Registration for Fall Fellowship is up and ready. Go ahead and sign-up for your ordeal or for a brotherhood class if you’re eligible. Even if you’re not doing your ordeal or brotherhood, you can still join us and do some cheerful service along with playing gaga ball, or possibly participating in a ceremony. We will also be having a special guest from our section for you to meet. At Fall fellowship we will be also conducting our annual lodge elections, so if you are running for a position, or if want a say in who runs the lodge for another year, it’s highly preferred that you be at the event. Check out the ‘Elections’ tear out for more information. Dates for Fall Fellowship are Friday, September 13th, to Sunday, the 15th, and the event is at Old Ben Scout Reservation. To register and find some more information go to https://scoutingevent.com/156OAFallConclave2019.
FROM THE EDITOR

As we approach Fall Fellowship, and annual lodge elections, I realize in hindsight how important my position, Vice Chief of Publications, is to the lodge. I don’t usually brag, but the saying is COMMUNICATION IS KEY and my main responsibility is communicating; communicating anything that arrowmen in Kiondaga Lodge need to know. Whether that’s through social media, email, or a quarterly newsletter, it’s all KEY to having good events and keeping the OA as a whole well-informed. So with this upcoming election, I encourage and challenge you to run for, and be our next Vice Chief of Elections.

In Fellowship,
Andy Hardgrave

I do hereby promise, on my honor as a Scout, that I will always and faithfully observe and preserve the traditions of the Order of the Arrow, Wimachtendienk, Wingolauchsik, Witahemui. I will always regard the ties of the brotherhood in the Order of the Arrow as lasting, and will seek to preserve a cheerful spirit, even in the midst of irksome tasks and weighty responsibilities, and will endeavor, so far as in my power lies, to be unselfish in service and devotion to the welfare of others.
2019 marks the 70th year of Kiondaga Lodge being chartered to the Order of the Arrow. To commemorate this anniversary, we have made a patch that you can purchase at the Gaither Scout Shop, or at any lodge event.
Members of Kiondaga Lodge,

After an amazing summer season for Kiondaga Lodge, I cannot wait for the rest of the year! This past summer, we hosted our Summer Fun Fellowship which was a blast. This event was all about fun, fellowship and is one of the highlight events that our lodge hosts every year. I also had the privilege of going to Philmont Scout Ranch. Let me tell you, a trip to Philmont is an eye-popping adventure. If you ever get the chance to go on a trek or individually, I would strongly recommend it. Did you know that the OA offers programs at each of the four of BSA’s High Adventure bases? Arrowmen like you, can go to these reservations for a significantly reduced cost! What a deal! You can find more information at [oa-bsa.org/high-adventure/](http://oa-bsa.org/high-adventure/). While I was at Philmont, I hiked many trails, climbed up a few mountains, and had my fair share of program. But perhaps the most important experience from Philmont was the fellowship and team development of my crew. Of course, we spent many months preparing for the trek, and it was so amazing to be out in the backcountry depending on a group of ten other people who I would consider to be some of my closest friends, especially after the trek! Throughout the journey we all struggled, myself included. On the first day, I almost puked out my guts while trying to adjust to the elevation! However, the neat thing was that we all had each other’s backs. One day; you might be struggling, so I will help you; the next day I might be struggling, so you will help me. This mindset reminds me of the Order of the Arrow, and especially the members of Kiondaga Lodge. I invite you to join me and other OA friends at Fall Fellowship, Sash and Bash, cheerful service opportunities, and of course any Lodge Executive Committee meeting. Remember, I make no gain of wealth from helping our fellow lodge members, but the unselfish service and devotion to the welfare of others is what makes our organization unique and builds us.

Luke Schweickart
2019 Kiondaga Lodge Chief
lukebsa@gmail.com
Attending the National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) is the largest, life-changing, OA event that any Arrowmen can attend. NOAC is from August 3rd, to August 8th at Michigan State University. Attending NOAC will make you realize you’re apart of something larger than scouts; a national brotherhood devoted to service and living by the Scout Oath and Law. With lots of shows, trainings, patch trading, and activities all over the campus, you will have a hard time choosing what to do. NOAC is also a great opportunity to meet arrowmen from all around the United States and even the world.

[ A note from the editor: Having been to both World Jamboree and NOAC, I enjoyed NOAC more!]

KIONDAGA LODGE CONTINGENT

Deposits are currently being accepted for NOAC. Make sure you pay, otherwise you may not get a spot in the contingent. If you would like to register for NOAC, please fill out the form at the back of this newsletter and either mail or return the envelope with your deposit and form to the Eykamp Scout Center, 3501 E. Lloyd Expressway, Evansville, IN. If you have any questions, direct them towards our contingent leaders, Paul and Luke Freeman. Their emails are on the registration form. We hope to see you with us when we leave for NOAC 2020!
SASH AND BASH  On October 26th, at the Eykamp Scout Center, the lodge is having its annual Sash and Bash. This event is a great chance for to meet the new lodge officers, as well as have a good time playing yard games, eating pizza, and getting in a spooky mood for Halloween. Immediately following the event will be a Lodge Executive Committee meeting. The committee really likes getting ideas and feedback from Arrowmen like you, so that we can improve our events. We hope to see you at Sash and Bash!

OA WEBINAR  Thrive is a call to action to reverse the OA’s declining membership numbers. The focus points for the discussing include:

- The New Role of a Section.
- Unit Elections, Induction Rates, and Activation Rates.
- Laying out a 3 year plan to have every lodge be ‘high performing’.

Thrive is how the OA is ensuring the order’s existence, and our ability to thrive, in the future. This is a local commitment our lodge has to make too. Help us THRIVE by coming to our webinar gathering. More information about the gathering will be put out soon on social media.
LLD Lodge Leadership Development is a day full of training for Arrowmen to learn how to complete the duties of their officer position, and how to better the lodge in general. LLD is not just for newly elected officers. If you see yourself as a future officer in the lodge, getting trained at an LLD is a great thing to have for when you run at the next Fall Fellowship. The methods and skills learned at LLD can also be implicated in a troop or crew. This event is similar to many others in that its more fun if you have a buddy, so bring as many OA friends as you can! LLD will be at the Ekamp Scout Center from 9 to 4, and there will be PIZZA.

SUMMER FUN FELLOWSHIP was loads of fun. Late night movie watching, giant water slides, water balloon sling shots, archery, canoeing, muzzle loaders, swimming, kayaking, rifle shooting, good food, and sharing stories are all the things the lodge had fun with at the event. The only thing lacking at the event was more people, so next year bring an OA friend with you and try some flamingo squishees. Thanks to everyone that worked at the ranges, waterfront, and in the kitchen for the weekend.
Kiondaga Lodge
National Order of the Arrow Conference 2020 Registration

By returning this form, you will be officially be counted among the Kiondaga Lodge NOAC 2020 Contingent. A $100 dollar non-refundable deposit is due at the time of registration. If you are sending this form to the Buffalo Trace Council, Eykamp Scout Center (3501 E. Lloyd Expressway; Evansville, IN 47715) via mail, the $100 deposit must be enclosed within the envelope with this form. Expect further informative slips after the completion of registration.

Please Complete Legibly in Print

Name: ___________________________________________ Unit: ____________

Cell (Scout): ______________ Email (Scout): __________________________

Honor in the OA: Ordeal Brotherhood Vigil

Parent/Guardian Name: __________________________________________

Cell (Parent): ______________ Email (Parent): ________________________

If you have any questions, please direct them towards our contingent leaders

Adult Contingent Leader - Paul Freeman Email: pfreeman1209@gmail.com
Youth Contingent – Luke Freeman Email: luke.freeman@evscsd12.com
Staff Advisor – Jaime Wilder Email: Jaime.Wilder@scouting.org
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Kiondaga Lodge
Lodge Officer Petition

VIEW THIS ENTIRE FORM ONLINE AT
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Return this completed form to the Lodge Adviser by 3 PM Saturday of Fall Fellowship.

I petition to become a candidate for a position in Kiondaga Lodge. (Lodge Chief, VC Activities, VC Elections, Sec. Recording, VC Publications, and VC Finance)

Name: ___________________________________________  Unit: ______________
Cell (Scout): ___________________________  Email (Scout): ___________________________

Parent/Guardian Name: ___________________________________________________________
Cell (Parent): ___________________________  Email (Parent): ___________________________

I understand that by seeking election I am agreeing to performing the duties described for each office. I understand that attendance at the Lodge Leadership Development Training, Lodge Executive Committee Meetings, lodge events and appropriate council events is necessary.

Candidate Signature: ___________________________  Date: _______________

I approve my child to seek election for office in Kiondaga Lodge.

Parent/Guardian Signature: ___________________________  Date: _______________

I affirm that this Arrowman is a well-rounded individual and can serve well as a Lodge officer for Kiondaga Lodge. (This signature may be completed by professional Scouter if the Scout’s unit leader is not available.)

Unit Leader / Staff Adviser Signature: ___________________________  Date: ___________

I affirm that this form has been properly completed by 3 PM on Saturday of Fall Fellowship and that this Scout exemplifies the Scout Oath and Law in their everyday life.

Lodge Adviser Signature: ___________________________  Date: _______________

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