



# SMOKE SIGNALS



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## 2008 WINTER BANQUET

Come and join us for the 36th Annual Sac-N-Fox Lodge Winter Banquet on Jan. 13 at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Charles City.

The banquet will begin with a social starting at 4:30 P.M. followed by a steak dinner at 5:30 P.M. and a program at 7:00 P.M.

The cost is \$12.00 or you can save money by purchasing a 2008 Activity Card for \$35.00. The 2008 Activity Card pays your fees for Order of the Arrow dues, Winter Banquet, Spring Fellowship, and Fall Fellowship.

Once again at the Winter Banquet there will be a silent auction lasting from 4:30 to 6:25 P.M. The live auction will begin at 6:30 P.M. These auctions raise funds that go directly towards service projects at our council camps.

The program will also include an awards section with special recognition for Vigil members, the Founder's Award, the Witahe-muia Award, Camp Staff Members, and other honors.

Even if you have an activity card, make sure you send in the registration form on page five by January 4 to reserve your spot. Bring your family along to join in the fun. See you there!

### Displays and Information at the Winter Banquet will include:

2010 National Scout Jamboree  
OA Ceremonies

Eagle Claw Youth Leadership  
Training Conference  
OKPIK

2008 Section Conclave  
Vigil

Summer Camp Programs and  
Staff Opportunities

OA Troop/Team Representative  
Program

Extended Elangomat Program

### LOOKING AHEAD

- Winter Banquet - January 13 at 4:30 p.m. Knight of Columbus Hall; Charles City.
- Spring Fellowship - April 18 - 20 at Camp Inga-wanis.
- Spreading of the Ashes - June 15 at Camp Inga-wanis during the opening campfire.
- Gathering of the Ashes - July 18 at Camp Ingawanis following the closing campfire.

### SCHEDULE

- **2:00 P.M.** - LEC Meeting
- **3:00 P.M.** - All Lodge Executive Committee Members and anyone else who would like to volunteer are asked to help set up.
- **4:30 P.M.** - Social with Mixers, Card Games, and OA Jeopardy.
- **4:30 - 6:25 P.M.** - Silent Auction
- **5:30 P.M.** - Dinner
- **6:30 P.M.** - Live Auction Begins
- **7:00 P.M.** - Program and Awards Ceremony

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# OFFICER REPORTS

## LODGE CHIEF

Greetings fellow Arrowmen! It is hard to believe the year is almost over. With the beginning of the New Year come some new programs. In 2008 we will be starting a Quality Chapter program and a Chapter of the Year award to help strengthen our chapters. Each chapter must complete requirements and some electives in order to attain Quality Chapter. The Chapter of the year award will be given to the "best" chapter that has shown the most improvement and involvement in the Order. We will also be starting the Extended Elangomat program this summer. We will be recruiting elangomats starting at the Winter Banquet and will be doing training in spring.

We will also revitalize some old programs in 2008. The main program that we will be focusing on this year is the troop/team representative program. Each troop will receive more information on this program soon. The troop representative program will be one of the requirements for Quality Chapter. If we can get the troops to participate in this program, it will not only benefit the lodge, but the troops too and the council as a whole. I encourage you in January to make sure that your troop is actively participating in this program.

Lastly, I will be sending out a letter to each Scoutmaster with some details on lodge programs for this upcoming year. Information about the extended Elangomat program and the troop representative program will be included in this letter. If there is anything that the Lodge could do to benefit your troop or if there is anything you would like to see the Lodge do, please contact me at [lodgechief@sacnfox108.com](mailto:lodgechief@sacnfox108.com). I would be more than willing to listen to your suggestions. Hope to see you at our Winter Banquet on Jan. 13. Happy Holidays!

Yours in Service,  
Matt Even

## SUN RIVERS CHAPTER CHIEF

Greetings fellow Arrowmen. My name is Ralph Davis. I hope you remember me from last year, as I was your Chapter Chief. This year, I am once again your Chapter Chief. I have recently become an Eagle Scout. I would like to inform you that our next chapter meeting is the second Thursday (Dec. 13) at the Jesup Bible Fellowship Church (the new church on Old Highway 20) at 7:30 p.m. It is important that you all attend this meeting as we are having election and camp promotions training that meeting. I am also having the lodges camp promotions chairman attending this meeting with this years camp promotions video.

WWW,  
Ralph Davis

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Do you have questions about 2008 elections, whether your dues are paid, when chapter meetings are, or how to get youth from your troop involved with OA? Simply contact your chapter chief and they can get you squared away!

### ORDEAL & BROTHERHOOD COSTS

- Ordeal costs are \$45 and there will be a \$5 late fee if not turned in by April 30.
- Brotherhood will cost \$20.

### ELECTION DATES

- March 31, 2008 - Elections are to be completed.
- April 30, 2008 - Election Citations are to be turned in with money.

**2008 CUB SCOUT SUMMER CAMPING DATES**

**CUB SCOUT RESIDENT CAMP**, Winnebago Scout Reservation

- Cub Session 1: June 13th-15th
- Cub Session 2: June 27th -29th

**WEBELOS RESIDENT CAMP**, Winnebago Scout Reservation

- Session 1: June 19th - 22nd
- Session 2: July 10th – July 13th

**ME & MY PAL CAMP**, Winnebago Scout Reservation

- June 7-8
- July 26-27

**SHOOTING SPORTS WEEKEND**, Winnebago Scout Reservation

- July 19-20
- August 2-3

**DAY CAMPS**

- June 28 Location: Fontana Park near Hazelton
  - July 25 Location: Winnebago Scout Reservation
  - July 26 Location: Winnebago Scout Reservation
- FAMILY CAMP**, Winnebago Scout Reservation
- July 3 - 6

**2008 BOY SCOUT RESIDENT CAMPING DATES**

**WILDERNESS WINNEBAGO HIGH ADVENTURE & RESIDENT CAMP:**

June 15-21, June 22-28, July 6-12, July 13-19, Camp Ingawanis

**WILDERNESS WSR:** July 27-31

**BOY SCOUT MINI CAMP:** June 29- July 2, Camp Ingawanis

**BOY SCOUT PROGRAM OPTIONS**

**Boy Scout Resident Camp**

This is your traditional summer camp adventure: mile swims, shotgun shooting, horses, merit badges, polar bear swims, spirit stick, and much, much more! Scouts attend resident camp either a) as part of a unit, normally their own or with a friend, or b) individually, and then joining the Super Troop option. Super Troop are Scouts from various units who are grouped together to enjoy a week of camp. The Council provides leadership for the Super Troop.

**Boy Scout Mini Camp**

New to the state and one of the premiere new programs across the nation- Boy Scout Mini Camp is designed for young people to have fun for a few days. There are four exciting themes- Aquatics, Shooting Sports, Fine Arts, and Horses! This camp is intended for solely provisional camping, and participants will have the chance to enjoy other aspects of camp while having fun in their one particular area. There is a maximum number of participants per theme, so as the saying goes, "The early bird gets the worm!" More information, prices, and the registration form are available in Section 2 of the Camp Leader's Manual.

**Wilderness Winnebago High Adventure programs**

For the older Scout or Venturer, Wilderness Winnebago is a program designed to embark in an experience beyond camp. Scouts can participate in whichever session he/she chooses, whether their unit is in camp or not. In addition, adults can participate in Wilderness Winnebago if there are open spots available! More information, prices, and the registration form will be available in Section 2 of the Camp Leader's Manual.

**Wilderness WSR Outpost Camp**

Are you looking for a unique bonding experience? Wilderness WSR will give you an experience of a lifetime! Being operated at the Winnebago Scout Reservation's back 40 acres, this patrol-style cooking camp will give a Scout a true taste of what life in the wilderness is like. More information, prices, and the registration form are available in Section 2 of the Camp Leader's Manual, but your unit can sign-up now at the Council Service Center.

**PHILMONT  
HEIGHT &  
WEIGHT  
RESTRICTIONS  
FOR  
ARROWCORPS<sup>5</sup>**

HEIGHT		WEIGHT	
FT	IN	RECOM- MENDED	MAX
5'	0"	97-138	166
5'	1"	101-143	172
5'	2"	104-148	178
5'	3"	107-152	183
5'	4"	111-157	189
5'	5"	114-162	195
5'	6"	118-167	201
5'	7"	121-172	207
5'	8"	125-178	214
5'	9"	129-185	220
5'	10"	132-188	226
5'	11"	136-194	233
6'	0"	140-199	239
6'	1"	144-205	246
6'	2"	148-210	252
6'	3"	152-216	260
6'	4"	156-222	267
6'	5"	160-228	274
6'	6"	164-234	281
6'	7"	170-240	295

**ACTIVITY  
CARDS**

If you buy a 2008 Activity Card you can cover all of the following fees at one time:

- Dues (\$10)
- Winter Banquet (\$12)
- Spring Fellowship (\$10) &
- Fall Fellowship (\$10).

If you buy an activity card you can save \$7.00 instead of paying for each event individually.

What a bargain!



One thousand Arrowmen will descend upon the Ozarks for one week, beginning June 7, 2008, as the Order of the Arrow undertakes its largest service opportunity in Scouting History: ArrowCorps<sup>5</sup>. ArrowCorps<sup>5</sup> is a once in a lifetime program. The event is the largest volunteer service effort ever undertaken by the Boy Scouts of America.

Though there are five sites available for attendance our council has chose to send a contingent to Mark Twain National Forest. Mark Twain National Forest located in southern and central Missouri, is more than 1.5 million acres sprawled across the beautiful Ozark Highlands. President Franklin Roosevelt created the forest to protect the area from loggers, who had systematically been clearcutting the state's native oak, hickory, and pine trees.

Arrowmen who choose to give service at Mark Twain will be working in the Bateman area of the forest, where they will remove cedar trees from the area. Cedar is an invasive species that, if not removed from the area, will destroy the precious little grassland that remains.

As a result of the OA's efforts, the ecological balance in the forest will be maintained, and the area will be protected for use by future generations. In addition to providing service, Arrowmen will also spend recreational time in the area. To join our council contingent please contact Lodge Chief Matt Even at [LodgeChief@sacnfox108.com](mailto:LodgeChief@sacnfox108.com)



#### HOW WILL WE BE ORGANIZED?

Our 1000 OA members will be organizing into 10 Sections of 100 people each. Each Section will be made up of five Crews of 20 people and each Crew will be made up of Squads of 5 people. Crews will consist of a crew leader with four "squads" of five people (all participants must be 14 or older, and adults are welcome). Each "squad" will consist of a "Squad Leader" with 4 other participants. Each squad will have 1 Bow Saw, 2 Loppers for small branches, 2 hand saws, and a rope. Finally each section will be provided with two chainsaws.

#### WHO CAN GO?

Both youth and adult Arrowmen are invited to attend this event. Participants must meet the Philmont Guidelines for height and weight as shown on the *ArrowCorps5* website ([www.event.oa-bsa.org](http://www.event.oa-bsa.org)) or on page 3 of the *Smoke Signals*. In addition to being in good physical condition, Scouts must be at least 14 years of age by June 1, 2008.

#### HOW MUCH IS IT?

The cost for the event is \$250; the lodge will be coming out with their final price soon. The \$250 fee covers food, activities, and insurance - but not transportation. Remaining fees are due by May 1, 2008.

#### WHAT TO BRING

Participants will be camping in or near a National Forest so you will need to bring your own tent and everything else you would need to be in the wilderness for a week. Once registered, participants will be sent a list of items to pack depending upon the site they are attending.

**Information about the lodge contingent, including fees, schedule and much more will be finalized and available at the Winter Banquet!**



**Available spots are already over half full! Sign up for the lodge contingent ASAP by contacting Lodge Chief Matt Even.**





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