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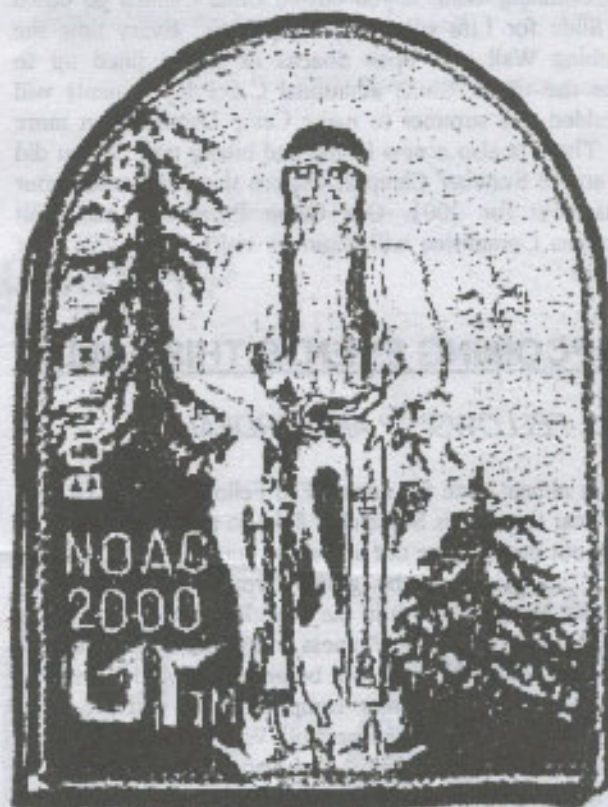
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### Bound In Brotherhood...

On July 29, 2000 over 6,000 Arrowmen from around the nation arrive at Knoxville, TN for the first National Order of the Arrow Conference of the new millennium. There were sixteen delegates from our lodge who attended this six-day conference. The University of Tennessee was the site of this year's many events which included training, Native American activities, patch trading, TOPE, and spectacular shows. The annual Founders' Day celebration served as an excellent opportunity to meet with many of our brothers in lodges from around the country. The Order of the Arrow Museum gave everyone an insight to our Order's past and its traditions, which have been around since its origin by founders Dr. E. Urner Goodman and Carroll A. Edson in 1915. National training covered a wide variety of topics this year from effectively running a lodge to the promotion of high adventure in the B.S.A. Shows were the highlight of everyone's evenings with



presentations of various National awards such as the Distinguished Service Award, Native American dancing programs, and the theme show. It was at the theme show where we were reminded that we are all bound together in the same Brotherhood that is the

Order of the Arrow. In this Brotherhood we are to love and serve one another despite our differences. NOAC 2000 was a very memorable experience and a great time held by all those who attended. Make sure you do not miss out and be on the contingent for 2002.

- Kevin Bacon, Lodge Chief

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## SUMMER CAMP 2000 REVIEW

This year's Summer Camp program was a great success. Our Camp Promotion Committee has done an outstanding job once again in encouraging scouts from in and out of council. During the two weeks of summer camp we had a total of 196 campers and 35 staff members. The program (and the food!) was the best it's ever been! We had two troops from out of council. There were 41 scouts and scouters called out on the Wednesday night callout ceremonies. The Ceremonies Team put on a great Call-Out ceremony and a hilarious pre-show. Movies at the pool and the Fourth of July Celebration were a huge success.

The biggest hits were the new Slide for Life and the new Climbing Wall. If you missed Chief Capach go down the Slide for Life you really missed out. Every time the Climbing Wall was open dozens of scouts lined up to make the climb. Some additional C.O.P.E. elements will be added this summer to make Camp Osborn even more fun. There is also a new hiking and biking trail. If you did not attend Summer Camp at Osborn this year, make your plans now for 2001. Our Camp Promotion and Unit Elections Committee will begin its visits once again later this fall.

## UPCOMING EVENTS THIS FALL!

### *FALL FELLOWSHIP AND ORDEAL*

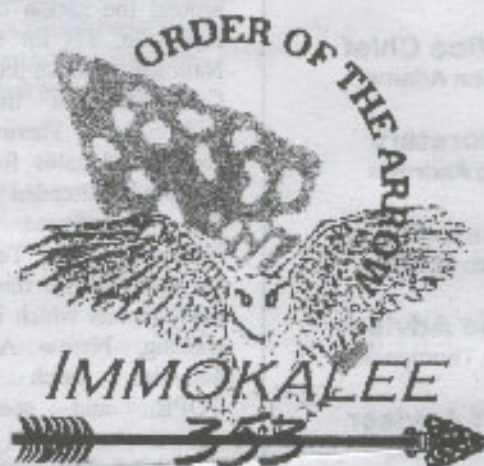
It's almost time for annual Fall Fellowship and Ordeal. This year the date is September 8-10 so make your plans to come out now. Come out and show your support for those candidates who will be going through this Ordeal by working alongside them in the heat. Remember that this is a "Brotherhood of Cheerfulness in Service". Many of our service projects this year will be geared toward items that will improve the summer camp program and we need everyone's help to be successful! We will also have our elections for Lodge Officers and also Chapter Officers. **If you are not already a Brotherhood member, make your plans now to take the next step and seal your membership in this great and honored Order.** It only requires a simple Brotherhood Review over information about the Order of the Arrow and a letter stating what you have accomplished since you have joined and your intentions for future lodge service. More information will be available later this month.

### *FALL FESTIVAL - NEW THIS YEAR!*

Our lodge will be sponsoring a Fall Festival the last weekend in October before Halloween (October 28-29). This will be a fund raising project designed to be fun and maybe a little bit scary. Participants will be ridden around camp on a hay wagon which will stop at several stations for a Halloween experience they won't soon forget. We are asking that scout units in our council set up these locations assisted by the lodge. We will also have a camp fire and refreshments on sale. Your lodge is going to need everybody's effort to make this a success so volunteer!

## NOAC 2000 REVIEW

Attending the National Order of the Arrow Conference is one of the most rewarding and informative opportunities the Order of Arrow has to offer. For six days, Arrowmen of all ages gather on one college campus for a non-stop, fun-packed, and surprise-filled show to end all shows. From the minute you enter the campus until the second you pull away, you are guaranteed to find patch traders, hikers, bikers, scuba divers, repellers, climbers, scouts walking, new friends, radios blaring, and of course the occasional campus chick. So much is packed into six days that it's almost impossible to do everything and anything before it's over.



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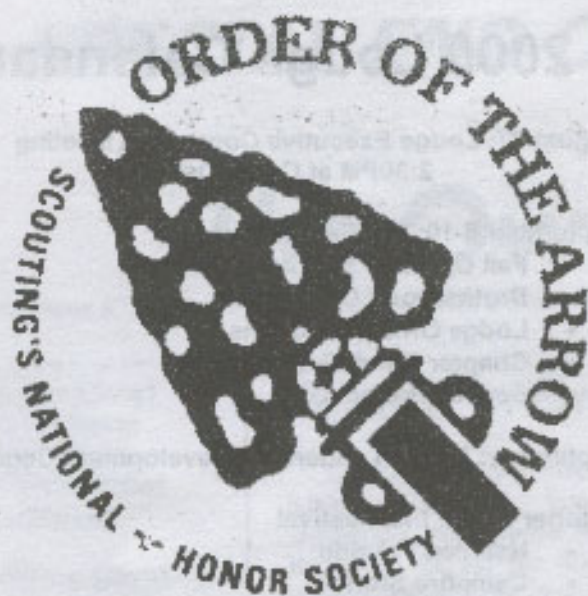
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At the start of your quest you were told, "The ones who chose you, need you." This could not be truer. What better way to aid your troop and lodge than by joining and election committee, serving as a troop representative, or running for office? The classes held every morning help you to be the best at your trade so you can be a great asset to those in your troop and lodge. Along with it are classes on camp promotion, hiking, lodge activities, and even the Internet, appropriately named [www.wwa.com](http://www.wwa.com). A chance like this only comes once every two years, and then its off again to another college. If you have yet to attend a National Order of the Arrow Conference, start saving your money because in 2002 we will be traveling to Bloomington, Indiana for the next NOAC at Indiana University. Be sure not to miss out!

- Alan Klick, Lodge Member





## NOAC PERSPECTIVE

If you did not choose to go to the National Order of the Arrow Conference, you missed a great time. I personally got a great deal out of this Conference. I attended several training seminars that will help me to become a better leader and to help our lodge. In order for our lodge to be better we have to start with the participation. We need everyone's help! If you are called upon to help at a lodge function - say yes! Working together in the spirit of brotherhood is the only way to make our lodge the best it can be. Do not miss out on the next NOAC in 2002 at the University of Indiana. You get a lot of training and have plenty of fun. We hope to see you there!

- Chris Miller, Wulihan Chapter Chief

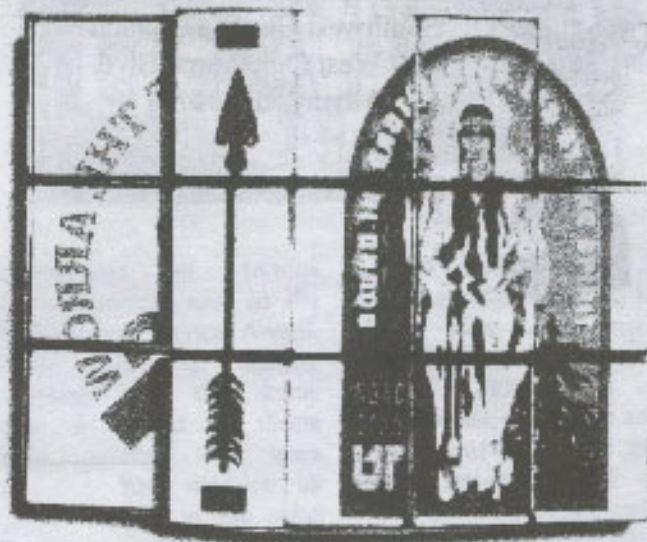
## NOAC AND LEADERSHIP

Fellow Arrowmen,

For all of you that missed the 2000 National Order of the Arrow Conference, you missed out on a lot of fun. NOAC was full of competitions, games, and training sessions. I participated in three training sessions, one each morning. I learned a great deal at each of these sessions. These sessions included topics such as High Adventure, Leave No Trace, and WWW on the WWW.com. They might not seem like it but leadership played a key role in each of these classes. Leadership on expeditions in the backcountry is very important because I can assist the novice camper and lead a successful high adventure without any problem. As for leadership on the Internet, I learned how web pages could be a successful tool for a lodge in getting out news and information about events. Along with leadership, I learned many other important things at NOAC. I will put all of these tools to full use along with leadership qualities I have acquired during my trip to the University of Tennessee and do my part in making Inunokalee Lodge #353 the best it can be.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Matt Hall  
First Vice Chief



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Bloomington, Indiana  
**BE THERE!**



## 2000 Lodge Calendar

CONGRATULATIONS  
TO OUR NOAC 2000  
OA JEAOPARDY  
TEAM WHO PLACED  
2<sup>ND</sup> IN OUR  
REGION!

August 27: Lodge Executive Committee Meeting  
2:30PM at Camp Osborn

September 8-10: Fall Fellowship

- Fall Ordeal
- Brotherhood Conversion
- Lodge Officer Elections
- Chapter Chief Elections
- Service Projects

September: Lodge Leadership Development Course

October 28-29: Fall Festival

- Haunted Hayride
- Campfire Stories
- Refreshments



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