be elected if their son is also elected.](#) If a conditional adult is elected but not the condition (*i.e.* his son in this example) the next name shall be chosen. But a new name shall not be added to the list.

The purpose of Adults in the Order of the Arrow is to support a youth run program.

- Selection of the adult is based on the ability to perform the necessary functions to help the Order fulfill its purpose, and not for recognition of service, including current or prior achievement and positions.
- The individual will be an asset to the Order because of demonstrated abilities that fulfill the purpose of the Order.
- The camping requirements set forth for youth members are fulfilled.
- The adult leader's membership will provide a positive example for the growth and development of the youth members of the Lodge.

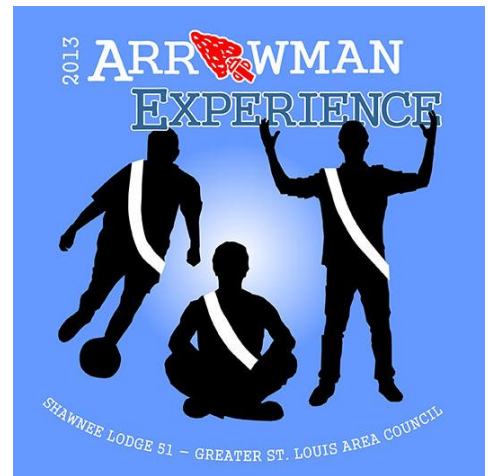
All Adult elections are subject to review by the Supreme Chief of the Fire.

Save the Date – NOAC 2015

The National Committee announced the location and date for NOAC 2015. The next NOAC will be at Michigan State University August 3 to 8, 2015. More information will be provided as it becomes available.

Arrowman Experience

On March 2nd, Shawnee Lodge Brothers went out to Beaumont and enjoyed an awesome, fun-filled day at the first ever Arrowman Experience. They had the opportunity to learn, compete, and have fun. The morning started off with training cells and fun morning activities like duct tape sash making, scout skills competitions, and OA trivia. Arrowman Alan Koestner was the winner of OA trivia. There were also over 15 different training cells offered, including *How To Be a Ceremonialist*, *Ceremony Symbolism*, and *History of the OA*. Attendees also got the unique experience of learning about Native American dances thanks to help from the Anpetu-We Lodge.



After lunch, scouts moved outside and rolled, bounced, and bumped around in massive Human Hamster Balls. The hamster balls were a superb activity and exhilarating experience! The afternoon also included a massive game of kickball, Innovative Cooking, and a Native American Dance Pow-Wow. Innovative Cooking provided camp methods to cook turkey, cobbler, cookies, apple tarts, monkey bread, and pork loin. All Arrowmen had the honor of taste testing all the delicious foods!

Of course, a Ceremonial Team competition also took place in the afternoon as the major event. There was both an Ordeal and Brotherhood team competition. The winning teams received embroidered champion neckerchiefs and will soon receive their fancy certificates. There were also new Individual Competitions. Ceremonialists were allowed to compete by themselves in order to decide the best ceremonialists of the Lodge. The best of each character was awarded an awesome painted cow skull to embellish their site with. The Shawnee Lodge would like to thank all teams and ceremonialists that competed and wish them the best on their efforts of improving.

<u>Character</u>	<u>Individual Competition</u>	<u>Ordeal Team Champions</u>	<u>Brotherhood Team Champions</u>
Allowat Sakima Metu Nutiket Kitchkinet	Jakob Horner Zach Meyers Clayton Alexander Rick Tiek	Pathfinder Matt Beyes Zach Heatley Ryan Stoeckel Travis Keith	Pathfinder Thomas Van Horn Jeremy Boyd Alexander Tackett Dylan Long

The Arrowman Experience was a great day full of learning, fun, and food. Over two hundred brothers came out to enjoy the day. Next year **you** should come too. This was a day to truly *Experience the Arrow*.

Centennial Rock – NOAC 2015

The Order of the Arrow was founded in 1915, making 2015 our 100th anniversary. In celebration of the 100th year of the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service, the National Lodge is constructing a centennial fireplace built by stones from every lodge in the country. The centennial fireplace will be on display at the 2015 National Order of the Arrow Conference. Will you be there?



What Can You Find on Shawneelodge.org?

Have you ever been to Shawneelodge.org? If you have, you know how informative a visit can be. If not, here are just some of the many things you can find on our Lodge's official website.

- Contact information for ALL Lodge Officers, Chairmen, and Advisers
- Registration, News, and Information on the upcoming Lodge events
- Specifics about the Elangomat, Camp Promotions, and Troop Rep Programs
- Downloads of all forms, including the Lodge By-Laws, Brotherhood Cards, and Vigil Nominations
- A handy search bar if you can't find what you're looking for.

If you're ever wondering anything about the OA, just remember that you can find it at Shawneelodge.org



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