

Owaneco Lodge 313

Planbook 2011-2012



Fellowship. Fun. Cheerful Service.

All in a day's work.

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Up-Coming Events in 2011-2012

Lodge Leadership Development @Hoyt	October 8-9
“Back to the Fellowship” @Deer Lake	October 28-30
Winter Banquet	December 28
May Ordeal @Deer Lake	May 4-6
June Ordeal @Camp Sequassen	June 1-3
Section NE-2A Conclave @Strang Scout Reservation	June 8-10
2012 NOAC @Michigan State University	July30-August 4



Chapter Geography

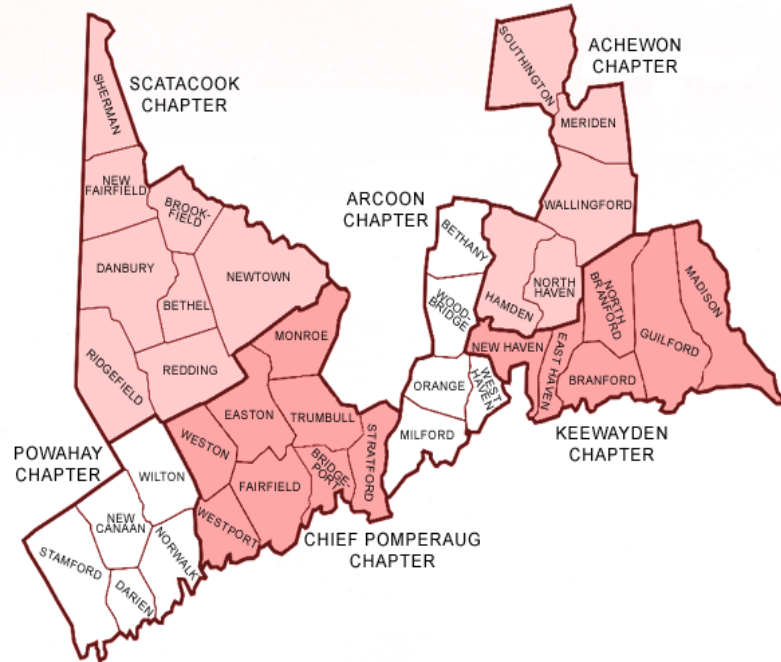


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Quality Chapter Award

Requirements

1. The Chapter must experience positive membership growth.
2. At least one representative is in attendance at each ECM.
3. Send at least 3 Scouts to 6 of the 7 Lodge Events.
4. Each Chapter must have each Chapter Position filled with an active member of the Lodge.
5. Participate in or host an Inter-Chapter Activity
6. At least 2 Chapter Officer must be in attendance at the LLD.
7. Hold at least 6 meeting in the course of the year.
8. Convert 30% or more of Brotherhood eligible members to Brotherhood.
9. Chapter must induct 65% of its eligible Ordeal candidates.

Letter From the Chief



Brothers,

I hope you are all ready for a year of fellowship, cheerful service & fun, because as Lodge Chief, those are my priorities. This year we will have bigger events, more attendance, and more fun. How will all this be accomplished you may ask? Well it starts with communication. It will be my goal for the year to over-communicate and over-promote all of Owaneco's events because when it comes to having some fellowship, the more the merrier! So be sure to take

off of work, cancel your date with the girlfriend, and study for your tests before the future Owaneco events because the upcoming years events will all be ones that you do not want to miss! With that being said, another great part of being in the order is doing Cheerful Service. Here is a great way to do some now- I want each member of our Lodge to recruit a new ordeal member to attend an Owaneco event such as the September Ordeal or Fall Fellowship. Remember: It is never too early to register for an event! As Lodge Chief, it is an honor to work with the best scouting has to offer in our National Honor society. I look forward to working with everyone of you at our upcoming events in this exciting fun-filled year that's planned ahead.

Yours in WWW,
Nick Wolf
Lodge Chief



Chapters

Goals For the Chapters:

1. All Chapters are to earn the Quality Chapter Award
2. All Chapter Chiefs must attend all ECMs with a written report for the Lodge Vice Chief of Chapter Operations
3. Actively promote all Lodge, Section and National events.
4. Support the Lodge in its activities from fundraisers to service projects, not only with man power, but with spirit

Achewon:

Chapter Chief - Don Adams adams@owaneco.org
Meeting Location- Francis T. Maloney High School (Meriden, CT)
Meets Second Monday of Every Month @ 6:30pm

Arcoon:

Chapter Chief - Patrick Abbazia abbazia@owaneco.org
Meeting Location- Connecticut Yankee Council (Milford, CT)
Meets First Monday of Every Month @ 7:30pm

Chief Pomperaug:

Chapter Chief - Tom Valus valus@owaneco.org
Meeting Location- The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
(Trumbull, CT)
Meets Second Tuesday of Every Month @ 7:30pm

Keewayden:

Chapter Chief - Sam Belden belden@owaneco.org
Meeting Location- North Branford Intermediate School
(North Branford, CT)
Meets Second Tuesday of Every Month @ 7:30pm

Powahay:

Chapter Chief - James Korin jkorin@owaneco.org
Meeting Location- Darien Scout Cabin (Darien, CT)
Meets Second Sunday of Every Month @ 7:00pm

Scatacook:

Chapter Chief - Brett Schorr schorr@owaneco.org
Meeting Location- St. Thomas Episcopal Church (Bethel, CT)
Meets Second Wednesday of Every Month @ 7:30pm

Ad-Hoc Committee Chairmen

Shows

Chairman: James Korin jkorin@owaneco.org

1. Assist the Events Committee Chairman in making events enjoyable
2. Create movies or skits at each event that correspond to the theme

Website

Chairman: Ryan Richardson richardson@owaneco.org

1. Make meaningful monthly updates to the Lodge website or whenever it is needed
2. Help maintain Facebook group

NOAC 2012

Chairman: Andrew McCloskey amccloskey@owaneco.org

Co-Chairmen: Neil Harris harris@owaneco.org

1. Promote and create a large contingent of members to go to NOAC
2. Create the itinerary for the trip which should include fun stops



Purpose of the Order:

To recognize those campers who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives and by such recognition cause other campers to conduct themselves in such a manner as to warrant recognition. To develop and maintain camping traditions and spirit. To promote Scout camping, which reaches its greatest effectiveness as a part of the unit's camping program, both year round and at summer camp. To crystallize the Scout habit of helpfulness into a life purpose of leadership in cheerful service.

Mission Statement:

The mission of the Lodge is to achieve the purpose of the Order of the Arrow as an integral part of the Boy Scouts of America through positive youth leadership under the guidance of selected capable adults.

2011-2012 Lodge Chief Goals:

1. Create a more youth driven open Lodge.
2. Increase ordeal member retention through meaningful experiences from fellowship to program.
3. Boost attendance at all Owaneco Events and ECM's.
4. Increase Communication through email, social media, the website, and the newsletter.
5. Have all information on owaneco.org updated with the latest from Owaneco Lodge.
6. Increase Promotion of Lodge, Section, National and Council events at the chapter and Lodge level.
7. Run a successful Find-out Fair at each Ordeal.
8. Have FUN!!!

The Order of the Arrow Obligation:

I do hereby promise on my honor as a Scout, that I will always and faithfully observe and preserve the traditions of the Order of the Arrow, Wimachtendiek, Wingolauchsik, Witahemui. I will always regard the ties of brotherhood in the Order of the Arrow to be lasting, and will seek to preserve a cheerful spirit, even in the midst of irksome tasks and weighty responsibilities, and will endeavor, so far as in my power lies, to be unselfish in service and devotion to the welfare of others.

The Order of the Arrow Song:

Firm bound in brotherhood, gather the clan that, cheerful service brings to fellow man. Circle our council fire, weld tightly every link that binds us in brotherhood, Wimachtendienk.

The Journey to Brotherhood:

As a member of the Order of the Arrow, completing the Brotherhood is one your most important goals. It is the reaffirmation of promises you made when you completed your Ordeal. We hope that if you have not yet earned your Brotherhood and have been in the order for 10 months or more that you seriously consider this deeply meaningful opportunity. The requirements listed below may be daunting, but do not fear, for you will be helped every step of the way. Good luck on your journey for it only begins with Brotherhood.

Requirements:

1. Memorize the signs of Order of the Arrow membership
 - Obligation of the Order
 - Song of the Order
 - Admonition
 - Sign of Ordeal membership
 - The Arrowman's handclasp
2. Have a greater understanding of the Ordeal
3. Serve your unit at least 10 months as an Ordeal member.
4. Participate in a service project.
5. Write a letter to the Lodge Secretary discussing your growth.
 - Explain what the Obligation means for you
 - Describe how you will fulfill this promise in your daily life

Elangomat

Chairman: Dan Wivagg

wivagg@owaneco.org

1. Run Elangomat training at each of the 3 Ordeal
2. Promote the program outside of the Ordeals to ensure enough are found

Events

Chairman: Jason VanLeeuwen vanleeuwen@owaneco.org

1. Run all Lodge events (Lodge Picnic, 3 Ordeals, Fall Fellowship, and Winter Banquet) well and effectively
2. Assist the Communications Committee to promote the Lodge events

Membership

Chairman: TBA

1. Keep member information up to date
2. Promote the membership retention and the renewal of yearly dues

Service

Chairman: Nick Razzaia

razzaia@owaneco.org

1. Lead the service team in fulfilling the tasks assigned by the rangers at the 3 Ordeals and Fall Fellowship
2. Ensure that all safety measures are taken during these projects

Trading Post

Chairman: Dan Gallup

gallup@owaneco.org

1. Responsible for maintaining inventory, and getting new items approved to be sold at the Owaneco Trading Post.

Training

Chairman: Michael Brainerd

brainerd@owaneco.org

1. Run and plan the LLD and any other Training Cells throughout the year

Troop Representative

Chairman: Joe DePaola

depaola@owaneco.org

1. Create Chapter Troop Rep. Committees
2. Create a communication chart that increases the flow of information
3. Assist the Membership Committee in keeping information up to date

Unit Elections

Chairman: Michael Brainerd

brainerd@owaneco.org

1. Complete the Unit Election process in a timely and orderly fashion
2. Assist the Chapters to complete this process quickly and effectively

Vigil Honor

Chairman: Chris McCloskey

mccloskey@owaneco.org

1. Coordinate the induction of the Vigil Class



Committee Leadership

Chairmen Responsibilities

1. Must attend all ECMs with a written report
2. Must attend most Lodge Events
3. Create actual committees
4. Appoint a Committee Vice-Chairman

Awards

Chairman: John Bowlus bowlus@owaneco.org

1. Ensure all members worthy of recognition are recognized
2. Develop new Awards to recognize all those worthy of recognition

Brotherhood

Chairman: Liam Raftery raftery@owaneco.org

1. Lead the brotherhood class at each of the 3 Ordeal
2. Strive to convert 30% of eligible Ordeal members to Brotherhood

Camping Promotions

Chairman: Dan McCloskey dmccloskey@owaneco.org

1. Think of new ways to promote camping within the Council
2. Complete the Camping Brochure

Ceremonies

Chairman: Tom Valus valus@owaneco.org

1. Train a team and back-up ceremonies team
2. Perform ceremonies at each of the 3 Ordeals and Fall Fellowship

Communications

Co-Chairman: Bob Brown brown@owaneco.org

Co-Chairman: Ryan Richardson richardson@owaneco.org

1. Work with all committees to increase promotion and effectiveness
2. Keep all contact information for the Lodge up to date
3. Publish the Observer at least 3 times this up-coming year
4. Ensure that the newsletter is informative and interesting

Cub Scouting

Chairman: Justin Schimmel schimmel@owaneco.org

1. Increase the presence of the OA at Cub Scouting events

Dance Team

Chairmen: Jason Savisky savisky@owaneco.org

1. To represent our Lodge well in all its performances
2. Educate our members on Native American traditions



Looking to the Past...

The Founding of the Order of the Arrow:

The Order of the Arrow was founded during the summer of 1915 at Treasure Island Scout Reservation. A young man named E. Urner Goodman was elected to serve as camp director of Treasure Island for the summer. Another young man named, Carroll A. Edson, was appointed assistant director in charge of commissary. Preparing for camp, Goodman read several books about camping and from one of these books he learned of a summer camp that created a society to perpetuate the ideals of camping. The two men agreed to create a similar society in there camp. So Goodman wrote and preformed the original ordeal ceremony on July 16, 1915. Since then the society has grown into a national society based upon brotherhood, cheerfulness and service.

History of Owaneco Lodge 313:

When the Connecticut Yankee Council was formed in January 1998, OA members from the two former Council Lodges, Tankiteke 313 and Arcoon 369 came together to form what is now Owaneco Lodge 313. Over the years, we have worked towards unity by throwing off our old identities and using one name to describe us all. Owaneco Lodge has experienced many bright young leaders and exciting new events. We have traveled to NOACs, Conclaves and Fall Fellowships, but more importantly we have overwhelmingly created bounds of brotherhood that will

Past Lodge Chiefs:

Mat Buono	June 2010- June 2011
Andrew McCloskey	June 2009- June 2010
Christopher McCloskey	June 2008- June 2009
Scott Backer	June 2007- June 2008
Andy Vill	June 2006- June 2007
Charley Johnson	June 2005- June 2006
Drew Sansevero	January 2004- June 2005
Kevin Sylvester	June 2004 - December 2004
Rob Anstett	June 2003 - June 2004
Bobby Kravecs	June 2001- June 2003
Damien Becroft	June 2000 - June 2001
Eric Boehm	June 1999 - June 2000
Garland Jackson	October 1998 - June 1999

Awards & Honors

Vigil Honor

The Vigil Honor is a high mark of distinction and recognition reserved for those Arrowmen who, by reason of exceptional service, personal effort, and unselfish interest, have made distinguished contributions beyond the immediate responsibilities of their position or office in their Lodge, the Order of the Arrow, Scouting, or their Scout Camp.

Founder's Award

The Founder's Award recognizes those Arrowmen who have given outstanding service to the Lodge. The award is reserved for an Arrowman who demonstrates to his fellow Arrowmen that he memorializes in his everyday life the spirit of achievement as described by founder E. Urner Goodman. It was established to reinforce the values first instilled by the founders in the early days of the Order. From its inception, The Founder's Award has been highly restricted and bestowed only upon those individuals who best exemplify the vision and quest of the founders.

James E. West

The James E. West Fellowship Award is a recognition presented to individuals who contribute \$1,000 or more to the council endowment fund. Lodges may contribute an award in honor of a member who has made a lasting impact on the lodge. There can be no finer honor paid to a Scout or Scouter than to be named a James E. West Fellow, indicating that the nominee is in the same spirit and dedication to Scouting as was James E. West.



Preparing for the Future...

Lodge Leadership

Lodge Officer Responsibilities

1. *Must attend all ECMs with a written report*
2. *Must attend all Lodge Events*
3. *Oversee all Committees assigned to your position*
4. *Perform all tasks assigned by the Key 3*

Lodge Chief

Nick Wolf chief@owaneco.org

1. Promote all aspects and events of the Lodge
2. Carry out Service Projects that benefit the community, Council, and the Lodge
3. Find new ways to increase the effectiveness of the Lodge

Vice Chief of Chapter Operations

Jesse Morrow morrow@owaneco.org

1. Assist the Chapters in its Programs & Promote interchapter activities
2. Strive to have 66% of the Chapters obtain Quality Chapter

Vice Chief of Program

Neil Harris harris@owaneco.org

1. Ensure the quality of each Lodge Event

Vice Chief of Inductions

Sean Nulty nulty@owaneco.org

1. Ensure the Quality of the election process
2. Assist Chapters to the best of your ability

Vice Chief of Finance

Morgan McMahon mcmahon@owaneco.org

1. Keep the Lodge Financially sound
2. Ensure that all rules regarding the handling of funds are followed

Vice Chief of Administration

Ben Weidman weidman@owaneco.org

1. Record the minutes at every ECM
2. Ensure the productiveness of the Communications Committee
3. Ensure that accurate Lodge records are kept.