

The Flying Eagle

**Wa - Hi - Nasa Lodge
Middle Tennessee Council #560**



Welcome!

If you ask any active member in the Order what they enjoy most, chances are they will say fellowship and the service they give back to others. You have just gone through an the Ordeal, a common bond and connection that we all share. Hopefully as you go home and tell your family what crazy weekend you just had, you will reflect on what it all means.

By being a living example of Wimachtendienk Wingolauchsik Witahemui (Brotherhood of Those Who Serve Cheerfully), you will go back to your home units, your schools, and your community with a newly found spirit for service, and devotion to others.

That being said, the OA opens up so many doors for you to learn about new skills, learn about yourself, and learn about others. So please, explore what the OA has to offer. You might be surprised what path you will find.

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NOAC 2020

It is with deep sadness we inform you that the 2020 National Order of the Arrow Conference was cancelled out of concern for the safety of all attending Arrowmen, as well as the Michigan State University and East Lansing communities.

To meet the demand for a National OA event this year, a new event called Momentum. Momentum took place during the six days (August 3-8) that NOAC was scheduled for and will be hosted at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia

Additionally, during that same timeframe a free virtual event was hosted for Arrowmen who are unable to attend Momentum physically but would still like to participate in the event.

More information about Momentum can be found at oa-bsa.org/momentum

- Chris Bartz

NOAC 2020 Chairman



Spring Shindig 2020



Gather round my fellow Arrowmen and lend me your ears, our second annual Spring Shindig is finally here. The theme is Greek Games and trust me there will be plenty. Toga wars, Trojan Horse, Chariot races and more. Canoeing, Service, and activities galore!

So please my brothers, join us August 28-30th for our second annual Spring Shindig! There will be plenty of food, fellowship, and fun. I promise, it will be worth the wait! Register online at wa-hi-nasa.org!

- Henry Parker,

Spring Shindig 2020



100th Anniversary Flap Set

The Official Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge flap and council strip patches commemorating the Middle Tennessee Council 100th Anniversary are now available for members to purchase online! The flap/CSP's are available for \$5.00 each on the DoubleKnot web store and orders will be held for pickup at all remaining 2020 lodge events.

Follow the link below to go to the web store and buy yours while supplies last!



Chapter Shields

This project began last year under Lodge Chief Matthew Murrell. He was supportive of the idea of the project. Ren Worthington supplied all the pieces of wood for the shield. He was a huge help.

The idea was to help every chapter establish or enhance their own sense of identity. Careful thought was put into each of the 16 designs. Some chapters had their own symbols and iconography that went back decades. Other chapters had no visual record, so it was created from the translation of their name or the perceived traits and character of that chapter.

Arrowmen offered a lot of positive feedback. That was a great reminder of why you were doing it and that someone cared. It was an awesome feeling to see people smile or respond on social media. Ultimately, this was kind of a love letter to the lodge and its members.

Each shield is made to last and is property of the lodge. They will be used at lodge events.

Several ideas have been discussed on how to use and display them and build esprit de corps. It took about 7 Months to create all 16.

Some examples - Echota Chapter has a drum to symbolize their nationally awarded drum team from years ago. Witschindin's shield is a modern reboot of a patch they made in the 1970s. Elk River asked that their shield reflect the colors of Sun Drop, a life-sustaining beverage in that district. So, yes, we had some fun with these, but took each one very seriously.



Vigil Honor Nominations

The Vigil Honor is bestowed upon members who show excellence in service towards the lodge, council, and Scouting in general. Preference is given for service performed as a youth member of the Order, although both youth and adults may be recognized with the Vigil Honor. Eligible nominees must be registered, active members of the lodge who have continued in service to others for a minimum of two years from the date of their Brotherhood ceremony.

Do you have a member you would like to nominate for Vigil? Scan the QR code below to be taken to the nomination form!



Lodge Renovations

Over the last few months, a team of lodge youth decided to build a new counter top for the lodge. Features include: hide away trash-can, wireless charging, and high quality wooden counter top! Next time you get the chance, be sure to check out the progress that is being made!



Chiefly Speaking

Brothers,

Recently I've put a lot of thought into "the spirit" of our lodge, you might have heard me mention it before.

Here is a quote that clearly exemplifies what I'm talking about, "You know that among human beings, when they get together in a family, or club, or trade union, people talk about the 'spirit' of that family, club, or trade union. They talk about its 'spirit' because the individual members, when they are together, do really develop particular ways of talking and behaving which they would not have if they were apart." – C.S. Lewis

The Order of the Arrow affords many new and fun opportunities to each Arrowmen. It exposes new members to the larger world of scouting. When you first join the OA, you meet new people from around Middle Tennessee and within your county at chapter meetings. When you attend your first Section Conclave you meet scouters from across all of Tennessee, Kentucky, and Mississippi.

In talking with many friends in scouting, one of the biggest reasons they keep coming back is the people you meet and friends you make. This is something I've consistently heard in all my experiences; from just my Troop and Crew, to scouters from across the globe at the 2019 World Scout Jamboree.

When I joined the OA and attended my first Fall Fellowship, I knew only a couple people. Fortunately, one of those people was active in the OA and introduced me to many of his friends

within the lodge. He was able to lead me through the weekend so that I wasn't totally alone and helped me get to know a lot of the friends I still have today.

This is where the "spirit" of our lodge comes in. Many of the first people I met in the lodge exemplified great "spirit" by being a good friend to me. We must consistently strive to make our lodge's "spirit" friendly, enthusiastic, fun, and exciting. Something as simple introducing your friend to a group of new people makes a difference. It's also a lot of fun to meet new people!

Hope you all are in good health, see you soon!

Yours in Service,

Rodney Bakken, II

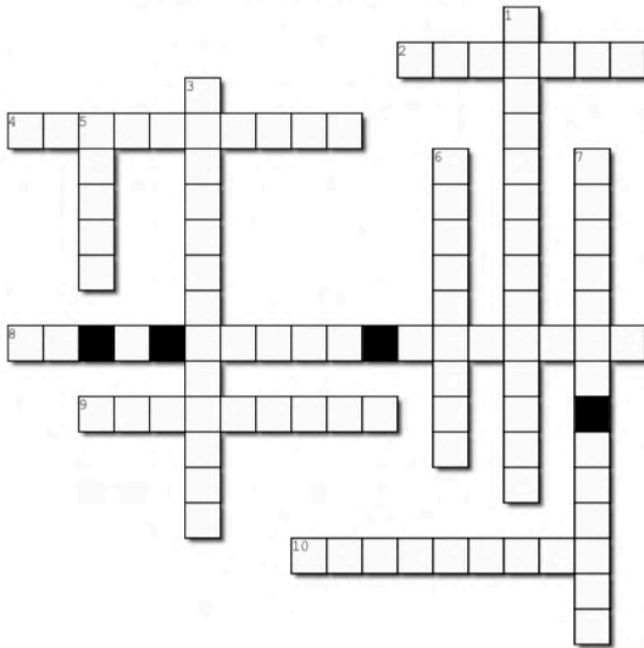
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The Ordeal

Complete the crossword puzzle below



Across

- 2. The Guardian of the circle
- 4. To Love One Another
- 8. Founder of the OA
- 9. Guide and brother on the journey
- 10. W

Down

- 1. W
- 3. W
- 5. Medicine man, Shaman, Teacher,
- 6. Friend
- 7. Mighty chief, leader

2020 Calendar

Momentum	August 3-8, 2020
Fall Induction Weekend	August 14-16, 2020
Spring Shindig	August 28-30, 2020
Fall Fellowship	September 18-20, 2020
Section SR-6 Conclave	October 30 - November 1, 2020
Winter Banquet	December 5, 2020
Winter Camp	December 26-31, 2020