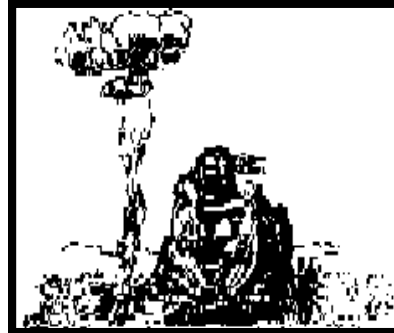


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Fall Fellowship - Sept. 30 to Oct. 2, 2011

Garland Scout Ranch

Register Now for the Fall Fellowship. Registration forms will be sent with this newsletter as well as being available on the website and at the Scout Office.

Brotherhood Conversion

Tentative Schedule

Friday Night

6:00-7:30 Check inWasner Building
6:45-7:30 Elangomat Training.....Wasner Building
8:00 Vigil Callout.....Hallet Building
8:15 Ordeal Candidates depart..... Hallet Building
8:45 Pre-ordeal Ceremony.....Pre-Ordeal Ring
9:30 Cracker Barrel & Movie..... Dining Hall
12:00 Lights out

Saturday

7:30 Flags & Breakfast.....Dining Hall
8:00 Get work details.....Dining Hall
8:15-12:15 Work Projects
12:15-1:00 Lunch.....Dining Hall
1:00-3:30 Optional work Projects
1:30-2:00 Brotherhood workshop.....Dining Hall
1:30-4:30 Activities
5:00 Flag Ceremony/ Brotherhood Callout...Flag Pole at Dining Hall
5:30 Brotherhood Ceremony.....Ceremony Ring
6:30 Ordeal Ceremony.....Ceremony Ring
7:30 Dinner.....Dining Hall
8:30 Business Meeting & ElectionsDining Hall
9:30 Cracker Barrel & Movie.....Dining Hall
12:00 Lights out

Sunday

8:00-8:30 Breakfast.....Dining Hall
8:45-9:15 Church.....Dining Hall
9:20-9:50 New member orientation.Hallet Building
9:20- Clean upDining Hall
10:00 Depart

If it has been more than ten months since you went through the ordeal to join our Order, I trust that you have been representing the order and would like to continue by fulfilling your obligation and rising to the next step by achieving brotherhood. If you have completed the following you may strengthen your ties of brotherhood through the brotherhood ceremony.

- *Ten months of service as an Ordeal member
- *Registered member of scouting and the OA
- *Memorized the obligation, the Order of the Arrow song, the Admonition, the sign of Ordeal membership, and the arrow clasp
- *Write a letter to your lodge secretary. In this letter you should include:

Explain what you think the obligation means, describe how you are fulfilling this obligation in your troop, and your daily life.

At your ordeal, you were sent to seek a vision of yourself and of your purpose. The challenge of brotherhood membership is part of that vision. Plan now to seal your membership at the upcoming Brotherhood Ceremony to be held at Garland Scout Ranch Oct. 1, 2011. There will be a workshop Saturday afternoon to help everyone complete these requirements.

Lodge Advisors Minute

Brothers,

It is hard to believe that summer is over. I know everyone is busy getting settled into the new school year but it is time to start planning for the fall. This time of year always gets busy but try to fit some time to help serve Scouting through the OA.

Fall Fellowship is coming Sept. 30 - Oct. 2 which will be here before we know it. The Lodge Officer Elections will be held at the Saturday Night business meeting after dinner. If you would like to run for Lodge Chief, please submit a letter stating your intentions and goals. If you would like to run for Vice-Chief, Secretary or Treasurer, send me an e-mail. The deadline for getting on the ballot will be Sept. 26th.

A lot of new Ordeal members don't know what to do after going through the Ordeal. We have lots of fun areas to get involved. Encourage them to go to the Fast Start program on the national OA website. Try and get any Ordeal Members in your troop to come enjoy the Fall Fellowship with you.

We will continue our 1st Saturday work-days at Garland and look forward to getting as many members out as possible.

This issue has information on upcoming Lode and National events. Start marking your calendars now.

Brian Dockendorf
Lodge Advisor
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Annual Lodge Winter Awards Banquet

Friday December 2, 2011
American Legion Hall
Minden, LA

New Lodge T-Shirt Color now available for \$12.00 each.



Jump Start is there for our lodge's newest members.

This website has been designed specifically for new members of the Order of the Arrow. Here new members can catch a glimpse of the OA's rich history, discover more about the Ordeal experience, and learn how to seal their membership in the Order by taking the next step: Brotherhood membership. Encourage new members from your troop to go to www.jumpstart.oa-bsa.org to get them started on the right foot.

Visit today!

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Section 2-3 N Conclave
April 20 –22, 2012
Place : TBA

NOAC 2012
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
JULY 30TH –AUGUST 4TH, 2012

The National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) is one of the finest events in which arrowmen can participate. You will spend a week immersed in an environment focused on the best that Scouting and the Order of the Arrow have to offer.

Scouts who attend NOAC get a chance to meet and interact with other Scouts from across the country, and to work with great adult advisors. The Conference, held on the campus of Michigan State University, provides a safe and healthy environment for a young man to learn about leadership, brotherhood, and service, in an atmosphere of fun and excitement.

Activities include SCUBA, rock climbing, kayaking, Lodge competitions such as dodge ball, ultimate Frisbee and capture the flag. Dance and Drum Team competitions are also a highlight of the week. Nightly shows are entertaining for Scouts of all ages, Fellowship, friendship and patch trading are also major components of the week.

Caddo Lodge will be sending a contingent next summer. If you are interested in going, let us know as we will be limited in our numbers. Our current plan is to fly and estimated cost is about \$1000/ person.

NOAC
2012



I am interested in attending the 2012 National Order of the Arrow Conference in East Lansing, Michigan. Please add my name to the list for additional info.

Name _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Turn in to the Scout office or email the info to:
Kyle Dockendorf—Lodge Secretary
kyled1124@aol.com



2011 National Planning Calendar

September

16 – 18 NLS, New Braunfels, TX
NLS/NLATS, Alpine, NJ

October

7-9 NLS, Salt Lake City, UT
10 OA Steering Committee, Irving, TX
14–16 SOS, Southern Region, Islamorada, FL
NLS, Cincinnati, OH
21-23 SOS, Western Reg, Orange County, CA
31 OA Service Grant Applications Due

November

4-6 NLS/NLATS, Haines City, FL
NLS/NLATS, Parksville, MO
SOS, Northeast Region, Alpine, NJ
18-20 SOS, Central Region, Rochester, IN
NLS, Portland, OR

December

27-30 National Planning Meeting, Dallas, TX
31 Lodge Charter Renewal Deadline

2012 National OA Conference

July 30 - August 4, Michigan State University,
East Lansing Michigan



Join the Project 2013 Corps!

Serve with 700 Arrowmen on the
Project 2013 staff at the
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DAY OF SERVICE GUIDES
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For more information, visit:
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OA SERVICE CORPS / DAY OF SERVICE GUIDES / JAMBOREE TREK GUIDES

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Project 2013 is recruiting 700 Arrowmen to serve on the Order of the Arrow staff at the 2013 National Scout Jamboree at The Summit Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve. Project 2013 will be comprised of three groups including the Jamboree Trek Guides, Day of Service Guides, and the OA Service Corps. All three groups will support a variety of new and traditional activities at the Jamboree site. This will be the largest service corps contingent in history and the Order is looking for the best Arrowmen in the organization to join Project 2013. Plan to attend NOAC 2012 and sign up as a Project 2013 participant. Please note that attendance at NOAC, although preferred, is NOT a prerequisite to be on the Jamboree staff. Jamboree Dates: July 15 - 24, 2013.

Participants must meet the following requirements to participate in Project 2013.

- Must be 16 years of age, but not older than 20 years of age, by July 15, 2013
- Must be physically fit
- Preference will be given to Arrowmen who will be a Life or Eagle Scout by the start of the Jamboree
- Need approval from their lodge adviser



Upcoming Events

Sept. 3rd - OA Workday at Garland

Sept. 30th - Oct. 2nd - Fall Fellowship

Nov. 5th - OA Workday at Garland
Council Popcorn Pickup

Dec. 2 - Annual Lodge Banquet -
American Legion Hall -
Minden, LA

April 20-22, 2012 - SR2-3N Conclave

July 30 - Aug. 4, 2012 - NOAC
Michigan State Univ.

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