

# THE FLYING EAGLE

WA-HI-NASA LODGE 111

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## Fall Fellowship

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## FALL FELLOWSHIP CONTINGENCY



Be Prepared.

REGISTRATION: https://wa-hi-nasa.org/events/fall-fellowship/
Enlist In The Response Team To Help Bring Boxwell Back
From Operation Window: 9.20.24 - 9.22.24

Newly Inducted Arrowmen Receive
\$20 Off Registration Price
Registration Closes 9.20.24

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Fellow Lodge Members,

There's been a seemingly apocalyptic anomaly at Boxwell. This mysterious transmission is telling me that the operation: Fall Fellowship will take place from September 20th to September 22nd. Get ready to immerse yourself in a thrilling, apocalypse-themed adventure that will test your survival skills, camaraderie, and resilience.

We are excited to welcome our newly inducted members to their first Fall Fellowship with a special offer! If you were inducted this year, you'll receive nearly half off of your registration fee. This is a fantastic opportunity to get involved, meet new friends, and make lasting memories—all at nearly half the cost!

Registration is open now on our lodge website and will close on September 10th. We look forward to seeing you at Boxwell as we navigate the challenges of the apocalypse together.

## New Member Interview

Every year our lodge holds two induction weekends to bring in new members. We decided to interview one of these new members on his experience at the induction weekend as well as on his plans now that he has gone through his ordeal. For this, we interviewed Braeden Schimpf who went through induction this June.



**Q:** Prior to joining the Order of the Arrow, what did your role in Scouting look like?

**A:** My role in scouting was an assistant patrol leader in my troop.

**Q:** Now that you have officially joined the Order of the Arrow, what has changed for you in Scouting?

**A:** Since I joined the Order, what changed was me looking at different situations and knowing how to conquer them. The Ordeal taught me that there's different ways leaders do things and conquer situations.

**Q:** As a newly inducted member, how do you see yourself involved in the lodge in the future?

**A:** I see myself being a chapter chief or a LEC member, and being involved in ceremonies for inductions.

**Q:** How will you use your involvement in the Order of the Arrow to benefit your home unit?

**A:** My involvement in the OA will benefit my troop by bringing better leadership skills and involvement.

**Q:** What overall do you hope to gain from the Order of the Arrow?

**A:** I hope I gain friendships and skills to help lead me in life!



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Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns regarding the Flying Eagle

### Award Nominations

Every year, our lodge recognizes people who have gone above and beyond in various areas of the lodge by presenting them with awards at our annual Winter Banquet in December. With the exception of the First-Year Arrowman Award, a member must be nominated to receive an award, so if you feel that someone you know is worthy of such an award, feel free to nominate them. This can be done by visiting our lodge website or by scanning this QR code, and filling out a form for the person you would like to nominate. A list of prior recipients of each award can also be found on our website. The following are the awards which may be presented by our lodge:



First-Year Arrowman Award - Complete a set of requirements within their first year of joining the Order. To apply for this award, go to the awards section of the lodge website to fill out the application

and submit it to awards@wa-hinasa.org. Applications are due the night of September 30th.



#### Josh Sain Memorial Award -

Named to remember the late National Vice Chief, Josh Sain, this award is presented to members for exceptional service to their chapter and lodge. Nominations due by October 16th.

Tom Parker Memorial Award for Excellence in **Camp Promotions -** This award recognizes a lodge member for outstanding contributions for camp promotions at the chapter or council level. Nominations due by October 16th.

**Unsung Arrowman Award -** This award is presented to one youth member in the lodge who has devoted time and efforts to the lodge despite never holding a lodge position. The recipient must attend 80% of Wa-Hi-Nasa lodge events within the last two years. Nominations due by October 16th.

Excellence in Ceremonies Award - This award recognizes a youth member of the lodge who demonstrates excellence in lodge and chapter ceremonies. Nominations due by October 16th.

Founder's Award - Awarded by the National Committee of the Order of the Arrow, the Founder's Award recognizes Arrowmen who best exemplify the qualities described by the founder of the Order, Dr. E. Urner Goodman. Nominations due by September 21st.



## Lodge Renovation

If you've attended an event since Spring Summit, chances are you have noticed that the Howard B. Olson Lodge Building looks a little bit different. The lodge completely renovated the side of the building to repair water and termite damage that had taken place over the last forty years. We are pleased to announce that this project is complete and the building is ready for all OA events and members to enjoy. Please join us at Fall Fellowship or an upcoming OA event and take a tour!







**Before During After** 

# Conducting the Induction Weekends

Our Induction Weekends are two of our most important events every year. For our readers to understand what all goes into an induction weekend and the importance of the event, we interviewed our



Induction Weekends chairman, Austin Alberd.

**Q:** What were the biggest challenges you faced during the planning stages, and how did you overcome them?

**A:** The biggest challenge that I faced during the planning stages was uncertainty. A lot of the details for Induction Weekends are not provided until a week from the event. An example of this would be the task list. Given that uncertainty, I had to plan for everything and ensure I had a plan for every possible scenario. Another challenge that I faced during the planning stages was not doing everything myself. I had to learn to step back and delegate tasks.

**Q:** How does your role as the induction weekends chairman impact the lodge as a whole?

**A:** August and June Induction Weekends are the two main events that add new members to our lodge. Without my team and I, our lodge would not have a way to induct new members into the Order of the Arrow. The Induction Weekends chairman position is very important to our lodge. If an Induction Weekend is unsuccessful, our lodge suffers a deficit of new members.

**Q:** How do you manage the different service areas in planning and throughout the event?

**A:** In planning the event, we have weekly calls leading up to the event. This helps me gauge how my team is doing and if they need any help. Weekly meetings are the main way that I manage the different service areas while planning the event. During the event I act as a "hub" where everything is passed through. In simple, during the event I hand tasks off to and work closely with all service areas to solve problems as they arise.

**Q:** During the actual induction weekends what do you primarily do, and what tasks are you typically faced with?

**A:** During the induction weekend, I do three things: help ensure the event runs smoothly and on time, solve problems as they arise, and coordinate with service areas and AIMs (Assistant Induction Master) to ensure that the task list gets completed or near completion. During the event, I am mostly in the dining hall coordinating the

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weekend or riding around with my adviser checking in on candidates, AIMs, and Elangomats. Some tasks that I am given are things such as modifying the event due to weather, ensuring the task list (given to us by council) is as close to complete as possible, keeping the event running smoothly, and producing a report of work done.

**Q:** What advice would you give to a future induction weekends chairman about the planning and execution of these events?

**A:** The best advice that I would give to a future Induction Weekends chairman would be to be humble and flexible. This job is not easy. You will have to adapt to new challenges quickly and you will have to work with a lot of people. If you remain humble and are flexible, you will be able to plan an amazing Induction Weekend. Also listen to the advice of more experienced Induction Weekend key staff, and do not be afraid to ask for help (especially if you do not know about something) or to ask why.

## Adviser's Corner

"Great moments are born from great opportunities" -Herb Brooks

Attending the National OA Conference is one of the most uplifting experiences in Scouting, and 2024 was no different. Every session I attended, every activity area and show, I saw so many opportunities for OA members to find what they enjoy and become better engaged. OA members from across the country making the most of their conference and lifting each other up. Now, NOAC isn't the only place where great opportunities can be found. There are instances in each and every day where we have the chance to support one another, be the best humans we can possibly be. Each of these is an opportunity to do the right thing or try our very best. It is only by making the most of each of

these small chances that we can truly have great moments when faced with great opportunities. Great opportunities don't come along very often and when they do, we need to be prepared. Are you making the most of every day?

Yours in Service,

David Emery Lodge Adviser



## Chiefly Speaking

Dear Wa-Hi-Nasa.

I would like to start by first extending a welcome to all our new members. You have stood the test of your induction, both physically and mentally. The work you have done will propel the council in the next phase of this year. Without all of you, our council wouldn't be able to achieve such amazing things.

Back in 1809, in the middle of a forest a little boy was born to a frontier family. This boy was born into a simple family that worked on a farm. The boy had only eighteen months of formal education. From those eighteen months he found his love for knowledge through reading. He read as many books as he could get his hands on; while working several jobs so that his family may stay afloat. After his mother's death, his family moved to a whole different state. A new state means new cultures, new people, and new opportunities. Eventually he became a young man, and he was voted to be a local governor. Through his love of reading he taught himself the practice of law, and earned himself a nickname due to his trustworthiness. He would go on to run for the position of Senator. However, he lost. Then he lost again. Pushing through the odds, Abraham Lincoln went on to win the presidential race of 1860.

Any journey will have its ups and its downs. Throughout Lincoln's life, he went through rejection and hardships. Even with all of these problems, Lincoln pushed through it all to achieve greatness. We all will experience hardships. They might be like Lincoln's or they might be totally opposite. The inductees that went through this

weekend went through hardships, the same as you. At the end of the day, we are better off together than seperate. The Order of the Arrow as an organization is undergoing a lot of innovation. There are things we might agree with and other things we might not. However, as long as we do it as a lodge, as long as we do it together, we will be better for it. Once again, congratulations on your induction, and welcome to the Order of the Arrow.

Yours in Service, Carson Patterson

## Farewell to the Stahlman Dining Hall

The Middle Tennessee Council is excited to announce that construction has begun on the Aubrey B. Harwell, Jr. Leadership Center that will replace Stahlman Dining Hall at Boxwell Reservation.





Stahlman Dining Hall has served the camp well for 64 years since Boxwell's opening in 1960. It has been the central kitchen for preparing meals for the entire camp. Hundreds of thousands of Scouts, leaders, volunteers and staff have eaten, participated in programs and enjoyed fellowship within its walls. But, even with renovations over the years the building is no longer functional for the Council's needs. The new facility will be named to honor Aubrey Harwell, a Middle Tennessee Council and National BSA leader for decades.

## Sea Scout Lodge Flap

In order to create a lodge flap that would fit the shape of Sea Scout uniform pocket, the lodge has decided to create a single standard lodge flap for this purpose. These lodge flaps will be sold exclusively via a pre-order which will be open through the end of



Fall Fellowship. They will be \$6.00 each, and following the event, an order will be made, and the flaps should be available for pickup at Winter Banquet or at later events.