



The Eagle's Flight

Official Newsletter of the Otyokwa Lodge #337 Order of the Arrow
Chippewa Valley Council #637, Boy Scouts of America



Otyokwa Lodge Website: www.otyokwa.com

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CVC Website: www.bsa-cvc.org

Words from the Chief

Aloha Fellow Arrowmen

No I am not in Hawaii nor have I ever been but I could definitely go for some warmer weather. I have had my fill of fun with the snow while at Winter Banquet, Webelos lock-in and Winter Fun Weekend. I hope everyone was able to make it to at least one of these events to participate in brotherhood with your fellow arrowmen and begin collecting the pieces to the New Eagle Segment Patch!

This winter the Executive board and I also went to the January Council of Chiefs (COC) where we began planning for our section **C1B** conclave. This years theme is **Creating 1 Brotherhood** and the patch design has incorporated each of the 5 lodge symbols for each lodges in the section. Of course this year we are bringing back the Dunk Tank and ultimate Frisbee, and we are also throwing in some new ideas for some fun training and exiting activities. Keep September 12-14 open for this event when we Bus to Camp Decorah.

We have an executive board meeting on Sunday, April 13 at the scout office at 2:00. Everybody is welcome to come. Hope to see you all this spring sign up now for all of the events happening.

Yours in WWW,

Brad Gary

2007-2008 Otyokwa Lodge Chief

chief@otyokwa.com

Lodge Calendar

April 13, 2008	Lodge Executive Committee Meeting - 2:00pm Scout Office
April 25 - 27, 2008	Spring Fellowship PSR
May 2 - 3, 2008	Service Project; Girl Scout Camp Nawakwa
September 12 - 14, 2008	Section C1-B Conclave, Camp Decorah in Holmen, WI

Service Project for Girl Scout Camp Nawakwa

May 2-3, 2008

Last year was a great time when several people made it to Camp Nawakwa, just north of Cornell, to help setup their outdoor course. This year we are headed up there again to help setup camp and to put in their new floating dock. Anyone who can make it can come and give us a hand and in case you didn't catch it this is at a Girl Scout camp☺.

You can come up on Friday evening, around 8:00 p.m. if you wish to stay overnight. Bring your sleeping bag and personal gear. If you can only participate on Saturday, plan to arrive for breakfast at 8:00a.m., work projects will begin following breakfast. We plan to be finished by about 3:30p.m.

Directions to Camp Nawakwa: From Cornell travel east on Highway 64 to County Hwy E. Travel north until you see the Camp Nawakwa sign. The camp is on County Hwy E.

Please fill out the registration form in this Eagle's Flight or call Dan Dienger at 715-723-6713. This is necessary in order to prepare enough food!! If you need a ride, give Dan a call.

Arrow Corps5

Arrow Corps5 is just about here! The Final kinks are being worked out for the transportation and the last payment for the event, not including the transportation, is due on April 18. I hope everyone who wishes to participate in the once in a life time opportunity has already sign up but if you have not contact Brad Gary to find out if you still can.

National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC)

August 1 – 6, 2009

This is a huge event put on every couple of years as a national gathering of all of our members. It is the OA's version of National Jamboree and All OA Members are invited! There is a ton of training for everyone, competitions in all sorts of activities, displays on anything you could imagine, OA museum, patch trading, service projects, and countless number of games. NOAC is August 1 – 6, 2009 and will be held Indiana University. Last time we sent a contingent over 20 members and we would like to send even more this time. We are beginning **fundraisers for the trip** right now. If you are interested in selling popcorn to begin saving for the trip let the scout office know and they will have information for you. There will also be other fundraiser soon! Keep an ear open for more information in future flight and at upcoming events.

NYLT Training Opportunity in Our Council!!

Every year before the first week of camp a great group of trained youth put on an excellent National Youth Leadership Training (NLT) event and it is held right at Camp Phillips. Several of Otyokwa's Lodge officers have been through the training and have taken a lot from it. NYLT is not only a great place to learn how to more efficiently run meetings or lead your peers, it is also an awesome time to meet new people and learn new, or brush up on old things. Check it out! All you have to do is contact the scout office to find out more about it and get your summer started off right.

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When was that event? What did I do with the last Eagles Flight? What have we been doing as a lodge? All of these and more can be answered on our lodge website. Every eagle's flight, lodge events, past executive board meeting minutes, contact info, and links to every OA thing will ever need is right here. Try our message board by selecting the link on the left hand side, post something and see who responds. Check out the pictures and see if you are in one at Otyokwa.com. Links to other great OA websites are also on the Otyokwa site.

Blue Hill Dance Team

The Blue Hills Dance Team has had several meetings, one in early February, and another during Winter Fun Weekend. The latest practice was during the Cameron Merit Badge Clinic on March 1st.

If you still haven't signed up, that's no problem. If you're interested, contact Jordan Braun at 725-458-0218. You **do not** have to be an OA member to join the dance team, so encourage everyone who is interested to join. We are covering basic dance steps and need drummers, too.

Summer Ceremonies

Once again, each Friday night during the summer camping season, the Otyokwa Lodge conducts a Call-Out ceremony. The pre-ceremony dancing and the ceremony itself are shaping up to be good, but we would still like to see you participate. If you are at camp with your troop and would like to serve as a trail guard, a torchbearer, or even possibly have a speaking role, contact the OA Summer Coordinator sometime early in the week. We do have some additional regalia for you to wear, or if you have it you can wear your own regalia. Participating in a ceremony is an awesome event, and now everyone has an opportunity to do so.

Spring Fellowship is Almost Here!!

April 25-27 at Camp Phillips

It is time, so register now on the form in this Newsletter! Notices will soon be sent to all of the Ordeal candidates, and once again, anyone is eligible to earn their Brotherhood at the Spring Fellowship. Also during this weekend, lodge members will be conducting service to prepare Camp Phillips for the upcoming summer camping season. Besides the "normal" work projects we always do at Spring fellowship, we have **a couple of huge projects** that are going to need **a ton of youth and adult volunteers**, including the **roofing of Fort Rice**. This is a great opportunity to get to camp early in the season and be involved in the weekend's activities as a member at large. Come one and all, there's something for everyone to do, and lots of fun too!!

Registration begins around 5:00pm and we will be serving a supper on Friday for everyone before things get rolling. We will be done on Sunday between 9:00 and 10:00. Hope to see you all there, we could use as many as we can get for our projects this spring.

Please fill out the registration form and return it along with your payment to the Scout Service Center by April 22, 2008, so that we can plan food and projects for all.

Attention ORDEAL Members!!

Become a BROTHERHOOD Member at Spring Fellowship

Completing your Brotherhood is an important part of being an OA member. It is a chance to seal your membership and learn more about our Order. It also helps fulfill a requirement of the Quality Lodge program. *All Ordeal* members are eligible to complete their Brotherhood at the **SPRING FELLOWSHIP, APRIL 25-27**. A complete list of requirements is provided in your Handbook and there will be a review session to help prepare you. Visit www.jumpstart.ou-bsa.org for tips on learning this information. Please take the time and earn your Brotherhood!

Elangomats

Elangomat means friend, and if you have what it takes to befriend ordeal candidates and guide them through their ordeal and encourage them onto brotherhood check this out. Last year we implemented a new program which includes elangomats getting to know their clan members and if a certain percentage of that

clan obtains there Brotherhood membership a token of recognition (cool t-shirt) is given to that extraordinary brother. This entails remembering your clan members and contacting them a few times a year to invite them to participate in our lodge events and encourage them to work on their brotherhood. If you are one of these elangomats don't forget the task. And if are looking for a way to get more involved and want to become an elangomat do not forget to sign up at the next fellowship.

New Venturing Crew

A new Venturing Crew is forming to allow young men who have reached 18 and are no longer youth members of their troop to continue their scouting adventures. The Crew is just forming and doesn't have a number yet.

You are considered a youth member of both Venturing and the Order of the Arrow if you are younger than 21. We also need adults to advise the youth of the Venture Crew, if you are not currently active in your unit, or have the time to contribute to this crew, as well as your own unit, please consider registering with the new crew.

If this is something you are interested in, please fill out either a Youth or Adult Registration form, available at the Scout Service Center, attach the appropriate registration fee, and either leave it at the Service Center to the Attention of Dan Dienger or mail it to Dan at: 11179 40th St.; Chippewa Falls, WI 54709. If you have questions, contact Dan at 715-723-6713.

This is an opportunity to stay active in scouting and the Order of the Arrow. Remember, you must be a registered member scouting unit in order to be a member of the Order of the Arrow and Otyokwa Lodge.

Unit Elections

Soon the unit election packets will be sent out. We will conduct elections at a Troop meeting this spring or while your troop is attending Camp Phillips. If you have any questions, or would like to arrange an election contact:

Blue Hills	Clear Water	Glaciers End	Tall Oaks
Don Whitmore 402 6 th Street Chetek, WI 54728 (715) 924-2256	Chris Clark 3707 Forest Hts Dr Eau Claire, WI 54701 (715) 835-2700	Dan Dienger 11179 40 th St. Chippewa Falls, WI 54729 (715) 723-6713	Terry Ingram N6201 390 th St. Menomonie, WI 54751 (715) 235-7843

Attention Blue Hills Members

Anyone willing and able to assist in unit elections this spring in the Blue Hills district, please contact Don Whitmore, (715) 924-2256, or by email, daw@chibardun.net. We need youth to conduct the elections and adult drivers to get them to the meeting location.

Dues and Membership Cards

A few of you haven't renewed your dues for 2008. Please do so as soon as possible. Dues are \$10.00 per year and due each October. Check your mailing label, it will show when your dues expire. There are membership renewal forms available to download from our website: <http://www.otyokwa.com>

You can pick your OA membership card up at the Scout Service Center or at any of our events. They will not be mailed unless you send a self addressed stamped envelop to the Scout Service Center requesting that your membership card be mailed to you or if you include a self addressed stamped envelop with your dues payment.

Missing Museum Floor Plans

If anyone knows where the Otyokwa Lodge Museum floor plans are, please contact Terry Ingram at: 715-235-7843 or ingramm@uwstout.edu. You can drop them off at the Chippewa Valley Council Service Center also.

What's Been Happening???

Webelos Lock-in

The Webelos Lock-in a great success this year. It was once again held at the YMCA in Eau Claire. This year and as usual we performed the Webelos crossover ceremony, crossing over 80 scouts. These scouts will now join the Boy Scouts and soon be future arrowmen. The Otyokwa Lodge also ran the trading post, which served sugar-filled treat to the scouts and provided coffee to the scoutmasters. Thanks to everyone who was able to come hope to see everyone there again next year.

~ Cody Lipke

Winter Banquet

Winter Award Banquet was great time to present several awards, eat delicious food, win fantastic door prizes, and be with friends that of which you may not have seen since Fall Fellowship. We had guest from lodges from around our section attend and we had speakers talk about opportunities the OA offers. The night ended with a video of our lodge's activities throughout the year and the giving away of the door prizes. This year was a huge success and next year is looking to be even more exiting!

Winter Fun Weekend

It is all about having fun and that is exactly what we did. If you were not there you missed the awesome weather perfect for football, sledding, ice fishing, snowshoeing and anything else we thought to do. When we were inside we had the video games rolling and the board and card games where everywhere. A brotherhood ceremony was performed and the whole weekend was topped of with the delicious and plentiful food. I hope everyone decides to come next year to one of the only events where the whole thing revolves around what you want to do for fun.

Vigil Honor Nominations

Dear Arrowmen,

The Vigil Honor is a high mark of distinction and recognition. It is reserved for those Arrowmen who by reason of exceptional services, personal effort, and unselfish devotion have distinguished themselves in the Order of the Arrow. **Any member of the Order of the Arrow that is registered in Scouting and is in good standing (dues paid) in our Lodge is eligible for nomination. At the same time of his/her nomination, he/she must have been a Brotherhood member for a minimum of 2 years.**

The only way that Brotherhood members can become a candidate for the Vigil Honor **is by being nominated by another Arrowman**. Therefore, it is very important for Arrowmen to fill out the nomination form for any eligible Brotherhood member. Remember if deserving individuals are not nominated then there will be no candidates for Vigil Honor

If you wish to recommend an Arrowmen for this honor, please complete the enclosed Vigil Nomination Form. Send the form to: Lodge Advisor, Order of the Arrow, Chippewa Valley Council B.S.A. 710 S. Hastings Way Eau Claire, WI. 54701, by **May 1, 2008**.

YOUTH ELIGIBLE FOR VIGIL NOMINATION

Tyler Bowe	Greg Huftel	Brian Smith	Jordan Kirchen
Dane Goldbeck	Paul Lindberg	Daniel Floren	Jason Romig
Derek Krumrie	Paul Scharenbrock	John Kenyon	Chris Wente
Jacob Rygiel	Christopher Dulmes	Eric Muench	Christopher Fruit
Ryan Brahmstadt	Sam Jay	Tom Statz	Andrew Klees
Willie Grams	Zach Linse	Michael Floren	Kurt Roubal
Jason Kulesa	Nick Shoemaker	James Keys	Tim Whelan
Jon Rygiel	Noah Dulmes	Tim Nelson	Corey Gibson
Mitchell Coonan	Derek Johnson	Will Stensvold	Jon Kloss
Travis Hagenbucher	Ken McMahon	Chris Flores	Russell Rucinski
Bjorn Larsen	Brandon Smith	Quin Kilmer	Harrison Wickman
Kyle Salmonson	Brady Eklund	Justin Pierce	Joshua Gilbert
Devon Dodge	Mike Kendzierski	Jonathon Vollmer	Spencer Kromrie
	Matthew Mitchell	Orion Fredrick	

ADULTS ELIGIBLE FOR VIGIL NOMINATION

Tom Kendzierski	Kim Fruit	Alan Lahn	Jared Pierce
Richard Kisting	Jim Fulner	Kris Larsen	Dale Poynter
Steve Baye	Gary Gibson	Ron Latcham	Brian Pribbenow
Tim Carlisle	Wade Gilbert	Jim Lindberg	Edward Proue
Daniel Carlsen	Gary Giles	David Linse	Tim Proue
Joe Carlson	Eileen Grunseth	Arthur D. Mathews	Robert Reeve
Mike Cooper	Nick Grunseth	Pat Meyer	Derrick Romig
Ted Curtis	Tom Hagenbucher	Marcus Nelson	Fred Romig
Jeffery Fagan	David Hahn	Lairy Normand	Joe Rygiel
Jim Fehrenbach	Bruce Henriksen	Tom Patitz	Robert T. Simons
Brad Flores	David P. Huftel	Melissa Pelloquin	Mark Stensvold
Harold Freid	Mike Kloss	Mike Peterson	David West

If you wish to nominate a brother who is not on the list, they must have been a brotherhood member for at least two full years, be a registered member of a BSA unit and have paid their dues for 2008. Any questions about membership contact Margy Ingram at 715-235-7843 or ingramm@uwstout.edu. You may recommend more than one person. **Please fill out a nomination form if you feel that someone deserves a Vigil nomination** (with as much information that you can provide but please fill in why you think this person deserves Vigil), **otherwise no one will be selected without being nominated.** The Vigil Committee will check to make sure that the nominated persons are currently registered in Scouting in the Chippewa Valley Council and their dues in the Otyokwa Lodge are current. Thank you very much for taking the time to nominate an individual.



Otyokwa Lodge #337
Vigil Honor Nomination
Return by May 1st to:
 Lodge Advisor, Order of the Arrow
 Chippewa Valley Council, BSA
 710 South Hastings Way
 Eau Claire, WI 54701

(Please type or print legibly) Scouter: _____
 I/We take pleasure in nominating (circle one) Scout: _____ for Vigil Honor.
 Nominee's Address: _____ Phone Number: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Age: _____
 Presently registered as: _____ in Troop/Post Number: _____
 Chartering Organization: _____ City: _____

SCOUTING RECORD

Leadership positions held in Troop/Post/District/Council: _____
 Highest rank achieved: _____ Years as a Scout: _____ Years as Explorer: _____ Junior Leader Training: yes / no
 Years as Adult Leader: _____ Adult Leader Training: yes / no Other scouting awards received: _____
 Years at Summer Camp: _____ High Adventure (when/where): _____ National Jamboree (when): _____
 CIT (when/where): _____ NYLT Staff (when/where): _____ Summer Camp Staff (when/where): _____
 Other Scouting/Camping Experiences: _____

LODGE RECORD

Date of Ordeal Induction: _____ Date Brotherhood was conferred: _____
 Lodge Office(s) held: _____ Lodge Committee(s) Chaired: _____
 Lodge Committees (member of) : _____
 Adult Advisor to committee(s) on: _____
 Attended OA National Leadership Training (when): _____ Attended Section Conclave (when): _____
 Attended the National Order of the Arrow Conclave (NOAC) in: _____
 Participated as a ceremony team member or dancer at OA Call-Out ceremonies during the summer Phillips Scout Reservation:
 Role(s): _____ How many ceremonies? _____ When? _____
 Participated as a ceremony team member for Pre-Ordeal: Role(s): _____ When? _____
 Participated as a ceremony team member for Ordeal: Role(s): _____ When? _____
 Participated as a ceremony team member for Brotherhood: Role(s): _____ When? _____
 Attended (how many): _____ Fall Fellowship _____ Winter Banquet _____ Winter Weekend
 _____ Spring Conclave _____ Spring Fellowship _____ Lodge Board Meetings
 Participated as an Elangomat during Ordeal: When? _____ Other service to the Lodge: _____

Service at Girl Scout Camp Registration Form

May 2 - 3, 2008 Camp Nawakwa, Cornell, WI

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Telephone: _____

Troop/Crew/Post Number: _____

Youth (*under 18*) _____ Youth (*18 - less than 21*) _____ Adult (*over 21*) _____

Do you have any specific dietary requirements? ___ no ___ yes. Please specify: _____

Do you have a medical condition we should know about? ___ no ___ yes. Please specify: _____

Return this form and April 29, 2008

Mail or drop off the registration form at the Chippewa Valley Council Service Center
710 South Hastings Way Eau Claire, Wis. 54701.

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Spring Fellowship Registration Form

April 25 - 27, 2008 L.E. Phillips Scout Reservation

Name: _____ *Check the appropriate category:*

Address: _____ \$12.00 Member at-Large (*I'm coming to have fun and serve*)

City: _____ \$27.00 Brotherhood Candidate (*I want to earn my Brotherhood*)

Email: _____ \$27.00 Vigil Candidate (*Tony only!!*)

Telephone: _____

Troop/Crew/Post Number: _____ \$20.00 Member at-Large **Walk-In** (*I'm here but I didn't preregister*)

Youth (*under 18*) _____ Youth (*18 - less than 21*) _____ Adult (*over 21*) _____

I plan to eat the following meals while at Spring Fellowship:

Friday: _____ Dinner _____ Cracker barrel

Saturday: ___ Breakfast ___ Lunch ___ Dinner ___ Cracker barrel

Sunday: ___ Breakfast

Do you have any specific dietary requirements? ___ no ___ yes. Please specify: _____

Do you have a medical condition we should know about? ___ no ___ yes. Please specify: _____

Return this form and your payment by April 22, 2008

Mail or drop off the registration form and payment at the Chippewa Valley Council Service Center
710 South Hastings Way Eau Claire, Wis. 54701. Checks payable to: Chippewa Valley Council, BSA