



# THE LOON'S CALL

*To work at the things you love, or for those you love;  
is to turn duty into privilege and to turn work into play.*



AGAMING MAANGOGWAN LODGE 804

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### Lodge Chief, David Ware

We're almost there! Of course, I am talking about Section Conclave. For those of you that are not yet acquainted with our Section. Each of the four lodges in the Michigan Crossroads Council belongs to the same section, Section C-2. Our Section acts as the link between the lodges that make up the section, and a support team for each of its lodges.

Section Conclave is the event where each lodge in our Section comes together for a weekend of food, training, and fun! Section conclave is all about fun! There is no work involved. The event will be held at D-A Scout Ranch May 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> and promises to be one of the highlights of the year. The event's theme will be "Wild, Wild West. What Does WWW Mean to You?" There will be horseback riding, shooting sports, and our very own hoedown! So jump on board with the theme and wear your best cowboy outfit! Our lodge's theme will be "The Loon Ranger" so be sure to tie it into your plans as well.

Section Conclave always brings out the inter-lodge rivalries that exist within our Section. This year will be no different. We are currently in a competition with our brothers to the Southeast, Noquet. We are battling over our own lodge's participation at Section Conclave. If we bring more of our members than Noquet brings, we will get to throw Chuck Coutteau, Noquet's Lodge Chief, into the lake. I know we can do it! We have already beaten Noquet in the "Facebook like Challenge", with your help we can beat them again!

So here is my challenge to you: tell every single arrowmen you know about Section Conclave, and how fun it will be. This is one of my favorite parts of the scouting year, and I know it will be one of yours should you choose to attend.

Yours in Brotherhood,  
David Ware, Lodge Chief

### Executive Vice-Chief, Kevin Schoenknecht

Hey Fellow Arrowmen!

As Section C-2 Conclave draws near, I want to tell you some of the awesome things that you have the chance to partake in at Conclave. Before I dive in, I want to make sure the theme is well known. Conclave's theme is based on the Wild Wild West, and what WWW means to you. With that in mind, the Activities, Recreation, and Competitions committee has been working hard to setup events

activities, but we're also planning on having some recreational time indoors. There will be a saloon that comes complete with games (that aren't rigged too much) and that comes stocked with root beer. There will also be a little bit of friendly competition between the lodges. Before the Saturday night show, there will be a little tug-of-war competition to see which Lodge has the best gang in the Section. Let's show the Section what we got! These are just some of the events that will take place throughout Section C-2's Conclave.

There will be an awesome



Agaming Maangogwan's Vigil Class of 2013 (2 members missing)

that will put you back in the Old West. First off, what could be more Western than some shooting? D-A Scout Reservation is going to allow us to use their ranges during the Saturday on Conclave. This means you'll get a chance to see if you're the top shot in the Section!

D-A is also a great location for a western themed Conclave for a few other fantastic reasons. Some examples are that the Section will have access to a branding station and D-A's famed horses. But some of our horses will be brooms. That's right. You'll have a chance to saddle up in a western Quidditch game! Western and Harry Potter? In my professional opinion, it really can't get too much better than that. Not only will we have those outdoor

chance for you to participate all throughout the Conclave that is May 3-5. But remember to sign up through our Lodge so that you can have a blast in the past!

Yours in Brotherhood,  
Kevin Schoenknecht, Executive V.C.

### Program Vice-Chief, Jacob Straub

With our first induction weekend just a few short months away we should probably talk about how they will run. Each induction weekend is hosted by the lodge with support from local chairmen. We have many positions for each weekend that need to be filled. They include task masters, ordeal masters, elangomats,

project leaders, administrative people, and various other staff positions. At our April LEC meeting we will be having a training on our induction weekends that is for anyone who is interested in helping with the induction weekends. At our induction weekends we will be doing work projects with our general membership, we will induct new members, and will have opportunities for our members to complete their brotherhood. We will also have great food and fellowship for all. If you are interested in these please email [jakestraub@rocketmail.com](mailto:jakestraub@rocketmail.com) me right away with the weekend you would be available.

Yours in Brotherhood,  
 Jake Straub, V.C. Program

## Service Vice-Chief, Craig Symborski

Fellow Brothers,

Greetings Arrowmen, I hope everyone is having a fantastic winter and looking forward to spring, and even more for the spring induction weekends! I know I am! Induction weekends mean we get the wonderful privileged of providing service to a couple of our summer camps, which I am extremely excited for, just as I am sure all of you are. If anyone would like to help with leading some of the service projects during those weekends please email me at [craig\\_symborski@yahoo.com](mailto:craig_symborski@yahoo.com) and I will get you details on the projects as soon as I get them myself around mid-March. On another service note, if anyone has any ideas of ways for the lodge or chapters can serve the council or communities please email me as well. Personally I would like to see at least one small scale service project a month. Remember the words of our founders, "For he who serves his fellows is, of his fellows, greatest."

Yours in Brotherhood,  
 Craig Symborski, V.C. Service

## Administration Vice-Chief, Nick Crosser

Hey guys, new stuffs for you.

Spoiler: This article contains PATCHES. This year at conclave I am going to be the youth running the patch auction, so makes sure to come visit both to drop off cool items you want to make some money on and to try and pick up some of the awesome scouting memorabilia! Who knows, you might even find some gold in there and leave with a really rare piece of history! Be it patch auction or otherwise BRING SPIRIT. And remember....

"It don't always be like it is but it do."

Yours in Brotherhood,  
 Nick Crosser, V.C. Administration

## Communications Vice-Chief, Sean Greania

Hey there Arrowmen,

Are you still pumped about this year? If so, I suggest you start clearing your schedules for the upcoming events, such as the Section Conclave in May and the long awaited induction weekends. If you aren't pumped yet, then my best advice for you is to get involved. Go to a chapter meeting, start talking to officers and fellow brothers, or if you want to get involved directly to the rest of the lodge might I suggest becoming a newsletter chair? I mean come on this newsletter doesn't put itself together, plus you get to make something you are proud of and hundreds of arrowmen will receive and read. Maybe you are interested in helping record the history of this lodge as we make it? Then you can be the Lodge history chair and help track where this



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great lodge has been and where it will go. These are things to consider. But most of all, get ready for that fast approaching Section Conclave. Word on the street is that the Noquet Lodge think they are better than us, than you! Let's prove them wrong for a second time.

Yours in Brotherhood,  
 Sean Greania, V.C. Communications

## Lodge Calendar

- April 13: L.E.C. Meeting at Flint Scout Office
- May 3-5: Section Conclave at D-Bar-A
- May 17-19: Spring Induction #1 at Camp Rotary
- June 7-9: Spring Induction #2 at Camp Holaka

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