Summer 2014

ASHOKWAHTA TEHTAS

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Words from the Chief

Hello!

I'm Joe Madejski and I am the new lodge chief of Ashokwahta 339. I've acted as SPL, ASPL, and scribe in my home troop, 164 in Albion NY. I went through the NLS seminar, and am serving as a CIT this summer at camp Dittmer. I am thoroughly excited to be lodge chief this year and I am hoping for a great one as well!

Thanks

Dear Brothers,

I am Will Woodman and I am your 1st Vice Chief for this term. I come from Middleport and just served as the treasurer of our lodge. I also serve in our ceremonies team. I have been an active member of our lodge since I joined it in 2011, attending nearly all of the LEC meetings, and always helping out where need be.

As Vice Chief, I will first of all, assist Joe whenever need be, and be prepared to fulfill his duties, should he be unable to attend any given lodge function. I will also fulfill my duty to oversee and direct all aspects of the induction process, such as ceremonies. A personal goal of mine that our Chief shares with me is the desire to do more fun activities at lodge functions.

Let's have a great year and I look forward to serving you.

Sincerely, Will Woodman



Lodge Adviser's Minute

Well summer is finally here. Hopefully most everyone in the lodge is at camp doing one thing or another, either as a camper, staff or as a volunteer just helping out. Because of summer camp there will not be a July LEC meeting, the next meeting will be August 20th. This will be the second meeting for the new lodge officers. The first meeting went very well, with a few important items being ironed out. We need to encourage these new officers and give them help when ever they need it as they take over the reins running the lodge.

The fall weekend is coming up right around the corner. The registration form is available online on the council website as a fillable form that can be emailed in. As you fill out your registration form, please be sure to fill in all of the information so that we can verify that all of your records are correct. We have found some simple mistakes like incorrect birthdates and email addresses, we don't want your information to be incorrect.

Also, we will be auditing our membership through the BSA computer system after the Fall weekend, so be sure to included your BSA number or you will automatically be listed as not a member of the BSA, which also makes you ineligible to be a member of the lodge, and we don't want to lose anybody as a member just because they did not provide us with their BSA number.



Calendar of upcoming Events				
Aug 20 th	LEC meeting	Batavia Office		
Aug 31 st	Ceremony Practice	First Presbyterian Church		
Sept 5th	Fall Weekend	Camp Dittmer		
Sept 17th	LEC meeting	Batavia Office		
Sept 28th	Ceremony Practice	First Presbyterian Church		
Oct 11th	Taste of Scouting	Camp Sam Wood		
Oct 15th	LEC meeting	Batavia Office		
Oct 26th	Ceremony Practice	First Presbyterian Church		
Oct–TBD	Fall COC Meeting	Camp Woodland		
Nov 19th	LEC meeting	Batavia Office		
Nov 30th	Ceremony Practice	First Presbyterian Church		
Dec 17th	LEC meeting	Batavia Office		
Dec 28th	Ceremony Practice	First Presbyterian Church		
May 29th, 15	Section Conclave	Camp Woodland		
Aug 3rd, 15	NOAC	Michigan State University		

Mailing List and Dues Payment

During the past several years we have diligently attempted to bring the mailing list of OA Members into line. Members who have not paid, as per the guidelines of the Ashokwahta Lodge, have been dropped from the mailing list. Those members no longer current with Lodge dues were considered inactive. Payment of the 2014 dues will bring into line those members who have not remained current in dues — \$8.00 per year. The first line of your mailing label indicates the year your dues are paid through. Those showing 2013 will be dropped at the end of the year.

<u>Reminder</u> : If a fellow Arrowman tells you they are not receiving the newsletter, please have them update their home address by calling Judy Anderson at the Batavia office.

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I understand that participation in Scouting activities involves a certain degree of risk and can be physically, mentally, and emotionally demanding. I have carefully considered the risk involved and have given consent for myself or my child to participate in this activity. I
also understand that participation in this activity is entirely voluntary and requires participants to abide by applicable rules and
standards of conduct. I release the Boy Scouts of America, the local council, the activity coordinators, and all employees, volunteers, related parties, or other organizations associated with the activity from any and all claims or liability arising out of this participation.
In case of emergency involving my child, I understand every effort will be made to contact me. In the event I cannot be reached, I
hereby give my permission to the medical provider selected by the adult leader in charge to secure proper treatment, including hospitalization, anesthesia, surgery, or injections of medication for my child. Medical providers are authorized to disclose to the adult
in charge examination findings, test results, and treatment provided for purposes of medical evaluation of the participant, follow-up
and communication with the participant's parents or guardian, and/or determination of the participant's ability to continue in the

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Hello everyone, my name is Tyler Davis, otherwise known as "Patches", and I am serving this 2014-2015 year as one of our lodge Vice-Chiefs. I am a sophomore at Caledonia Mumford High School, and play tennis in the spring .I joined our lodge in 2012, I am a brotherhood member, have been to NLS, been one of our lodge's buglers at the fellowship weekends, and served from 2013-2014 as one of our lodge's co-ceremonies chairman. I also have been serving as the section CVC of Native American Affairs since 2013.

I am currently the Senior Patrol Leader in Troop 4027, and am actively working on my Eagle Scout Project. I joined Cub Scouts when I was six years old and have loved being a boy scout since. I have enjoyed being an active member of Ashokwahta 339 and I will continue to put all my effort into creating a fun and exciting year preparing our lodge for NOAC

Dear lodge brothers,

Our lodge's ceremonies team did a great job at the Spring weekend and got 2nd place in the ceremonies competition at Conclave 2014! Our ceremonialists did a great job not only getting 2nd place but by representing the lodge. The ceremonies team is a group of brothers who perform the Brotherhood and Ordeal ceremonies for our lodge. We hold monthly ceremonies practices on the last Sunday of every month where we go through lines, assign parts, fix regalia (If needed), and have fun. If you are interested in joining or participating in ceremonies you can contact either Alex Kieffer or I at <u>339cere-</u> <u>monies@gmail.com</u> or at our next lodge meeting.

Our next ceremonies practice is 1-4 on August 31, 2014 at the First Presbyterian Church where Liberty St. meets E. Main St.

Yours in Cheerful Service,

What's the scoop on a white-on-red Order of the Arrow sash?

Posted on June 16, 2014 in Ask the Expert, Order of the Arrow

As if you needed another reason to attend NOAC next summer.

You know the National Order of the Arrow Conference is the OA's signature event. You know 2015 is the Order of the Arrow's 100th Anniversary. Right there you've got two incredible reasons to attend on Aug. 3-8, 2015, at Michigan State University in East Lansing, Mich.

Here's reason No. 3 (of about 10,000): Each NOAC participant will get a special-edition red sash. That's a sash with a white arrow on a red band or the reverse of what Arrowmen typically wear (seen below).

Scouter Craig Fosburg heard rumors about this sash and contacted me for details. I passed his question along to the expert. Matthew Dukeman, associate director of the Order of the Arrow, provided the official response:

The sash is only available to those who attend NOAC 2015. Full info on the red sash can be found at:.



www.oa-bsa.org/pages/content/special-edition-sash



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Section NE3A Conclave

Conclave 2014 rocked! The theme for this year was "A Storm is Brewing". Conclave was held at the beautiful Camp Scout Haven near Freedom, NY hosted by Ho-De-No-Sau-Nee lodge. I went to all of the COCs in preparation for conclave as a CVC. To see where we started and to see where we ended, it truly is phenomenal. The weekend started with everyone setting up camp and moving down to the arena to watch the Welcome to Conclave Show. Wesley Ebersole, Jacob Eggleston, and I were involved in the Friday and Saturday night shows. The next day the lodge participated in the gold and silver arrow competitions. Multiple training sessions were offered from pyrotechnics to Native Dance. Later that night the pie eating contest was held and our own Alex Kieffer won the contest! Also later the section officer elections were held and Dominic Matthews from TKäen DoD was elected as Section Chief with Forrest Gertin from Tschipey Achtu as Vice. No secretary was elected yet. The patch auction was held later that night with Ashokwahta CVC of special section events Dominic Brown in charge with Wesley Ebersole as the auctioneer. Sunday morning conclave concluded with awards with our ceremonies team getting 2nd place in the competition. Overall conclave 2014 was a fun memorable conclave for all who attended.

Hello I am Jacob Dawson and I have been elected as your new secretary for the lodge. I live in North Tonawanda and am part of Troop 8 in Cambria. I have gone to almost all the campouts since I joined in 2011 and have attended as many LEC meetings as my schedule has allowed. I also help out with the ceremonies team. I plan to keep accurate records for the LEC meetings about plans for upcoming events and campouts and will help in whatever other ways I can to assist the lodge Chief and Vice Chief.

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