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## Chief Letter from Sean Darlington

Hello brothers, and welcome to our September ordeal weekend. It is amazing to see all of you once again after a long and successful summer camp season. Over the course of the summer our two camp chiefs worked to provide unit elections and tap out ceremonies to all the troops each week at camp. Additionally, every Thursday night after tabs we held the OA snack in the dining hall. Where brothers could come and enjoy pizza and ice cream floats. To close off our week at camp we held our weekly OA pageant. The pageant this year had a very high participation rate compared to last year. I hope that you all enjoy this fellowship weekend and participate in all the events to better get to know your fellow brothers in the lodge. In July, Octoraro 22 set out to NOAC in Knoxville Tennessee where we enjoyed a fun week of training and fellowship with brothers from all around the country. This past weekend was an LS otherwise known as National Leadership Seminar which took place at Camp Alpine in New Jersey. NLS helps train future leaders to help develop and help make their lodges strive for greatness. In December we will have our annual Brotherhood blitz and a LLD which will take place here at camp. I hope you all have a fantastic weekend!

Sincerely, Sean Darlington

Octoraro Lodge 22 Chief

## Calendar of Events

October 14-16	Blue Heron Fellowship Weekend	Pipsico Scout Reservation
November 6	Lodge Leadership Team Meeting	PARC at 2:00 pm
December 4	PARC Cleanup	PARC at 11:00 am
	Lodge Leadership Team Meeting	PARC at 2:00 pm
December 9-10	Lodge Leadership Development	Camp Horseshoe
December 19	Brotherhood Blitz	Camp Horseshoe
Jan 8	Awards Committee Meeting	PARC - 1 PM
	Lodge Leadership Team Meeting	PARC - 2 PM
	Vigil Honor Selection Meeting	PARC - 3PM
February 5	Lodge Leadership Team Meeting	PARC - 2 PM
March 5	Lodge Leadership Team Meeting	Location TBD - 2 PM
	Annual Lodge Banquet, Location	TBD - 4 PM
April 2	Lodge Leadership Team Meeting	PARC - 2 PM
April 28-30	April Service Weekend	HSR



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## Elangomats!

Have you ever thought about becoming an Elangomat? In the Lenni Lenape language, Elangomat, means friend. Your Lodge Elangomats serve as friends for the Ordeal Candidates, to help guide and serve and to help create a comfortable and welcoming introductory experience for them in our Lodge.

The Ordeal Committee is looking for a few new committed brothers who want to find out more about this opportunity. With many of our experienced Elangomats headed off to college this fall, the more relaxed April and June weekends present a great opportunity to learn more in a stress-free environment, an opportunity open to both youth and adults! You will be paired with an experienced Elangomat who will take the time to help show you the process.

Reach out to [ordeal@octoraro22.org](mailto:ordeal@octoraro22.org) for more information or to learn how to sign-up. The time to learn more is now!

## Lodge Adviser's Minute

Welcome to the first September weekend that will be completely focused on Fellowship. Please check out the activity schedule for times, locations and activities. I look forward to seeing everyone enjoying each other's company and all the fun activities. We had a great summer and are ready for the fall season to start. With COVID still lingering but getting further distant, we Brothers need to start the rebuild and move the lodge membership back to pre-COVID numbers. The Officers and Advisors cannot do it ourselves. I would ask everyone to assist by ensuring your Troop membership is current and participating in Lodge activities.

We have a busy weekend with our lodge elections – please take the time to get to know the Officer Candidates prior to the elections. Our Ordeal Candidates and a few brothers will be working on the Trails – it will be nice to get them in shape. Saturday morning, we will have games and I would encourage youth and adults to participate in the Lodge's Amazing Race in the afternoon, testing your Order of the Arrow knowledge. Adults will do the staffing and youth members will comprise the Teams – prizes will be awarded.

Effective January 1st, 2023, I will be stepping down as Lodge Adviser. It has been a wonderful seven years and I look forward to continuing to serve the lodge. I am pleased to announce Mr. Tom Savoy as the 8th Octoraro Lodge #22 Advisor. Tom has a wealth of experience – most of you know Tom from the Kitchen – and is currently serving as an Associate Lodge Adviser. Tom has been a brother in the lodge since his youth. Please make sure you all stop and congratulate Tom. Enjoy the weekend!

W.W.W.  
Gus Sauerzopf



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## Officer Election Candidates

### Lodge Chief

My name is Sean Darlington and I am running for the position of Lodge Chief. I am currently an Eagle Scout in Lionville Troop 220. I am currently Lodge Chief and prior to that I was Recording Secretary for the Lodge. I also was OA Troop Representative on the LLT. I was Senior Patrol Leader in my troop and earned the Silver Buckle. I have also been Patrol Leader and Scribe. I served on Horseshoe Camp Staff as a CIT in 2019 and was a Trailblazer Counselor in 2021 and 2022. The last two summers I was co-Camp Chief for the Lodge at summer camp. I took my Ordeal in September 2018 and became Brotherhood in September 2019. I became Vigil in June of 2022. I was also an Elangomat during Lodge Weekends at every Ordeal before I became Recording Secretary. I believe I would be the best candidate for this position because of my leadership experience in Scouting, including being Lodge Chief, Recording Secretary and OA Troop Representative for the Lodge as well as working on camp staff, being Senior Patrol Leader, and being Camp Chief for the Lodge. As Chief I want to focus on strengthening and increasing our Lodge membership and fellowship and increase communications to the troops and packs in the Council about the positive things the Lodge does for Scouting.

### Vice Chief

Hello brothers, My name is Anthony Watson, a life scout from troop 52 out of Marshallton PA. I've served as 2022 lodge corresponding secretary, I'm currently working on my eagle project, I have been brotherhood chair, c5 chair. I attended NYLT in 2020. I was a Horseshoe staff member in 2021. I've been an OA rep, ASPL, and Quartermaster. I'm running for vice chief of admin. Another cool fact is I attended Philmont this summer. I think I'd be the best candidate because I have experience as a leader and an officer, I also have new ideas to help better our lodge. I've experienced leadership in football, lacrosse, two jobs, Philmont, and other volunteer opportunities. I would help to make weekends fun and fulfilling for all oa members to help increase membership. I will bring up new ideas to make the year-round activities around the weekends to keep the whole year fun, things like urban air events, bowling, etc. Another goal of mine is to make sure there is active youth participation in every committee. My main goal is to make sure that every attending member feels welcomed and excited for each service weekend and yearly activities. I'd be honored to have your votes. Hoping for 2023 full of service and fun. Vote Anthony Watson for vice chief of admin.

### Corresponding Secretary

My name is Collin Wheeler, I am a Life Scout from Troop 62 in Kemblesville, PA. I am running for the position of Corresponding Secretary. I have worked on Horseshoe Camp Staff for 2 Years. Inside of the OA, I completed my Ordeal in August of 2020, and I sealed my Brotherhood in April of 2021. I currently serve as the Communications Team-Lead. I have also been helping with the Ceremonies Team in 2022. I feel that I would be the best candidate because of my Leadership experience within my troop, and within the OA as a Team-Lead. My focus for the Lodge would be to boost membership through fellowship activities and promotions. My other major focus would be recruiting Brothers within our Lodge to join the Lodge Leadership Team, so we can better hear their ideas and opinions.

### Vice Chief

Hello, my name is Grayson Pitman. I am a Life Scout with Troop 62. I completed my Ordeal in September of 2021 and I sealed my Brotherhood in April of 2022. I am running for Program Vice Chief this year. I served on NYLT Staff and Camp Staff in 2022 and I am coming back next year to serve again. This year I received the silver buckle as a camper as well. I love Scouting and I always want to help the program be the best it can be. I believe that I would be a great candidate for Program Vice Chief because of the leadership that I have learned from my Troop, from serving on NYLT Staff, and from serving on Camp Staff. I would like to help our lodge be the best it can be. I would greatly appreciate it if you voted for me in this election. Thank you for your vote and have a great weekend!



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## Octoraro 22 at NLS and DYLC!

This past weekend our Lodge was well represented at both the Eastern Region's National Leadership Seminar (NLS) and the Developing Youth Leadership Conference (DYLC) at Camp Alpine across the river from New York City! Colin Wheeler, our Communications Chairman, attended NLS while Former Lodge Advisor Bruce Goodman (Can you teach an OLD DOG a new trick???) and Associate Lodge Advisor Tom Savoy attended DYLC. Upon graduation Colin commented that NLS was AWESOME and will help prepare him as he runs for Corresponding Secretary this weekend. DYLC was a great, Mr. Savoy and Mr. Goodman learned how to:

- Deepen an advisers' understanding of the needs of young people,
- Strengthen an adviser's coaching skills,
- Strengthen an advisers' capacity to intentionally develop the leadership skills of young people,
- Provide local support for our Officers and youth Chairpersons as they apply the leadership skills gained during the NLS.

The instructors at NLS and DYLC, consisted of current and former Regional and National Officers and advisers, including Alex Pillas, the current Eastern Region Chief, Tim Reiss, our National Chief, and Donnie Stephens, former National Vice Chief. Our next opportunity to attend NLS and DYLC will come in late March 2023. I would encourage any Lodge Officer or LLT Chairperson to consider attending, along with key advisers.

## Join the LLT!

The LLT, or Lodge Leadership Team, is composed of the lodge officers and team leaders (formerly committee chairmen) and advisers who provide the leadership to run Octoraro 22. They administer the work of many different teams, including Brotherhood, Ordeal, Vigil, Unit Elections, Food Service, Day of Service, Trail Crew, and many more. We are always looking for help to run or participate on the various teams of the LLT, so if you've ever had an interest in getting more involved, please contact our chief or adviser:

Youth interested in getting involved on the LLT: contact Lodge Chief Sean Darlington at [chief@octoraro22.org](mailto:chief@octoraro22.org)

Adults interested in getting involved on the LLT: contact Lodge Adviser Gus Sauerzopf at [adviser@octoraro22.org](mailto:adviser@octoraro22.org)

## OA Troop Representatives Team Needs YOU!

The Troop Rep Team needs ONE OA youth from a scout unit in each District - Diamond Rock, Horseshoe Trail, Octoraro - to represent the Lodge by being a District Team Leader. This scout becomes a member of the Lodge Leadership Team and would have responsibility in communicating information to units within their District. To help with that task Troop Rep Team is in the process of building a list of Youth and Adult OA Reps/ advisers in local units. Our Goal is to service 100% of Scout Troops through the "REP" program. The Brothers Need You! Send Name, Troop Id, and email to [TroopRep@Octoraro22.org](mailto:TroopRep@Octoraro22.org)



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