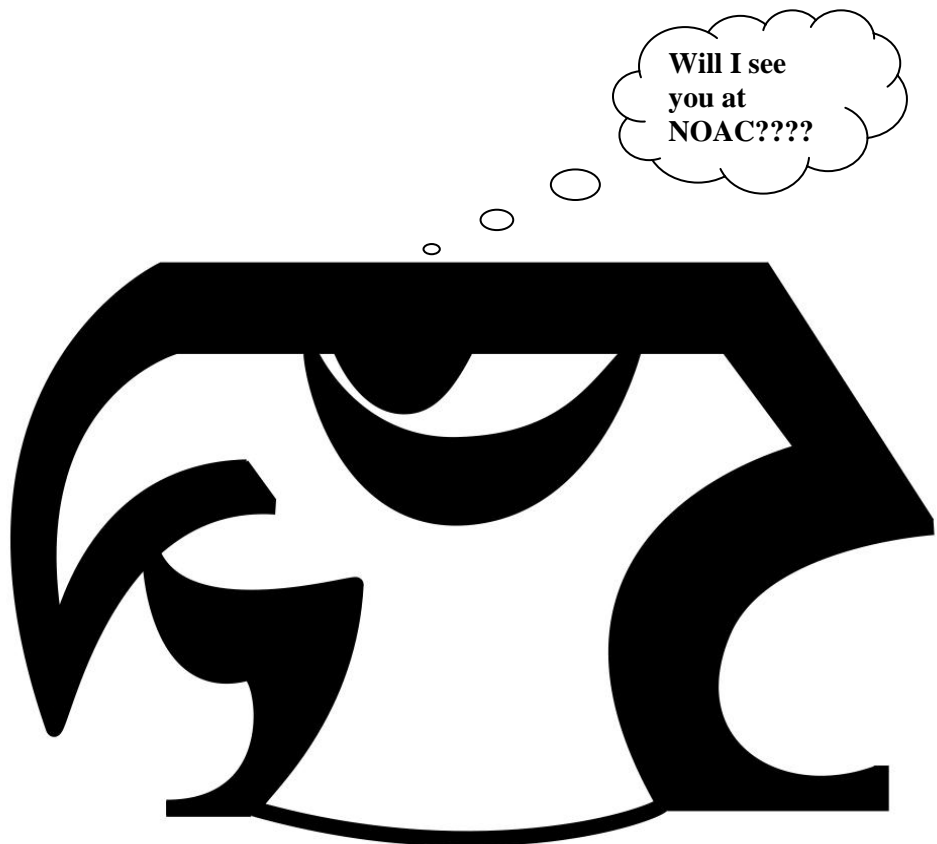


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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHIEF

Hey Arrowmen!

It's hard to believe that we're already halfway through our lodge calendar, but we are. If you haven't been to any events this year then I strongly encourage you to sign up for some in the upcoming months! In fact, you should definitely COME TO NOAC!!!!!! Be sure to register soon! And while you're at it you should definitely COME TO SPRING CONCLAVE!!!! And be sure to stop by the Spring Conclave trading post where we'll have some great deals going on and some great music playing all weekend long!

If your troop is coming down to S bar F for summer camp this summer then be sure to register for the OA Overnight Program. This year's program is promising to be the best ever, so you won't want to miss out on the fun! More info about the OA Overnight will be posted on the S bar F and Shawnee Facebook pages, so be sure to "like" them to keep up to date!

The 2011 Winter Fellowship Banquet was another magical event this year thanks to our event chairman John Woeltje. Once again, we had outstanding attendance that overwhelmingly supported the Toys for Tots collection. Congratulations to the 2012 Vigil Honor candidates, whose leadership and example mark our lodge as the best in the nation. We look forward to seeing you at the Spring Conclave to complete your journey toward the Vigil Honor.

Thanks to Josh Bright who organized and developed this year's Ceremonial Team Seminar where Arrowmen learned a wide variety of skills to take back to their teams. If you're still looking for something to participate in to obtain your brotherhood then consider joining a ceremonial team!!

If you just joined our order last fall and you're still trying to figure out what our organization is all about, then come to some more events and finish up your brotherhood so that you can see the full meaning of the Order of the Arrow. This summer when elections come around be sure to remind the members of your troop that the elections are not a popularity contest and that a "yes" vote should go to those scouts who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law throughout their daily lives. With this in mind, reflect on how you've lived out the Scout Oath and Law since your election and consider what you can improve on to make yourself and our world a better place. Also, be sure to ask your chapter chief how YOU can become involved with the upcoming events on the chapter, lodge, and national levels. The rest of the year has lots going on, so be sure to get in on the fun! My fellow officers and I look forward to seeing you at the Spring Conclave, so drop by the trading post and say hello! Don't forget to bring a couple of canned food items to the trading for our food drive.

Yours in the spirit of the arrow,

Bobby Kaye
Shawnee Lodge Chief

SUMMER CAMP STAFF – THERE’S STILL TIME!

Looking to try something different this summer? Would you like to help Scouts enjoy their summer camp experience while you have fun, make friends, and gain valuable work experience? Are you a Scout who will be 15 years old and an Eagle Scout by June 1? Then pick up an application at the Council Service Center or download it at the lodge website (www.shawneelodge.org) or the council website (www.stlbsa.org). Fill it out and bring it with you to the Spring Conclave for an interview. For more information, call Director of Camping Brian Sens at the Council Service Center, (314) 361-0600. Remember, *there’s still time!*

STAFF POSITIONS

15 or older

Commissary Aide
Trading Post Aide
Troop/Den Counselor
Aquatics Counselor
Commissary Manager
Trading Post Manager

18 or older

Commissioner
Archery Counselor
Nature Director
Scoutcraft Director
Dining Hall Steward
Business Manager
Program Counselor (Swift)
Wrangler (Camp May/Swift)
First Aid/Nurse

21 or older

Program Director
Aquatics Director
Field Sports Director
Chaplain

TIRED OF THE SAME SUMMER ROUTINE?

Are you looking for something beyond the usual summer camp? Check out these great opportunities to go camping and participate in exciting activities! Registration forms and more information for each event can be accessed on the lodge or council websites, or at your local Scout office. Register soon; space is limited! Registration forms are in the last few pages of this edition of *The Lookout*.

RANGER PROGRAM

Do you go with your troop to summer camp every year and yearn for something new? The Ranger Program is calling your name. You’ll spend Sunday night with your troop, but on Monday morning, you’ll take off and spend the week exploring the “other side” of the Ranch. Rangers spend their days roaming the backcountry, hiking every corner of the Ranch with some awesome experiences on the way: try out a sweat lodge, shoot black powder rifles, or blacksmith at an actual forge. New for 2012: Wilderness Survival, Archeology, and Pulp & Paper merit badges will be offered.

HORSE CAMP

If you think all you’ll do here is ride horses, you’re dead wrong, because you do so much more than that. Sure, you get to ride horses—a lot—but you also get to swim, shoot shotguns, and even rappel from cliffs! The week even ends with a real horse show for you to show your stuff!

OLDER SCOUT SWIFT BASE

Swift Base features a totally different summer camp experience! Each summer, certain weeks are set aside for special venturing and older scout programs. This year features 3 special week:

June 17-23 - Aquatics Week/Sea Scout Emphasis
June 24-30 - Climbing/Land Navigation/Astronomy Emphasis

July 8-14 - Shooting Sports/Wilderness Survival/Living History Emphasis

NATIONAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP TRAINING

This week-long course is aimed at honing you into a mean, green, leading machine. Like Lord Baden-Powell said, "The Spirit is there in every boy; it has to be discovered and brought to light." NYLT seeks to teach you how to be a leader. The week utilizes the patrol method to teach how to lead yourself and, ultimately, how to lead others. As any NYLT graduate knows, "If you can see it, you can be it."

PACK AND PADDLE

Not for the weak at heart! Pack and Paddle builds on the NYLT course by incorporating hiking through the backcountry and canoeing on the beautiful Nims Lake. Pack and Paddle even gets to stop at Huck's Cove, camp in the tree houses, and hike to Castle Rock. If extreme is your middle name, Pack and Paddle wants *you*.

EXTENDED ELANGOMAT PROGRAM

This program uses the Elangomat to give candidates guidance throughout his first year in the Order of the Arrow. The Elangomat will be expected to keep in contact with the new Ordeal member, encourage him to attend Order of the Arrow functions, and assist him with earning the Brotherhood Honor. The two-part patch for the Extended Elangomat Program, as well as additional information about the program, can be found on the Lodge website, www.shawneelodge.org.

TROOP OA REPRESENTATIVE PROGRAM

The Troop OA Representative Program is aimed at sharing information quickly to the entire Lodge. It is imperative that each Troop have an Order of the Arrow Representative who will fulfill his role in the Troop OA Representative Program. Contact your Chapter Officers for more information or to sign up.

CAMP PROMOTION PROGRAM

During the past few years, the Lodge has fundamentally changed our Camp Promotion Program. Promotions are now given exclusively to Cub Scout Packs, where promotions have a much greater chance of being effective. For those of you helping with Camp Promotion, start now. The final deadline is May 1.

THE SHAWNEE LODGE IS ON FACEBOOK AND TWITTER

Follow us via Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/shawneelodge51> and via Twitter at <http://www.twitter.com/shawneelodge51>.

Text 'follow shawneelodge51' to 40404 to receive SMS text message updates from the Shawnee Lodge. Standard text messaging rates still apply.

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BE THERE!**



If you ever missed a Lodge event because you didn't hear about it in time, the Shawnee E-Lookout is for you. By registering for free, you can get easy reminders about upcoming Lodge events straight to your e-mail. It's fast, it's easy, and it's more than

worth your time! Go to the Shawnee Lodge website,

2011 WINTER FELLOWSHIP BANQUET AND VIGIL HONOR CANDIDATES

On December 21, 2011, the Shawnee Lodge hosted its annual Winter Fellowship banquet at Machinist's Hall. Our Lodge once again participated in the Toys for Tots project, gathering a tremendous pile of gifts for young children over the course of the night. On behalf of the Marine Corps Reserve and children in the greater St. Louis Area, thank you for bringing your donations!

The annual business meeting commenced with an invocation by former Lodge Chief Ben Luedloff. Special guests included Section C-3B Chief Mike Gray and council Scout Executive Mr. Ron Green. Upcoming events on the Lodge, Sectional, and National levels were also discussed.

The guest for the evening was the Great Todd, a magician who performed for us. The Great Todd was a Life Scout out of our very own council.

The evening concluded with the Vigil Callout Ceremony where 23 Arrowmen were recognized.

Receiving this honor were: Youth candidates: Thomas J. Foley II, Matthew R. Geisman, Dylan R.C. Gray, Glen R. Hervey, Joshua J. Hill, Joseph P. Kreienkamp, Cody J. Meinert, R. Dylan Palmer, Samuel L. Picus, Austin M. Smith, Erik M. Veenstra, Ian A. Wohlstadter. Adult candidates: Robert W. Baronovic, Roy J. Brooks, John P. Costello, Steven J. Gruendler, Larry W. Henderson, Bruce A. Levitt, Susan J. Lindstrom, Robert J. McRath, Janet L. Nelson, John B. Weltmer, Donna J. Yarbrough

For a description of each Arrowman's service, check out the Vigil page on the lodge website. Congratulations, Arrowmen!

www.shawneelodge.org, to register now!

LODGE CALENDAR

March 27

Executive Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
Beaumont Scout Reservation

March 31

One Day of Service
Confluence Point & Babler State Parks

April 13-15

Spring Conclave
Beaumont Scout Reservation,

May 6-13

Chapter Meetings

June 25

Lodge Officers Nominating Committee
Location to be announced

July 30-August 4

NOAC 2012
Michigan State University

August 6-20

August Chapter Meetings

August 28

Executive Committee Meeting
Beaumont Scout Reservation

September 7-9

Fall Reunion
S bar F Scout Ranch

September 28-30

Section C-3B Conclave
Ingersoll Scout Reservation,
London Mills, Illinois



Boone Trails

Brothers,

First off, I would like to congratulate all of this year's Vigil candidates.

I would also like to thank everyone who came to our chapter banquet and to those Scouters who cooked the delicious meal. The banquet was a great success with great food!

We are still looking for Elangomats at the Spring Conclave, so interested Arrowmen should contact us immediately. For anyone who is interested in ceremonial teams, please contact the Chapter. I look forward to seeing everyone at the Spring Conclave!

Yours in Scouting,
CJ Toland
Boone Trails Chapter Chief



Gravois Trail

Greetings fellow Arrowmen,

I would first like to again thank everyone who attended our successful banquet, and especially thank our guest speaker, Mr. John Hill. I encourage everyone to continue their work on brotherhood and beyond brotherhood for the upcoming conclave in April. Continue in cheerful service, firm bound in brotherhood.

Yours in service,
Ian Wohlstadter
Gravois Trail Chapter Chief



New Horizons

Greetings!

First, I would like to be sure to thank all of you for attending the service project on March 10; we've

never seen such enthusiasm before! Beaumont is going to really appreciate our hard work.

To get the quality chapter award again, we must give camp promotion presentations to Cub Scouts! You can get packets from Clay Alexander!

Up for an adventure? Be an elangomat! If you've never been one before, here's your shot. A seminar is going to be held at the upcoming Spring Conclave to teach you how! Interested in ceremonial teams? Let Chris Colletti know as soon as possible!

You must check out our chapter website. Just sit down at www.newhorizonoa.org and discover all of the most recent information in our chapter. While you're there, we also have a Facebook page! Thank you for all your service to the Order of the Arrow.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Joe Kreienkamp
New Horizons Chief



North Star

Brothers,

Thank you for all of your participation in ceremonial teams, service projects, and the February banquet. It is your participation that keeps our chapter among the best of the lodge. I urge you to continue your participation in upcoming service projects and events and truly show your brotherhood, cheerfulness, and service. I encourage each of you to take on one new task or group within our chapter to further our success. I am looking forward to a great and successful spring!

You're a Star,
Austin Smith
Chapter Chief



Osage

Dear Fellow OA Members,

Just would like to update everyone on what's going to be happening soon. We are currently working on getting a service project set up with the parks service, and we are having our swim center on March 21. Look for the Arrowman of the Year awards to be presented later this spring.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Robert Casey



Ozark Trailblazers

Dear Arrowmen,

During the course of this year, we are continuing something new to add to the chapter. The only way to attain this goal is through you, the brothers. As Chapter Officers, we will do everything we can to make it fun, but also a learning experience for our members. Remember, we are open to any ideas you may have and we encourage you to get involved.

I would also like to remind you of Spring Conclave, and keep your eyes open for news on our May meeting. If you have any questions or comments, a great place to talk to your chapter officers is at the monthly Roundtables.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Nick Simms
Ozark Trailblazers Chapter Chief



Pathfinder

Dear Pathfinder Arrowmen,

I am pleased to announce that our chapter banquet went well, and I hope everyone that came learned something about safety from the CERT program.

This next month, I would like to focus our chapter on service, because that is the paramount purpose of our order. Prior to Spring Conclave, our chapter will be participating in two separate projects. The Blackberry Hollow Service Project will be March 24th, and we will be cleaning up this popular campsite after the messy winter. The Lodge's One Day of Service will be March 31 at Confluence Point State Park. I hope to work alongside all of you at both of these events.

As always, feel free to contact myself or any of my officers with questions.

Yours in Service,
Thomas Van Horn
Pathfinder Chapter Chief



River Trails

Dear Fellow River Trails Arrowmen,

I am happy to say that we have had a fun and productive year so far, and it's not over just yet. Anyone interested in doing OA ceremonies at the Conclave and needs help getting the details put together please let me know ASAP. On May 8, we will be having our chapter meeting/ hotdog roast at Beaumont starting at 6:00p.m. There may also be a small service project taking place as well. Everyone should have completed a camp promotion and if not you should be contacting me to get a promotion packet. Let's make the best out of the rest of the year.

Your Chief,
Dylan Gray



Thunderbird

Fellow Arrowmen,

I hope you are all having a good start to the new year. This year should be a good one for the Thunderbird chapter. We have already our February chapter meeting, and it was a great success. At the

meeting, we had great food and we also had a guest speaker who shared lots of interesting information with us.

I look forward to seeing all of you at our May chapter meeting and the Spring Conclave.

Yours in brotherhood,
Justin Crain
Chapter Chief



SEAL YOUR MEMBERSHIP BY COMPLETING YOUR BROTHERHOOD

If you are an Ordeal member, seal your membership in the Order of the Arrow by obtaining the Brotherhood Honor. Requirements include: attending chapter meetings; participation in a service project; and attend a week of summer camp. You must also complete the Brotherhood questioning on Saturday afternoon of the Spring Conclave or Fall Reunion. The answers to these questions can be found in the Ordeal ceremony and in the Shawnee Lodge Handbook. Additional information can be found on the lodge website, www.shawneelodge.org.

BROTHERHOOD QUESTIONS

1. What is 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? (In your 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 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 Brotherhood membership?

STATEMENT OF REDEDICATION

In addition to questioning, each Brotherhood candidate must write a statement of rededication. This can include what the Order means to you, how obtaining Brotherhood will help you as an individual, or what the words brotherhood, cheerful, and service mean to you.

2012 APPLICATION FOR RANGER PROGRAM

Troop No. _____ of _____ District
Name _____ Address _____
City _____ Zip Code _____ Phone. _____
Age _____ Birth date _____ Email _____

Total cost: \$220.00

I wish to attend the session beginning: _____ June 10 _____ June 17 _____ June 24
_____ July 1 _____ July 8 _____ July 15

My troop is attending camp the week of _____, 2012 at Camp _____.
Enclosed is my \$25.00 nonrefundable deposit. All fees should be paid in full by June 1, 2012. Additional information will be sent to the Scout once the deposit is made at the Scout office.

Parent's signature Leader's signature

OFFICE USE ONLY

Received \$ _____ Receipt No. _____ Date _____
Received \$ _____ Receipt No. _____ Date _____ 6701-404.21



2012 HORSE CAMP APPLICATION

NAGEL BASE

July 29 – August 4, 2012
\$240 per participant

Troop No. _____
Crew No. _____
Post No.: _____ District/Area: _____
Name: _____ Phone _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Date of birth _____ Age _____ Email _____

Parent Approval/Date Leader Approval/Date

Send registration form and payment to a Council Service Center.

OFFICE USE

Reservation Fee \$ _____ Date Received _____ Receipt Number _____
Balance of Fees \$ _____ Date Received _____ Receipt Number _____

NOAC 2009 MEMORIES

Will you help make memories in 2012?

JOIN 44,000 FRIENDS FOR THE TRIP OF A LIFETIME TO SCOUTING'S BIGGEST STAGE!



**July 15-24, 2013 – Summit Bechtel Reserve
Mt. Hope, WV**

216 Scouts, 26 adults, and 18 Venturers will participate in these scheduled activities:

- Climbing
- Rappelling
- Mountain Bike Course
- Zip lines
- SCUBA
- Patch Trading
- Visit Washington, DC sites
- Visit Colonial Williamsburg
- Visit Busch Gardens
- Much, much more!

Special Order of the Arrow programming is planned for the Jamboree, too!

Registration is now open for youth, adult and staff positions!

Summit.scouting.org

The Greater St. Louis Area Council will have six troops attending the Jamboree – four from the metro St. Louis area, one from southern Missouri, and one from southern Illinois. The Venturing Crew will form with members from all over the Council.

Local details can be found at jamboree.stlbsa.org.

Interested adults are needed to serve as troop and crew leaders. Learn more on the Council website.

The cost is \$1,900 per youth and adult leader, which includes the Jamboree fee, tents, cooking gear, travel and touring expenses.

Contact: Dr. John Weltmer
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