

THE MEDICINE WHEEL



Wahpekute Lodge- Order of the Arrow

Fall Conclave

Fall Conclave was held at Camp Norseland this year on October 2-4. New Vigils were inducted including Mike Sargent, Cody Klinksiek, Greg Rasmussen, Ben Goebel, Greg Graif, Mike Wolfe, and Rene Maes. On Saturday we completed service for Camp Norseland. We made a new parking area for the lodge trailer and the camp canoe trailer. We had movies on Friday and Saturday night and on Sunday we helped with the Eagle Ceremony for Nate Roberts. Nate had a unique ceremony using the lodge regalia and an O.A. theme. The regalia would be available for others too if you would like, just let us know.

Lodge Officers

- Lodge Chief - Nate Roberts
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Chapter Chiefs

- North Star - Greg R.
- Great Bend - K.C. D.
- Sioux Trails - Josiah A.
- Southern Trails - Michael H.

We will be having an LEC meeting at the Mankato Scout Office on Sunday, December 6th at 2:00 PM. All O.A. members are welcome.



Chapter Happenings...

Great Bend- December 1st. 7:00 p.m. Chapter meeting at Mankato West High School. Movie with food.

Sioux Trails-December 3rd. 7:00 p.m. Chapter meeting at Roundtable meeting. 7:00pm at Sleepy Eye Trinity Church

North Star- December 11th 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Cookout and meeting. Greg Graif's home in Truman. For more information call Greg at 507.236.4674

Southern Trails- Chapter meeting at Round Table, 7:00pm

Winter Conclave

January 2nd-3rd

Holy Rosary Catholic Parish Center, North Mankato, MN.

Registration 11:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m.

Registration Cost is \$25.00 for everything included below.

Registration includes all of the following events:

11:30 A.M. – 6:00 P.M. Basketball, Dodge ball, Rock Band, Guitar Hero, Wii, Halo, etc.

1:45 P.M. If you would like to go to the WOW Zone. We will go bowling, miniature golfing and a few other fun activities.

If you do not want to go to the Wow Zone then there will be tournaments at the Center like Basketball, Guitar Hero, or Wii Bowling and Golf.

6:00 P.M. Get back from WOW Zone.

6:30 P.M. Supper

7:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M. Leadership Training.

Choose two training cells, one hour long each:

1. So I am an OA Troop Rep. What Now?
2. Theater in Ceremonies
3. Regalia and Dancing.
4. The Power of One.

9:00 P.M. -10:00 P.M. L.E.C. Meeting.

10:00 P.M. – 12:00 A.M. Brotherhood Bash

Potato Bar, Root beer Keg, Video Game Tournaments, Movies, Fear Factor, More Food, Patch Trading, Video Game Tournaments, plus you won't want to miss the live band- SOLENOID PANEL.

4:00 A.M. – 8:00 A.M. Sleep, Movies, Fellowship.

8:00 A.M. Breakfast

8:30 A.M. Clean up

9:30 A.M. Check Out.

Notes: Please bring extra cash to help cover the event. We will have a Pie-in-the-face competition and trading post items. 4 Pre-selected individuals will compete for the pie-in-the-face honor. 2 will finish. This is the funnest event of the year!

Quality Lodge

It appears that we will be a Quality Lodge again in 2009. We have completed all areas dealing with the requirements including the update for the Guide to Camping which is on the Twin Valley Council web site. Thanks again to everyone who has participated in activities, given service to our camps, worked on the Lodge Service Days, the Lodge Executive Committee who has kept the lodge going throughout the past year.



Lodge Recharter/Membership Renewal for 2010

Scoutmasters attending the November and December Roundtable meetings please check for troop packets dealing with O.A. membership. Membership renewal is \$10.00 and with that you will get your 2010 membership cards, Medicine Wheel newsletters, and other information. Please follow the directions on the sheet and include all information. It helps us keep our records accurate. If you are an O.A. member and need to renew your membership individually, please send it to the scout office in Mankato with personal information including mailing address, email, and date of birth and phone number. They are due with Troop Recharter.

Order of the Arrow High Adventure

Each summer, for any youth under 21 years, the Order of the Arrow offers a myriad of different High Adventure opportunities to meet your summer needs whether its wetting your appetite by going for a plunge in the Atlantic Ocean with the Ocean Adventure at the Florida Sea Base; maybe hiking is your passion, what better place to go than the Philmont Scout Ranch. Have you ever given thought about what the Native Americans and early explorers did to be avid traders, maybe the OA Voyage is for calling. Perhaps watch the Northern Lights from a canoe at Northern Tier by Ely, MN. Whatever your summer aspirations may be, these National High Adventure bases have put together a multitude of options for you. For two weeks this summer! Costs are very low for this experience!! Remember open to any youth under the age of 21.

If interested in any of the Order of the Arrow High Adventure programs, please visit adventura.aa-bsa.org or come to the OA HA meeting at the scout office in Mankato on December 6 at 1:00 p.m.

Letter from the Chief

Dear Wahpekute Lodge,

As the Lodge Chief, I would like to see some more new faces at our events. This past month we had a Lodge Executive Meeting (LEC) at Camp Cedar Point witch was in North Star district. There are a couple of up coming events that I would like to see as many people as possible go to. The first one is Winter Conclave. The goal is to have at least 40 youth and 15 adults. I would like to challenge you all to go to your December and January chapter meetings. There will be an LEC at the Winter Conclave and you who have not been to one before will have the opportunity to sit in on it. Section Chief Addison Hendricks would also like to challenge you all to come to Winter Conclave because he wants to meet everyone he possibly can and get your ideas about what you want to see in the Order of the Arrow.

While at Winter Conclave, would you like to pie someone in the face. Well if you do then you have a chance to. There are 4 people who you could possibly pie in the face including yours truly. Which ever person's box that gets filled with the most money will be the one pied and the person who gets the privilege of doing the pieing will be auctioned off also.

Their will be training sessions at Winter Conclave. You have the opportunity to go to 2 out of the 4 possible sessions. There will be OA Troop Rep now what, dancing and regalia, the power of one, and theater in ceremonies. Some great sessions for youth and adults.

What is better than bowling, mini golf, lazar tag, live band, pie in the face, potato bar, pizza, patch trading, fun training sessions, meeting Section Chief Addison, and just having a great time all in one night. For those who would like to meet new people and have a great time, come to Winter Conclave!

In WWW,

Nathan Roberts
Lodge Chief

Registration Form
2010 Wahpekute Lodge Winter Conclave

Name: _____ Troop: _____

City _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Circle One: under 18 or 18-21 or Over 21

_____: Yes, I will attend the Wahpekute Lodge Winter Conclave!!

Enclosed \$ 25.00. You may pay at the Scout Office or at the door when you get there. If paying ahead of time Please Enclose Payment and Send to: Twin Valley Council, BSA, 810 E. Madison Ave., Mankato, MN 56001, or pay at the door. If you have questions, please call Steve Knuth, Lodge Adviser at 507.525.3149.