

THE

Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Lodge

WHIPPOORWILL



Fall 2006

The Brotherhood of Cheerful Service What have we done lately?



**OA Service team helps clean up Buckthorn from the River Trails Forest Preserve.
This is one of many Lodge sponsored Service projects that you can join.**





Chief's Corner

Will Schaeffer



Hope all your summers were fun filled and you had a great time at summer camp. Summer Camp went by flawless and all of the fires looked good despite conditions. I would like to thank everyone who aided in the construction of the three fires. I would also like to congratulate all those who attained the Ordeal, Brotherhood, or Vigil Honors this summer. Now that we're all back home and getting ready for the Fall let's kick it into high gear. We have a lot of service projects this Fall along with many other events that I hope I see each of you at. Well, that's all for now. Good Luck to everyone in school this Fall and hope to see you around!



Nick Garzone, Secretary



Chris Alonzi,
*Vice Chief of
Committees*

NOAC

This summer I had an opportunity to go to NOAC (National Order of the Arrow Conference), and I had a great time there. I attended three different training sessions which were unique and enlightening. All of the trainers were well-spoken and knew how to make the training session fun. As acting chief, I attended the National Council of Chiefs and got to meet other chiefs from around the nation. I also was able to have a discussion with the National Chief Patrick Murphy. And finally, with bated breath, I got to meet my hero in the OA, (drum roll please) Jeff Hayward. Meeting him was an indescribable experience. I would also be excommunicated as a member of the OA if I did not tell you about ArrowCorps5. In 2008 Five thousand Arrowman over five weeks at five national parks will work on trails and park conservation projects. It truly looks like an awesome opportunity and I encourage all members to go. The next NOAC will be in 2009 and I encourage all members to go to that too. Do not miss out on what the Order of the Arrow can offer you!

Welcome to all New OA members

Greetings Brothers! To all who were recently inducted into the Order of the Arrow, welcome! As Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Lodge Secretary, I'd like to offer my congratulations! I'm betting there are more than a couple of you who are wondering, "What's next?" A good way to start would be by going to some Chapter Meetings. If you're in Potawatomi District, then you're in Namachani Chapter. If you're in North Star, then Yak'wahay is your Chapter. This one's the easiest. If you're in Aptakisic District, then you're in Aptakisic Chapter. Go to your Chapter's meeting, and introduce yourself to the Chapter Chief. Find out how you can help out. You don't have to attend every single service project; every little bit counts. The important thing is helping out when you can. We are, after all, the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service! If you want to find out a little bit about how things are run on a lodge level, you might want to come to a Lodge Executive Council (LEC) Meeting. They are held the first Thursday of every month at 7:30pm at the Northeast Illinois Council Service Center, 2745 Skokie Valley Road in Highland Park. These meetings are run by the Key 5: Lodge Chief Will Schaeffer, Lodge Vice Chief of Committees Chris Alonzi, Lodge Vice Chief of Chapters Connor Williamson, Lodge Treasurer Jack Morrison, and myself, the Lodge Secretary. At this point, I'd like to once again offer my congratulations, as well as a commission. As you were told on the night of your induction, you find yourself not at the end of a journey, but at the beginning of one. I offer each and every one of you the best of luck on your journey in search of the Arrow. Until next time, Brothers!

VIGIL Nominations Due

Monday, November 6th

The Vigil Honor is the highest honor a Lodge can bestow upon it's members. Enclosed in this Whip is a vigil nomination form. If there is a member of this Lodge you know who has been a brotherhood member for at least two and a half years and has demonstrated exemplary service, I strongly encourage you to nominate them for the Vigil Honor. Please fill out the form and add some well written thoughts about why you feel this person deserves the honors. Make a case why this person has done exceptional work for this Lodge...you do not have to be on camp staff to be eligible and we can nominate an equal number of adults and youth.

Upcoming Activities

Lodge Leadership

We are looking for a few good people to help run this Lodge. At the Winter banquet, there will be a formal election to determine who our Chief, Vice Chief of committees, Vice Chief of Chapters, Treasurer and Secretary will be for the 2007 year. To be selected is a great honor and responsibility. Use the enclosed form to make your nomination

Winter Banquet

The Winter Banquet is right around the corner! The date for this event will be on Thursday the 28th of December held at Chevy Chase Country Club. The event offers food, awards, a great guest speaker, but best of all fellowship! Many people have been coming to this event for years now and it has been a success every year. If you are free and can make it please look at the flyer for information on how to sign up and pay to come to this wonderful event. My name is Andrew Cabrera and as winter banquet chairman for this season I can guarantee you that this event will be a sure success and an event that you will not forget. I hope all of you who are reading this right now come and support the Order of the Arrow at this wonderful banquet.

Lodge Leadership Training Day Set

This year we will be having our OA training Day at Vernon Hills High School on November 11. The doors will open at 7:30. The lodge will be offering 10 training sessions this year. My goal is to have at least two trainers in a session to keep them the best to ability. The sessions are:

Leadership for the OA-shared leadership and different styles for OA youth

Native American Culture and Activities - learn about Native Americans through games and crafts

OA Crossovers: Who, What, Why? - How to plan, setup, and carryout a webloes crossover

Opportunities beyond MaKaJaWan Lodge - events available on the local, regional, and national levels.

Role of the OA in Your Troop - How the OA and OA reps program helps the troop.

Skills for more experienced OA members - membership retention, recruiting new leaders and helping Ordeal members along to brotherhood.

Team Building Games - easy games to develop rapport and other team skills

Trail to Brotherhood - What's next for you the ordeal member? Active membership, chapter/lodge leadership and Brotherhood

New Member Elections - for this year's upcoming election season.

OA Troop Rep Training - To know what exactly know what your purpose is in the troop and how you can help the SPL

These are the sessions we will be offering. If you are interested in teaching any of these sessions or know someone that might be, please let me know at aj91423@aol.com or call me at 847-838-5762. I hope to have plenty of guys and will be contacting you in a week to see if you're interested. Also, if you want to be a student participant, you can sign up at the NEIC web site, under Council Training Day.

Adam J. Hoefflich

Advisor's Corner

We have spent a lot of time around the Lodge thinking of ways to get the Troops to understand the role they play in the OA. The answer is very simple—the OA is a Troop based program! Yes, while we represent the Lodge and the Chapter, nothing happens here unless you have a strong OA presence in your Troop. How's that?

Well, does your Troop give special leadership positions to the OA members? Do they sit on your Patrol Leaders Council to help you find new camping places? Does the OA help with program components for the Troop meeting? How about service? Does your Troop OA sponsor service projects? This is a great place to get your OA members engaged and practicing the skills they need to complete their Eagle projects.

When I was Scoutmaster, I asked my OA guys to run 4 service projects. They ran projects that benefited our Council, our local community, our Troop — all scouts need service to complete most of their badges. Finally, does your Troop recognize what the OA is truly about? The OA is not a popularity contest, as many folks seem to believe. It is a society within scouting to honor those scouts and scouters is best exemplify the Scout Oath and Laws. Also, members of the OA are encourage to promote camping traditions — or define new ones and devote themselves to service. So, is your Troop supporting the OA? From my experience, if the Troop builds a program around the OA, you will keep your older scouts longer and build an organization that truly represents the best in scouting.

Take your OA members aside at one meeting and talk to them about ways they can help run your Troop program.

Rob Orr, Lodge Advisor

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Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Lodge #40 Vigil Nomination Form

Must Be Submitted By November 6th, 2006 - No Exceptions Can Be Made

This nomination form must be typewritten or handwritten in black ink using this form. Without these conditions being met, the nomination cannot be considered. The Nominee must have received his Brotherhood Honor before January of the year 2004. Any questions in regards to the nomination process can be referred to the following individuals:



Andrew Hoose - Vigil Chairman
(847) 245-4009

Arnell Gregorski - Vigil Advisor
(847) 926-1171

Name of Nominee: _____ Age: _____ Phone: _____

Street Address, City, Zip Code: _____

Registered With (Unit #): _____ Position: _____

Unit Leader of Nominee: _____ Phone: _____

Scouting Record:

Became a Scout in what year: _____ Highest Rank Achieved: _____

What Year: _____ Unit Offices Held: _____

Scouter Record:

Present Position: _____ Previous Positions: _____

Order of the Arrow Record:

Ordeal Date: _____ Brotherhood Date: _____

Chapter and Lodge Positions Held: _____

Youth and Adult Chapter and Lodge Events (Also Area and National) O.A. Seminars,
Training Conferences, Conclaves, Work Weekends, etc. Attended: _____

Special Awards (Religious, District, Council, Community)

Camp Staff (Location and Years): _____

Brownsea Staff (Years): _____ Your Name: _____

Your Phone Number: _____

Why do you think this person is worthy of the Vigil Honor?

Please attach a separate piece of paper answering this question.

This application must be submitted by Monday November 6th, 2006.

Mail this application to the attention of Jim Neubaum at
Northeast Illinois Council BSA, 2745 Skokie Valley Road
Highland Park, IL, 60035

**MA-KA-JA-WAN LODGE 40
ORDER OF THE ARROW**

FALL CONCLAVE

**Your chance to complete the Ordeal, attain
Brotherhood membership, and to have fun at a
great Lodge tradition!**

All Arrowmen are Welcome!

Date: September 29th-30th

Location: Camp Oakarro - Wadsworth, IL.

**Check-In is on Friday from 7:00 P.M. -8:15 P.M.
Call out Ceremony starts at 8:30 P.M. Friday
Conclave Ends 9:30 PM Saturday**

Please complete the bottom portion of this form and return it to:
Northeast Illinois Council, Boy Scouts of America
2745 Skokie Valley Rd. Highland Park, IL 60035
or fax it to (847) 433-2036

Costs are as follows: Ordeal Candidate \$35, Brotherhood Candidate \$20, Members \$5
Please make checks payable to: Northeast Illinois Council BSA

Reservations Due by Monday September 25th

Name _____ Troop _____

Address _____ City _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Youth _____ Adult _____ District _____

Are you? (Check which applies)

Ordeal Candidate _____ Brotherhood Candidate _____ Member _____

Total Cost: \$ _____ (see costs above) # 1-2371-050-00