



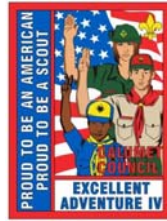
NOAC HYPE!!!

Without a question of a doubt, the National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) is the most premier event the OA offers and the second largest scouting event held. It's a week long conference from July 31, 2004 to August 5th held on the beautiful campus of Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa. Over 7,000 arrowmen from around the country get together for training, patch trading, American Indian events, outstanding arena shows, lodge competitions, and the Founder's Day celebration!

Our lodge is attending this huge extravaganza as a contingent so all transportation will be provided and all the members will be able to get there own stock supply of NOAC 2004 edition lodge flaps featuring the "Blues Brother Squirrels!" We will also be adding a few extra surprises for the members going to show our lodge spirit as well. This event promises to be a great time and we hope that we can bring much back to help continue building Michigamea into the great lodge that it is. After all, this is where we originally got the idea for a Hodag! All additional information can be found on the lodge's Official NOAC Homepage at www.oa110.org.

Treasurer's Report

Gentlemen, it has been a pleasure to serve you this year as your Treasurer. I have just a few last items for you all. The NOAC flaps will remain available at affordable prices before the event. The new Brotherhood flaps are also now available. The Lodge jacket flaps are also still available. Any questions about merchandise or dues, please find the next Treasurer or myself.



Excellent Adventure IV

On May 14-16, 2004, Calumet Council hosted its fourth Excellent Adventure at the Lake County Fairgrounds in Indiana. Coming out to the event, were 5,000 people consisting of Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Scouters and Staff. On Friday evening, our lodge conducted a grand callout ceremony in which over 160 people were called out to be members of our Lodge. Saturday featured such events as a Marine obstacle course, remote controlled planes, as well as a search for Captain Crunch. The night was concluded with a live band and a spectacular fireworks show. Then after the terrific Sunday morning worship ceremony, scouts and scouters left the fairgrounds waiting for the next Excellent Adventure to come.



Founders' Award

At this year's Fall Fellowship, Michigamea Lodge will be announcing its recipients for the Founders' Award which will be presented to a youth and an adult at our Winter Banquet later in the year. The Founders' Award was introduced at the 1981 NOAC as an award to honor and recognize those Arrowmen who have given outstanding service to the lodge. The award is reserved for an Arrowman who demonstrates to fellow Arrowmen that he or she memorializes in his/her everyday life the spirit of achievement as described by founder E. Urner Goodman and cofounder Carroll A. Edson.

The Award is a handsome bronze medallion bearing the likenesses of E. Urner Goodman and cofounder Carroll A. Edson, with a wooden base and a brass plate suitable for engraving. Also available is a special Founder's Award arrow ribbon, with a gold colored arrow suspended from a red ribbon. In order for an Arrowman to be considered for the Founders' Award, a nomination form must be submitted for him/her by August 31st. Forms are available at the Calumet Council Service Center and at www.oa110.org If you know someone that deserves this honor, please fill out the form today!!



Gracias !!

A special thank you needs to go out to all of our outgoing LEC officers and other members who served us well over the last year. Just the same, the new LEC needs our help just as much as we gave to their predecessors. So if you see any of the LEC officers, give them a big thank you for all of the hard work and cheerful service that they have given to Michigamea Lodge.



NOAC Flap

It is still not to late to get the Lodge's official flap patch set for the National Order of the Arrow 2004. For a very low cost, you can make one of these sets part of your lodge flap collection. The sets are \$10 for Lodge Members and \$15 for non-Lodge members. To pick up one of these sets, see the Lodge Treasurer any time this weekend.