

Fall Fellowship Finds Fun, Friendly Faces

Our Fall Fellowship was blessed with clear, sunny days and cool, crisp nights - perfect weather for cheerful service! Together, 187 Arrowmen combined to give our camp more than 1,000 hours of combined service.

Kudos to those who came out in service, were recognized (see lists inside), and contributed to the hum of happy voices and laughter we heard all weekend long!

See more Fall Fellowship photos inside.



Our Ceremonies Team prepares (above), boat house winter prep (below), Welcome Orientation at the Centennial Chapel.



Farewell, But Not Goodbye



Arrowmen,

I was recently elected the Section G8 Chief, meaning that I will - unfortunately - no longer be able to be the Lodge Chief.

The time I have had while being Lodge Chief was one of the best experiences of my life and I want to thank you for giving me this opportunity. While being Lodge Chief, I have witnessed all of you thrive and grow as individuals to become the people you are today, and I could not be more proud.

Over these past years, Wenasa Quenhotan has given me a place of belonging and brotherhood, and I love our lodge dearly. Even though I can no longer be Lodge Chief I plan to stick around and see you all at Fellowships and OA events.

Yours in Service,
Olivia Tharp
Former Lodge Chief, Wenasa Quenhotan #23

Every Member Requested to Take 5 in the Member Portal

You have a record in the Member Portal of Lodgemaster and the info there is your official record with the lodge – even if it is wrong!

Please take 5 minutes (honestly, it doesn't take more) to review your record. Email admin@wq23.org for a new MP invitation; **confirm the email** the invite should go to. Then log into portal.oa-bsa.org/ and click on **Update Your Profile**. Look over your contact info and make sure it is both **accurate** and **complete**. This saves your lodge time and money when we need to contact you. Under 14's not eligible for MP. Thanks!

What's the Big Deal About Dues?

- Your dues payment keeps you as an active member of the Lodge, which means you can stay involved in all of the opportunities in the OA (NOAC, OAHA, etc.).
- Dues keep our lodge financially strong. The money you pay goes toward many things, including annual inductions, service projects, communication and more.
- Only dues-paid members will receive emailed/mailed newsletters and other information. **Renew soon, or this may be your last newsletter!**
- You'll be eligible for the Vigil Honor. Many years, some nominations are **declined due to membership lapse!**

Online payment (and paper forms) are on the lodge website, www.wq23.org. If you prefer paper forms, download them from the website and deliver to the Service Center in Peoria or Bloomington. If you are going to hand-deliver the form, call ahead for current hours.

68 New Brothers Complete Ordeal at Fellowship

High fives to our newest Brothers!

William A. - Troop 40
Mia A. - Troop 1627
Calvin A. - Troop 1102
Alex B. - Troop 1142
Logan B. - Troop 920
Joey B. - Troop 1122
Jared B. - Troop 957
Josh B. - Troop 957
Sam B. - Troop 40
Brendan B. - Crew 2142
Isaac B. - Troop 352
Sara C. - Troop 5050
Max C. - Troop 178
Caleb C. - Troop 52
JC C. - Troop 957
Bryce F. - Troop 74
Franklin F. - Troop 957
Mollie F. - Troop 1178
Patricia F. - Troop 1178
Sean G. - Troop 225
Sean G. - Troop 919
Chase G. - Troop 627
Avery G. - Troop 225
Rebecca H. - Troop 2206
Katie H. - Troop 8888
Nickolaus H. - Troop 903
Parker H. - Troop 2019
Kash H. - Troop 956
Zeke H. - Troop 876
Quin H. - Troop 912
Gavin J. - Crew 2142
Grace J. - Troop 1091

Tonya J. - Troop 876
Darren K. - Troop 1102
Gwyn K. - Troop 5050
Jacob L. - Troop 28
Jack L. - Troop 200
Matthew L. - Troop 84
Alexander L. - Troop 206
Mary Katherine L. - Troop 1091
Shrinik M. - Troop 40
Benny M. - Troop 88
Quinn M. - Troop 200
Theo M. - Troop 2019
Eric M. - Troop 178
Hayden M. - Troop 1122
Karen P. - Troop 1178
Lauren P. - Troop 1178
Bridget P. - Troop 8888
Owen P. - Troop 1122
Ariana R. - Troop 9903
Neva R. - Council 138
Ethan S. - Troop 163
Ella S. - Troop 1091
Drake S. - Troop 178
Haden S. - Troop 1402
Makayla S. - Troop 91
Malachi S. - Troop 91
Ryan S. - Troop 178
Geffen S. - Troop 957
Kevin S. - Troop 200
Kyle S. - Troop 200
Billy S. - Troop 799
Julian S. - Troop 28
Dylan T. - Troop 799
Keaton W. - Troop 69
Lexi W. - Troop 1957
Grant W. - Troop 86

Congratulations on Completing Your Ordeal, but ...

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



There is SO MUCH still waiting for you to discover. Find it at Jumpstart.

Go to <https://oa-bsa.org/jumpstart>. Have your OA Handbook nearby; it will help you log in.

Contact your Chapter Chief (see page 4) for more info. They can let you know of upcoming events and more fun you can have in our Lodge.



Notes from NOAC

Over 6,500 Arrowment gathered at the University of Tennessee for the first in person NOAC in 4 years. Members of our Lodge had the opportunity to make many new friends, experience incredible shows every night, learn tons of things at training sessions over almost anything they were interested in, and have tons of fun participating in activities like shooting, climbing, go karts, mountain biking, and more!

Section Red Arrow Rally in review

Red Arrow Rally was a success! Members of Wenasa Quenhotan had a great time at Ingawanis Adventure Base in Waverly, Iowa participating in activities such as climbing, tomahawk throwing, archery, and more. Lodge members also had a fun time in training sessions going over OA high adventure, etiquette, bee keeping, and other great sessions!

Big congratulations to Olivia T. for getting elected as the new G8 Section Chief! Also congrats to Ben J. for being Elected Section Vice-Chief.



The next NOAC will be in 2024 and will be a great experience for anyone interested in having a great time where they will make lifelong memories and friends at an event like no other!

Here Are Your Lodge Officers and How to Contact Them

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Lodge Executive Committee Leader Changes

At Fall Fellowship, Ben R. was appointed and confirmed as our new Lodge Chief; Sophia M. succeeded him as Vice Chief, Administration. These positions are valid through Spring Fellowship. Congratulations to these youth leaders as they take our lodge forward!

Tasty Days at Summer Camp



Summer camp was a great time at ISR this summer! Everyone had the chance to watch the call out ceremony and we had many new Ordeal candidates get called out who then have had the opportunity at Fall Fellowship to complete their Ordeal.

Current Lodge members had a fun time at our ice cream socials held once a week. We had a great time playing board games and eating ice cream. Ice cream socials are a great way to meet more people that are members of Wenasa Quenhotan during summer camp. If you were at camp, but missed these events, be sure to come to future ice cream socials next summer!

Upcoming Events

Here is a list of of the upcoming lodge events that will be happening in 2023.

Winter Banquet: Saturday, January 7, 2023

Spring Fellowship: Friday, April 28 - 30, 2023

Please go to wq23.org and visit the calendar to find more information about these events and to sign up. As always, questions can be emailed to admin@wq23.org.



Fall Fellowship projects involved moving mountains of mulch, readying several buildings for winter camping, and prepping campsites in many ways.



Brotherhood Gains 16 New Members

The next time you see these Brothers, slap 'em on the back - they sealed their Brotherhood!

Joe A. - Troop 912
Bret A. - Troop 1102
Soren A. - Troop 1102
Keith B. - Troop 40
Logan C. - Troop 1402
Patrick H. - Troop 206
Allison H. - Troop 1957
Michael H. - Troop 1957
Jonathan K. - Troop 919
Nick K. - Troop 919
Kristopher L. - Troop 74
Zane M. - Troop 178
Riley S. - Troop 1102
Stephen S. - Troop 1102
David S. - Troop 165
Ben S. - Troop 799

Youth: Win Free Lodge Membership

Three youth attending our Winter Banquet could win free lodge dues for 2023! Save yourself/your parents the cash! If winners' dues are already paid (even Golden Kernels), you will receive \$20 credit at the OA Trading Post. LEC members are ineligible. Event fees are not included.

First and foremost, join us to recognize the latest recipients of the Founders Award and Lodge Service Award,. Get the latest updates from your LEC and Section leaders. Find out how everyone's holidays went. Then top it all off with a terrific meal ... and perhaps a free year in the OA!

January 7, 2023

Asmark Institute Training Center

14171 Carole Drive
Bloomington, Ill. 61705

Exact hours to come - watch FB / your email.

Important Golden Kernel Information



The 2023 Golden Kernel program will be a calendar-year program, running from Winter Banquet through Fall Fellowship, rather than Spring Fellowship to Winter Banquet, which did not match the dues year.

If you were a GK in 2022, Mr. Pritts has already emailed you with an amount due to renew for 2023. Pay at a scout office, telling them it is for GK. Or mail your payment to Mr. Pritts (for the address or to confirm your amount owed, email admin@wq23.org).

Golden Kernel is a program to pay your dues and all lodge event registrations in advance at a discount. Contact Mr. Pritts for details.

4 Added to Vigil Roll

Outstanding service to our lodge is what makes a Vigil member. Here are the four new names added to this list, honored at our Fall Fellowship. Please congratulate (from L) Nick Z., Tommy T., Jo L., Matt L. the next time you see them. Well deserved honors!



National Chief Tim Reiss comes to ISR

There are four national level positions for youth in the Order of the Arrow. These include National Chief, National Vice-Chief, Gateway Region Chief, and Eastern Region Chief. The current national officers are Tim Reiss (National Chief), Steven Buer (National Vice-Chief), Dirk Smelser (Gateway Region Chief), and Alex Pillis (Eastern Region Chief). Tim Reiss had the opportunity to come to ISR this summer and had a great time.

Coming on Wednesday of week 4, Tim came with former Central Region Chief Terry Hendrix who is from Wenasa Quenhotan Lodge. Tim came and hung out by Lake Roberts until he came up the hill for dinner. Tim enjoyed a meal from the ISR dining hall. Afterward, Tim went with Terry to watch some GAGA Ball. They were invested in the tournament with chants for the campers during the winners vs. CIT GAGA ball game. This is where the winning team from the tournament plays a team of CITs on ISR staff. The chanting paid off when the Campers managed to pull off an upset, winning with the help of a strong fan section in the stands.

Tim prepared for flags where he joined Terry Hendrix, Section Chief Joey Twardowski, and Lodge Chief Olivia Tharp in doing flags for the camp. Tim watched the call out ceremony and afterward spoke to ceremonialists and other staff members before heading to bed. Early the next morning, Tim joined Terry on a walk to Paul Bunyan Logger camp. Tim learned all about Logger ball and did his best to win but ultimately failed to the well-practiced Loggers who are experts in the game. Tim ate a pancake and tried out the various activities at Paul Bunyan Logger camp such as tomahawk throwing, kubb, cat and moose, and more.

It's not often a National Chief comes to ISR but Tim definitely had a great time at ISR!





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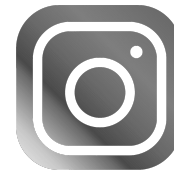
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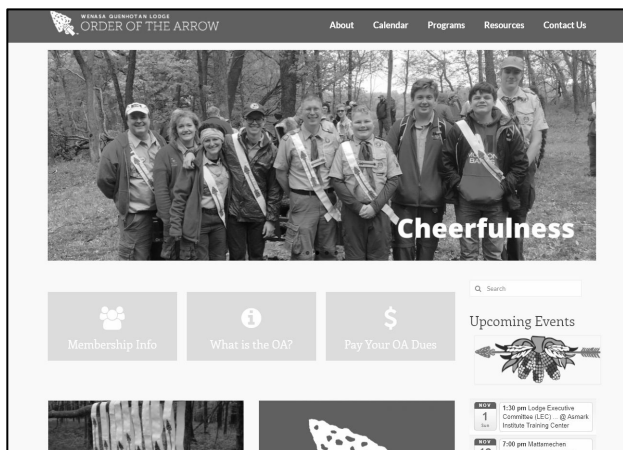


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