



# Smoke Signals

The official newsletter of the SAC-N-FOX Lodge

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## Spring Fellowship



Greetings fellow Arrowmen! Spring is in the air and you know what that means, our annual Spring Fellowship. Make sure you come and join the spring fever at Camp Ingawanis April 17 - 18.

Gather with fellow Arrowmen and prepare to have the time of your life at Spring Fellowship. If you can remember back to our last Fall Fellowship, you'll recall we had a Luau theme. This year, the theme for Spring Fellowship will be

**OA INFERNO.** Make sure you come to the Spring Fellowship and gather with fellow Arrowmen to spread fellowship and service throughout OA.

Some of the service projects we will be working on are Challenge Valley and possibly the entrance of the path to the OA ring. Challenge Valley is a muddy version of a C.O.P.E. and training course. The council is hoping to finish this before summer. We are also hoping

to build a wall around the entrance to the path that leads to the OA ring with a mount that an Indian would stand on.

Spring Fellowship is April 17th through the 18th. Check-in starts Saturday morning. Watch for more information in the future. Hope to see you there,

WWW,  
Matt Even

## Letter from the Chief

Greetings fellow Arrowmen! The Winter Banquet has passed and was a great success except for a strange photo being circulated about. Now we get to look forward to the Spring Fellowship! What a great time it will be! We have adopted a theme for the Spring Fellowship, much like the Luau theme for the past Fall Fellowship, and it is OA Inferno. We

will have lots of great events going along with this theme, so be sure to come check it out!

Summer is also fast approaching and preparations are already underway for a great time. Are you interested in helping with ceremonies? Speak with Eric York, the Vice Chief of Ceremonies, about getting a part as a torchbearer or perhaps as a principal part. Interested in being an Elangomat? Be sure to talk to the OA coordinator at camp. Interested in being the OA coordinator at camp? Speak with Alex Staudinger or Scott Toppin.

No matter what, be involved this summer! You'll be amazed at the people you can meet and the fun you can have! From Spreading of the Ashes to weekly Crackerbarrels to Gathering of the Ashes, the summer is our time to have some great fellowship and provide some awesome service to the

camp that give us so much. And don't forget, there are many opportunities for sealing your membership into the Brotherhood at Spring Fellowship and weekly at camp! Hope to see you at Spring Fellowship and again at camp this summer!

Yours in Brotherhood,  
Alex Staudinger

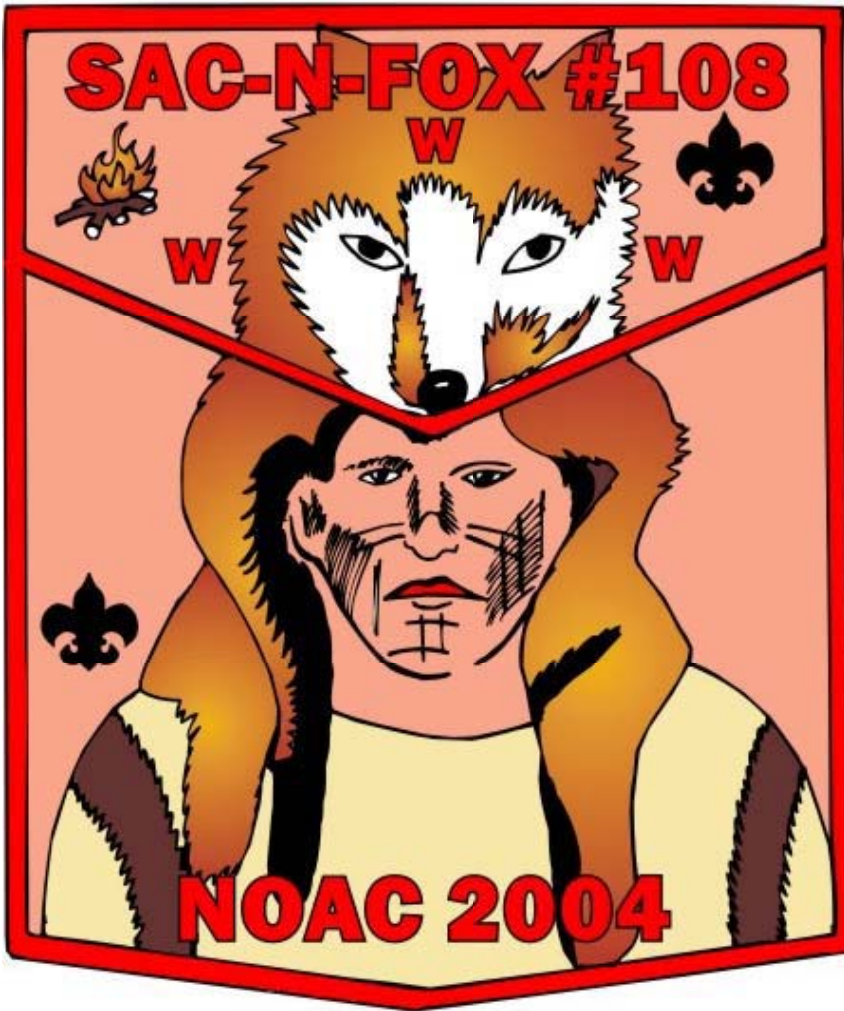
### Upcoming Events

- **April 17-18:**  
**Spring Fellowship**
- **June 13:**  
**Spreading of the Ashes**
- **July 9:**  
**Gathering of the Ashes**
- **July 31 - August 5:**  
**NOAC @ Iowa State**

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# NOAC 2004 Patches



This is the design for the 2004 NOAC patch. The 2004 NOAC patch will first be available for purchase at Spring Fellowship. The patch is available both as a lodge flap and as a pocket patch. The Lodge flap costs \$5.00 and the pocket patch costs \$9.00. There is a limited supply, so make sure to buy your patch set before they're all gone.

If you still want to go to NOAC and forgot to sign up, there is still room for you to come. Make sure you sign up right away. If you have any questions, you can e-mail me at [andyiehl@cfu.net](mailto:andyiehl@cfu.net) or call me at (319) 266-1528.

WWW,  
Andy Iehl



**2004 Spring Fellowship Registration — April 17-18—Camp Ingawanis**

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

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

Registration Fee           \$10  
 Total Amount Enclosed   \$\_\_\_\_\_

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# Officer Reports

## Vice Chief of Elections

Election time is quickly coming to an end. I would like to thank all of the people who have been working hard to make this election season a success. All of the troops that have not yet had an election, please make sure you contact your Chapter Chief to get an election scheduled. The Chapter Chiefs have been very busy, and we want to make sure everyone has an election. We only have one month left, so let's keep up the good work. We need to continue to work hard to make sure this election season is a success.

Yours in Brotherhood,  
David McElroy

## Vice Chief of Ceremonies

Greetings fellow Arrowmen. Spring Fellowship and Summer Camp are still a long time away, but it's never too early to be thinking about ceremonies. We are going to have great ceremonies this year, but to do that I need your help. If anyone is interested in helping out this year, please send me an e-mail. There was an error on the information at the Winter Banquet. My correct e-mail is [eronofthenoldor@yahoo.com](mailto:eronofthenoldor@yahoo.com). We need lots of people for many different parts. Not everyone has to have a speaking part. So anyone who is interested in any part of OA ceremonies, please e-mail me, and include your name, troop, and the week you will be at summer camp. Thanks.

Yours in fellowship,  
Eric York

## Wabuha Chapter Chief

Hello lodge members! We're working hard on getting elections done. If you have any questions about the elections, please get a hold of me at my e-mail address [bombboy203@hotmail.com](mailto:bombboy203@hotmail.com) or you may call me at 277-3862. I'm here to help you, so please let me know what I can do to help you complete elections as soon as possible. I'm also still looking for a service project that our chapter can do. If you have any question or concerns, please call me or e-mail me and I will get back to you as soon as possible. Thank you.

Wabuha Chapter Chief,  
Andrew Hostelka

## Updated Website

Next time you're on the internet, make sure you check out our Council and Lodge websites. They have been recently updated and contain a lot of interesting information. Now that it has been updated, we will maintain it with new information. So if you can't find your Smokes next time when you need to find the date of an event, you can visit our website and learn the date of the event. It will also contain event forms and award applications if you need to register for an event or an award. So next time you're on the internet, make sure you stop at the Lodge website. Also, when you see Lane LeBahn and Andrew Hostelka, thank them for updating and maintaining the website.

**Lodge Website: [www.winnebagoobsa.org](http://www.winnebagoobsa.org)**  
**Then click on the OA link to take you to the Lodge Website.**

# Word from the Wise

New to OA? Received your sash last summer? Maybe it's been longer, but you still are not sure what OA is all about. You know it was an honor to be voted in by your fellow scouts, but is that all there's to it? Absolutely not! But it is up to us older members to let you know what you can and should do. It is up to us to also invite and encourage your involvement. You are an Arrow man and we want you to be a proud member with your Brothers, to come and join in.

Your first opportunity to "seal" your membership will be at Spring Fellowship. What's "seal"? Well, you were voted in by others, now you can show you are glad you were by your decision to become a Brotherhood Member. It is not hard and we are judged as a lodge on our conversion from Ordeal to Brotherhood ratio. What's Fellowship? Each Spring and Fall we all get together. We alternate service projects at each camp, have some fun, and celebrate new members and Brotherhoods with ceremony.

April 17-18 will be our Spring Fellowship at Ingawanis. Some very neat projects are planned. No one is going from the Troop? Ask them or just come and get to know others. You will even recognize some already. You'll be glad you did. At Fall Fellowship we elect our new Board. There are a variety of offices; membership, ceremony, newsletter, budget, election, Chapters, and activities. Many opportunities to develop leadership.

As a camping honor society we are all suppose to promote our camps. So come to Summer Camp, be a C.I.T., serve on staff, go hog wild, offer to help with ceremonies, deliver pizzas, be an Elangomat, attend Gathering and Spreading of Ashes at the first and last campfires of the season. We have great Cracker Barrels. Wear the Sash and sing the song. Anything else you ask? Oh Yea! Pay your dues, it's only \$8.00. Not only is it one way we support our camps, but it is also how our lodge is judged on having active members.

You can get active on the Chapter level by attending Chapter Meetings, by running for one of the various offices, showing leadership, and helping with elections. Good dependable scouts are very welcomed. We visit each troop to talk about our upcoming camps and conduct an election. Elections are the only way we can grow. Get in there and help, so we can complete all elections by the required end of March.

Great opportunities exist through OA at Philmont and The Boundary Waters. Ask about NOAC, it's in our area this time. It is great leadership training. In January, we have our Winter Banquet where we celebrate all the year's accomplishments. It is always a great evening of fellowship and a steak dinner. We are glad you are here. We very much welcome you. Be an active Arrowman, be a proud Sac-n-Fox 108 Quality Lodge Arrowman. It is fun. What you unselfishly give will come back multiplied. Don't just wear it, do it. Be a brother of cheerful service.

An Old Arrow man whose glad to have the opportunity,  
Lauchsoheen Mallachxit Achgindamen

## 2004 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: \$8.00  
Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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