

THE MITIGWA CHIEF

MITIGWA LODGE #450 ORDER OF THE ARROW
MID-IOWA COUNCIL BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

FALL FELLOWSHIP 2004



Mitigwa Lodge will meet “on the hills above the river” for friendship and fellowship at the annual Fall Fellowship gathering of the Lodge.

The Vigil Honor Selection Committee has completed their duty and those chosen will be called August 21 at a ceremony after breakfast. The remainder of the day will be filled with fun things to do. Remember this is a Fellowship weekend and not a work weekend for Brotherhood. But there is a Brotherhood Ceremony for all those eligible. For those called to the Order this summer, but were unable to complete their Ordeal in camp, this is the first opportunity to complete the Ordeal.

The election of Lodge Officers will be held Sunday morning right after breakfast. Please plan to stay for this important meeting of the lodge. Many chapters will also hold election of officers for the coming year.

The Lodge Trading Post will be open with lodge towels, decks of Mitigwa Lodge playing cards, sweatshirts, jackets and Grab Bags of patches and many other items for sale.

Call your fellow scouts and leaders and get every Arrowman in your unit to attend this fun event. Bring your tent, sleeping bag, uniform and sash for a weekend of fun.

Please bring a copy of your Camp Physical.

There is an optional Streak Fry Friday from 5:30 to 7:30 PM the cost is \$7.50.

Remember the cost of the event pays your dues for 2005.

The registration form for this event is inside this issue of *The Mitigwa Chief*. You can also find it online at www.mitigwalodge.org

Section Conclave

Because of the cost of the bus for Section Conclave, it is important that you return your registration as soon as possible. The lodge cost is more than your payments provides and we need to know if we can fill a bus as early as possible. See inside for more information about Section Conclave.

Dates to Remember:

July 31 - August 5 —
NOAC

August 20-22 —
Fall Fellowship

September 10-12 —
Section Conclave

September 24-25 —
Lodge Officer
Training

October 1-3 — Council
Camporall Service Corps

October 8-9 —
Vigil Weekend

October 22-24 —Lodge
Leader Development Con-
ference

Please notice

Please do not bring any pets to lodge events.



**Pat Hon
Chief**

Wow, what a summer! Seeing our Lodges new Ordeal members at work was truly something special. This summer our new members completed a large array of task, including working on the OA trail down the Pre-Ordeal ring. This Summer the Lodge had several Arrowmen participate in two weeks of Trail Crew They worked on the OA Trail during the first and second weeks of Scout Camp. I would like to thank all of those who helped with the OA activities during Summer Camp. Fall Fellowship is quickly approaching, and if you have a work day and have been an Ordeal member at least 10 months, this is your chance to sign up to do your Brotherhood ceremony. If you were an Elangomat during Summer Camp this year that counts as a workday. We look forward to seeing you at Fall Fellowship, it is going to be a great time. If you're an Ordeal member you should start getting ready to become Brotherhood. Section Conclave at Lewis and Clark Scout Camp in Sioux Falls, South Dakota will be September 10-12. The focus of the event is the 200th anniversary of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. If you're interested in this great event you can pre-register or sign up

at Fall Fellowship. Hope to see you there!



**Robert J. Trusty
Advisor**

What am I going to talk about! When you receive this issue of the Chief, we will have finished all of the summer camps and the service lodge for the National Order of the Arrow Conference will be finished with their duties. Look on the web for articles about The National Order of the Arrow Conference. We are now ready to swing into Fall Fellowship, (with the election of new officers), Council Camporall Service Corps, Vigil Honor Weekend, Section Conclave, Officer Training, Lodge Leader Development Conference, and Winter Banquet. If that is not enough, we will be making extensive plans for the Dan Beard Trail at Camp Mitigwa.



**Jeff "Smoky" Davis
Staff Advisor**

Welcome to all who became Ordeal members at summer camp. Please join us at Chapter meetings and Lodge events so you can see what the Order of the Arrow is all about. Your Ordeal is just the beginning. The next step we expect you to take is to become a Brotherhood member after you have been a member for 10 months and completed your Brotherhood scorecard. I am sure that the more you do with the Order of the Arrow the more you will enjoy it and you will certainly make new friends.

Ordeal candidates performed many worthwhile projects for camp this summer and I appreciate all of your work. Besides the Ordeal projects many troops worked on service projects to camp and earned the Baden Powell Award for their efforts. To all of you a great big Thank You!

Section Conclave is a meeting of 6 lodges from Iowa, Minnesota, and North and South Dakota. In the morning we participate in training sessions on how to make your lodge and chapters better. The afternoon is devoted to having fun with games, competitions such as carving a watermelon to look like your Lodge

Advisor or just hanging out with your friends from the other lodges. New Section officers are elected by the youth attending. Our Past Section Chief is now National Chief.

The Lodge is looking for Arrowmen who will be available to serve on Service Corps for the Council Camporall October 1-3, 2004. Check with your Scoutmaster because remember, your first duty is to you unit.

FOR MEMBERSHIP
INFORMATION
CONTACT TYLER POUSCH AT
www.mitigwalodge.org
and leave a message



Tyler Pousch
V.C. of Member-

Welcome to all of the new ordeals that have just been inducted into Mitigwa Lodge. There are a lot of fine men and women that have devoted their lives to cheerful service, and I can't wait to see what they are capable of.

Thank you to all of the chapters for doing a ceremony. Everyone did a great job. It is nice to see all the young talent in the chapters who are good candidates for the Lodge Team.

This is the last year for our current lodge team to perform together. Snowflake Pow Wow 2005 will be when our new lodge team will be selected. Now is the time to start thinking about trying out. Being a lodge team member is a very big and rewarding responsibility. You represent your lodge at Section Conclave and NOAC. It is a full 2 year commitment in which you must attend all Lodge events and NOAC. As a lodge team member you get to know a great group of young men very well, and there is a lot of fun at our practices and lodge events. Please think about trying out and make sure that you are ready for the commitment.



Robert Schoene
V.C. of Ceremonies

I had a great time working on the *Chief* the past two years. I just wanted to thank all who helped with the organization and sending out of *Mitigwa Chief*, your help was greatly appreciated. I am also very grateful for the opportunity to have served Order in the capacity that I did, it has been a great experience to say the least.

Speaking of great experiences, one of the best opportunities to experience a great thing was at ISU. The National Order of the Arrow Conference, was a superb time especially since we were the host and service lodge!



Caleb Roney
V.C. of Communications

Thank you, thank you, thank you to everyone who helped with Elections and Promotions this season. It was a lot of hard work but, thanks to everyone's efforts, we had one of the best E&P years in a long time. I was very impressed with how hard everyone worked and I hope everyone works just as diligently next year so we can improve our performance. Thank you again for all your hard work and dedication put into Elections and Promotions this year. It has really paid off! I have had a blast as Lodge VC of E&P this year, and I hope everyone will get involved. Remember, it doesn't take much to be involved, but it will be a great experience. It is always a great time with great people in OA.



Kyle Anderson
V.C. of Elections
& Promotions



Tristan Gray
Broken Arrow

Hello everyone. Ceremonies for Broken Arrow at summer camp went really well. Also on our last meeting of the year we had liquid nitrogen ice cream! Everyone there had a blast with the ice cream and all the cool things that you could do with liquid nitrogen. Farewell for now its been great being vice chief of communications this year.

Welcome to all of new members. Please join us at our meetings. Come with a friend or contact your Scoutmaster for a ride.

We are looking forward to Fall Fellowship August 20 –22. If you became an Ordeal member at least 10 months ago and have completed your Brotherhood Scorecard, this is your opportunity to seal your membership in the Order and advance to Brotherhood. Wouldn't it be great if everyone is Broken Arrow who is eligible to become Brotherhood did so, all together at Fall Fellowship. See you there.

Welcome and congratulations to the new Arrowmen. It is nice to see new faces. So you know there is an OA meeting every second Thursday of the month starting September 9th. We meet at the 1st Baptist Church in Indianola. Call your scoutmaster to get you a ride, as he will be attending roundtable at the same time. I would like to invite everyone to the work weekend October 29th to the 31st. We will gather as a chapter to give back to Camp Mitigwa as it has given so much to us. Bring along your appetite and \$10 for your share of the feast. We will be staying in Mort Miles Lodge. We are also working on offering a brotherhood ceremony there. See you at Fall Fellowship.

Chris de Regnier
Bo Qui



Bradford Thorn
Golden Eagle

A lot of things have been happening these past few months and the coming months.

-May 14-16 was the Spring Conclave. Wapello Work Weekend was well attended and a ceremony was held for those who attained their Brotherhood. Remember: Ordeal members should try to get their Brotherhood ASAP!

-July 31-August 5 was the National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC). This was held at the Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa. OA members from all around the country attended the conference. This is a very exciting year for Mitigwa Lodge! .

August 20-22 is the Fall Fellowship. This is not a work weekend but is an opportunity for all who have completed their Brotherhood Scorecards to become Brotherhood members.

Welcome to all of our new Arrowmen who completed their Ordeal this summer. Please start attending our Chapter meetings and see how much fun it is to be an Arrowman.

Dear fellow Arrowmen. Hello it is me again, and for those of you who don't know my name is Evan Berst and I am the current vice chief of communications. First I would like to welcome all new Arrowmen who recently joined us from summer camp (especially my Dad. Go Mike!!) I hope to see you all at our monthly meetings. I also hope to see all of you get you Brotherhood.

For those of you who completed you Ordeal last year— get your Brotherhood scorecard completed and come to Fall Fellowship to become a Brotherhood member. Hawkeye Chapter would like to lead the way with the highest percentage of our eligible Ordeal members advancing to Brotherhood

Lodge elections are held on Sunday morning at Fall Fellowship. Please plan to attend this important meeting of the Lodge.

Evan Berst
Hawkeye

Hey fellow RRV Arrowman. It's me again. Hope you have all had a good summer so far. Those of you who weren't at Spring Conclave really missed out. It was a really great time. Our ceremony team performed the first week at Camp Mitigwa. They did great. I hope you all spent your week at Summer Camp and had a good time. I hope to see you all at Fall Fellowship. If you are there you will get to help decide who the officers will be for next year.

Welcome to all of our New Arrowmen who completed the Ordeal this summer. That was just the beginning. Come to chapter meetings and lodge events to see what the Order is all about. It is great fun!



Andy DeBoard
Raccoon River Valley

Hello fellow Arrowmen. I hope you are having a great summer. TaMaHa has been busy the last few months. We had a good turn out to the One Day of service and the Spring Conclave. We have also been trying to make our meetings more interesting by having activities at them. They have been great. We've also gotten a Newsletter and a website that are now up and running. Congratulations new brotherhood members.

Welcome to our new Arrowmen who just completed your Ordeal this summer. We want you to come to Chapter meetings and lodge events so you can see how much fun it is to be a member for the Order.

To those who have been Ordeal members for at least 10 months, We encourage you to complete your Brotherhood scorecard and complete your Brotherhood at Fall Fellowship Aug 20-22.



James Von Ahnen
Tamaha

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2004 C1-A Section Conclave

This will be the last C-1A Section Conclave for Mitigwa Lodge. In October, we move to Section C-1C. The section conclave will be held at Camp Lewis and Clark near Yankton South Dakota on September 10-12. We will be leaving the Scout Office at 5:00 PM on the 10th and from Ames at Burger King. The cost is \$45.00 which cover the cost of the conclave and some of the expenses of the charter bus which we will use if we have enough to fill it.

A section conclave is an opportunity for the six lodges in the section to get together for fun, fellowship and training. There will not be the election of Section officers since the section is changing member lodges. The theme for the Conclave revolves around Lewis and Clark and 200th Anniversary of the Lewis and Clark Expedition in the Yankton area.

You will need a copy of your camp physical (bring a copy so we don't have to worry about returning it to you.) and your tent and camping gear. Of course you will need your uniform and sash. If you would like your tent put up for you when you get there leave it a Fall Fellowship or in the Scout Office by Wednesday before we leave.

Check out the web for further information and updates about the 2004 C-1A Section Conclave.

Mitigwa Lodge Service Corps for the Council Camporall

On October 1-3, The Mid-Iowa Council will hold its council wide camporall. Troops and packs from all other the council will be attending for a weekend of fun and activities.

Mitigwa Lodge has been asked to provide a Service Corps to assist in the camporall. If you would like to help and if for a full day you will be given credit for your work weekend for Brotherhood Conversion.

For those of you already Brotherhood, it is another opportunity to be of service to your fellow scouts.

If you are a youth member of the lodge, you must have your Scoutmaster approval (your first duty is to you Troop.)

You will need your camping gear, uniform and sash (and money for snacks and goodies.) Please bring a copy of your camp physical. The registration form is on the inside back page.

Check www.mitigwalodge.org for updates.



The Dan Beard Trail at Camp Mitigwa

When all the activities involving the scheduled events. The Mitigwa Lodge has been asked and has accepted as a service project for the Mid-Iowa Council the construction of the Dan Beard Trail at Camp Mitigwa.

The trail will encircle the camp and include the historical trails which were part of Camp Mitigwa. The project will require the help of a lot of Arrowman and several years to complete. If you would like to be involved with the project, look for update at www.mitigwalodge.org which should begin in the late Fall.

The First Year Award

If you completed you Ordeal in 2003 or after you can earn The First Year Award. By December 31, of the year after you obtained Ordeal Membership, you have completed the following requirements, you may purchase a special lodge flap that you can only earn in that time period. The requirements are as follows,

1. Remain an active members of the Lodge and a Scouting Unit.
2. Obtain Brotherhood Membership during the time period.
3. Attend a regular chapter meeting. Work Weekend do not count.
4. Attend one lodge activity other than those required for obtaining Ordeal and Brotherhood
5. Attend another Ordeal Ceremony. The special flap may only be purchased at Lodge Events.

**Fall Fellowship
August 20-22**

(include all information for each person.)

Name: _____ Adult Youth

Address: _____ City: _____

Chapter: _____ Check

Registration (includes dues) by August 15

_____ \$16 _____

After that date \$20 _____

Brotherhood Fee \$12 _____

2004 Events Patch \$3 _____

Fall Fellowship Segment \$1 _____

Optional Steak Fry

(Fri 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM) \$7.50

Total \$ _____

Please Send to:

Clayman Service Center

Mid-Iowa Council

P.O. Box 3009

Des Moines, IA 50316-3009

Membership Registration

For those not attending Fall Fellowship

Name: _____ Adult Youth

Address: _____

City: _____ St: _____

Zip _____ Chapter: _____

Membership: V B O Phone: _____

Boy Scout Registration (How are you registered in Scouting): _____

Please specify unit also where appropriate.

If paid by Dec 31 and if registered in 2004,
\$10.00 \$ _____

All others, \$12.00 \$ _____

Please Send to:

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**Section Conclave
September 10-12**

(If more than one registration include all information for each person.)

Name: _____ Adult Youth

Address: _____ City: _____

Chapter: _____

Picked up at Scout Office 5:00 PM _____

Picked up at Burger Kings in Ames 5:45
PM _____

Registration due by Aug 22 \$45.00 _____

After that date \$50.00 _____

Total \$ _____

Registration includes transportation.

Please Send to:

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**Council Camporall Registration
Lodge Service Corps
October 1-3**

(If more than one registration include all information for each person.)

Name: _____ Adult Youth

Address: _____ City: _____

Chapter: _____

If youth you must have the unit leader's signature _____

Troop # _____

Please bring a copy of your camp physical.

Times available:

_____ All

Please Send to:

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