

THE Whippoorwill

November Issue *Order of the Arrow | MaKaJaWan Lodge 40*

Another Great Summer at Ma Ka Ja Wan

We had a great summer up at camp this year. We inducted over 300 new members who are eager to get involved. We also had over 70 people seal their

membership in the order by committing themselves to the Brotherhood honor. We encourage all of you members who are not Brotherhood to follow suit. We had three fires with a very impressive vigil fire. A select few of our members were nominated and voted into the Vigil Honor including Matt Kasriel our current lodge chief.

We would like to take the same enthusiastic attitude we had up at camp this summer and embrace that same attitude as we work on the shore. We have a great year planned and need help to pull off a lot of events. Despite approximately 800 dues paid members we have very, very small percent of active members. Approximately one out of every eight members in our lodge actually participates in events. We would like to increase this number greatly. This lodge needs your support. Feel free to call any of the Key 5 or the committees if you would like to be involved on that level. The chapters also could use your help. Attend your chapter meetings and get involved.

Upcoming Events

"One Day of Service"
Sat. November 18

Vigil Nominations: Due
December 1, 4 P.M.
No Exceptions

Lodge Leadership
Development
December 9

National Leadership
Seminar
January 19-21
April 6-8

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Section Conclave

Last month on September 8, 11 scouts from our lodge attended the annual C3-A section conclave, which was held at Camp Lake Long Lodge. There was wonderful entertainment and even hula contest. Saturday morning however was the real reason for the event. When all of the lodges went to several training sessions including, how to run an effective chapter and sandpainting. Everyone who went had a great time and I hope to see all of you at the next section event in January at the Copa Cabana.



Fall Conclave

The Fall Conclave was a huge success this year. We were able to induct over 70 new ordeal members, in addition we also inducted several new brotherhood members. The projects went well, and the Camp Ranger was very pleased with the amount of work we were able to accomplish. Special thanks goes out to Sandi Lee for cooking all of our wonderful meals. Hope to see all of you at the annual fall conclave in 2001!





Words with the Chief

Hey all, this is Matt Kasriel, your Lodge Chief for the 2000 -2001 Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Lodge 40 Season. The Lodge has many wonderful opportunities for all of you to get involved. There are many events that we have scheduled, and we are looking for eager and willing members to participate. The next big event coming up is the One Day of Service which is scheduled for the 18th of November. The OA is an organization based upon service of all kinds, and what better way could we show our cheerful spirit by providing service as an entire Lodge.

The Lodge's Annual Winter Banquet which will take place on the 27th of December, and it is sure to be better than ever. Now that I have informed all of you about these upcoming events, I hope to see many familiar faces in attendance. Do your best to make it to those Chapter Meetings, for they are an exceptional way to get involved in the Order at many different levels, and the Chapter's are offering some wonderful new programs to all members interested. This year promises to be one of the most incredible years for the Lodge, and it is my goal to make sure that everyone gets involved in some way if they have that desire. We are always looking for a few good men to help get the job done, and I know that many of you fit that criteria. Don't be afraid to speak up and let us know your interested. If you have any questions of any kind please feel free to call me at (847) 945-5605 any time.

In Brotherhood,

Matt Kasriel
Lodge Chief



Key 5

Steven Villegas | Vice Chief of Chapters

My name is Steven Villegas, and I'm the new Vice Chief of Chapters for lodge 40. First as an ordeal member, and now a brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow, I've learned that Chapter involvement can be more rewarding and fulfilling than many things in scouting. My current job is to coordinate and make sure the chapters run smoothly within the lodge structure.

I'm proud to announce that all the chapters have gotten off to a great start, and have started planning events for the next year. Aptakistic just had a High-Ropes outing, and Yakwahey is planning a chapter swim. Although these plans are great, the chapters still need you to operate.

Somewhere in this newsletter, you can find more information about your particular chapter. Contact your Chapter Chief, and get Involved now, don't delay, you might miss out on more chances to show cheerful service and promote a better example to your fellow scouts.

Will Kehoe | Secretary

As Secretary of this lodge it is my job to produce the "whippoorwill" and keep minutes for all meetings. I also have other duties such as maintaining records and keeping track of many things. I have also expanded my job to include building a new records system. Over the past couple of years I have noticed that the records of this lodge are in a very sad state. They are incomplete and contain many of the wrong information. I plan to build a new records system that will have a greater use to us. It is a big job, but it needs to be done. I will let you know more in the future.

Ryan Sweetwood | Vice Chief of Committees

"This is the time to get involved." You've heard those words so many times. So, let me change them a bit, "have fun." The OA is off to a great start with service projects, camporees, the Copa-Cabana get-a-way, tons more. So I say again, "go out and have fun." If you would like to get involved with anything feel free to call me or anyone in the key 5. My number is (815) 578- 0606.



Peter Alonzi | Treasurer

Hello, your new treasurer here, Peter Alonzi. This year should be very exciting for the lodge. We are in better condition than we were last year and it looks like we will continue in a positive direction. There are going to be a few changes. One of which is that we will now be selling OA items at individual chapter meetings, so if there's anything you want tell me or your chapter chief and we will have those things at the chapter meetings for you to purchase. I would encourage all of you to take advantage of this opportunity. Another new program is every whip I will talk about a product that we are running out of. This month it is the Vigil Pen Set. This item is a well crafted pen with a stand emblazoned with the vigil triangle and is a great accessory for any executive's desk. The cost is only two dollars. That's all for this month, see you all at the next exec-board.

Vigil Nomination Form

Must Submit by December 1st by 4 pm



Nomination must be in writing - Typewritten or Black Ink - Using this Form.
Without these items, the nomination cannot be considered!

Name of Nominee: _____ Age: ____ Phone: _____
Add./City/St./Zip: _____
Registered With: _____ Position: _____
Unit Leader of Nominee: _____ Phone: _____
Scouting Record: Became a Scout in (year) : _____ Rank Achieved: _____
When: _____
Unit Offices Held: _____

Scouter Record: Present Position: _____
Previous Positions: _____
Order of the Arrow Record:
Ordeal Date: _____ Brotherhood Date: _____
Chapter / Lodge Positions Held: _____
Youth & Adult Chapter and Lodge Events (Also Area & National O.A.), Seminars, Training
Conferences, Conclaves, Worker Weekends, Etc.. _____

Special Awards: (Religious, District, Council, Community) _____

Camp Staff: _____ Brownsea Staff: _____ When?: _____
Your Name: _____ Phone: _____

Why do you think this person is worthy of this honor?

You are encouraged to use a separate piece of paper

Mail to or drop off:

Vigil Chairperson
Northeast Illinois Council
2745 Skokie Valley Road
Highland Park, IL 60035

Identification Tips:

- Length: 9 inches
- Very short bill
- Medium length tail
- Upperparts mottled heavily with gray, black, and brown
- Underparts pale with gray and black mottling
- Black throat

Adult male:

- White patch borders lower margin of black throat
- White tips to the outer tail feathers

Adult female:

- Buff patch borders lower margin of throat
- Buff tips to the outer tail feathers

Similar species:

Separated from nighthawks by the lack of a pale patch in the wing. Common Poorwill is smaller and its wings extend to the tail at rest. Chuck-will's-widow is significantly larger and longer tailed, is overall a rich brown rather than gray, and has a buff (rather than black) throat. All nightjars are easily identified by their distinctive songs.

Whippoorwill

Caprimulgus vociferus



Information From: <http://www.mbr.nbs.gov/id/framlst/i4170id.html>

Life History Groupings

Migration Status: Neotropical migrant

Breeding Habitat: Woodland

Nest Location: N/A

Nest Type: N/A

Clutch Size: 2

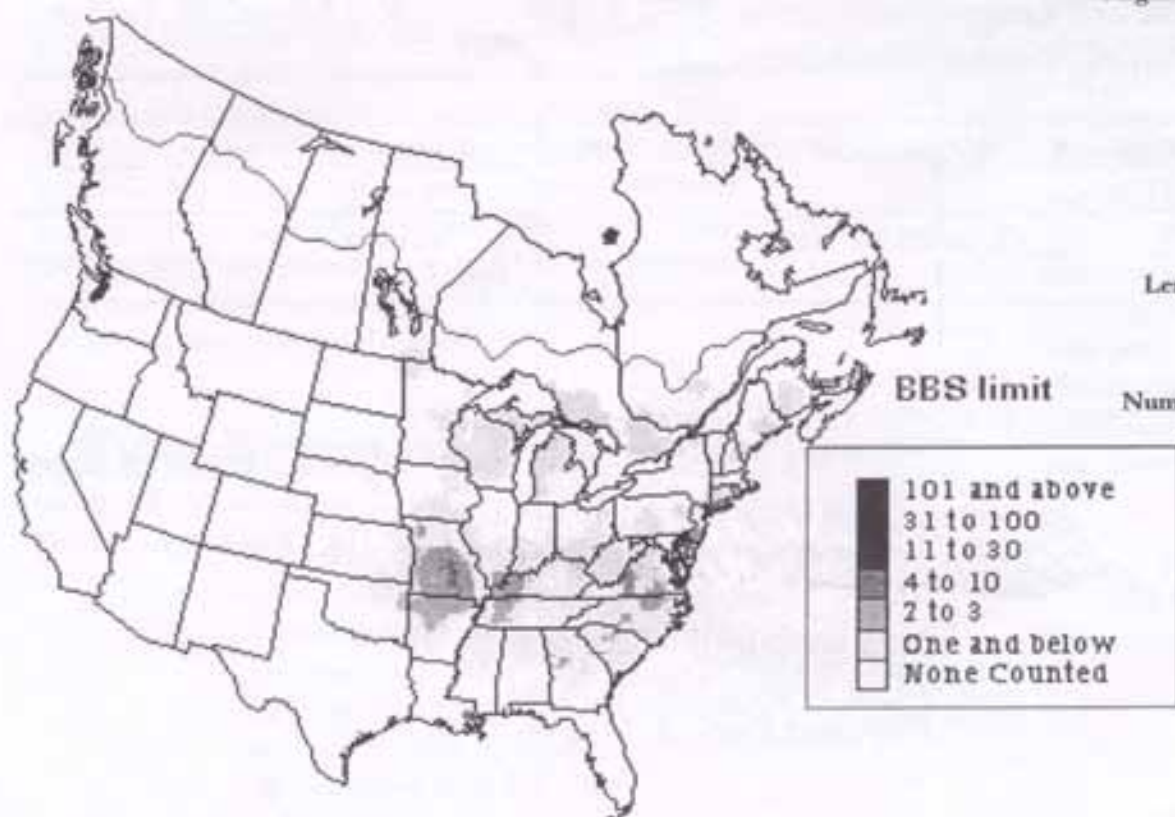
Length of Incubation: 19-20 days

Days to Fledge: 20

Number of Broods: 1, occasionally 2

Diet:

Exclusively:
Insects



Chapter Chat

Brian Claggett | Namachani Chapter Chief

Hello all those people who live in the Potwatomi District. Welcome to the Namachani Chapter. We meet the second Thursday of every month during the district roundtable. Our next event will be the Popcorn Day on November 5th. If you are interested in helping out give me a call. My number is in the back of this publication. I would be happy to talk to you. Don't forget to check the Namachani Chapter Calendar Web site for future events happening in our chapter. The address is <http://calendar.yahoo.com/public/namachani>. We also have a chapter e-mail newsletter, to subscribe e-mail; namachani@yahoo.com with 'subscribe' in the subject line.

Andy Hoose | Yakwahay Chapter Chief

Hi, I'm Andy Hoose. I'm the Chapter Chief for Yakwahay chapter. For those of you who don't know that is the North Star District. If you haven't come to our meetings before please come. We're planning all sorts of great activities just for you. So, come on down to Millburn Church at 7:30 the second Monday of every month to meet with your chapter. Lucky for you, the meeting is at the same time and place as the Northstar's round table so you can get a ride with your Scoutmaster.



Andy Stone | Aptakistic Chapter Chief

Hello, I'm Andy Stone, the Aptakistic Chapter Chief. We have a lot going on this year. We have started a Native American dance and drum team. Call me if you would like to be involved. In November we will be going on a climbing trip and service project coming soon. Come to the November chapter meeting to find out more information about all of our upcoming events. Our chapter meetings are the second Tuesday of every month from 7:30 to 8:30 P.M. at the Community Christian Church of Riverwoods. To get there take Route 22 to Riverwoods Rd. going South. The Church is on the left hand side.

Committee Chat

Fred Skepstrom | Service Committee Chairman

Greetings arrowmen! Have I got something amazing planned for you. The Order of the Arrow is a service society, and I am giving you the opportunity to participate in an event that will let you enact the very thing which makes you a member. A *SERVICE PROJECT!!!* Now this is no Ordinary Service Project, this is the National One Day of service. A program which has been in the making for the past 14 months all across the nation. The program was originally started by the Southern Region of the Order of the Arrow. They had such a huge success with their program that word spread and soon a plan was put into the workings to have a One Day of Service for the entire Nation. Contact me or your chapter chiefs for the location of this great event. This day is November 18th, and the service must benefit the community. By not participating in this event you are denying everything that makes you an arrowmen, Cheerful Service to others. I will be there and I hope to see all of you.



Neil Elver | Web Services Committee

The lodge web site is still under development, and is looking very promising. One key feature of the web site involves a database integration that will allow people to check their 'dues paid' situation and update their mailing information. Another feature of the web site will be a historical section with patch history as well as photos from events. Basically, everything we can get together as far as photos and history can be put onto the web site to allow our lodge members to learn more about our history. If you have any photographs of lodge events - vintage photos would be great - feel free to e-mail me at neil@achtagon.com.

Ryan Metz | Section Liaison

My name is Ryan Metz and I am the section liaison for lodge 40. Section liaisons exist in many other lodges but it is a position new to our lodge this year. I hope to set a high standard for those who take up the job in years to come. In a nutshell, I am responsible for researching events that council is holding, and then, through the Whippoorwill, communicating to my fellow lodge members in which activities lodge 40 will participate. I hope to keep lodge 40 members up-to-date on OA programs allowing them to cheerfully serve to the fullest of their abilities.

Matt Ludmer | Winter Banquet Chairman

This is Matt Ludmer, your Winter Banquet Chairman. As many of you know the Winter Banquet is quickly approaching. It will be held at Chevy Chase Country Club on Wednesday, December 27th. Mark your calendars. This is a big job and I could use some help. If you are interested in helping with this important lodge event call me at 847-295-0055.

Brian Dennen | Lodge Historian

Hello, I am the new lodge historian. Over the course of the next year I hope to fulfill the duties of this position. I'm constantly looking for Arrowmen to help take pictures and find information about our lodge. If anyone has anything of interest, whether it be an old piece of memorabilia or information please contact me. You can find my number in the back of this publication. I would appreciate any help that I can get.

71st Annual Winter Banquet

When:

December 27, 2000

Registration and Hospitality Hour 6:00 P.M.

Dinner 7:00 P.M.

Where:

Chevy Chase Country Club

100 Milwaukee Avenue

Wheeling, IL 60090



Price:

Arrowman and Guests \$15.00 per person (by December 20th - Walk-ins will be \$20)

Please RSVP by December 20. No phone reservations. Reservations may be paid by mail or by dropping off the form below at the scout office.

Directions:

Chevy Chase is located on Milwaukee Avenue three blocks north of Lake Cook Road. The best directions are to take Milwaukee Avenue north or south from your location.

Please wear a full scout uniform.

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[] Please make reservations for my party at the December 27 banquet:

Number of OA Members attending _____

Number of Guests attending _____

Total payment enclosed (@ \$15 per person) _____

Note: \$5 will be added to each ticket for reservations postmarked after December 20th.

Name _____

Phone

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Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Honor Held: _____

Chapter: _____

Make checks payable to Northeast Illinois Council, BSA

Send to:

OA Winter Banquet

2745 Skokie Valley Road

Highland Park, IL

60035