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Upcoming Events:

Event	Date(s)	Location	Registration Ends
Summer Fellowship	6/3	Camp Michaels	5/31
Ordeal 3	8/25-8/27	Camp Friedlander	8/23
Fall Fellowship	9/29-10/1	Camp Friedlander	9/27

Summer Camp Events

This summer there will be a lot of fun, fellowship opportunities for OA members at Camp Friedlander each week during the Summer Camp Program! Some of the Activities you can look forward to each week are:

Event	Location	Time
OA Unit Representative Meeting	ТВА	After Dinner on Sundays
Ice Cream Social	Dining Hall Back Porch	Monday Evening Program
Service Project	ТВА	Tuesday Siesta Hour
Brotherhood Ceremonies	Brotherhood Candidates will meet at the Culture and Citizenship Spider shelter, ceremony will take place at OA Ring	Wednesday Evening Program
Patch Day	ТВА	All Day Thursday
Order of the Arrow Day	Everywhere	All Day Friday
Call-Out Ceremony	Council Ring	During Friday Closing Campfire

May Birthday Highlights

Please join us in wishing a very happy birthday to our fellow Arrowmen who are celebrating a birthday this month!

Shawn L. May 1st Michael B. May 2nd Jeremy B. May Andrew B. May 2nd John E. May 2nd Wyatt M. May 4th Abby P. May 4th Richard W. May 5th Patrick L. May 5th Michael W. May 7th Mackenzie S. May 7th Dillon D. May 7th Ed R. May 8th Ronald B. May 9th Ella P. May 9th



Leonard A. May 13th
Zach D. May 15th
Melissa F. May 16th
Anthony B. May 16th
Christopher L. May 16th
Ronald C. May 17th
Blake S. May 18th
Robert R. May 20th
Travis M. May 20th
Sebastian R. May 25th
Chris L. May 26th
Anthony P. May 26th
Connor C. May 26th

Fred B. May 27th Luke B. May 27th Ted L. May 28th Tyler L. May 28th Jason N. May 29th Dillon E. May 30th Amruta A. May 30th Luke M. May 30th Andrew S. May 31st

If you would also like to be featured when it comes to your birthday, please make sure your dues have been paid for the 2023 year and check that we have your correct birthdate on file.

Elangomats

The April Ordeal at Camp Michaels was a success thanks to passionate lodge leadership, hard working candidates, dedicated Elangomats, an excellent ceremonies team, and everyone in between. We were able to train 3 new Elangomats! Thank you to every lodge member that spent their weekend braving the cold and working through the wet weather!

As a reminder, the Elangomat is a friendly guide that portrays the spirit of the order to their crew during a participant's Ordeal weekend. They lead by example, being there for the crew's needs. What do you receive for serving as an Elangomat? You will receive a special Elangomat pin each time you Elangomat. You also get a free Elangomat pink T-shirt that you wear during the Ordeal weekend.

Below are two important links to lodge events and the Elangomat Program. The top link goes to the lodge's 2023 event registration page. Following that, the Interest form lets me know basic information regarding your interest and experience level so I can suit being an Elangomat to your comfort level.

The link to all lodge events for the year: https://mycouncil.danbeard.org/Program/OA-Events-2023

Link to Elangomat Interest Google Form: https://forms.gle/dzSiJfxeQm9DeTph8

Thank You!

WWW.

Alton J.

Elangomat Chairman

Ordeals

We had two awesome ordeals so far this year and

we're so excited for our new members to be joining us!

The April Ordeal was held at Camp Michaels, where we welcomed 22 new Arrowmen!

They worked so hard and did things like clearing trails, moving brush, and



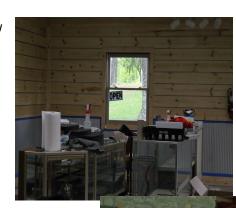


planting trees. We also had 6 Elangomats who were real lifesavers and made sure our candidates had everything they needed! Even going so far as putting sleeping bags in the dryers for them when the rain wouldn't stop pouring and flooded several tents. The weather put no damper on anyone's

cheerful spirit and we had a great T-Blaza party afterwards to celebrate everyone's hard work, including root beer floats and sundaes! And stayed up past everyone's bedtime watching a movie.

May Ordeal was at Friedlander where 48 new Arrowmen received their sashes! Their hard work got Friedlander ready for National Camp School and 2023's Summer Camp. They were led by 9 awesome Elangomats who worked alongside them! T-Blaza was held back in it's original home, at the Trailblazer shelter, where we had more ice

cream, tons of cookies, board games, giant jenga, karaoke and Gaga ball!











The Trading post is looking for suggestions for items you would like to see us sell. If you have any ideas please email the 3 members below

Derek G. - Trading Post Chairman - goldschmidt.troop420@gmail.com

Daniel T. - Trading Post Advisor - danieltracy923@yahoo.com

Patrick C. - Trading Post Associate advisor - leprechaunsong@gmail.com

Camp Friedlander, the five and a half-star resort

Are you in need of some R&R? Has the past week been tough? Are you ready to feel *reborn*? Then Friedlander, the luxury resort, is the solution. You can expect the *finest* amenities from our world class staff. Enjoy the bestest food in the nation (and for that matter, the world) in our 12 star dining hall establishment with highest quality camp food (like the ice cream from last year or two, let's just say a while ago) Then go for a swim in our top-notch Olympic swimming pool (size may vary, It's Olympic for the bugs) Then browse our wonderful wares in the Trading Post, the social hub of all camp activities, like the most exquisite slushies, Then test your putt on the Frisbee golf course, complete with Tenderfoot Scout Camper and Scoutmaster hazards. Book a vintage canvas suite (THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO FIRE IN THE SUITES) then when you're ready to retire for the evening, you can use our pre-scented mattresses and dream of raccoons, (we're not sure why the connection, maybe because of the paw prints.) Finally see the landscape on our top of the line, Golf Cart Tour. And when you finally have to leave, we know the only thing on your mind will be when you can come back.



Friedlander, where memories are made.

A Note From The Treasurer

As we get into the busy season with the OA, there are plenty of ways to stay active and participate in every opportunity without breaking the bank.

First, if you bought the season pass with your dues, you can activate it by typing **seasonpass** (1 word all lowercase) into the discount/coupon code section of event registrations. This is based on the honor system. However, Carolyn knows everything and will also know if you use the discount without buying the season pass.

The season pass does not cover Conclave

Second, Camperships. If you or someone you know cannot attend events due to financial reasons, there are some scholarships provided by the Lodge based on need and availability. Contact the Lodge Advisor, Mr. Jack Ball at Jack.balljr@yahoo.com if you are interested.

Finally, there are many opportunities for high adventure through the OA at a reduced price. More information about high adventure can be found at https://oa-bsa.org/high-adventure.

You can also staff the National Jamboree with the OA through Operation Arrow for about a third of the contingent costs. More information about Operation Arrow can be found at https://oa-bsa.org/jamboree.

Raccoon Chapter

The upcoming events for Raccoon chapter still need some details but here is what to expect: In June we will help out with brotherhood questioning, in July there will be a service project at twin creek metro park picking up trash, and lastly, in August we're having a chapter get together! Look out for emails to let you know more.

Trailblazer Chapter

By: Joseph D. T.

These three months have been very eventful for Trailblazer chapter! In March and April, our newly formed elections teams went out and conducted several elections throughout the tri-state area. As a result, the April Ordeal saw many new members of Trailblazer chapter go through the Ordeal, with more on the way in the May and August Ordeals. Our membership continues to increase. Also, some of our members have stepped up and taken on leadership positions in the lodge and in the chapter. Evan R. is the new vice chief and most likely to be the next chapter chief in August, and Aaron M. has become the new Webmaster at the lodge level! On May 4th, Trailblazer had another chapter meeting, a short one with time for fellowship and good times. On May 13th, we will be having a picnic at Camp Michaels at 1pm. I can safely say that this chapter has come a long way since the beginning and its future has never looked brighter!

Quote of the Quarter: "Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves; do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others."-Philippians 2:3-4

Little Miami Chapter

Hi everyone, I'm Sadie C., Chapter Chief for Little Miami Chapter. On Wednesday, May 24th, Little Miami Chapter will be having our first meeting at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 106 Maple Avenue, Reading, Ohio 45215 on May 24th from 6:30pm-8:30pm. This will be a get-to-know-you meeting to give everyone a chance to meet others in the chapter. There will be board games for everyone to play and please bring a snack to share, if you can.

See you there,

Sadie C.

Little Miami Chapter Chief

Trail Kiosks

Ku-Ni-Eh Lodge Trail Crew is building trailhead kiosks to mark starting points of the We-Hin-Ay-Pay Trail. There will be two kiosks built, one at Camp Friedlander in front of the Camp Office, and one at the entrance to Cub World. They will hold information on how to hike the trail, acquire recognition, and provide a little bit of history.

These kiosks are the next phase in the trail program at the Dan Beard Scout Reservation.

We have acquired all the necessary funds and building has been started! Thank you to everyone who donated! Next time you're at Friedlander, be sure to check them out!



From July 29th-August 3rd, 2024, Arrowmen from around the country will have the unique opportunity to gather together at the University of Colorado Boulder to build ties of brotherhood and grow together as cheerful servants. Thousands of Arrowmen will attend the





2024 conference to share ideas, learn from one another, and most importantly experience an outstanding conference that is unlike any other event in Scouting.

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 for 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 session topics include leadership, event planning, and ceremony performance, among many others. No matter what you're interested in there is a NOAC training session for you!

Each afternoon, conference participants can choose from 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's one thing scouting is recognized for all over? Adventure. This year expect to see all kinds of activities from climbing to SCUBA diving. Arrowmen can also participate in OA ceremony evaluations to improve their performance and learn from the experts. No matter what your talents 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 on par with what you would expect on Broadway or the biggest touring concert of the year! 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.

More details on this experience of a lifetime will be coming soon!

Summer Fellowship

Roll out the red carpet for Summer Fellowship! On June 3rd at Camp Michael's, we'll have a Hollywood themed fellowship event, and we'd love for all arrowmen, new and old, to join us! The event runs from 1 pm to 7 pm, (Including dinner!) Activities include giant chess, build-a-baymax, beadworking workshop (no prior experience needed) and more! Come dressed up as your favorite movie character, the best costume will win a fabulous prize!

Registration includes a patch, dinner, and fun activities! You can register right now at this link: https://mycouncil.danbeard.org/Event/11870/Register

Don't miss out! Registration closes on 5/30

We can't wait to see you on the red carpet!

The Summer Fellowship Committee

A Note From The Secretary

If you are planning on attending an event and are aware of this in advance, please do so as soon as you can. By registering early for an event, you remove headaches from the administrative point of view and you make the experience better for yourself by allowing us to have a better grasp of what we can do with how many people will be at an event. In short, please do not wait for the last minute to register for an event.

John-Paul S.

Secretary

Advice column

Do you have lots of wisdom to share with your fellow Arrowman? You can now add it here for a chance to be featured in the Arrow's Path's advice column!

Your advice can fit into any of these four categories:

- Scouting Advice
- Camping Advice
- •Life Hacks
- Goofy Advice

Please keep **all** advice Scouting Appropriate. The Arrow's Path Committee will choose at their discretion what advice makes it into the Arrow's Path and what doesn't.

Submit your advice here: https://forms.gle/4Z77mekgdhwvwq1E7

Here's some of our advice for this month:

The best way to get small kids to help clean up litter is to yell TRASH FLOWER everytime you see trash, pick it up, and inform them of their responsibility to not feed the trash monsters that roam the earth. (Courtesy of Cub World tradition) - Mackenzie S.

Be sure to add your's to be featured next month!

Carry trick birthday candles. Reliable fire starters are worth their weight in gold in the back-country. When you stop for a night of primitive camping, a campfire can provide comfort and security. A good hack to know is that "trick" birthday candles work about as well as any high-tech alternative. These candles are cheap to buy at a grocery store, easy to pack and easy to light in nature. Even when weather conditions go south, they stay lit and can get a fire roaring in seconds. Remember, "trick" is the key word here — they're the ones that can be blown out on a cake and will relight time and time again -Mike B. Troop 114

