



Smoke Signals

The official newsletter of the SAC-N-FOX Lodge

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SPRING FELLOWSHIP

Upcoming Events	
• Winter Banquet	-January 16th Knights of Columbus, Charles City
• Spring Fellowship	-April 22-24 Camp Ingawanis, Waverly

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OFFICER REPORTS

VICE CHIEF OF ELECTIONS

Hello! My name is Grant Stevens and I am the new Vice Chief of Elections. I am from Troop 107 of Conrad and am a sophomore at BCLUW High School.

Being on an election team is a great way to become or stay involved with lodge activities. It also gives you a chance to make new friends and do some cheerful service to the lodge. If you are interested in being part of an election team or have any questions about elections, do not hesitate to talk to your chapter chief or myself. You can e-mail me at bjstevens@netins.net. I look forward to hearing from you!

Yours in Brotherhood,
Grant Stevens

CHAPTER REPORTS

TWIN RIVERS CHAPTER

My name is Forrest Bishop and I'm pleased to be serving as the new Twin Rivers Chapter Chief. I live in Decorah and I'm a member of Troop 66. I recently attended the OA National Leadership Seminar that was held at Camp Ripley, Minnesota and I came back with a lot of new knowledge, ideas, and excitement. Reading, running, playing the cello, and spending time with my friends occupies my free time. I'm also an avid backpacker. I would like to assemble election teams spread out geographically in our chapter to carry out elections efficiently and easily. Please call me at (563) 382-4122 or send me an email at bishop_fo@yahoo.com if you are interested in helping with elections. No experience is necessarily needed, as we can get together at round table to do election team training. I would like to be as active as my busy schedule permits, and I'm looking forward to getting to know all of you in the coming year.

WWW,
Forrest Bishop

LAKELAND CHAPTER

I am Nic Grayson, the Lakeland Chapter Chief, of Troop 12 in Mason City. I have worked on camp staff for 4 years. In terms of the order I have worked with elections for two years and have attended two LLDCs, two section conclaves, and many fellowships. Currently I am working on having all of the troops, with Arrowmen in them, to appoint an OA troop representative who will regularly attend chapter meetings as well as beginning to sign troops up for election times. So for the Arrowmen in my chapter that know their troop does not have a representative; email me at nicagrayson@mchsi.com if you are interested in becoming the troop representative for your troop. Anyone interested in joining the election team can also email me. Any scoutmasters that already know which day would like their election done can talk to me at roundtable or email me.

Yours in WWW,
Nic Grayson

WABUHA CHAPTER

Hello my fellow Arrowmen, my name is Mark Iehl and I will be your chapter chief for the next year. I am 15 years old and I live in Cedar Falls. I am attending school at Peet and I am a member of Troop 55 in Cedar Fall and I am an eagle scout.

As your chapter chief, I would like to tell you that if you have any questions or concerns that need to be heard by myself or my advisor, Dave Conratt, you can come to our chapter meetings and voice your opinion. Our chapter meetings will be held at the monthly roundtables which are held at Trinity Wesleyan Church in Cedar Falls on the corner of south main and orchard drive. We will meet at 7:30 which is the same time as the roundtable in case you would like to carpool with an adult leader from your troop. I would especially encourage the OA troop representatives to come as a messenger to your troop so that everyone will stay up to date on information. Scoutmasters, I will be starting to set up elections soon.

I would like to say once again that if you have any questions or concerns don't hesitate to come to the chapter meeting or contact me. My e-mail is markiehl@cfu.net and my phone number is (319)266-1528.

Yours in brotherhood,
Mark Iehl

**DID YOU
KNOW...?**

Did you know that the ceremonial grounds of our lodge has moved at Ingawanis four different times? Originally the 'circle' was by Arrow cabin -- There was a rail fence around it with the alter to the Elliot side of the ridge. In the early seventies it was moved to an area along the horse lane, behind Ranger as it was felt that the original circle was becoming too public with the establishment of the campsites beyond Ingachook. In the eighties the sacred circle was relocated so that it was more to the "north end of camp" as is indicated in the ordeal ceremony. This time it was located just beyond the Staff Area but once again in the horse lane. Sometime in the late nineties or early 2000's the circle was moved to its present location in the Pine Woods.

DUES



One of the requirements that we lacked in the past for Quality Lodge was membership retention. We have been struggling in this area for a number of years. It is very important that you pay your current dues. Not only because we need a positive growth for Quality Lodge, but because the dues give us funding for our Lodge. This funding allows us to host the Winter Banquet and the Fellowships. We also use it to maintain our Indian Costumes and to send out the Smoke Signals, but most importantly we use dues to do many service projects for our camps. In the past we gave \$5,000 toward the Staudt Hollow Cabins at WSR. We also gave money to Challenge Valley and the Scout Craft shelters. This year, we are giving money to the Camp to Camp program. We also pay National Dues for every Order of the Arrow member in our lodge to the National OA Program. This is why the dues are being raised this year. Also, in order to be a good standing member of the lodge and be able to wear your sash and patch, you must pay your dues. Dues are a major source of funding and that is why it is so important that you pay them. Thank you for your support!

ELECTION DATES

April 30, 2005

-Elections are to be completed.

May 31, 2005

-Election Citations are to be turned in with money.

ORDEAL & BROTHERHOOD COSTS

-Ordeal cost \$45 and there will be a \$5 late fee if not turned in by May 31.

-Brotherhood will cost \$15. You must also have your current dues paid.

2005 Winter Banquet Registration — January 16th
Knights of Columbus, Charles City, IA

Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Phone: (____) ____ - _____
Email: _____
Unit: _____ Chapter/District: _____

Mail Reservations to:
Winter Banquet -- SAC-N-FOX #108
Winnebago Council
2929 Airport Blvd.
Waterloo, IA. 50703

Registration Fee: \$10.00
Total Amount Enclosed \$_____ **Acct. # 611**

Due to Scout Service Center by: **January 5, 2004**

2005 Activity Card

Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Email: _____
Phone: (____) ____ - _____
Unit: _____ District: _____
Birth Date _____

Mail Form to:
Dues/Activity Card
Winnebago Council
2929 Airport Blvd.
Waterloo, IA. 50703

Activity Card Fee (Includes Dues): \$30.00 **Acct. # 601 \$8**
Total Amount Enclosed \$_____ **Acct. # 611 \$8**
Acct. # 613 \$7
Acct. # 615 \$7

2005 Dues

Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Email: _____
Phone: (____) ____ - _____
Unit: _____ District: _____
Birth Date: _____

Mail Form to:
OA Dues
Winnebago Council
2929 Airport Blvd.
Waterloo, IA. 50703

Dues: \$10.00
Total Amount Enclosed \$_____ **Acct. # 601**



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FELLOWSHIP REVIEW

Fall Fellowship was held August 20-22, 2004 at Winnebago Scout Reservation near Marble Rock. This year's theme for Fall Fellowship was **OA Fiesta** and was a great time for all .

Friday night the Ordeal candidates started their



Pictured above is the new 2004-2005 Lodge Executive Board

long and toilsome journey. In the morning hours, we performed our service projects for our camp promoting the spirit of the Order of the Arrow. In the afternoon we held the first annual Sac-N-Fox Iron Man Competition. Following the Iron Man Competition, we played field games including softball and ultimate football. Going along with our OA Fiesta theme, we had a Pool Piñata.

Like last year, we held our ceremony for the new Ordeal and Brotherhood members of our lodge before supper. After the ceremonies, the OA Fiesta Supper began. There was a vast variety of food for our fiesta ranging from tacos to barbecued chicken breast. The food was really great all weekend.

I would like to extend a huge thanks to Devan Green, the Lodge Executive Committee, the Graysons, Cortney Webber, and the cooks for making this weekend possible. We wouldn't have been able to do it without you!