



# 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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### WELCOME NEW ORDEAL MEMBERS



At the May Induction at Camp Rotary over 90 new Ordeal Members were inducted into our Order. They successfully completed their Ordeal "without flinching" and will "seek to understand the four tests when they encounter them in new ways." They are a part of our lodge's CENTENNIAL ORDEAL CLASS!

Camp Director Andrew Wright is grateful for the Order's assistance during the weekend specially with: camp site set-up, the completion of the Adirondack Shelters, the progress on the OA Centennial Stairs, and the planting of 100 Centennial Trees.

Work and fun, fellowship and service were given to camp and received by all!

Welcome NEW MEMBERS and THANK YOU everyone!

### WELL DONE NEW BROTHERHOODS!

During the May Spring Induction and the June Big Event, over 40 arrowmen sealed their membership in the Brotherhood. They grew in their understanding of our Order's signs and symbols, maintained active status, supported camp service projects, and undertook the



Brotherhood Hike to reach a deeper understanding of the Order and our four purposes. By late Saturday night, these members had a greater upstanding of the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service! We welcome you as CENTENNIAL BROTHERHOOD MEMBERS!

### WELL DONE new BROTHERHOODS! JOIN US AT SEAT BACKS!!

The annual lodge fundraiser, MSU SEAT BACKS, takes place on Saturday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> from 8:30



am until completion – somewhere between 3 – 4 pm. During the day, we will be installing stadium seat back for those

fans who have pre-ordered them. Many workers are needed!

In the past year, the lodge used much of these funds to recognize James West recipients, aid scouts via camperships, support the council's NYLT Program, promote OA high adventure and donate materials and supplies to MCC camping facilities.

For those wishing to arrive on Friday night or stay Saturday night, camping is available at Camp Kiwanis near Mason.

Meals are provided FREE of CHARGE for those staying at Camp Kiwanis AND / OR those staying for lunch at Spartan Stadium.

Any and ALL people are welcome to help! Bring your girlfriend, bring your buddies, heck, bring your mom and sister, too! And remember, bring a 9/16' wrench!

### VIGIL HONOR INDUCTED at NORTHWOODS BIG EVENT!



During the June BIG EVENT Weekend, eleven Brotherhood members undertook a special ceremony at the end of which they became Vigil Honor Members of our Lodge! We welcome: Sam Birkette, Chad Dingfelder, Caleb Gordon, Jacob Gouine, Steve Koehr, Sharyn Massung, Jeri Jagielo, Matthew Painter, Jacob Sova, Zack Smith, and Scott Thomas. Congratulations!

During the rest of the BIG EVENT weekend members partnered with scouts and scout troops to begin our Northwoods Centennial Project, plant our Centennial, and work on other camp-wide tasks. The afternoon was filled with activities such as beading, screening, branding, and Loon Ball rolling. The evening was topped-off with a Luau and the announcement of our Centurion recipients. (See other article on Centurions.)

### The FALL INDUCTION & SERVICE WEEKEND IS COMING! SEPTEMBER 11 – 13 at SILVER TRAILS!

The FALL Induction is just around the corner! It will be held at Silver Trails Scout Reservation near Jeddou the weekend of September 11 - 13. Registration begins at 6:30 PM on Friday; the weekend concludes at approximately 10:00 AM on Sunday. We will be performing service projects, including maintenance tasks and camp jobs.

Special during this weekend will be work on our Camp CENTENNIAL PROJECT. Come and pitch in!

The weekend fee is \$20 for members or \$48 for Ordeal Candidates. (New Ordeals are paying a ONE-TIME induction fee to cover the costs of the Ordeal AND the Brotherhood – the

total program of the induction process.) If you haven't paid your \$10 dues for 2015 yet, then you will have to pay them as well.

If you are an Ordeal member who is eligible to complete his Brotherhood, there is NO ADDITIONAL FEE!! You are encouraged to join us and take advantage of this opportunity!

Tents, ground cloth, camping and personal gear are needed. Meals, ceremonies, work projects, activities, and fellowship are included in the fee.

Join us at Silver Trails for our CENTENNIAL FALL INDUCTION & SERVICE WEEKEND!

## BRAVO to our NATIONAL CENTURIONS! Leaving a Legacy for 100 years as our "Hometown Heroes!"

For nearly 100 years, the Order of the Arrow has purposefully recognized Scouts and Scouters who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives. Therefore, our organization's centennial provides a unique opportunity to commemorate those among us who are exemplars of the "high ideals and purpose of the Order of the Arrow." The Centurion Award aims to highlight "Hometown Heroes," or Arrowmen who have meaningfully contributed to the forming, maturing and ongoing operational excellence of their local lodge, and who, in doing so, inspired others to follow in their footsteps.



This award is a one-time recognition associated with the centennial anniversary of the OA that is bestowed by the national Order of the Arrow committee. Accordingly, this recognition highlights lodge development over the last century and the many individuals, both youth and adult, who were instrumental to this success. These honorees serve as exemplars of leadership, modeling to others a commitment to cheerful service as the Order of the Arrow enters its second century.

Agaming Maangogwan Lodge proudly announces the Centurion Award recipients:

Harry "Jack" Beamish	Pete Cangemi
Bev Chapman	Barry Jensen
Spencer Long	Daniel Purtil
Brad Koch	Jack Lavis

These recipients and/or their designees will be honored at the Lodge Fall Fellowship at Northwoods on October 17<sup>th</sup>.

## WOULD YOU be an ELANGOMAT?

What is an Elangomat? Why are Elangomats important? What do you "get" out of it . . . besides a special patch and hat, too? Elangomat is the Lenni Lennape word for friend. An Elangomat leads an Ordeal Clan and assists the Ordeal Chairman with the new Ordeals during a weekend fellowship. An Elangomat stays

overnight with the clan, eats with the clan, works with the clan, and quietly reflects with the clan. In the end, the Elangomat leads the clan to the Ordeal Ceremony where the candidates are ready to become members.

Elangomats offer a personal example for non-members, the new Ordeal Candidates. The Elangomats "sets the example" on how a candidate should act. The Elangomat is the friend of the Ordeals.

Would you consider being an Elangomat at this year's FALL Induction?

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## WE want YOU to COMPLETE the BROTHERHOOD



As the FALL Induction approaches, ALL Ordeal members should be considering converting to Brotherhood Membership. Brotherhood Membership is the "next step" along the Induction Process that started with the election into the Order of the Arrow as an Ordeal Candidate, continued during the four-test Ordeal at camp, and completes the process when the goal is met -- Brotherhood Membership.

To be eligible, you must have been an Ordeal member for 10 months - since at least the 2014 Spring Induction at Camp Rotary or the 2014 Fall Induction at Silver Trails.

The other requirements include:

- Memorizing the signs of OA membership,
- Understanding the tests, signs, and symbols of the Ordeal,
- Planning for future service to your scout troop or the lodge,
- Writing a letter to the lodge about your understanding of the OA and your future plans in it. (Letters can be brought to the Induction Weekend where you will obtain your Brotherhood membership.)

## LODGE ELECTIONS COMING SOON!

At the FALL FELLOWSHIP, lodge officers elections will be held Saturday night for the 2015 – 2016 year. Available positions include: Lodge Chief, Executive, Program, Service, Administrative, and Communications Vice Chiefs. Positions begin immediately on Sunday morning and are for a period of one year – until the 2016 Fall FELLOWSHIP. If interested in a lodge position, please contact Mr. Tom Stoppa, lodge adviser (phone 989-354-8054 or email: [stoppat@hotmail.com](mailto:stoppat@hotmail.com)), for the specific duties and responsibilities. Job Descriptions can be found on-line, too at the lodge website @ <http://agaming804.org/> -- use the link, *the Lodge*; then go to the link, *the Rules*.

