



The Eagle's Flight

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



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WORDS FROM THE CHIEF

Greetings brothers,

It's time!!! That's right, fall fellowship is finally here. It seems like yesterday I was starting work here at camp and now it's almost over. How sad. The good news is that fall fellowship is right around the corner, and it should be one of our best ever. Many have said that fall fellowship is the most impressive event our lodge offers, and that all depends on you. Thanks to all who have made such a difference in the past and I hope to see you all again this fall!

About the same time you're reading this article, 33 members of our lodge are enjoying much fellowship, training, and most importantly fun at NOAC in Bloomington, Indiana. For those who don't know, NOAC is the National Order of the Arrow Conference, held every other year. It is often compared to a National Jamboree, but just for OA members. Participants will have come from all over the nation and number in the thousands. If this sounds good to you, which it ought to, keep your ears open for info about NOAC 2011.

As you probably know, brotherhood is a very important part of what the OA stands for. If you completed your ordeal last fall or before and have not yet joined the brotherhood, fall fellowship is your last chance to do so this year. Sealing my membership was one of the most memorable moments for me in the OA. If you're not sure brotherhood is for you, just remember, chicks dig the bars!

Yours in WWW,

Matt Dienger

Otyokwa Lodge Chief, 2008-2009

chief@otyokwa.com

ELANGOMATS NEEDED

Elangomats are needed for this up coming fall fellowship. Elangomats or "friends" are guides for our new members who have just been called out, an elangomat is someone who will help the ordeal candidates through out the weekend by working and eating along side them and lead them in the right direction and help them learn about cheerful service to their fellow scouts. Elangomats will receive a t-shirt, and even an elangomat patch. I am looking forward to seeing as many members at large wearing their elangomat t-shirt. If you want to be an Elangomat contact Bryce Kinderman the Otyokwa lodge elangomat chairman at 715-723-6681

A WORD FROM THE RANGER

By: Ranger Gene "the man" Mochel

Wow! It's time already! Matt and I have been hard at work planning projects for this year's fall fellowship, and we need you're help! If you plan to attend fall fellowship and have useful tools you could bring, such as rakes, shovels, brooms, etc., we would greatly appreciate it. Just make sure your name is clearly written on them. Also, one of the most exiting projects we will be working on is moving stuff out of the dining hall so it can be remodeled as soon as we leave! To do this, we will need multiple trailers so if you have one you can bring, that would be awesome.

With all the projects to be done, we will need a large member-at-large core to keep things going, so please get your registration forms in soon! Hope to see you all there!

**ATTENTION
PAST LODGE CHIEFS/FOUNDER'S AWARD RECIPIENTS!**

By: Matt Dienger

The lodge is planning a reunion of **ALL** past Otyokwa lodge chiefs and **ALL** recipients of the founder's award, the highest award a lodge may hand out to it's members. We chose to hold it this winter in honor of the 100th anniversary of Scouting. This reunion will take place just before the winter banquet.

The event will be a social one, with hors de oeuvres served, and will finish with group pictures, which will serve as snapshots of our lodge's colorful history. Watch for information on the location, date and time of this once-in-a-lifetime event. If you have any questions or suggestions for this event, please don't hesitate to email me. Hope to see you all there!

ARTISTS WANTED!!!!

2010 is next year and we all know what that means! That's right the 100th anniversary of Scouting. To commemorate this historic event we would like to design and create a new lodge flap. However we can't do it without your help.

If you are interested in designing a flap it must include our lodge totem (The Flying Eagle) a fleur de les, an arrow, our lodge number (337), and the three W's. As long as you have those mandatory items the rest is up to you. So let your imagination run wild and have fun with it!

You can turn in your ideas at the lodge executive board meetings where you can pitch your ideas right to the board. We meet one Sunday every month, see the website for dates. You can also email it to Matt Dienger with a short note explaining it. We hope to see a lot of really cool ideas! So get those ideas drawn out and get them turned in so we can look them over!

NOAC

August 1 – 6, 2009

The National Order of the Arrow Conference or "NOAC" is the first week in August. We will be taking a contingent of over 30 arrowmen from Otyokwa Lodge to Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana. Several lodge members are also on the staff at NOAC. In fact, we will probably be there as you read this!. You will hear from us about all we learned and the fun we had, when we return.

**SECTION C1-B CONCLAVE SEPTEMBER 18 - 20, 2009
CAMP HIAWATHA NORTH OF ESCANABA, MICHIGAN**

"C-1B IN THE U.P., EH"

This year's C-1B Section Conclave is going to be held at Camp Hiawatha in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan and it's going to be one of the best conclaves to date! Section C-1B is going to have one last hurrah because this is our last conclave together with the lodges currently in Section C-1B. Agim Lodge is unfortunately leaving our Section as the lodges are realigned.

Section Conclave is an awesome way to make memories before we are realigned. There will be great training sessions led by knowledgeable trainers, a Dunk Tank, Native American crafts and dancing, Ultimate Frisbee, Tomahawk Throwing and so much more. You don't want to miss out on this great experience because it's the only time we will ever be going to the U.P. for a conclave!

Otyokwa Lodge will again be taking a coach bus to the Section Conclave. The bus is filling up, so be sure to reserve your spot by filling out the form attached and returning it to the Scout Office. Register before August 29th and the cost is \$25.00 after August 30th the cost is \$35.00. Please register early so we can arrange bus transportation. Fill out the registration form and send it in today!!

if you have any questions. please contact me at chief@otyokwa.com or our Lodge Adviser, Dan Dienger at 715-723-6713 or email adviser@otyokwa.com

** We will let you know the cost of transportation as well as the time and place to meet the bus. Cost of the bus ride will be announced and will be payable prior to leaving for Conclave.*

FALL FELLOWSHIP – AUGUST 14 – 16, 2009

PHILLIPS SCOUT RESERVATION

It maybe the end of the camp season but it's just the beginning of the OA season and we are starting it off right with our Fall Fellowship weekend! It's just one of two weekends that we have to give back to the camp that we love so much. Our chance to do some well needed fixing up and get the camp ready for winter use.

We have a rather large list of projects to accomplish this fall such as moving things into winter storage and some minor repairs. Also as some of you may know we are getting a new dining hall next year it will feature a new kitchen and extended seating. Construction begins right after our weekend is over so we will be moving a lot of things out of the dining hall to storage.

We will also be inducting many of our new members that were called out during the summer, as they will go through their ordeals. We also will be doing ceremonies for ordeal members who are eligible for brotherhood and ceremonies for our new vigil callouts too.

Also, Fall Fellowship means it election time again! If you are interested in a leadership role check out the descriptions let the lodge Adviser, Dan Dienger, know you are interested.

Even if you aren't coming for one of those reasons we always need extra help. Plus would you want to miss all that awesome food? Fall Fellowship will be a ton of fun so we hope to see you there, thanks again.

If you have extra tools that could help at Fall Fellowship please bring them. Things like rakes, shovels. etc.

Fill out the form in this Eagle's Flight and send it to the Scout Service Center NOW!

Tentative Schedule (subject to change)

Friday August 14th

5:00 - 7:30 p.m.	Registration at Camp Phillips and Fellowship Activities
7:00 p.m.	Dinner
7:30 p.m.	Elangomat Briefing
8:15 p.m.	Ordeal Candidates Gather
8:30 p.m.	Pre-Ordeal Ceremony

Saturday August 15th

6:30 a.m.	Vigil Ceremony
7:00 a.m.	Vigil Breakfast and Breakfast for Ordeal Candidates
7:30 a.m.	Breakfast Members at large
8:15 - 11:45 a.m.	Cheerful service
Noon	Lunch
1:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Cheerful service
4:45 p.m.	Clean up for Supper
6:00 p.m.	Silent Supper - Class A Uniform
7:00 p.m.	Brotherhood Ceremony
8:00 p.m.	Ordeal Ceremony
9:30 p.m. (approx)	Cracker barrel, fellowship, and trading post.

Sunday August 16th

7:30 a.m.	Breakfast
8:15 a.m.	New Member Orientation (New Ordeals)
8:30 a.m.	General Lodge Meeting
9:30 a.m.	Clean-up and Pack for Home
9:30 -10:00 a.m.	Departure

Things to bring:

Tent	Spare set of shoes	Towel, Washcloth & Shower Sandals
Sleeping Bag	Rain Gear	Personal Hygiene Supplies
Ground Cloth or Tarp	Work Clothes	Water Bottle or Canteen
Class A Scout Uniform & sash	Work Gloves	Extra tools, rakes, shovels, etc.
Flashlight	Boots	

WE NEED YOU!!

DO YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES TO BE A LODGE OFFICER?

Do you possess the dedication, time and energy to be in a youth leadership position within the lodge? The Order of the Arrow is a brotherhood of scout campers led and run by youth leadership and guided by adult advisers. Being a lodge officer will teach you a great deal about yourself and how well you can set your own goals and work to achieve them. The process for election is very simple. On Sunday morning of Fall Fellowship, the general meeting of the lodge will be opened. From there, the current Lodge Chief will open the floor for nominations for the next Lodge Chief. Nominations must be made by someone other than the candidate himself, and seconded by another Arrowmen. Once nominations are closed, then the election will begin. Each candidate will be given a minute to speak and tell the lodge members present why they feel they should be elected. The successful candidate must receive greater than 50% of the vote. The same process is followed for the offices of Administrative Vice Chief, Activities Vice Chief, Secretary and Treasurer.

Any youth (under 21) in the lodge can be a lodge officer. *Anyone wanting to be a lodge officer is also committing to attending all OA activities and Executive Board meetings. If this is not possible the individual should not seek election to an office.* The Otyokwa Lodge Executive board believes that a few things should be noted about each office:

Lodge Chief: Directly responsible to the Council Scout Executive (Supreme Chief of the Fire). Responsible for planning and presiding over executive board meetings. Conducts a Lodge Leadership Development Course with the outgoing Lodge Chief. Oversees other lodge officers and chapters. Delegates responsibility and duties effectively. Recruits committee advisers and members. Attends all lodge meetings and events. Represents the Otyokwa lodge at national, sectional, council, and district events. Works with the Council Scout Executive and Lodge Advisers in the implementation of the OA Strategic Plan. Promotes scouting and WWW.

Lodge Administrative Vice Chief: Directly responsible to Lodge Chief. Serves in the absence of the Lodge Chief. Responsible for overseeing the Publications, Finance and Troop Representative Committees. Updates by laws and creates a budget working with the treasurer. Attends all lodge meetings and events. Promotes scouting and WWW.

Lodge Activities Vice Chief: Directly responsible to Lodge Chief. Responsible for overseeing the Activities, Ceremonies, Ordeal, Brotherhood, and Vigil Committees. Plans activities of the lodge and delegates appropriately to the right committee. Attends all lodge meetings and events. Promotes scouting and WWW.

Lodge Secretary: Directly responsible to the Lodge Chief. Takes minutes at all meetings and distributes to members of the board. Works with the publications committee in producing the Eagle's Flight and maintenance of the web site. Runs registration at events and maintains our membership database. Attends all lodge meetings and events. Promotes scouting and WWW.

Lodge Treasurer: Directly responsible to the Lodge Chief. Maintains lodge cash box and handles funds at all lodge functions. Works with the Administrative Vice Chief and the Finance committee in producing a working, balanced budget. Attends all lodge meetings and events. Promotes scouting and WWW.

Time Requirements: There are scheduled meetings monthly that are required for an officer to attend *enthusiastically*. There are the monthly Lodge Executive Board meetings as well as other lodge, council and section meetings and events that an office must attend. Other meetings with the officers are impromptu. Expect to spend at least one weekend per month at a lodge, council and/or section function. Also plan for a few hours of preparation time for meetings and functions per week.

Dedication: Being a lodge or chapter officer takes extreme *dedication* to the Order of the Arrow's principles and the Scout Oath and Law. You are expected to attend all lodge events. Realize that if you run for an office, you are dedicating yourself to doing your best in the position. Do NOT run if you simply crave a title or position. DO run if you are ready to better the lodge and the council with your hard work and dedication.

Ability: Be able to know where you want the lodge to go in this next year, relevant to your position. Have a *vision* of where you think the lodge should go this upcoming year and present it to the lodge when it is time to speak about yourself at the election.

Questions? If you have any questions before the election please feel free to contact any of the officers or Dan Dienger the Lodge Adviser 715-723-6713.

FALL FELLOWSHIP REGISTRATION FORM

August 14 - 16, 2009 L.E. Phillips Scout Reservation

Name: _____ Check the appropriate category:
Address: _____ \$15.00 Member at-Large (I'm coming to have fun and serve)
City: _____ \$30.00 Brotherhood Candidate (I want to earn my Brotherhood)
Email: _____ \$30.00 Vigil Candidate
Telephone: _____
Troop/Crew/Post Number: _____ \$25.00 Member at-Large **Walk-In** (I'm here but I didn't preregister)
Youth (under 18) _____ Youth (18 - less than 21) _____ Adult (over 21) _____
_____ YES, I want to be an Elangomat at Fall Fellowship.

I plan to eat the following meals while at the 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 August 12, 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
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SECTION C-1 B CONCLAVE

SEPTEMBER 18-20, 2009

Name: _____

Address: _____

Troop/Crew #: _____ Phone #: _____

E-mail: _____

OA Honor: (Circle One) Ordeal Brotherhood Vigil
Age: (Circle One) Under 18 18 -20 21 or older
Gender: (Circle One) Male Female

Transportation (Circle One) Take the Bus (cost to be determined*) I will find my own transportation

** We will let you know the cost of transportation as well as the time and place to meet the bus. Cost of the bus ride will be announced and will be payable prior to leaving for Conclave.*

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: _____

Check the appropriate boxes:

- Registration Fee:** \$25.00 (on or before August 29th)
- OR** (not both-check date) \$35.00 (after August 29th)

Total Fees Enclosed: \$ _____ (please register early to avoid the late fee!)

Please attach a copy of your BSA Health Form or bring it with you – You cannot attend conclave without it!

Make checks payable to CVC BSA in the memo line write "OA Section Conclave"

Return this form with payment by **August 29h** to:

Chippewa Valley Council, BSA

710 S. Hastings Way

Eau Claire, WI 54701