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Order of the Arrow
2013 Journey to Excellence – Gold Lodge

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A Message from our Chief

Arrowmen,

This year has started well for the Lodge. Nick Keesey helped us put on a successful Winter Banquet. I would also like to congratulate our 2013 Class of Vigil Candidates that was nominated at the Winter Banquet. I would also like to thank Chris Colletti for planning an amazing Arrowman Experience. All around our lodge had fun while improving ourselves.

The One Day of Service is March 29 at 8:00a.m. in Willmore Park. We will be constructing a playground in the morning. In the afternoon we will have a Hodag, consisting of music, food, sports, and fun! This event is completely free so there is no reason you shouldn't come. It is also open to non-OA members, which means you can bring your whole troop. In order to get your free lunch, you need to register beforehand at shawneelodge.org. It will be a great day to provide service while having a blast in the afternoon.



We also have the Spring Conclave coming up April 11-13. This is a great weekend to share in Brotherhood and to provide service to our council. If you were just inducted at Fall Reunion, this is a great weekend to work towards Getting Your Bars. Attending the event and serving as an Elangomat or ceremonialist will satisfy several requirements. Also as a new Ordeal member you can come to the ceremony again to really learn more about your ordeal.

The National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) 2015 takes place Aug 3-8, 2015 at Michigan State University. This is going to be the biggest and best NOAC ever because it is the Order of the Arrow's 100th Anniversary. It will be a week with over 10,000 of our brothers learning and experiencing new things. Each night we all gather for an amazing show. Also, everyone who attends will receive a limited edition inverted sash (White Arrow, Red background). This is going to be a once in a lifetime opportunity, and I would not want to miss out.

The first half of this year has been a success and as a Lodge we have accomplished a lot while improving ourselves. As Arrowmen it is up to you to take advantage of this. Try something new! Come to the One Day of Service or join ceremonial teams. Try something that you haven't done. Ask your chapter officers what you can do. By trying new activities you will fully learn to appreciate the Order of the Arrow and begin to get everything out of it that you can. The responsibility falls on you; all you need to do is take advantage of it!

Yours in Brotherhood,
 Sam Picus
 2013-2014 Shawnee Lodge Chief

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Lodge Camp Promotions Program

Camp Promotion is an important program that the Shawnee Lodge does for our troops. One of the objectives of the Order of the Arrow is to promote and maintain camping tradition – camp promotion does just that.

We expect every troop to be promoted, but to make this happen, we need YOUR help. Troops, we need you to complete a self-promotion or request an outside promotion. Once your promotion is done we need someone from the troop to fill out a survey at shawneelodge.org/camppromotion to let us know that they have completed their promotion.

Ordeal members, camp promotion is an excellent way to complete one of your Brotherhood requirements. Get your bars and serve your lodge today!

One Day of Service GET-YOUR-BARS

The essential day for every Arrowman returns this year with a special twist. One Day of Service will take place at Willmore Park in St. Louis on March 29. The service project will be to help build a playground (unfortunately, not play on it) for the park. This event is a great way to live out our third principle and to get our bars!

The twist this year is that we will not go back to work after lunch. Instead we will be holding a Grand Hodag for our lodge. At this Hodag, or big super special awesome party thing, there will be plenty of activities and games to do. Everything from knife and tomahawk throwing to a Lodgeball tournament to good music and food with friends will help us build a brotherhood with our fellow Shawnee Lodge Arrowmen.



The One Day of Service is absolutely free to attend and is open to all scouts in your troops and even family members that are registered in the Boy Scouts. However, we still need you to register online so we can have an accurate number for lunch. You can register by going to shawneelodge.org and clicking on One Day of Service under the Events tab. Come on out to enjoy a day devoted to serving others and having a ton of fun.

Register at www.shawneelodge.org. Again, the cost is free. Participation and food may not be available for those not pre-registered. Registration closes March 26.

Special Summer Camp Opportunities Abound

Camp Gamble and Famous Eagle

camping.stlbsa.org

Ranger Program – Explore the backwoods for S-F

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

nylt.stlbsa.org

Horse Camp – July 27 - August 2, Nagel Base, Beaumont Scout Reservation

Eagle Trail Camp – July 20 – 25 at Camp Gamble

STEM Camp – July 27 – August 2 at Camp May

stem.stlbsa.org

High Adventure Camps – Join an OA Service Crew

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

Florida Sea Base


Philmont Scout Ranch

Northern Tier

Journey to Excellence Awards - Do You Have What it Takes

Your Chapter - Throughout the year, each Chapter Executive Committee has worked diligently towards the Journey to Excellence Award. Brotherhood conversion, Extended Elangomat, and being involved in ceremonial teams are only some of the areas they have focused on to make your chapter even better.

Every Arrowman plays a role in their Chapter's Journey to Excellence, even **you**! Little things like getting your bars in the Order by completing the Brotherhood requirements can make a big difference to the Award your Chapter receives. Speak with your chapter officers or visit shawneelodge.org to discover how to make a difference in your chapter!

Our Lodge – In 2013, Shawnee Lodge just barely earned Gold Journey to Excellence. One of the things we need to work on is brotherhood conversion. For this reason, we have been strongly it over the last year and in the past few months through the Get Your Bars campaign. If you see this banner  next to any events, it means that you can complete a Brotherhood requirement at that event. Help OUR Lodge earn gold!

Get Your Bars!

If you are an Ordeal member, then plan on getting your bars this Spring Conclave in the Order of the Arrow by obtaining the Brotherhood Honor.

Requirements for Brotherhood include attendance at Chapter meetings, Lodge Activities and Summer Camp, as well as participation in service projects, and participating as an Elangomat, camp promotion programs, or ceremonial teams. 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

March 29
Willmore Park in St. Louis

Spring Conclave

April 11-13
Beaumont Scout Reservation

May Chapter Meetings

May 1-14

August Chapter Meetings

August 1-14

New! Pre-Ordeal for Elsewhere Elections

August 23-24, Beaumont

September

Fall Reunion, September 5-7
S-F Scout Ranch



The Vigil Honor

At Winter Banquet on December 16th, the Lodge had the privilege of nominating 10 brothers for the Vigil Honor. The Vigil Honor is a high mark of distinction for an Arrowman who go beyond their responsibilities by exemplifying cheerful service for the Order of the Arrow and the scouting program. It is the highest honor bestowed in the Order of the Arrow. Congratulations to all of our brothers who received this recognition:

Lisa Abernathy
JT Schwarzbauer

Nicholas Keesey
Ryan Stoeckel

Albert Ludwig
Jim Thomure

Alex Molner
Michael Ukman

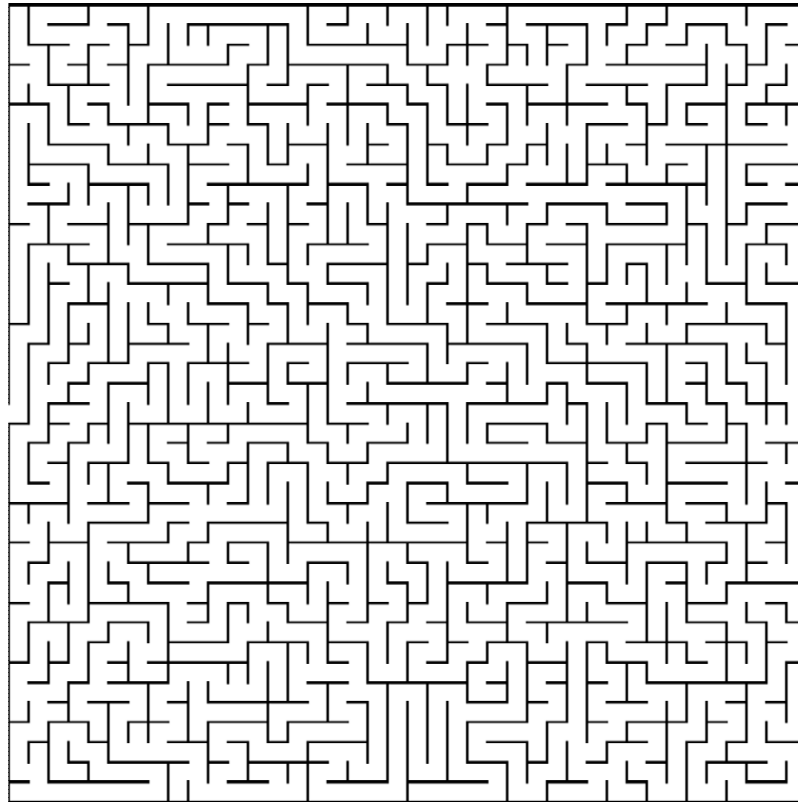
Jordan Pack
Craig Winney



Congratulations to these Arrowmen and thank you for your dedicated service. To read full descriptions and biographies of the recipients, go to the Vigil Honor Recipients page under Resources at Shawneelodge.org. Also, be sure to attend the public recognition ceremony, which will take place at 5:30 PM Saturday at the Camp May Parade Field during the Spring Conclave.



The path to Beaumont is a maze – find your way there!



Be an OA Troop Representative

If you want to help the Lodge effectively communicate, then you should be a part of the Troop Representative program. Visit Shawneelodge.org for information, online registration, and tips on how to be a Troop Representative. This role is vital to communication between the chapters and your troops. Cheerfully serve your brothers and be one today.

If you are already a Troop Representative, 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. Finally, attend events with your OA brothers with a smile on your face!

Elangomats **GET-YOUR-BARS**

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. However, their duties **do not** end the OA weekend. The Elangomat also guides his clan until they reach the Brotherhood Honor. They make sure each of their clan members know of all the upcoming OA activities on the chapter and lodge levels. This second half of the position is a vital part of Brotherhood conversion and communication in the chapter and Lodge. All Elangomats should be trained by the Elangomat Chairman of each chapter. The Elangomat must attend this training to receive credit for their work.



Spring Conclave 2014



The 2014 Spring Conclave will be held at Beaumont Scout Reservation on April 11-13. The Spring Conclave is a great opportunity to get your bars and have fun with your fellow Arrowmen.

The fee for Candidates (ticket required) is \$20, and increases to \$25 after April 1. The fee for Brothers for the Spring Conclave is \$15 and includes the Spring Conclave patch, ice cream social, and Saturday evening dinner. After April 1, the fee increases to \$20. Without the Saturday evening dinner, the fees are \$10 and \$15 after April 1. Registration is available online at www.shawneelodge.org.



Spring Conclave Schedule

Friday:

5:00 p.m. Arrive in camp after 5:00 p.m.
8:00 p.m. Pre-ordeal Ceremony – Camp May 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
1:00 p.m. Midway-Food and Fun at Emerson Center
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 movie – Emerson Center
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 schedule will be given to Arrowmen upon arrival.

Camping Locations:

Lane Area

- Gravois Trail
- New Horizons (pavilion)
- Osage
- Grand Towers/Thunderbird

Shippey Area

- Ozark Trailblazers
- North Star
- Pathfinder
- River Trails
- Boone Trails (pavilion)

Your paid attendance at lodge events financially supports the Lodge, and allows us to continue our dues-free policy. Thank you for supporting the Shawnee Lodge.

A Word from Your Chapter Chiefs

Boone Trails

To learn what is happening in your chapter, contact your chief at collin.witte@shawneelodge.org



Grand Towers

Hello Brothers,

Thank You all for your hard work so far this year! Remember our Ceremonial Team is always looking for new comers as we prepare for Spring Conclave. If you would like to be on the team please contact our Ceremonial Team Chairmen. Stay updated on all Chapter Events on our Grand Towers Chapter Facebook Page.



Yours In Service,

Shemar R. Lee
Grand Towers Chapter Chief
W.W.W

Gravois Trail

Hello Gravois!

Think you can build a playground? Meet us at the One Day of Service on March 29. I hope you enjoyed our entertainment at the banquet.



If you have any suggestions for future entertainment, meeting plans, service project suggestions, or feedback in general, please contact me at dominic.vonfeldt@shawneelodge.org. I hope to see you in the near future!

Yours in brotherhood,
Dominic Von Feldt

New Horizons

Greetings New Horizons Arrowman,

I would like to take the time to thank you guys for all the support you have shown our chapter throughout this scouting year. From being with us for the November meeting and Chapter Banquet, to the service projects such as University of Scouting, and even attending some of our ceremonial team workshops. While we have made a lot of progress so far this year in coming up with new ideas, we are looking forward toward the second half of this scouting year and how many different things we plan to offer you guys as Arrowman of New Horizons. If you personally have new ideas, feel free to email us through our chapter website. We are looking forward toward the second half of this scouting year and hope that you guys will fully immerse yourself in the Order.



Yours in Service,

Clay Alexander

North Star

To learn what is happening in your chapter, contact your chief at j.t.schwarzbauer@shawneelodge.org



Osage

My brothers,

I hope you all had a great Christmas, and looking forward to a great New Year. First of all, our annual swim center service project will be on March 19th at Holiday Inn in Eureka. Next, Spring Conclave will be on April 11-13. I hope to see you all there! Thank you in advance for all of your hard work.



Yours in brotherhood,
Ben Ehlenbeck

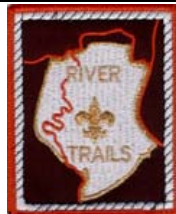
Ozark Trail Blazers

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River Trails

To learn what is happening in your chapter, contact your chief at jacob.mueller@shawneelodge.org



Pathfinder

Fellow Arrowmen,



We are now half way through the OA year. I hope it has been a great experience thus far for everyone. I would like to congratulate all of our recipients of the Jack J Sohpir Arrowman of the Year award and thank them for everything they have done for the chapter.

I hope that everyone enjoyed our February Chapter Banquet last month. Look forward to more fun events because One Day of Service is at the end of March and in April there's Spring Conclave. Not only that, but there will be a few Service projects to look for later in spring. I hope to see everyone come to these events and share in the brotherhood, cheerfulness, and service.

As always, if you have any questions, email me at ryan.stoeckel@shawneelodge.org

Yours in service,

Ryan Stoeckel

Thunderbird

Greetings Fellow Arrowmen,



I hope you all are having a great new year and I hope you all made it to the Chapter Banquet, It was a blast! There are a lot of events coming up in the next few months. I hope everyone can make it to the One Day of Service and the Spring Conclave. We have a service project coming up on March 15th at Beaumont. We will be working on the Blue trail, if you are planning on coming be sure to bring work tools and water! Head over to Facebook and like the Shawnee Lodge page as well as our Chapter page. Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours in Service,
Justin Crain

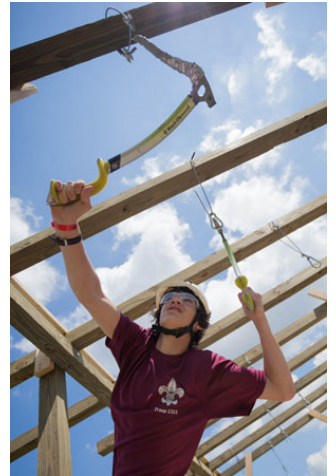
NOAC 2015 – Mark your calendars and save your change!



National Order of the Arrow Conference, or NOAC for short, is like a giant Jamboree for Arrowmen. NOAC 2015 will be especially grand and extravagant because 2015 marks the 100th anniversary of the Order of the Arrow. It will be held at Michigan State University from August 3-8. An official price will be announced later, but an estimated cost is \$600-\$750. We will be traveling as a contingent up to Michigan State and will stay in the dorms on campus.

NOAC has many informational classes directed towards Arrowmen ranging from leadership skills to ceremonies to Native American dancing. There

are also several other fun activities to be had: Rock Climbing, SCUBA diving, and Lodgeball and volleyball tournaments were seen at the 2012 NOAC. The evenings are always filled with program, including nightly shows full of theatrics and special effects, and a Grand HODAG, a big party for the Arrowmen. You will not want to spend any time sleeping this entire week because there is always something going on!



Arrowmen that attend the 2015 NOAC will also receive a rare, special edition red sash. It is special in that the colors are reversed; a white arrow on a red background. The sash will only be presented to Arrowmen who attend, and any extras will not be sold.

Make sure you mark your calendars and be ready to buy your tickets. There is no limit to how many people can go to this event, so don't be afraid to get your fellow Arrowmen to sign up with you! We want to take as many people as possible!

If you are interested in attending NOAC please go to www.shawneelodge.org/NOAC and register to get the latest updates and registration information. It's free and it is the best place to get registration information.



Arrowman Experience

On March 1st, we gathered at Beaumont's Emerson Center for our 2nd Arrowman Experience. Arrowmen had the opportunity to learn, compete, and have fun. The morning started off with training cells and fun activities like duct tape sash making, scout skills competitions, and OA trivia. There were over 15 different training cells offered, including How To Be a Ceremonialist, Ceremony Symbolism, and History of the OA.

After lunch, scouts reconnected with their inner knight and clashed with each other medieval style through LARPing. Arrowmen were given foam swords, daggers, and bows and arrows to battle it out on the fields of Beaumont and prove who the best knight in the lodge was.

As always, our Ceremonial Competition took place in the afternoon. Ordeal and Brotherhood teams put on their regalia and performed their ceremonies to prove they were the best. The winning teams received carved wood plaques and neckerchiefs. For those Arrowmen who were not part of a team but still wanted to compete, we held an Individual Competition. Ceremonialists were allowed to compete as individual characters in order to decide the best ceremonialists of the Lodge. The best of each character was awarded a painted cow skull with the new symbol of Arrowman Experience as a symbol of their accomplishment. The Shawnee Lodge would like to thank all teams and ceremonialists that competed and wish them the best on their efforts of improving.

Individual Character Competition

Allowat Sakima	David Bump
Metu	Zach Meyers
Nutiket	J.T. Schwarzbauer
Kitchkinet	Gabe Kedge

ORDEAL TEAM CHAMPIONS

David Bump
Bennet Kedge
Gabe Kedge
Nick Simon

of North Star

ORDEAL TEAM – 2nd PLACE

Derek Book
Jasoa Tesreau
Dominic McClean
Tortsen Whetsell

of Boone Trails

BROTHERHOOD TEAM CHAMPIONS

Matthew Beyes
Sam Picus
Thomas Van Horn
Ryan Stoeckel

of Pathfinder

BROTHERHOOD TEAM – 2nd PLACE

Bradley Taylor
Zach Meyers
J.T. Schwarzbauer
Preston Lintzenich

of North Star

The Arrowman Experience was a great day full of learning, fun, and food. Over 150 brothers came out to enjoy the day. Next year **you** should come too. This was a day to truly *Experience the Arrow*.

Elsewhere Elections

Are you going out of Council for summer camp? If your troop camped at a Council summer camp last summer, and is not attending a Council summer camp this summer, your troop likely qualifies for an elsewhere OA election. To arrange for this, have your Scoutmaster contact your chapter chief or adviser.

New! – For those not attending a Council summer camp there is a new opportunity to complete your Pre-ordeal sleep out. We are adding a new Pre-ordeal sleep-out opportunity August 23 - 24 from 8 p.m. to 7 a.m. at Beaumont. This will be open only to pre-registered individuals and unit overnight supervision will be required. Sign up at www.shawneelodge.org/preordeal.

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 Representative 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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