

THE NENDAWEN

AUGUST 2014

NENTEGO LODGE DEL-MAR-VA COUNCIL, BSA

CHIEFLY SPEAKING



I had the great privilege of serving on OA Trail Crew at Philmont over the summer. I, along with other Nentego Arrowmen who participated in the various OA High Adventure programs this summer, had the experience of a lifetime that reinforced in us the traditions of Brotherhood and Cheerful Service. I encourage all youth Arrowmen to consider applying for one of the adventures in 2015. Visit adventure.oa-bsa.org for details or contact me with any questions!

2014 UNIT ELECTIONS

Did every unit in your Chapter have an OA election before the Summer weekend? If not, make an extra effort to schedule your Chapter's remaining units within the next month so that new Candidates have the opportunity to complete their Ordeal at the Fall weekend! Call unit leaders or drop in at their next meeting...whatever it takes! New election forms are available on the Documents page of the Lodge website.

2014 LODGE DUES

Have all of your unit and chapter's OA members paid their 2014 Lodge dues? If not, please encourage them to pay their 2014 dues and keep their membership in the lodge active. Members with expired dues may pay online at www.dmvc.org/oa/dues. If they didn't pay their 2013 dues then they can reinstate their membership by paying for both 2013 and 2014! Also, we'll begin collecting 2015 dues soon. Keep an eye out for a future announcement!

WASHINGTON-ROCHAMBOU HIKE

The Historic Trails Committee will hold a hike on Section B of the Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route on Saturday, September 20th. Meet at the Christiana United Methodist Church at 10:00AM. The trail is about 6 miles long and the hike will end at the Iron Hill Museum. Plan to be back at the Christiana United Methodist Church by 3:00PM. Arrowmen should bring hiking shoes, backpack, packed lunch, small plastic grocery bag, hat, rain gear (if needed), sashes, water, \$3.50 (patch cost). Scouts and Scouters who hike this can earn the Washington-Rochambeau trail patch and the Northern Historic Trails Crew lodge flap (it should be available this fall).

OA PREP DAY

To prepare for our Fall Inductions Weekend, Lodge officers and committees will meet at Akridge Scout Reservation at Noon on September 27. During this day we'll make necessary preparations for all committees under Inductions, Service, Program, Secretary, and Treasurer. Please let your chairman or Vice-Chief know if you'll be in attendance!

FALL INDUCTIONS WEEKEND

Join us at Akridge Scout Reservation this October 3-5 for a weekend of fellowship, ceremonies, and meaningful service projects! This weekend is open to Ordeal and Brotherhood candidates. We'll also hold our annual Lodge elections. Register online and find more information at www.dmvc.org/oa.

CUB FAMILY WEEKEND

Arrowmen volunteers are needed October 24-26 at Akridge Scout Reservation to help with program and logistics for the Cub Family Weekend and Webelos Woods. More information to come, however please contact [Fred Mann](mailto:FredMann) with any questions!

NEW FISH PIN REQUIREMENTS

The requirements to earn our Black, Green, and Orange fish pins changed as of January 1. Visit www.dmvc.org/oa to download the forms for each of these participation awards so that you can track your progress during the remainder of this year. Turn your completed form in by December 31 to be recognized at the 2015 Lodge Banquet.

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LODGE CALENDAR

Sep 27, 2014	Prep Day (Akridge)
Oct 3-5, 2014	Fall Induction (Akridge)
Oct 24-26, 2014	Cub Family Wknd (Akridge)
Nov 7-9, 2014	LLD (Rodney)
Nov 14-16, 2014	NLS & NLATS (Alpine)
Feb 7, 2015	LEC & Lodge Banquet (TBD)
Apr 18, 2015	Prep Day (Henson)
Apr 24-26, 2015	Spring Induction (Henson)
May 8-10, 2015	Prep Weekend (Rodney)
May 15-17, 2015	Section NE-6A Conclave
Jun 5-7, 2015	Summer Induction (Rodney)
Aug 1-8, 2015	NOAC 2015
Sep 26, 2015	Prep Day (Akridge)
Oct 2-4, 2015	Fall Induction (Akridge)
Oct 23-25, 2014	Cub Family Wknd (Akridge)
Oct TBD, 2015	One Day of Service
Nov 6-8, 2015	LLD (Rodney)

LODGE LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT



This year's LLD will be held at Rodney Scout Reservation this November 7-9. LLD is a weekend of training and fellowship activities geared towards enabling youth and adult leadership help the Lodge succeed. There is no cost to attend. Register online at www.dmvc.org/oa.

GET INVOLVED!

One of our goals is to get every Arrowmen involved in the Lodge. One of the best ways to do that is to join one of our many operating committees. If you're interested in working on a committee, or possibly serving as a committee Chairman or Adviser, please see a member of the Lodge Leadership Team.

SCOUTING FOR FOOD

November 15, 2014 marks our first participation as a Lodge in the Scouting for Food Program. Arrowmen are needed to help load donations at Food Line locations. More details to be announced.

NATIONAL LEADERSHIP SEMINAR



Taking place November 14-16 at Alpine Scout Camp, the National Leadership Seminar (NLS) is a weekend conference on the skills and attributes of leadership. It is intended primarily to enhance the leadership skills of the Order of the Arrow's key youth and adult members as they seek to improve their services to the Boy Scouts of America and the greater community. The weekend format is designed to complement the longer, more detailed Wood Badge and Junior Leadership Training programs. Near the end of the seminar, participants make a contract with themselves to apply the skills studied in the seminar on projects in the lodge, council, and community. NLS prepares Arrowmen to become better leaders both within and outside of the Scouting program.

Interested Arrowmen should contact their Lodge Chief or Lodge Adviser to express interest in attending the National Leadership Seminar.

AWARD NOMINATIONS DUE!

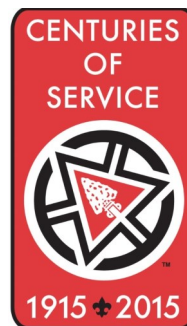
At the annual Banquet this coming February, Nentego Lodge will recognize those Arrowmen who go above and beyond to serve their fellow Scouts and Scouters. This recognition comes in the form of the Lodge's Pappy and Hickman Awards and the OA's Founder's Award. Nomination forms for each may be found at www.dmvc.org/oa and are due to the Lodge Secretary before the business meeting at the Fall Weekend. Please consider nominating a deserving Arrowman!



SECTION NE-6A CONCLAVE

This coming May 15-17 Arrowmen from across the Section will gather at Rodney Scout Reservation to celebrate our centennial Conclave, themed "A Future Founded in Tradition." Hosted by Nentego Lodge, we hope to make this the most memorable OA event of the year. To do that, we need every Arrowman to help out by joining a planning committee and registering as staff. Help is especially needed in the areas of logistics (registration, physical arrangements, etc.) and program (activities, shows, competitions, etc.). Please sign-up with our youth coordinators [Nick Jensen](#) and [Alex Muspratt](#) at the Fall Inductions Weekend.

ARROWMAN SERVICE AWARD



Registered members in good standing are able to commemorate the OA centennial by working to complete the Arrowman Service Award (ASA). This award will be one of the few patches that have ever been approved by the national Order of the Arrow committee to be worn on an OA sash.

The purpose of the ASA is to encourage Arrowmen to recommit themselves to the ideals of the Order, increase their level of service to their local unit and council, and participate in the 100th anniversary celebration of the OA. The award has three categories of criteria with various requirements that Arrowmen can complete. These include components on personal growth, service to Scouting, and participation in the centennial celebration.

All Arrowmen are encouraged to work towards the fulfillment of the ASA. Arrowmen can work towards the award's completion through December 31st, 2015 by downloading the ASA Progress Tracker at oa-bsa.org. Completed trackers can be turned in to the Lodge Secretary before the deadline.



CENTENNIAL VIGIL HONOR CARDS

On July 1, 2014, the Order of the Arrow released new Vigil Honor cards to commemorate its 100th anniversary. The Vigil Honor is a high mark of distinction and recognition reserved for those Arrowmen who, by reason of exceptional service, personal effort and unselfish interest, have made distinguished contributions beyond their position or office to the lodge, the Order of the Arrow, Scouting or their Scout camp. To celebrate our centennial year, all new Vigil Honor members will receive a centennial Vigil card. All current Vigil Honor members can purchase a commemorative card for \$10, with proceeds going to the OA endowment. Centennial Vigil cards are available beginning July 1st, 2014 through December 31st, 2015, while supplies last. Download the order form at www.oa-bsa.org.

LODGE HISTORY BOOK

As part of our Centennial Challenge, our Lodge is tasked with putting together a Lodge History Book telling the story of our history. We need youth and adult Arrowmen to join our team to help research, write, and edit our Lodge History Book. Please contact [Trevor Beachboard](mailto:Trevor.Beachboard) to sign on to this ambitious project.



ARROWTOUR

Get on board for ArrowTour! In the summer of 2015, ArrowTour will provide opportunities to reflect, connect, and discover the Order's Centuries of Service, both past and future. The OA is excited to partner with councils to provide this program accessory at Boy Scout summer camps and Scouting events. You have until October 1 to scan our boarding pass and become eligible to win cool prizes. #ATROLLOUT



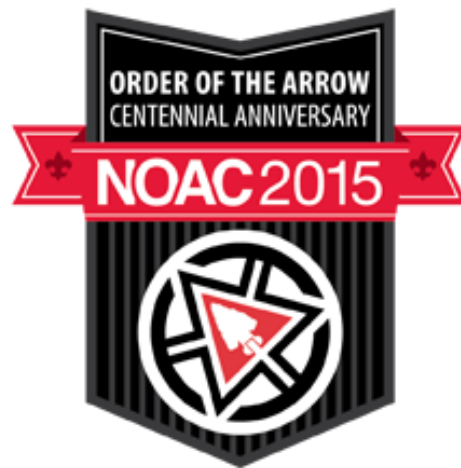
NOAC 2015

68 Arrowmen are signed up to go to the 2015 National Order of the Arrow Conference as part of the Nentego contingent. 56 of them will travel by bus, while the remaining dozen will provide their own transportation. Anyone not current at a total of \$400.00 should pay their outstanding balance as soon as possible.

While the bus is full, we are still accepting sign-ups for those who wish to arrange their own transportation, food, and lodging. This option includes the NOAC fee and incidentals. Register at www.dmvc.org/oa.

We'll have contingent meetings at upcoming Lodge weekends. These will be mostly informational but will also serve to allow the youth contingent to plan our NOAC flaps, t-shirt design, and our involvement in the Founder's Fair.

All registered participants will receive a specially designed 2015 NOAC promotion patch, possibly as early as our Fall Inductions Weekend.



NOAC STAFF

Interested in serving on staff at the 2015 National Order of the Arrow Conference? All youth and adult Arrowmen interested in serving on the 2015 NOAC staff may apply online at the NOAC Registration Portal: <https://registration.oa-bsa.org/> beginning August 1, 2014. The conference fee for staff members is \$475.00.

ONE DAY OF SERVICE

Led by Arrowmen but powered by members and non-members alike, the One Day of Service is a call to action for each lodge to lead a service project in October 2015 in collaboration with its respective council and community partners. Each lodge will be responsible for developing the project plan, promoting the event, organizing the workforce, leading the project and reporting the results. At the same time, the OA will work collaboratively with their local council to engage the entire Scouting family and a community partner organization to carry out the work necessary to complete the project. Dylan Law, a section chief from Manteca, CA, along with advisers Donald Cunningham and Anthony Fiori, both from New York, NY, will provide leadership to the One Day of Service.

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