



Happy 40th Anniversary Sac-N-Fox Lodge

2012 marks the 40th Anniversary for the Sac-N-Fox Lodge of the Winnebago Council. Since 1972, the Sac-N-Fox Lodge has proudly served the camps and scouting communities of the 17 counties that make up the Winnebago Council in North Central and North East Iowa.

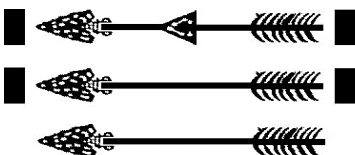
We ended 2011 with over 400 registered members and once again qualified for Quality Lodge in 2011. We have many exciting activities planned for 2012, so watch the Smoke Signals Newsletter and information on the OA page of the Council website for information. We would like to thank everyone who has been involved in the Sac-N-Fox Lodge in the past 40 years, and we hope to carry on the traditions of the Order of the Arrow into the future.

Winter Banquet 2012

On January 8, the Lodge gathered for the 2012 Winter Banquet and it was again a great success. 96 Arrowmen and family members attended, including our guests representing the Section. The Live Auction raised \$727.50 that the Lodge will use for service projects. We would like to thank Chuck Hogg and his cooking staff for another excellent meal and the Knights of Columbus in Charles City for again providing us with our event location. Also, a BIG THANK YOU to all who donated items for the auction. Hope to see everyone again next year!!!

2012 Lodge Calendar

- **March 31—Troop Elections & Vigil Nominations Due.**
- **April 20/22—Spring Fellowship (IAB)**
- **May 5—Sun Rivers Day of Service (George Wyth SP, Waterloo)**
- **June 17—Spreading of the Ashes (IAB)**
- **Aug 3 —Gathering of the Ashes (WSR)**
- **July 30 to August 4—NOAC (Michigan State Univ.)**
- **Fall Fellowship & Vigil Weekend (TBD)**



Sac-N-Fox Lodge #108

SMOKE SIGNALS

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE SAC-N-FOX LODGE # 108
EDITOR: JAMES BAMBER, VICE-CHIEF OF COMMUNICATIONS

2012 Dues & Registration Form



BSA ID#: _____

Name: _____ Chapter _____ Date: _____

Please check all payments being made.

- _____ 2012 Lodge Dues \$10 (Acct. # 601)
- _____ Winter Banquet \$10 (Acct. # 611)
- _____ Spring Fellowship \$10 (Acct. # 613)
- _____ Fall Fellowship \$10 (Acct. # 615)
- _____ Brotherhood Workshop \$20 (Acct. # 605)

Payment Total
\$ _____

_____ 2012 Activity Card \$35 (a \$5 savings)
(Covers Dues, Winter Banquet, Spr. & Fall Fellowships)
Scout Office, please Credit: \$10 to 601 \$9 to 611
\$8 to 613 \$8 to 615

I hereby authorize the withdrawal of these funds from the unit's Council account.

Signature: _____ Unit : _____

2012 Elections Due March 31

Once again, it is that time of year for troops to identify those scouts who qualify to become members of the Order of the Arrow. Those scouts that have completed 15 nights of camping within the last two years, including one long-term camping experience, and are at least First Class in rank may be selected for this year's Ordeal class. Please contact your Chapter Chief to arrange an election for those deserving young men.

If you have any adult leaders that qualify, please fill out an adult Induction Form for them as well. Elected Scouts and Leaders will be Called-Out every Tuesday night at Resident Camp this Summer. All elections MUST be completed by MARCH 31 and all completed induction forms and payments MUST be submitted to the Scout Office no later than MAY 15—NO EXCEPTIONS. Although payments for Ordeal inductees will not be taken at camp, payments for Brotherhood (\$20) and Lodge dues (\$10) will be accepted at the Trading Post. The Ordeal cost this year is \$50 per person. Please contact your Chapter Chief if you have any questions.

The Lodge also wants to acknowledge and thank Professional Office Services of Waterloo for producing the election forms for us this year. Their assistance will help us ensure a successful election season.

2012 Vigil Honor Nominations Due March 31



Nominations for the Order of the Arrow Vigil Honor are now being accepted for 2012. All Arrowmen who have been Brotherhood members for at least two years and have shown service to the Lodge, Scouting, and their communities are all eligible. Please help recognize those deserving members of the Lodge for their service by filling out a 2012 Vigil Honor Nomination Form available on the OA page of the Winnebago Council Website at:

<http://www.winnebagoobsa.org/oa/forms/Vigil%20Nomination%20Form.pdf>.

ALL nomination forms are due at the Council Office NO LATER THAN MARCH 31.

2012 Dues

Fellow Arrowmen,

We would like to remind all Lodge members who have not done so, to please pay your \$10 annual Lodge dues for 2012. Help us keep your membership with the Lodge in good standing and make sure you are keeping up-to-date on Lodge activities by receiving the Smoke Signals Newsletter. Your dues help support the Sac-N-Fox Lodge, and ensure that you DO NOT GET DROPPED from our mailing list. Simply fill out the Dues & Registration Form on page 2 and submit it to the Scout Office with your payment. Thank you for your support.

National Order of the Arrow Conference

Registrations for the National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) are now being taken. Please fill out the Registration Form below, return it to the Scout Office, and reserve your spot to attend this great OA event that only happens every two years. Please contact Cal Iehl if you have any questions. The 2012 NOAC will be held at Michigan State University, and the Lodge will be making arrangements to travel together.

NOAC Registration Form



OA Sac-N-Fox

2012 – National Order of Arrow Conference



Name: _____

BSA ID #: _____

Address: _____

D.O.B.: ____ / ____ / ____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Event: 2012 National Order of the Arrow Conference

Date: July 30 through August 4, 2012

Email: _____

Location: Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

Phone: (____) _____ - _____ Unit #: _____

Depart: July 29, 2012 (Tentative)

Return: August 5, 2012 (Tentative)

Chapter: _____

Health Forms are Required

NOAC Fees and deadlines Total fee \$475.00

1st Deposit Amount: \$100.00 Due by February 3rd, 2012

Will need personal spending monies (patches, souvenirs, meals (to & from NOAC)

2nd Deposit Amount: \$200.00 Due by March 2nd, 2012

Any questions, contact Cal Iehl (319) 404-5102

Final Payment Amount: \$175.00 Due by April 6th, 2012

Email: caliehl@gmail.com

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

NOAC Registration 1-2371-619-00

Lodge Chief Report

Hello again Brothers, this is your Lodge Chief with another update. Our Winter Banquet on January 8th was a success. It was a good time and I suggest that anyone who couldn't make it this year joins us next year for a time of fellowship and fun. The next event on our lodge calendar is the Spring Fellowship. It will be held on April 20-22 at Ingawanis Adventure Base. This Fellowship is a great opportunity to give back to the camps that have given so much to us.

In addition, the election season is upon us. The election process has had some changes made to it to make things simpler. Your Chapter Chiefs will explain them to you when they come and do your elections. Along those lines, if you are your troop's OA Representative, make sure you are in touch with them to get your unit election scheduled. Elections are very important to our Lodge. Without them our Lodge doesn't grow, and part of why I am serving on our LEC is so that this program can be delivered to fellow scouts.

Yours In Brotherhood,
Caleb Iehl

Vice-Chiefs' Reports

Hello Fellow Brothers,

This is Aaron Iehl, your Vice-Chief of Elections. First of all, I want to thank all of you that attended the Winter Banquet as it was a great success. I know I enjoyed it, and I think most everybody else did too. We are quickly approaching the election season, and I encourage all of the troops to help the Chapter Chiefs schedule their elections as they should be contacting you soon. They will also be attempting to help get Order of the Arrow Troop/Team Representatives (OATTRs) established and put into place. This is a position of responsibility, and it is an appointed position by the Senior Patrol Leader and the Scoutmaster. These positions are great for helping the Lodge communicate with all of the separate units. I hope everybody is ready for an exciting election season!

Yours in Brotherhood,
Aaron Iehl, Vice-Chief of Elections

Activities Chair

Hi Everyone,

My name is TJ Lenaerts with Troop 55 in Cedar Falls, and I am going to be the Activities Chairman for the year of 2012. I've been in the OA for two years. I went to the last Section Conclave in September and the Winter Banquet in January. I have been to a couple Spring and Fall Fellowships, and one of the things that I noticed was that as the years went by it seemed that there were fewer people going to the Fellowships. This year, I came up with a new idea of half-and-half. I have already checked with the Lodge Chief, Mr. Caleb Iehl, and he approves. Instead of having another hour or more after lunch of service projects, I propose having lunch a half-hour later and have activities the rest of the time. In doing so, I hope to have a better turn out. I'm going to try to have at least one Kubb set, maybe two, at the Spring Fellowship.

Please email me if you have any ideas at cfbaseball10@gmail.com.
Yours in Cheerful Service,
TJ Lenaerts

Chapter Chiefs' Reports



Fellow Arrowmen,

I have been working hard on getting elections done and have an election team together. I have been planning and attending many troop meetings doing elections. Many Arrowmen in the Lakeland Chapter have suggested we have a pizza party in March. I have been in touch with some adults and it was approved. I was very happy with the Winter Banquet and thought it went well. If there are any questions please contact me anytime.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Chadd Blanchard, Lakeland Chapter Chief, cmblanchard@live.com



Greetings Fellow Arrowmen,

My name is Ethan Davis, and I am the currently the Sun Rivers Chapter Chief. I apologize for not having information in the last issue of Smoke Signals, and I assure you this will not be a problem in future issues. First, I would like to urge all Troop O.A. Representatives to attend the Round Table meetings if possible so that we can get information out about scheduling times for elections. If there are any questions on where Round Table is meeting at feel free to send me an email. Don't forget to mark on your calendars on May 5th as the Day of Service for our chapter. Service will happen at George Wyth State Park, and more information will be given at a later date.

Sincerely,

Ethan Davis, Sun Rivers Chapter Chief, eddavis42@yahoo.com



Hello,

My name is Andrew Lang. I'm the SPL of Troop 1062 in Osage, and I'm the Twin Rivers Chapter Chief. I'm a Life Scout and currently working on my Eagle Scout Project. I have made contact with all of the Scoutmasters and have begun to schedule Troop OA elections. My goal is to be at all monthly Round Table meetings to help with your questions. Hope to see you there.

WWW,

Andrew Lang, Twin Rivers Chapter Chief



Hello Fellow Arrowmen,

My name is Daniel Licari. I am a Star Scout from Troop 55 in Cedar Falls. I have begun to call Scoutmasters about election dates. I have made two election teams and is looking for a team outside of Troop 55.

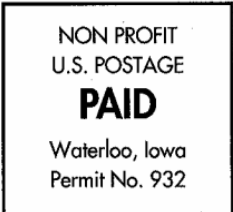
Yours in Scouting,

Daniel Licari, Wabuha Chapter Chief



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Current Resident or Occupant

2011-2012 LODGE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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- Vice Chief of Elections Aaron Iehl
- Vice Chief of Ceremonies Brandon Nelson
- Vice Chief of Communications James Bamber
- Lodge Secretary Nathan Sellards
- Lodge Treasurer Avery Hubbard
- Lakeland Chapter Chief Chadd Blanchard
- Sun Rivers Chapter Chief Ethan Davis
- Twin Rivers Chapter Chief Andrew Lang
- Wabuha Chapter Chief Daniel Licari
- Cub Scout Chairman
- Activities Chairman TJ Lenaerts
- Vigil Chairman Dan Coulthard
- OATTR Coordinator Ryan Oberrieder

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