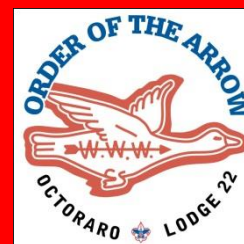


The Year 2015 Who will it be?

Wulamoc September Fellowship Weekend



THE ELECTIONS ARE SOON, AND WHO WILL BE YOUR NEXT CHIEF AND OFFICERS

MORE ON THE CANDIDATES BELOW:

2015 Office Elections

With the elections for the 2015 Term coming up there are many qualified candidates for the job. There are six candidate positions, The Chief, who will be the youth leader of the lodge. To assist the Chief and all his duties, there are two Vice Chiefs, one of program and one of administrations. Then there are two secretaries, Recording and Corresponding. The recording secretary is in charge of taking notes at each lodge meeting. While the corresponding secretary is responsible for creating the Lodge newsletter, the *Wulamoc*. Finally, there is the treasurer, the treasurer's role is to assist the advisor with lodge funds, and also to read the treasurers report at each lodge meeting. Each a vital role, and each going to be filled this weekend.

With several people running for office, let's take a look at some of the candidates and what they would like to accomplish during their term:

From Matthew Carden, running for the office of Treasurer:

Dear Octoraro Lodge 22, my name is Matthew Carden and I am interested in

Running for the Lodge office of Treasurer for the 2015 term. I am currently an active member of the lodge and would love to continue serving the Lodge in any way possible. I am currently serving as the Unit Elections Chairman and if not elected I would continue to work in this position. I would like to run for this position because I am ready to take another step in helping the Lodge develop and I also feel I am ready to take an even greater leadership role within the Lodge and Council. Thank You.

From Benjamin Savoy, running for the office of Vice Chief:

I would like to declare my intent to run for the office of Vice Chief for 2015 at this September's Fall Fellowship OA weekend. After much thought and consideration I realized I should run for Lodge Office for multiple reasons. After being selected to receive the Vigil Honor, and while keeping my Vigil in July, I realized vigil isn't recognition for my past service, but more for the service and leadership I can provide to Octoraro Lodge 22 and the Order of the Arrow in the future. After having a sudden Realization that I should do more for my

Lodge and serve more people, I had the idea to run for vice chief. I believe a leadership position is the best way for me to continue to grow and provide outstanding service towards the lodge because I have an extensive amount of experience already from my troop and school. Although I believe the past vice chiefs have done a good job leading and proving they deserve the position, I've heard many comments that past vice chiefs weren't exactly sure what their duties were. If I am elected to be vice chief, I would be as helpful and as involved with my position and the lodge as possible, provide support to our Chief and the Executive Committee. I want to do as much as I can to help promote program and trips like the upcoming NOAC and conclave, and influence as many people as possible to go to these events because Conclaves are always an enjoyable experience and NOAC will be an almost once in a lifetime Trip. I intend to work with our new Chief, our other new Vice Chief and the Executive Committee to ensure our lodge attain awards with our service and participation like the E Urner Goodman award and the National Service Award for the centennial. I hope you consider me to be fit to run for this position and I hope for an exciting fellowship weekend!



2015

Members of the Order of the Arrow, Youth or adult will have the opportunity to go to the National Order of the Arrow Conference, or NOAC. This event is similar to Section Conclave, except much larger. Instead of just the lodges in a section, every Lodge in the country is invited. This year NOAC is going to be never forget, for it's the 100 year anniversary of the Order of the Arrow. It will be a once in a lifetime opportunity. It will be filled with all sorts of things to do. Here is what the NOAC staff has to say about it:

From August 3-8, 2015, Arrowmen from around the country will have the unique opportunity to gather together at Michigan State University to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Order of the Arrow at the 2015 National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC). Over 10,000 Arrowmen are expected to attend the 2015 conference seeking the best that the Order has to offer. Each time a national conference is held, Arrowmen come together from around the world to share ideas, learn from one another, and most importantly experience an outstanding conference that is unlike any other event in Scouting. NOAC is open only to members of the OA.

A typical NOAC day consists of the following:

- Breakfast
- Morning Training Sessions
- Lunch
- Afternoon Activities and Special Events
- Dinner
- Evening Show
- Evening Activities and Special Events

The training at each NOAC is world class. Trainers at NOAC are hand selected by conference leadership due to their immense knowledge and expertise in a particular subject. Trainers come from around the world to share their expertise so that you may bring information and new ideas back to your home lodge and grow as an individual. Training sessions range in topics from leadership, to event planning, to Native American crafts, dancing, and ceremonies just to name a few of the many topics available. No matter what you're interested in there is a NOAC training session for you!

Each afternoon, conference participants can choose to participate in a wide array of activities and special events. The National Order of the Arrow museum will be on display showcasing unique historical items that cannot be found anywhere else in the world.

What would a gathering of people from all over the country be without a little competition? Attendees have the opportunity to compete in athletic events like dodge ball and ultimate Frisbee. Arrowmen can also participate in OA ceremonies evaluations to improve their performance and learn from the experts. Interested in Native American dance? We have that too! No matter what your talent there is no shortage of opportunity to showcase them at NOAC.

After dinner, all participants and staff gather at the university's arena for the evening show. These shows are nothing short of amazing and are on par with what you would expect on Broadway or the biggest touring concert of the year! Each evening show is unique ranging from the opening and closing show, to Native American dance, to national awards and recognition. These shows will remain as one of your fondest memories of NOAC.

After the evening show, there are many opportunities to enjoy fun, food, and fellowship (not to mention trade your favorite patches)!

After an exciting conference like this, what more can a person do than SLEEP! You are going to need your rest to make sure you don't miss out on all NOAC has to offer.



What's New with 22

Upcoming Lodge Events



Upcoming Events September to February 2015

September

September 7, Lodge Meeting

September 26-28, Fall Fellowship Weekend

September 30, Last day to pay 2015 dues with discount

October

October 4, Cub Recruitment day

October 24-26, Blue Heron Fellowship Weekend

November

November 2, Lodge meeting

November 7, LLD

November 8, Brotherhood Blitz & LLD

December

December 7, Service center cleanup 12:00 pm, & Lodge meeting 2:00 pm

January

January 4, Lodge meeting 12:00 pm, Founders Award meeting 1:00 pm, Vigil Selection Meeting 2:00 pm

February

February 1, Lodge Meeting 2:00 pm

Upcoming Events March to August 2015

March

March 1, Lodge meeting 2:00 pm

March 8, Annual Lodge Banquet, Location TBD

April

April 12, Lodge Meeting 2:00 pm

April 24-26, April Service Weekend

May

May 29-31 NE Section 6B Conclave @ Sinequipe S.R.

June

June 5-7, June Service Weekend

July

No Lodge Events

August

August 3-8, National Order of the Arrow Conference at Michigan State



Lodge Advisors Minute 2014

By Lodge Advisor, Andrew Coe

Centuries of Service

One can only think that Dr. E. Urner Goodman had no idea what he had started that fateful night of July 16, 1915. It was then, at Treasure Island Scout Reservation, that Goodman and Carroll A. Edson inducted the first members of the Order of the Arrow in a solemn ceremony that differs greatly from the Ordeal ceremony we see today. Did Goodman think that the Order of the Arrow would spread to nearly every council in the Boy Scouts of America? Did Goodman think that the Order of the Arrow would, in 2008 via ArrowCorps5, drive the largest philanthropic service project in our United States' history? Did Goodman think that over a million Scouts and Scouters would take the obligation of the order he created?

It's hard to say if Goodman could envision the ultimate reach of his idea way back when; after all, great ideas left uncultivated are all around us, and only a few break through the soil to grow into everlasting institutions. But one thing he had to have known – for it is in his teachings to us – is that a leader, like an idea, needs work. A leader cannot exist in a vacuum, so you put a leader to task in the laboratories of Scouting, in the laboratory of service – you give him a task and let him find his

Way upon the path. Much like with a leader, the idea of the Order of the Arrow grew quickly, but then stumbled at various points along the way. Not everyone was fond of the Order of the Arrow, and in September 1922, the OA, through Goodman, had to prove its merit at a national meeting of scouting executives, who nearly banned the formation of “camp fraternities”, a phrase by which the OA was often called.

From that point on, the OA continued to grow, and redefine itself, much like a leader. With newfound confidence, the Order of the Arrow was officially recognized in 1948 by the Boy Scouts of America, and its reach continued throughout the nation. By 1980, when Dr. Goodman passed away, he could see that the organization he had started had become an institution within Scouting, one where leaders are enhanced by the merits of service. But could he possibly know that today, in 2014, on the eve of the 100th anniversary of the Order of the Arrow's birth, that the OA would be such an influential brotherhood in the course of countless lives? We won't ever know for sure, but with near certainty we can devise that Goodman knew that an idea, like a leader, takes a lot of work to grow.

The Order of the Arrow has begun celebrating this vision in the lead up to the 100th anniversary celebration at the 2015 NOAC. There is much work to do, and many ways to participate! We have requested to host an ArrowTour event at the Horseshoe Scout Reservation, which is a travelling exhibit chronicling the OA and all its works throughout the years. We will be hosting a day of service in 2015, so be sure to look for that announcement in the coming months. The National Committee has issued a new award that every arrowman can earn called the Arrowman Service Award, and you can start working towards that now (requirements can be found online, at the Council Service Center, or at the September Fellowship weekend). And finally, Octoraro Lodge 22 is planning on taking ONE HUNDRED arrowmen to the 2015 National Order of the Arrow Conference at Michigan State University from August 3-8. We realize that's a lot, but that's the point! We want everyone to join in some way, from helping with ArrowTour, or serving at the Day of Service, or doing the Arrowman Service Award requirements, or going to NOAC! As we head towards the 100th anniversary next year, think about recommitting yourself to service and lending your voice to the vision for the OA's next 100 years.