

Flight of the Arrow



Summer 2006

Lodge Calendar:

Fall Conclave

Date: August 18 - 20
Location: Camp Lowden
Located outside of Oregon

Section Conclave

Date: September 22 - 24
Location: Hoover Outdoor Education Center
Yorkville, IL

See the Lodge web site for registration forms for the Fall Conclave and Section Conclave.

WEBSITE:

For up to date changes in any event or if additional forms are need, be sure to visit the web site at: www.wulapeju140.org.

PAST LODGE EVENTS:

Spring Fellowship

Nearly 200 Arrowmen attended the Spring Fellowship at Canyon Camp. Besides the good food and fellowship, a number of projects were completed to help Canyon Camp prepare for the summer season. 23 new members joined the Order through the Ordeal and 53 Ordeal members sealed their membership by completing the Brotherhood ceremony. Welcome to our new members and congratulations to the new Brotherhood members.

UPCOMING LODGE EVENTS:

Fall Conclave

The next event for the lodge is the Fall Conclave, which will be held this year at Camp Lowden, during the weekend of August 18th through the 20th. This will be the first opportunity for any new Ordeal member to attend a Lodge event, it is a great way to provide cheerful service, meet new members of the Lodge and receive a neat event patch. At the Fall Conclave, Lodge Executive members will be elected. Youth wanting to run for a Lodge position must submit a letter of intent to the Lode Chief before the election. If you choose to run and are elected, remember the commitment you are making. You will need to be at all the LEC (Lodge Executive Committee) meetings. The meetings are held the 2nd Saturday of each month. Everyone will need to check the Lodge web site or contact your chapter chief for more information on the Fall Conclave. Registration for the Fall Conclave needs to be turned into the council office by August 4th. We look forward to seeing all the new faces that became Ordeal members this year, at this event. Remember the pledge you took to provide Cheerful Service. Hope to see everyone there.

Section Conclave

Section Conclaves have excellent training cells, wonderful food and very nice entertainment at night. This year the conclave will be held at Hoover Outdoor Education Center. More information will be forth coming. Please check with the Lodge web site, or your chapter chief for additional information as it becomes available. This is a very rewarding weekend where you can meet many different Arrowmen. Youth will have the opportunity to run for a position as a Section officer if they wish. Hope to see everyone there. The cost for this event is \$30.00. The payment is due at the council office by September 2nd. Arrowmen will need to bring a physical to this event.

2006 NOAC

Help support the Lodge Contingent to NOAC 2006. The Lodge is selling a fundraiser patch to help offset some of the cost associated with sending a contingent to the National Order of Arrow Conference. The patch will be available at summer camp or through the council office. Please help support the Lodge.

QUALITY LODGE

Over the past years the Lodge Executive Committee has worked diligently on achieving Quality Lodge. You may ask yourself what advantage is it to receive the Quality Lodge Award? The answer is, we the lodge, will be able to work on improvement projects and receive matching funds from National. Many years we have fallen short by only one item, brotherhood conversion. If you are asking if there is anything you as a member of this lodge can do to help the answer is YES!! We need to increase our Brother Conversion. If you are an Ordeal member you can seal your Brotherhood membership in the lodge. If you are presently a Brotherhood member you can help encourage the Ordeal members of your Troop or Chapter to seal their membership in the Order. The LEC has provided the opportunity for each Troop that meets 100% brotherhood conversion to be presented a once in a lifetime Brotherhood conversion patch. The LEC would like to thank everyone in advance for their help. Together as Brothers we help our Lodge meet this goal.

LODGE DUES

Presently we have received approximately 650 paid memberships for the year 2006. Last year we had in excess of 1000 paid members. It is imperative that all active members please pay their dues. As mentioned above another item for quality lodge is for the lodge to show growth. It was part of the obligation you took at the time of your induction into the Order of the Arrow. Lodge dues were due at the council office by December 15th of each year. The fee for the dues is being increased this year due to an increase in the National Due that the lodge must pay. A lodge registration form is on the Web Site (www.wulapeju140.org) which needs to be filled out and returned to the council office with your fee of \$13.00. Remember if you don't pay your dues, you should not wear your OA patch.

In an attempt to help control an additional price increase, the Lodge has decided to go to a paperless Flight. For those with access to the internet, the Flight will be posted at the lodges' web site: www.wulapeju140.org. You will be able to go to the web site and print off or view the most recent version of the flight. For those without the internet or would like to continue to receive the Flight by the mail you will find a form attached to this flight. This form needs to be filled out. Only those returning this form will receive the Flight by mail all others will need to go to the web site to get a copy of the Flight. Thanks in advance for helping us control our cost and still provide the most accurate and useful information to everyone.

RECEIVE THE *FLIGHT* BY MAIL FORM

Fill out the following information if you would like to continue to receive the *Flight* by the regular mail. This needs to be mailed back to the council office. This will be your final opportunity to ensure you continue to receive the *Flight* by regular mail.

Mail to back to:

Blackhawk Area Council
P.O. Box 4085
Rockford, IL. 61110

Name

Street Address

City, State, zip code

Leadership in Service Award

The 2002-2007 OA *Strategic Plan* states that "the heart of the Order of the Arrow is its heritage of service." With the Leadership in Service Program, the OA strives to strengthen Scouting's foundation of service by furthering in Arrowmen the ethic of servant leadership. By promoting and rewarding service that benefits the Boy Scouts of America's outdoor program and the communities in which Scouts reside, the Order of the Arrow will be acting to support the Scouting's program at the most important levels.

Award Requirements

Arrowmen of all ages may earn this award and must complete the following requirements each year in which they earn the award:

- Give 8 hours of service participating in a lodge, chapter, or council service project benefiting a local council camp (lodge induction weekends count). Service may be split over two or more events. Working as a paid camp staff does not fulfill the council service requirement.
- Give 6 hours of service doing a community service project planned and run by the lodge or chapter.

Timeline

The award may be earned each calendar year (January - December). Service from a previous year cannot be carried over to meet the next year's requirement. All awards must be completed by December 31, 2007, the final year of the program.

The Award

The award for the first time recipient is a blue ribbon with a red arrowhead. The award for the second year is a silver feather to be placed on the blue ribbon. The award for the third year is a bronze ribbon.

Arrowmen who complete the Leadership in Service Award requirements will be able to secure the recognition items from the lodge. Complete the *Leadership in Service Award Application* and turn it into your chapter advisor.

Leadership in Service Award Application

I have completed the requirements for the Leadership in Service Award.

Name _____ Troop # _____

Chapter _____

Award I am applying for (check one): 1st Year 2nd Year 3rd Year

Number of hours completed at: _____ Canyon Camp. _____ Camp Lowden
_____ Mt. Carroll Cabin

Community service project: _____

Operation Brotherhood Conversion

The objective of Operation Brotherhood Conversion is to recognize those troops that have attained 100% Brotherhood conversion in their troop over a period of one calendar year.

Requirements:

- A troop must have all-of-its Ordeal members that are eligible for the Brotherhood honor, attain the Brotherhood honor.
- The troop will have one calendar year to make the 100% conversion.
- If the troop does not make the deadline (Fall Conclave), it will need to start over with the new eligible Ordeal members. This must also include the Ordeal members that did not receive the Brotherhood honor the year before.

Recognition:

- Upon the completion of the 2006 conversion factor that is listed above, the lodge will present to all Brotherhood and vigil *dues paid members* in the troop a limited edition lodge pocket flap.
- If the troop receives the 100% conversion again a following year, only the new Brotherhood members for that year will receive the limited edition pocket flap.
- The limited edition flap will only be given to a person once (one per life). The flap will not be for sale.

Need help working on the Brotherhood Honor?

The lodge has a workbook that can guide you, with the help of your *Order of the Arrow Handbook*, through the Brotherhood process. Go to the Lodges Web site, www.wulapeju140.org click on Brotherhood Conversion and then click on Brotherhood Workbook.