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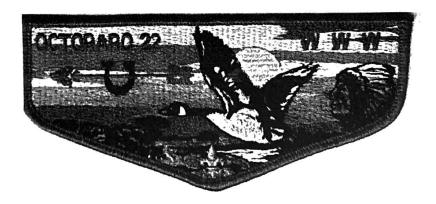
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#### Upcoming Events and Important Dates

April 1-3, 2005 National Leadership Seminar (NLS)
April 3 2005 Lodge Executive Committee Meeting 2:00pm
April 22-24, 2005 Winter Camp Staff
April 29-May 1, 2005 April Service Weekend
June 3-5, 2005 June Service Weekend
June 10-12, 2005 Section Conclave



## **April Weekend**

As a reminder, the April Service Weekend will be from April 29 - May 1. This is to clear up any confusion about several incorrect dates that were given at one point. For more scheduled events see the above list of lodge events for Spring 2005

## National Leadership in Service Award

Adapted from the National OA Website

Arrow Committee created a new three-year Leadership in Service Program that was announced at the 2004 NOAC. The Order strives to strengthen Scouting's foundation of service by further fostering in Arrowmen the ethic of servant leadership. By promoting and rewarding service that benefits the Boy Scouts of America's outdoor program, and the communities in which Scouts reside, the Order will be actin to support Scouting at the most important level.

Arrowmen must complete the following requirements each year in which they earn the award:

- \* Give 8 hours of service participating in a lodge, chapter, or council service project benefiting a local council camp (lodge induction weekends do count). Service may be split over two or more events.\*
  - \* Give 6 hours of service doing a community service project planned and run by the lodge or chapter.\*\*
- \*Working as camp staff does not fulfill the council service requirement.
- \*\*Lodges are encouraged to use the OA's Lodge Community Service Guide to aid them in planning community service projects.

The timeline for the Leadership in Service Award is a graduated system that encourages Arrowmen to continue their service from year to year. Requirements for the award can be met during the calendar years of 2005, 2006, and 2007. Service from a previous year cannot be carried over to meet the next year's requirements. Arrowmen of all ages may earn the First Year award in 2005, 2006, or 2007, the Second Year in 2006 or 2007, and the Third Year Award in 2007 only.

Signatures for the requirements of this award may be signed off by the Arrowman's Scoutmaster, Lodge Chief and Lodge Advisers. Arrowmen should contact their lodge to obtain sign-off forms. Completed forms should be returned to the lodge. The lodge will present the awards at an appropriate occasion.

# New Members... "Jump Start" Your OA Experience

Adapted from Kittatinny 5 Wolf's Tale

If you are a new Order of the Arrow member, or will be taking your Ordeal in September, you probably will have many questions about the OA. What is the OA all about? How do I get more involved? What steps do I need to take to get my Brotherhood? If this sounds like you, you are encouraged to go to the national web site at http://www.jumpstart.oa-bsa.org and log in to the OA "Jump Start" program. You will need your OA Handbook to find the login password. Do not be clueless. Ask questions, learn more, and get involved.

Contributions to the Wulamoc are always welcome. If you would like to submit news or articles for the next Wulamoc, please contact James Coll at 610-363-9349 or via email at xgene@comcast.net or at corresponding secretary@octoraro22.org

#### Conclave 2005



This year's Conclave will be hosted by Woapeu Sisilija Lodge 343. The Conclave will be held at camp Camp Karoondinha in Millmont Pennsylvania. Millmont is due east of State College, and due south of Williamsport. Because of the length and distance of this camp, our lodge is organizing buses to transport scouts up to the Conclave. There are only 70 slots available for members of our lodge so remember to sign up for Conclave sooner rather than later.

### Things of the Spirit

Adapted from the National OA Website

In 1915, Dr. E. Urner Goodman founded an organization that would have a great impact on the Scouting movement. Our founder's vision for our Order was a program built on the principles of Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service that recognized older Scouts for service to their unit. After nearly ninety years, his legacy is the organization that we know today – Scouting's National Honor Society.

Goodman spoke countless times throughout his life about a certain thought, about the Things of the Spirit. In the foreword to the 1961 edition of the Order of the Arrow Handbook, Goodman wrote:

"The Order of the Arrow is a thing of the spirit rather than of mechanics. Organization, operational procedure, and paraphernalia are necessary in any large and growing movement, but they are not what count in the end. The things of the spirit count..."



Left: A picture of E. Urner Goodman

**Right**: A Thing of the Spirit: The life of E. Urner Goodman by Nelson R. Block

Being an Arrowman is more than just wearing a white sash or going to lodge executive committee meetings or conclaves. While these too are important, it is about living up to the ideals of the Scout Oath and Law in our daily lives, about setting the positive example at all times, about being a friend to all, and about cheerfully serving others. It is about living by the three principles of the Order of the Arrow - Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service. These are what make the OA a strong organization. These are the things that truly count. These are the Things of the Spirit.

"A Thing of the Spirit: The life of E. Urner Goodman" by Nelson R. Block, is a is a short biographical narrative that goes through the events of Goodman's life. The book starts at birth, travels through his early days as a Scoutmaster, provides detailed facts on his days founding the Order of the Arrow, chronicles his life as a professional Scouter, and closes in a description of his retirement career. It includes many interesting facts about the founder of our order.

#### **Executive Committee Service Weekend**

Attention Brothers of Octoraro 22!

Come to the executive committee retreat/work day Saturday April 23, 2005. The general membership is invited for a day of service starting at 9:00 AM. We will meet in the Camp Horseshoe parking lot-bring your own lunch, tools, work gloves, and other equipment you might need. Executive committee chairmen and officers are invited to spend Friday and Saturday night at the lodge for a weekend of fun, fellowship, and food! (Contact any lodge officer or adviser for further information)

## What is OA Trail Crew?

Several weeks ago member of the Order of the Arrow in my troop asked me what OA Trail Crew is. I had heard of it before, however I did not now all the details about it. A letter I found addressed what OA Trail Crew was and what their goal was.

Dear Fellow Arrowmen,

Once again I have the honor of inviting you to participate in one of Scouting's premier programs, Order of the Arrow Trail Crew. Since the program's inception in 1995, over 1600 Arrowmen have experienced the incredible returns of cheerful service that can only be found in Philmont's backcountry.

As a member of OATC, you will encounter numerous opportunities to develop outdoor skills, Arrowmen knowledge, and life-long friendships while working on Philmont's much needed Copper Park trail. Situated at the base of Baldy Mountain in Philmont's North Country, the Copper Park area is filled with rich mining and mountain living history.

OATC will continue the tradition of the past decade by providing Arrowmen with a tremendous opportunity to "get back to the basics" of the Order's principles. Your brotherhood and cheerfulness in service will be demonstrated as you engage in the mental, physical and spiritual challenges of Philmont's backcountry. Philmont has proven on multiple occasions to be one of the most demanding yet rewarding experiences of a person's lifetime.

OATC participants and staff alike maintain that this world possesses no better place to experience the Order's founding principles than in the woods of Philmont with brother Arrowmen. OATC looks forward to your participation and promotion for the summer of 2005.

"Awake, my friends! You now are starting on a long and toilsome journey, but before you undertake it you must **Be Prepared** completely."

Yours in Cheerful Service,

Ryan Hawk 2005 OA Trail Crew Director "The highest of distinction is service to others." -King George VI

If you want to be involved in the OA executive committee come to the meetings on the first Sunday of the month at the Council Center. For more information contact Andy Arthur at 610-388-1298 or chief@octoraro22.com