

## Ingersoll Buzzing With Fall Lodge Events

Over two Fall weekends, ISR was busy hosting our Section's Red Arrow Rally and our lodge's Fall Fellowship. Two great events!

The RAR brought brothers from five lodges to ISR, with 86 attending in total. It was an all fun/no service weekend, celebrating the good works our lodges do. There was also lots of eating, playing, sliming ... and our own Joey Twardowski was re-elected Section Chief!

At Fall Fellowship, 148 of our own Arrowmen took part, preparing the camp for winter in 770 total hours of service, and inducting 54 Ordeal candidates, recognizing 14 Brotherhoods, and honoring 6 Vigils. Congratulations and thanks to all who served, recognized, and were recognized!

Here's a special shout-out to the Elangomats, who guided each of the Ordeal clans through their weekend. Thank you Keslyn R., Cindy R., Scott R., and Henry R.! Your Ordeals will always remember your service to them, in their first lodge moments.



*Top: Region Chief Terry H. gets slimed by DE Collin M. during the Red Arrow Rally.*

*Above: Rifle range hill gets a Fall Fellowship Ordeal haircut.*

*Left: Evening fun at the newly shorn rifle range at Fall Fellowship.*

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# Letter From the Chief



Hello fellow Arrowmen,

As a lodge, we have had a very productive Fall! I was pleased to be able to see so many in person at Fall Fellowship. Thanks to your hard work, we were able to prepare the camp for Winter. We were also able to induct dozens of new Ordeal members and debut our drum!

We need help on the Lodge Executive Committee, including communications team members (new Ordeals were sent an email about this), as well as youth quartermasters. To learn more, attend an LEC meeting, held the first Sunday of each month. See the calendar on [wq23.org](http://wq23.org) for time and location.

Election season is rapidly approaching, so watch your unit calendars for your election. Better yet, volunteer to help by contacting your Chapter Chief. Our next major event is the Winter Banquet, January 8, 2022, where we can reflect on this past year and recognize a few hard working individuals. I hope to see you there!

Yours in Service,  
Joe Mathews  
Lodge Chief, Wenasa Quenhotan #23

## Duties of a OA Unit Representative

This is a leadership position for a Scout who keeps his/her unit informed of lodge activities and opportunities. Helping out with elections is one job. But so is urging your fellow Scouts to remain active.

To start, remind them to pay OA dues. If you are (or want to be) an OA Unit Rep, please ask to speak to youth and adult Arrowmen, reminding them to register.

Online payment (and paper forms) are on the lodge website, [www.wq23.org](http://www.wq23.org). If you prefer paper, deliver paper forms to the Service Center in Peoria or Bloomington. Call ahead for current COVID-driven hours.

## Why Pay Dues?

- Dues keep our lodge financially strong. The money you pay goes toward many things, including annual recharter fees, inductions, service projects, communication and more.
- Your dues payment keeps you as an active member of the Lodge, which means you can stay involved in all of the opportunities for OA brotherhood, cheerfulness, and service.
- Only dues-paid members will receive emailed/mailed newsletters and other information. **Renew soon, or this may be your last newsletter!**
- You must be a dues-paid member to attend OA events throughout the year, like the Spring and Fall Fellowships, Winter Banquet, OA High Adventures, Section events, OA training and NOAC.
- Remember, you **MUST** be a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America to be in the OA.

## What's Next in the OA for new Ordeals?

First thing – Congratulations! Your fellow Scouts elected you because you're seen as a true Scout. Someone who lives up to Scouting's high ideals. Someone who really enjoys and understands what Scouting is all about.

There is SO MUCH still waiting for you to discover. And there's no better place to dive into it than Jumpstart for new Arrowmen. Go to [www.jumpstart.oa-bsa.org](http://www.jumpstart.oa-bsa.org). Be sure to have your OA Handbook nearby; it will help you log in.

Contact your Chapter Chief (see page 4) for more info. They know about upcoming events and more lodge fun waiting for you.

## Get In On The Fun At NOAC 2022

The time is here to register for the National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) 2022! We are looking for Arrowmen to join our council contingent to NOAC 2022, which is being held at the University of Tennessee from July 25-30, 2022.

Discounted registration ends on December 15 (tell your parents that **registering now saves money**), so be sure to register as soon as possible! Delegate registration is conducted through the lodge, and more information can be found on the lodge website ([www.wq23.org](http://www.wq23.org)) and the NOAC webpage (<https://registration.oa-bsa.org/Event/1144>).



## Golden Kernel Program Now Saves You \$\$\$

Spring Fellowship ... Fall Fellowship ... Winter Banquet. These are the “Big Three” events of our lodge. And if you plan to show your support of our lodge by attending all three, the Golden Kernel program can both pre-register you for these great events, and save you money at the same time.

Our 2022 fees are: \$20 Member Dues, \$20 Winter Banquet, \$25 each for Spring and Fall Fellowship, for a total of \$90. But **if you become a Golden Kernel, you get all of this at a 10% savings** -- only \$81! If you're doing Brotherhood, it will add \$15 to your cost.

If you think that you'll be attending the 2022 Spring and Fall Fellowships, in addition to the Winter Banquet in 2023, go out to [www.wq23.org](http://www.wq23.org) to become a Golden Kernel online or download the paper form.

Not only will you commit to support the lodge's main events, you'll also receive a snazzy uniform pin to show everyone that ...

**... you are a Golden Kernel!**

*Sign up by Spring Fellowship 2022. No transfers or refunds for missed or canceled events.*





# Come Join Us for OA Winter Banquet 2022

With restrictions on gatherings and community events loosening up, the lodge has been able to begin holding in-person events again! We are glad to see that people are coming to in-person events again, such as Red Arrow Rally and Fall Fellowship that just occurred in the past couple months. Being able to return to our normal activities and service to camp has been a great opportunity for everyone. With the return to in-person events, make sure to mark January 8, 2022, on your calendar for this upcoming year's Winter Banquet.

Start 2022 by getting together with your friends at the Lodge Winter Banquet! Here are some tips on how you can make the most of this event:

- Arrive early and mingle with friends during the social time.
- Check out the items up for auction – you just might nab a cool collectible.
- Talk to everyone at your table during dinner; you never know what you'll learn.
- Make plans with at least one friend to reconnect in the following weeks.

Watch the Lodge website, Facebook page and emails for complete event details. Online registration is now open so be sure to sign up!

Winter Banquet  
January 8, 2022  
Time: TBA  
Asmark Center  
14171 Carole Drive  
Bloomington, IL 61705

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# Congratulations to Our 54 New Ordeals

Tristan A.	Troop 912
Nathan A.	Troop 1142
Ron A.	Troop 1142
Balram A.	Troop 88
Anita B.	Troop 333
James B.	Troop 775
Aidan C.	Troop 165
Brenden C.	Troop 775
Ed C.	Troop 1142
Robert C.	Troop 50
Chancellor D.	Troop 1
Fischer D.	Troop 200
Keegan F.	Troop 1053
Hunter F.	Troop 163
Kayla G.	Troop 1957
Jax G.	Troop 1056
Alexander G.	Troop 912
Seth G.	Troop 91
Will H.	Troop 903
Chloe H.	Crew 4242
Mary H.	Crew 4242
Tanner H.	Troop 903
Ginger H.	Troop 912
Nathaniel J.	Troop 1055
Paul J.	Troop 178
Xander J.	Troop 799
Benjamin K.	Troop 920
Mitchell L.	Troop 957
Nicholas L.	Troop 903
Chris L.	Troop 18
Jonathan L.	Troop 18
Alexander M.	Troop 18
Donovan M.	Troop 1055
Luke M.	Troop 1055
Barbara M.	Troop 957
Larry N.	Troop 50
Aiden N.	Troop 2019
Joseph N.	Troop 91
Samuel P.	Troop 822
Issac P.	Troop 1122
Aubrianna P.	Troop 10
Robert R.	Troop 957
Brandon R.	Troop 920
Logan R.	Troop 140
Mason R.	Troop 123
Carson S.	Troop 88
Trey S.	Troop 1
James S.	Troop 822
Robert S.	Troop 163
Matthew S.	Troop 50
Stephen S.	Troop 1102
Benjamin S.	Troop 799
John T.	Troop 627
Augustus U.	Troop 352

## When Am I Eligible for Brotherhood?

Good question! We hope all who complete their Ordeal will also consider advancing to Brotherhood to gain a deeper understanding of the purpose of the Order of the Arrow within Scouting.

To become a Brotherhood member, you must fulfill the following requirements:

- Six months of service to your unit as an Ordeal member.
- Registered, active membership in Scouting.
- Registered, active membership within Wenasa Quenhotan Lodge

Brotherhood also includes an awesome, updated sash! If you will be eligible at our next fellowship, be sure to register for YOUR Brotherhood!





# Service to Our Camp, Fun Times at Fall Fellowship



*Top left and above: Lodge Ceremonies teams at work, inducting new brothers. Three images at right: Ordeal and general member work crews clear the camp of tornado debris and damage, prepare other areas for summer camp 2022.*

## 14 Brotherhoods Elevate Their OA Memberships

Congratulations to these Brothers, who actively chose to deepen their ties to our lodge. We salute you!

Munkhbat C.	Troop 40
Christopher F.	Troop 40
Paige H.	Troop 1091
Nicholas H.	Troop 903
Brad J.	Troop 178
Benjamin J.	Troop 40
Josh L.	Troop 912
James M.	Troop 1093
Roman M.	Troop 1093
Alexander M.	Troop 1093
Kris R.	Troop 206
Gavin T.	Troop 178
Logan T.	Troop 799
Shawn W.	Troop 352

## Vigil Honors Bestowed Upon Six Worthy Brothers

Top-shelf Arrowmen earned our top-shelf honor, and deservedly so! When you see them, congratulate: Joe M., Jeff G., Anthony R., Joey T., Ethan T., and Jacob N. They kept their Vigil and returned to the dining hall proudly showing their new sashes and Vigil Certificates (Shown with Recognitions Chair, Owen J., center).



# Meet Your LEC (Lodge Executive Committee)

We recently asked LEC member Elliot Mullett to take a few moments to talk to *The Arrow*.

**Arrow:** What is your home troop and rank?

**Mullett:** I am from Troop 86 out of Mackinaw, I am currently a Life Scout.

**Arrow:** What is your current position on the LEC and what do you do? **Mullett:** I am currently the Wotamalo chapter chief. I answer any questions related to OA and I hold elections for potential Ordeal candidates.

**Arrow:** Do you have any projects you are currently working on or goals for the future of the lodge? **Mullett:** I am currently working on my Eagle Scout project which is a Gaga Pit at my local park. With helping the lodge, I am in the kitchen most of the time at events and can be found around the dining hall.

**Arrow:** What is your favorite, or funniest scouting memory? **Mullett:** My funniest memory from scouts is when my brother, unknown to anybody but the scout leaders, threw some poison ivy into a fire and we had to run away from it because of him.



## EVERYONE Should Access the OA Member Portal

What is the OA member portal? It is a great way for you to stay connected with the lodge! The portal lets you contact the lodge, update contact information, and stay current on events and announcements. **Many emails / mailings we send are returned; please confirm that your contact info is accurate in the portal ASAP.**

Current members should have already received an email about connecting to the portal. If you did but did not register, or you are a new member needing access, don't worry! Emails will be sent out soon so

you can get connected and stay informed. So be sure to look out for an email soon with instructions on how to connect to the portal!

**Also keep in mind, only members aged 14+ will get an invite to the member portal!**

## Broken Arrows

With reverent affection, we remember two Arrowmen we lost in 2021. If you know of others, please contact us at [admin@wq23.org](mailto:admin@wq23.org).

**Chase Morgan - August 14**  
**John Atteberry - September 9**







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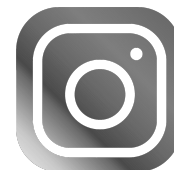
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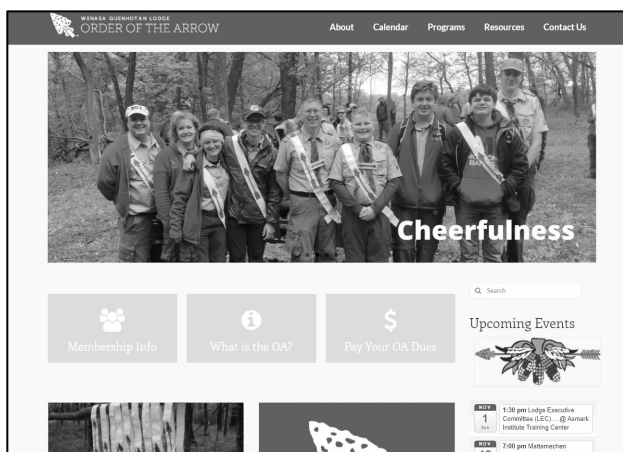


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