

Ashokwahta Lodge #339

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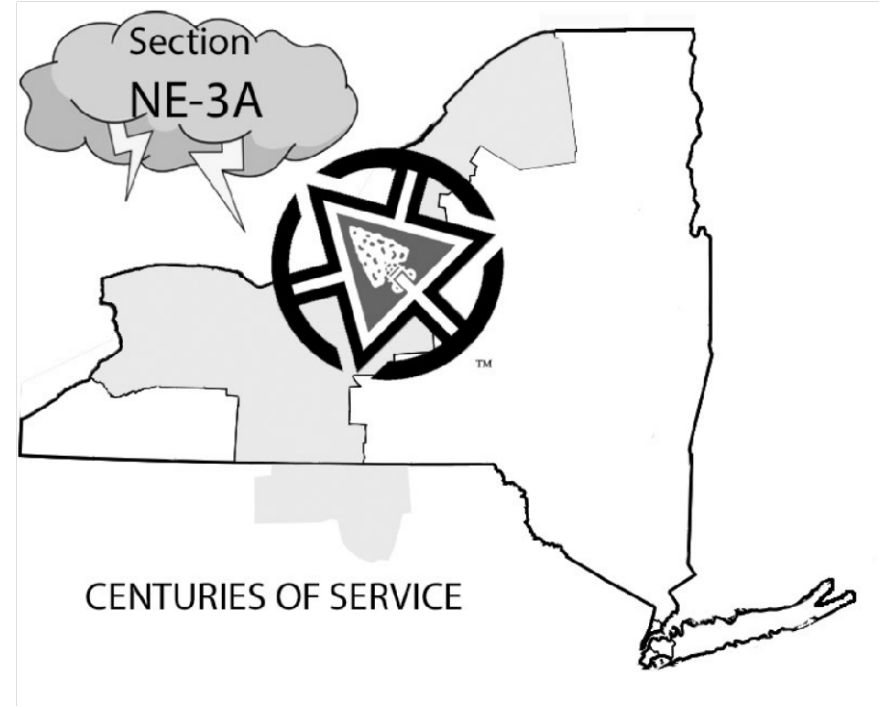


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ASHOKWAHTA TEHTAS

Spring 2015



NE3A Conclave
May 29-31-2015
Camp Woodland

Spring Weekend
Camp Sam Wood
May 15-17, 2015

Hello

Thank you all for being devoted members of Ashokwahta 339. These coming months are going to be loads of fun.

Some upcoming events:

Our annual spring weekend is coming up on May 15-17 at camp Sam Wood. This year's Conclave, which is going to be amazing, is May 29th-31st at Camp Woodland near Syracuse. It is the epic finale to our 2-year theme, and will be truly amazing.

NOAC is coming this summer: August 3rd to the 8th at Michigan University.

I thoroughly look forward to seeing all of you at our next LEC and upcoming events.

If you need to contact me, my e-mail is joemadejski@gmail.com. Feel free to ask me a question and I will reply as quickly as I can.

YIS

Joe Madejski

Lodge Chief



**ASHOKWAHTA LODGE 339
1995-2015**

Dear Brothers,

The annual Winter Klondike took place in January at Genesee County Park and it was a good one. A lot of troops attended and the competition was fierce. The theme was the "Amazing Klondike Race." The events were placed all around the park and each one had an interesting story to the activity. The competition was based on time, team work and scout spirit. Once you finished one challenge it was off to the next. Teams/Patrols had homemade sleds that went everywhere they did. Inside the sled were items for survival such as water, rope, fire supplies and extra warm clothes. One member had to sit inside the sled and wear a helmet between each event. Lunch was a hit with a big pot of various chicken soups, Hot dogs, Granola bars and fruits. The Derby was organized by Troop 6017 and a big thanks goes out to them for it. Who's excited for Klondike 2016!?

Yours in Brotherhood,

Joshua Mullen, Troop 6066





The online registration is open. It can be found by going to <http://www.ne3a.org/conclave>. There is no other way to register. It must be done online and with a credit or debit card. All payments go directly to the section, and our Lodge nor Council has anything to do with it. We can't help with the process.

There are 3 sites you may visit on the section website. The first is the conclave registration site. There is also a site for purchasing merchandise for the conclave, the third site is to purchase section NOAC patches. You may print the form and pay for these patches at the office before April 10th.



Winter Banquet:

Hello Again!

This is Spencer Cottman, and I had the honor of being the Master of Ceremonies at this year's winter banquet. We had a good turnout, despite the weather's best efforts, and everyone had a good time! We had a couple special guests from section this year, Kyle Piper and (whatever the other guy's name is, I keep forgetting...), and they also had a great time at the banquet. The food was great and all reports from our lodge chief and supreme chief of the fire indicate that we are one of the best lodges in the section and we are only getting better! 2014 seemed like a great year, so let's have the winter banquet be the kickoff for an even better 2015!

Yours in service
Spencer Cottman

Calendar of upcoming Events

March 18th, 2015	Lodge meeting	Batavia Office
March 29th, 2015	Ceremony Practice	1st Presbyterian Church
April		
April 11, 2015	Section Train the Trainer	Camp Babcock Hovey
April 12, 2015	Section COC	Camp Babcock Hovey
April 15th, 2015	Lodge Meeting	Batavia Office
April 15th, 2015	NOAC patch orders due to section	
April 17-19, 2015	NLS	Camp Guyasuta,
April 25th, 2015	Election forms due in the office	
April 26th, 2015	Ceremonies Practice	1st Presbyterian Church
April 30th, 2015	Regular Registration for Conclave closes	
April 30th, 2015	Merchandise orders must be in for Conclave	

May

May 3, 2015	Section Conference Call	
May 7th, 2015	Late Conclave Registration (new inductees) closes	
May 8, 2015	Spring Weekend Registration Due	
May 9th, 2015	University of Scouting	GCC
May 15-17, 2015	Spring Induction Weekend	Camp Sam Wood
May 20, 2015	Lodge Meeting	Batavia Office
May 29-31, 2015	NE3A Conclave	Camp Woodland

June

June 17, 2015	Lodge Meeting	Batavia Office
June 30, 2015	Arrow Tour	Camp Woodland
July 1, 2015	Arrow Tour	Camp Babcock Hovey
August 3-8, 2015	NOAC	Michigan State University
August 19, 2015	Lodge Meeting	Batavia Office
Sept 4, 2015	Fall Weekend Registrations due	
Sept 11-13, 2015	Fall Weekend	Camp Dittmer

Lodge meetings are held at the Batavia Service Center, located at 45 Liberty Street in Batavia (side door). This meeting is for Lodge Officers, Troop Representatives, and any interested youth members.

LEC meetings begin at 7 P.M. and end around 8:30 PM.

On the next page there are rules for earning the Arrowman Service Award. The top is for Youth and the bottom is for Adults. They are similar but not exactly alike. There will be copies of the actual forms available at the lodge meetings and at the spring weekend registration table. You have until the end of the year to fill them out and turn back in to the lodge leadership. The lodge will purchase patches for all who complete them.

Elections:

Hello fellow brothers,

My name is Spencer Cottman and for the second year in a row, I am your elections chair for this upcoming season. I'm very excited to induct some new members into our lodge, but I need your help! We already have a good team for this year but anyone who is willing to help the elections team help will only make this election season better! If you have ANY interest in helping out, don't be afraid to email me at stcottman@yahoo.com or you can even show up to our monthly LEC meetings at the Batavia scout office and speak to me in person.

Yours in service,

Spencer Cottman

NATIONAL LEADERSHIP SEMINAR

Pittsburgh, Penn. April 17-19, 2015

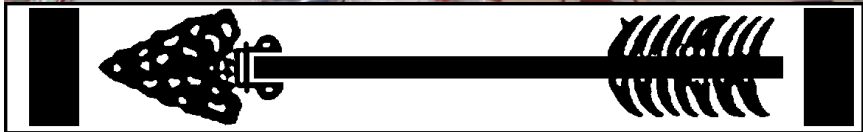
Open to all youth who are considering being an officer

Ashokwahta lodge pays the registration fee for those going.

If you are a youth officer that is interested in going, we need to know by March 18th.

Contact Mr. Schmidt at headchef339@yahoo.com or 585-356-7692 Or Lodge Chief Joe Madejski at joemadejski@gmail.com

Election of new officers for the coming year will take place at the Spring Weekend. If you are interested in running for any of the Officer Positions, you need to turn in a filled out form signed by your unit leader. The lodge officer nomination form can be downloaded off the Council Website or picked up at a lodge meeting. It needs to be brought with you to the weekend if not turned in ahead of time. New Ordeal members are not eligible run as the election will be held before they are members.



The top of your mailing address listed the latest year that your dues are paid for. The policy for Ashokwahta lodge is that you are considered active even if you're a year behind in dues. Anyone that is more than one year behind will be dropped at the end of the year. So if your label says 2013, your must pay up or be dropped at the end of the next re-chartering. If you are more then 1 year behind, you only need to pay 1 back year and the current year to be up to date again. If you wish to take brotherhood or attend any of the sectional and regional events, you need to be paid up to date on dues. . That means paid for 2015. Look at your dues date, and plan accordingly.

ARROWMAN SERVICE AWARD: PROGRESS TRACKER Initial _____

- Registered and in good standing in the BSA, the local council, and the Order of the Arrow lodge. _____
- Complete requirements from each of the three categories below (**bold denotes required items**)

<p>PERSONAL GROWTH (complete two total)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be or attain Brotherhood membership (if eligible) _____ • Be an Eagle Scout, Sea Scout Quartermaster, Venturing Silver/Summit award recipient; or advance one Boy Scout or Sea Scout rank or Venturing award level _____ • Participate in or staff a BSA youth leadership training course ² _____ • Earn a STEM Nova or Hornaday award _____ • Participate in an OA High Adventure program or attend a BSA High Adventure Base with your unit _____ <p>SCOUT SERVICE (complete two total)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contribute 25 hours of BSA organized (e.g., "in uniform") service benefiting the local community, the local BSA council or camp, or public lands (i.e. a National Forest or Park) _____ • Serve as a chapter or lodge chairman or officer for a minimum of six months _____ • Participate as a ceremonial principal in a Pre-Ordeal, Ordeal, Brotherhood, or Vigil ceremony _____ • Serve on staff of a council camp or national BSA High Adventure Base _____ • Serve in a unit leadership position for a minimum of six months _____ 	<p>100TH ANNIVERSARY EVENTS (complete two total)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contribute a 100th anniversary related picture with the hashtag #OA100 OR contribute to your lodge's centennial history book _____ • Attend your section's 100th anniversary conclave _____ • Attend your lodge's sponsored 100th event _____ • Attend an ArrowTour event _____ • Attend the 2015 NOAC _____ <p><small>¹Arrowmen who were inducted as an Ordeal member after January 1st, 2015 are exempt from this requirement and need to complete only one requirement in Personal Growth.</small></p> <p><small>²Suggested courses include National Youth Leadership Training, National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience, ILST, National Leadership Seminar, Powder Horn, Kodiak Challenge. Youth Arrowmen over 18 years of age should complete an Adult BSA training course such as Wood Badge, IOLS, or University of Scouting. For a full list of non-Youth Protection, position-specific courses, please visit www.scouting.org/training. Youth Protection training does not qualify.</small></p>
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REV. 10/20/14

ARROWMAN SERVICE AWARD: PROGRESS TRACKER Initial _____

- Registered and in good standing in the BSA, the local council, and the Order of the Arrow lodge. _____
- Complete requirements from each of the three categories below (**bold denotes required items**)

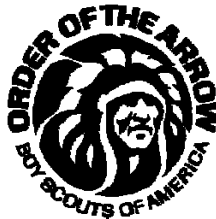
<p>PERSONAL GROWTH (complete two total)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be or attain Brotherhood membership (if eligible) _____ • Participate in or staff a BSA youth leadership training course ² _____ • Attend a council long-term camp or a BSA high adventure program as a unit leader or crew adviser _____ • Recruit a new or currently inactive Scouter to serve as a registered BSA volunteer _____ <p>SCOUT SERVICE (complete two total)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contribute 25 hours of BSA organized (e.g., "in uniform") service benefiting the local community, the local BSA council or camp, or public lands (i.e. a National Forest or Park) _____ • Serve on staff of a council camp or national BSA High Adventure Base _____ • Support a youth chapter/lodge officer or chairman in an adviser or associate adviser capacity for a minimum of six months _____ • Serve as an active Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity Team, or Venturing unit volunteer (including Unit Committee) for a minimum of six months _____ • Serve on a district/council committee or in a district/council role for a minimum of six months _____ • Provide a campership for at least 2 Scouts or Venturers to attend a council summer camp or BSA High Adventure program _____ 	<p>100TH ANNIVERSARY EVENTS (complete two total)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contribute a 100th anniversary related picture with the hashtag #OA100 OR contribute to your lodge's centennial history book _____ • Attend your section's 100th anniversary conclave _____ • Attend your lodge's sponsored 100th event _____ • Attend an ArrowTour event _____ • Attend the 2015 NOAC _____ <p><small>¹Arrowmen who were inducted as an Ordeal member after January 1st, 2015 are exempt from this requirement and need to complete only one requirement in Personal Growth.</small></p> <p><small>²Youth Protection training does not qualify. Suggested courses include Wood Badge, IOLS, University of Scouting, National Lodge Adviser Training Seminar, OA Advisers' Training at Philmont. For a full list of non-Youth Protection, position-specific courses, please visit www.scouting.org/training.</small></p>
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REV. 2/13/15

Attention Brothers,

The Spring Fellowship weekend is from May 15th to the 17th. In previous years, people were asked to be Elangomats a few days before the weekend or the day of it. For those who are not sure what an Elangomat is, they are the leader of a group of Ordeal Candidates during the weekend. This year we are asking for them a few weeks ahead of time so we can inform them of what the expectations and responsibilities of the job are. Since I am the current Ordeal Master of the lodge, I am responsible for finding people to be Elangomats. If you are interested in being one, please contact me by phone at 585-813-7273(Call or Text), by email at joshuavmullen7@yahoo.com, or at a LEC meeting. To the Ordeal members of the lodge who want to take the next step into Brotherhood, this is an opportunity to step up and become a leader in the lodge and reflect on why you want to further your commitment to it.

Thank you,
Joshua Mullen



As of today, we have 17 youth slots and 6 Adult slots for NOAC at MSU tis summer. We have had a couple youth back out at this point so we are looking to create a waiting list for youth that would like to go. We already have several Adults on a waiting list. So if you are a youth (under 21 till end of August) contact Mr. McMullen or Mr. Schmidt and talk to them about going. We have 1 opening for sure and maybe 2. At this point we are suppose to try to fill them with youth. The quicker you make contact the better. We have already been required to make payments of \$300 for the spots.

2015 National Order of the Arrow Conference
Lodge Flap Order Form
Ashokwahta

Section NE-3A

Please complete electronically or print clearly. Form must be received by lodge by April 10, 2015.

Full Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City, State, Zip _____
 Email Address: _____
 Telephone: _____

Select/Write in Lodge: _____

Quantity	Item	Price	Total
<input type="text"/>	Ashokwahta Flap	\$3	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	Set of All 5 NE-3A Lodge Flaps	\$40	<input type="text"/>
Grand Total \$			<input type="text"/>

The above form can be used if you wish to buy NE3A 2015 NOAC section patches, either just for our Lodge or complete (5 piece) sets. This can be filled out and returned to the office with payment by the end of business on April 10th. Then the lodge will order them. They will be delivered to the lodge at the Conclave the end of May.

Tentative Spring Weekend Schedule

Friday:	5:00-7:30 pm	Check-in
	8:30	Pre-Ordeal
	9:30	Cracker Barrel/work discussion
Sat.	7:30	Flags— Class B/ Work Clothes
	7:45	Breakfast
	8:30	Job Assignments
	9-12	Cheerful Service
	12:00	Lunch
	1-4:30	Cheerful Service
	5:00	Short Business meeting-youth
	5:30	Flags— Class A uniforms
	6:00	Dinner
	7:00	Vespers & Brotherhood walk, & ceremony
	8:15	Ordeal ceremonies
	10:00	Ordeal recognition & Cracker barrel Vigil experience
Sun	7:45	Flags Class A uniforms
	8;00	Breakfast & Vigil reception
	9-9:45	Lodge Meeting
	10:00	Clean up and leave.

Remember to bring a tent to sleep in as the Call lodge will not be available. The Lean-to's will be limited to guests and those with need for cots etc. Be prepared for cool and damp weather, because anything is possible. Plan on wearing old work cloths as you will get dirty during the day.



Greetings Lodge Adult Members:

If you have ever considered serving the youth of the Ashokwahta Lodge as an adult advisor, but weren't quite sure how to approach that task, I am writing to offer you a chance to put your talents to work.

As you know, the Lodge is youth led; however, the various tasks that the youth undertake are made easier and more productive with the counsel of an experienced adult advisor who serves as a coach, mentor, and facilitator.

Several positions are currently vacant, including the Lodge Advisor as well as several sub-committee roles. The Council President and I would like to establish a roster of interested candidates for the current vacancies and also to put in place succession planning for future vacancies.

Here's a sampling of the various tasks and subcommittees: communication, elections, camp promotions, ceremonies, events, fellowship weekends, and others as may be necessary to help the youth to be successful.

Please let me know if you have an interest in one of these roles, whether you are available immediately or for future consideration. I will make time in early March to follow up with each interested adult to discuss things in greater detail. I can be easily reached by email: jim.mcmullen@scouting.org or by phone @ 585-343-0307.

Thank you for your service to the youth of our Lodge.

- Jim McMullen



Spring 2015 Fellowship Weekend Registration

Camp Sam Wood

May 15-17, 2015 Pike, New York

Reservations due in the office by **May 6th, 2015**

** After 5/6/15 Add \$5.00 Late Registration Fees*

Name _____ Unit _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Qty _____ Additional Names of OA Members included with this payment _____

_____ \$40.00 Ordeal = _____

_____ \$35.00 Brotherhood = _____

_____ \$15.00 OA Members = _____

_____ \$ 8.00 Membership Dues (Last dues paid listed on the mailing label of newsletter) must be up to date for Brotherhood

_____ Total reservations _____ Total enclosed * Add \$5.00 Late Registration Fees After 5/6/15 for each LATE reservation

_____ Pay by Credit/Debit Card _____ Check Enclosed Make Checks payable to: Ashokwahta Lodge #339

_____ MC _____ Visa _____ exp. Date ____ / ____ Security Code _____

Signature required for credit/debit payments: _____



Pre-register with payment in advance: By Phone call 585-343-0307 or 1-800-592-0242

Mail to: Ashokwahta Lodge #339: Batavia Service Center
45 Liberty Street Suite 2
Batavia, New York, 14020

All participants are expected to register and pay in advance* by mail or phone.

BSA Medical forms, parts A&C are required to be on-file for each participant attending the weekend. They are available online at itcbsa.org.

Checks payable to: Ashokwahta Lodge #339

Reservations due by **May 6th 2015** * * After 5/6/15 Add \$5.00 Late Registration Fees

For more information on the Ordeal Weekend contact
Ron Schmidt, at headchef339@yahoo.com or 585-356-7692