

THE MONAKEN

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UPCOMING EVENTS

-Pow-Wow:
February 21-23 2014

-Woodrow Institute:
March 21-23 2014

-Chapter Weekend:
April 25-27 2014

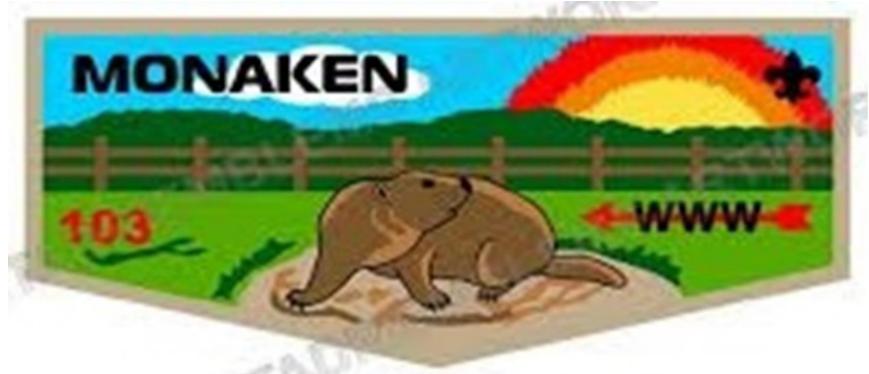
-Spring Ordeal:
May 16-18 2014

-Fall Ordeal:
August 15-17 2014

-Woodchuck Ordeal:
October 17-19 2014

-Family Banquet:
Fall 2014

NEW STANDARD LODGE FLAP!



After hours of deliberation and three or four different designs, the new standard is finally here! The standard will be available starting at the Spring Ordeal. This final version of the patch was designed by Mark Coll.

Monaken Brothers,
2015 will be the 100th Anniversary of our Order. NOAC will be held at Michigan State University. NOAC is the premier conference for the OA. There will be competitions, trainings on regalia, Lodge functions and Officer functions. It isn't all work :-)
Every day there are games and vendor displays,,,,,oh and a pizza party for you and 8000 of your closest friends!!! Every night there is a professionally produced show based on the fundamental beliefs of our Order. You can meet Brothers from every state and trade patches until you can't trade any more.
We are currently accepting advance registrations for NOAC. The fee (without transportation costs) are \$450. This includes lodging in a dorm room, three meals a day (each meal has a choice of three different meals) and a special red OA sash that only participants of the 100th Anniversary NOAC receive.

NOAC
#NOAC2015 noac2015.org

LETTER FROM THE CHIEF

Brothers,
 Congrats on another successful lodge year! I am very excited to be serving as your chief for the upcoming 2013-2014 lodge year. I know with the rest of the officer team and executive board, this year will be no different, and we are well on our way to making it happen. Some big things are in sight for 2014, two of which involve all the happenings of 2015. We have already



begun our road to NOAC 2015 with the selling of the chinnelles and weekend promotion. Keep checking in periodically for information about this once-in-a-lifetime event. Besides NOAC and the

100th Anniversary celebrations of the OA, 2015 will also see another Conclave hosted by Monaken. I will not reveal any specific details just yet, but with what preliminary plans that are already being discussed, this is one event for the record books...literally... mark your calendars now for June 12-14 2015. Conclave 2015, Monaken Lodge. Be there! This spring and summer we will pound out promotion and really set our plans in stone for this event. By promotion and planning NOC and Conclave two years in advance, we can ensure that these events will be top-notch. The enthusiasm I saw at the executive board training weekend was extraordinary, and I know that we will have no problems accomplishing all of the goals which we set for our Lodge. I look forward to seeing you at all of our weekends as we drive the lodge forward and start to plan our next century of cheerful service.

Yours in Service,

Jonathon Chester
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OFFICER UPDATES

First Vice Chief

Hello everyone, I'm always open to your opinions, thoughts, and ideas about the program that either happened or will happen. So, whenever you have an idea let me know and we will work on incorporating that into the upcoming weekend or events.

Colten Fogleman

Second Vice Chief

Hello everyone, this year I will be the one in charge of keeping in touch with all of my committees throughout the year. They update me on their progress in their goals, and preparation for the weekend. I also make sure the committees are on track to reach the lodge's Journey to Excellence goals.

Jusitn Lewis

Treasurer

As I am a man of my word, I am now going to begin taking suggestions for lodge products (as promised in my campaign speech.) With NOAC and Conclave fast-approaching, it is in our best interest to begin fundraising now. There are already many great suggestions in place, and I am exploring all possibilities along with the Fundraising Committee Chairman. If you have any suggestions, please let me know.

Nate Ripka

NITTANY CHAPTER

Nittany Chapter is currently planning our annual visitations to do troop elections. These elections are extremely important to the lodge as these are the first impressions that we give to the scouts that are about to be elected, and it is important that we conduct ourselves according to the ideals of the lodge, and make sure that the scouts sitting their know what the OA is all about. Troop 31 had the honor of being our first visitation on Tuesday of this week.

Mark Coll - Nittany Chapter Chief

SHAWNEE CHAPTER

Shawnee Chapter has started scheduling visitations. We are working on making our own complete set of regalia. We still have over one hundred Shawnee Chapter patches for sale.

Zack Bonson - Shawnee Chapter Cheif

ONIEDA CHAPTER

Oneida Chapter is gearing up for a great lodge year. With new officers and new ideas, my chapter is excited for a year of brotherhood and fellowship. After completing our fence project we have already started exploring new service preoject ideas, We are also preparing visitation and our champion ceremonies ream is ready for another victory. I am very excited to see all of you this year.

Christopher Barnish - Oneida Chapter Cheif

Coming in 2014, lodge chinnelles! As the first official fundraiser to raise funds for NOAC 2015, these chinnelles will be sold via pre-order from Klondike Derby to Chapter Weekend. At \$20 each, these chinnelles commemorate the first lodge insignia every created over 75 years ago: the Juniata Lodge arrowhead. Want to help the NOAC contingent, build your Monaken memorabilia collection, and commemorate both our history and the history of the Order? Then see the lodge treasurer or chief at any event or simply email them your order.



Elangomat

The Elangomat Committee is looking forward to working on the Spring and future ordeals. With the challenge of membership, which starts with the ordeals, we as elangomats have the honor of having the first impressions on the new members of our lodge. Help form our lodge and become an Elangomat.

Jarret Cramer - Elangomat Chairman

NOAC

100 for the 100th Anniversary of the OA! In August, 2015 we will celebrate the 100th for the OA, and our goal is to take 100 lodge members. We are considering a number of fundraisers. We will also be taking deposits at Pow Wow and the other upcoming lodge weekends. All questions and suggestions can be sent to NOAC2015@monaken.org.

Jacob Finkle - NOAC Chairman

Vigil

The Vigil Committee is responsible for conducting elections for Vigil Honor Recipients, as well as performing the Vigil Tap - Out Ceremony during Summer Camp. We also run the Vigil Ordeal. I am preparing the selection committee and creating the list of eligible members.

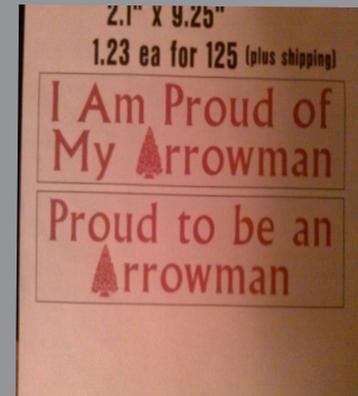
Michael Cavanaugh - Vigil Chairman

IT

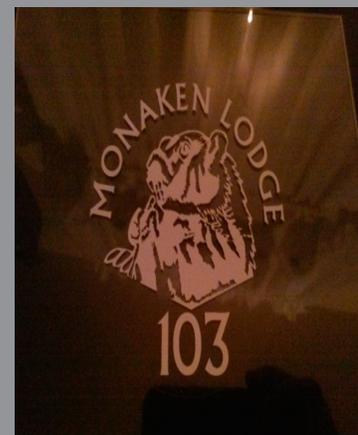
The IT committee is looking forward to being able to provide another year of coverage from lodge events on facebook. One thing we are looking to improve on is promotions for upcoming events; letting more members know what to expect when they come to a weekend.

James Young - IT Chairman

BUMPER STICKERS AND WINDOW DECALS



At last! A way to show off your lodge pride everywhere you go, literally. With lodge window decals and bumper stickers, you can do just that. Parents, proud of your arrowman? Tell the world. For only \$3 each, these items are a one-of-a-kind, completing any vehicle's appearance. See the treasurer at any weekend to order yours.



Brotherhood

Hello fellow arrowmen, my name is James Query, co-advisor of the Brotherhood committee. If you are brotherhood honor or vigil honor, we want your help at the Spring Ordeal with the Brotherhood Hike. We will be holding a meeting at Pow Wow in February or you may email myself or Tucker Sheetz if you're interested in learning more about what this includes. At Pow Wow we will have a sign up sheet for those that are going to help kick off this new years brotherhood conversion. Please email me at jimmy_the_jet2007@excite.com.

James "The Jet" Query

Fund Raising

Recently the Fundraising Committee proposed and received permission to move ahead with two sellable items. The first is a round car window decal with the Monaken totem, Woody, on it. The second is an Arrowman bomber sticker. Over time we plan on adding various other items that lodge members would find appealing. Upcoming in 2014 we hope to have a mini gold tournament as well as a regular golf tournament.

Craig Shingler - Fundraising Chairman

Publications

Hello, my name is Wade Bonsell, and I am the Publications Chairman for the lodge. My job is to put out at least six newsletters this year. My committee compiles reports and stories from other committees and people. If anyone has ideas for the newsletter or something they would like to share, you can contact me at whb11@scasd.org.

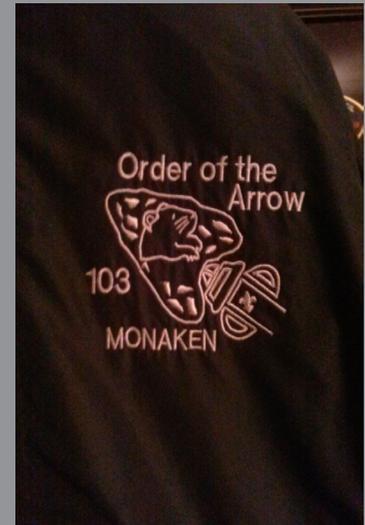
Wade Bonsell - Publications Chairman

Membership

I am planning on following the precedent set down by my predecessor and exceeding my duties beyond that of my normal job description in order to focus on retaining membership

Corey McKay - Membership Chairman

MONAKEN OUTERWEAR



Have you ordered your Monaken Lodge outerwear? On those cool and rainy trips, don't be caught without an official Monaken Lodge windbreaker. Or what about on a cold winter's evening: grab a lodge fleece zip-up sweater. Remember, a Boy Scout is always prepared! The green jacket features white embroidery while the sweater shows off red embroidery. For on \$45 each, these trendy items feature lodge embroidery as custom name personalization. Making great gifts this winter season, you don't want your loved one to be seen without one on! Contact Paul Grego is interested.

Food Service

As folks know food service are the people who make the food. At the last event we went through 240 pounds of chicken wings. The scout who won the Wing Off ate 54 wings with Wild Bill's famous hot sauce. There were also other sauces which included spicy BBQ, BBQ, and mild. For Pow Wow we hope to have better food, that is in line with the theme of the weekend.

Ryan Vanauken - Food Service Chairman

Ceremonies

As the Ceremonies Committee moves in to the new year, we are looking forward to the involvement of individual chapter teams in complimenting the ceremonies at Ordeal Weekends. Through chapter involvement the ceremonies can be more meaningful and impressive. Involving chapter teams can provide the depth the lodge needs to have continuity. My brothers, be involved, be of service, be committed.

Conclave

Conclave is June 6th to the 8th this summer. The theme is Echo the Past at camp Twin Echo in Ligonier, PA. Allohak Menewi will be hosting this year's conclave. For those of you who do not know what conclave is, it is a gathering of the five lodges in our section. Each lodge will send out a contingent of people to participate in a weekend event that is like no other. From competing with fellow lodge member in sports to ceremonies competitions, there is something for everyone. Interested in patch trading? It is a great way to start out and meet new people from your section. Training cells will be on Saturday to help train you to be a more well rounded lodge member. In addition to all these activities, Twin Echo will have Pre Revolutionary war reenactments for participants to watch. Our section is only in the beginning of planning Conclave. Keep watching the website and reports at lodge events for more information. The cost is less than 50 dollars, and gets you registration, a tee shirt, and two patches.

]Ryan McKay - Conclave Chairman

WOODROW INSTITUTE



Registration is now open for the Woodrow Institute, a youth oriented training weekend to be held at Seven Mountains Scout Camp March 21-23, 2014. The event is sponsored by Monaken Lodge. Woodrow Institute is designed to offer youth the opportunity to learn practical skills through classroom and hands on instruction. Classes will be taught by past Lodge members, current youth leaders, and adults. This will be an annual event allowing the youth to advance their training from year to year. Each unit currently has two spots for youth guaranteed to them through February 22. After the 22nd, unclaimed spaces will be available for all units to send additional Scouts. However, spots are only secure once full payment is received. Each unit must send at least one adult if Scouts will be attending from your unit. Registration can be noted online.

Alertness to the needs of others is the mark of the Vigil Honor. It calls for an individual with an unusual awareness of the possibilities within each situation.

The Vigil Honor is the highest honor that the Order of the Arrow can bestow upon its members for service to lodge, council, and Scouting. Membership cannot be won by a person's conscious endeavors.

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 the immediate responsibilities of their position of office to one or more of the following: Lodge, Order of the Arrow, Scouting Community, and Scout Camp.

Preliminary Vigil List

Below is a preliminary list of those eligible for the Vigil Honor. Please note that this list is not the final list. If you feel that there is a correction to this list please email chiefmichael@monaken.org. If you are a Vigil brother and have a Vigil letter that you would like to submit, please send it to Michael Cavanaugh or Mike DePasquale at vigil@monaken.org or by handing it to them directly by the Spring Ordeal.

Youth:

Hugendubler, Ben
 Caber, Douglas
 Hilliard, Luke
 Forsha, Austin
 Hummel, Jon
 Ramish, Nicholas A
 Barnish, Matthew
 Harrison, Paul Edward
 Young, James T
 Fitzgerald, Patrick,
 Mort, Cody,
 Finkle, Jacob
 Kohler, Ryan
 Moore, Dakota,
 Gipson, Sean
 Shingler, Craig
 Chester, Matthew F
 Winters, Dylan V
 Moore, Patric
 Miller, Aaron
 Kostich, Andrew J
 Kohler, Lee L
 Ebright, Wyatt E
 Cooper, Cody L
 Sutherland, Colin Taylor
 Mort, Cory A
 Coll, Mark Anthony
 Beward, Josh

Schifono, Anthony
 Bonson, Zack
 Rupert, Chip
 Ripka, Nathan
 Buterbaugh, Matthew B.
 Boyer, Matthew
 McClure, Alan J
 Kemp, Efren
 Dunkle, Ray Wilber
 Brown, Leif
 Barnish, Christopher
 Grundon, Noah
 Vanauken, Ryan C
 Lallement, Luc C

Adults:

Sherretz, Matthew Richard
 Cruikshank, Charles R
 Stephenson, Scott
 Kinzer, Andrew
 Ripka, Michael
 Lallement, Robin
 Watkin, J R
 Roth, Keaton J
 McClenahan, Shelby
 Thomas, Scott E.
 Fagley, Paul
 Coll, Matthew John

Coll, John Anthony
 Amig, Mark A
 Dunklebarger, Ellis David
 Lawson, Larry L
 Bonsell, Allen Heath
 McKay, Kevin
 Mort, Susan E
 Kostich Sr, Theodore
 McClenahan, Jeffrey
 Claude Lallement, Paul
 Campbell, John
 Runkle, Jay T
 Miller, Robert Kent
 Kohler, Timothy Eugene
 Lewis, Kyle S
 Harrison, Kevin James
 Harrison, Brenda Lynn
 Bonsell, Mark J
 Johnson, Travis
 Reed, Donald Alan
 McClenahan, Tyler D
 Leitzel, Lucas
 Sholly, Stephen Ralph
 Arnold, Jeffrey Donald
 Balkey, Darren P
 Struble, Barbara A
 Sholly, Benjamin M
 Mitchell, Lynn P
 Eng, David J

Phillips, Daniel P
 Davy, Eric
 Lehman, Shawn Lewis
 Port, Jack T.
 Smith, Steven W
 Foster, Dan
 Sente, Steve
 Smith, Paul B
 Corbett Jr, Patrick W.
 Book, Garry Morgan
 Booher, Gary Lee
 Fultz, Jamie Douglas
 Ruble, Andrew
 Tate, Jeffrey Lynn
 Fauth, James H
 Port, Robert B
 Marboe, Richard Chostner
 Eckess, Jon O.
 Gutshall, David Charles
 Lalli Jr, Robert L
 Davidson, Gregory Lee
 Bowen, Bret A
 Bowen, Bert Alvin
 Page, Gary
 Kinzer, Wesley
 Sheaffer, Shawn
 Rovansek, Abraham
 Geleskie, Liam
 Clark, Kevin D