

# Ho-Non-Ne-Ho-Ont #165

## News & Updates



### The Lodge Chief's Minute



My hope and goal for the lodge in the coming year is to see growth, not only membership, but active membership! So many of our members complete their ordeal and never come back to participate in any events, and miss out on all of the fun and service that goes along with it. So, I am calling all active Arrowmen, to come to the next lodge event. I am also challenging you to bring a fellow Arrowmen with you. There's always lots of fun going on. We are the brotherhood of cheerful service, so come have some fun times with your brothers. Please take note, it is extremely important to call the council office and register for upcoming events that you plan on attending. You don't need to pay ahead of time, but it's required that you at least tell us that you are coming. This is because we always have

good food for our events and need to know how much deliciousness we need to stock up on. Now, I know what you might be thinking, "the fellowships sound fun, but what about all of the other events? And to that, I say that all of our events are a good time, no matter who you are, and that's our mission, to bring fellowship to our brothers in the order of the arrow. If you aren't utilizing these events for a good time with some fellow Arrowmen, I would say that you're missing out big time. The last thing that I would like to touch on is OA high adventure. Arrowmen have the exclusive opportunity of going to any of the high adventure bases at an extreme discount for a longer period. One example is Philmont's program where Arrowmen attend for 10 days instead of the usual length of time. The extra time spent there is devoted to service, and afterwards Arrowmen get to sit down with their guide and plan where they want to go, and what they want to do. They have access to parts of the reserve that are off limits to non-OA groups. This is just one example. Programs like this exist at all four bases. My main point is that Arrowmen who don't attend events are really missing out. I hope to see you all.

YIB, Thomas Cybart

2016-2017 Ho-Nan-Ne-Ho-Ont Lodge Chief

### ***ATTENTION FALL ORDEAL***

The Fall Ordeal is set for Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> at Camp Merz. Check in begins at 6:30 Friday night. Checkout is 9:30am Sunday morning. Need to hold an election? Contact Thomas **ASAP** and get one set up. Saturday Night is Cracker Barrel blowout, and your first look at our new drum. Yes, the Lodge has purchased an Indian Drum and will be starting a Drum Team. Remember, contact the Service Center and register for the event ahead of time. You can call the office at 716-665-2697 or email [servicecenter@alleghenyhighlands.org](mailto:servicecenter@alleghenyhighlands.org)



### **Fall Fellowship**

The Fall November 10<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> is at Camp Merz. Friday Night is Peine's Cracker Barrel blowout. Saturday, we will be continuing our shooting tradition. Thomas has all kinds of themed shooting sports activities planned for the day, and the 2018 Lodge Office Elections. Make sure you don't miss all the excitement. \$25 dollars will cover a round of shooting and food all weekend.



Yes, it's that time of year, again. Come out and celebrate the Religious Holidays with us. Gathering begins at 5 o'clock. We will have food, games and lots of fellowship. Anyone, that brings a gift, will have a chance to exchange it with someone else.

### Family Banquet

This year's OA family banquet will be held on Saturday, January 6th at 6 pm. All Arrowmen, young and old, plus **FAMILY MEMBERS** are welcome to attend and celebrate the Lodges accomplishments during the previous year. Gathering will begin at 6:00 with dinner beginning at 6:30. This year's banquet will once again be held at the Randolph Volunteer Fire Department in Randolph, New York. Cost will be \$10.00 each or \$5.00 each for two or more. Reservations will be needed. RSVP to the Scout Service Center or [oa.lodge165@gmail.com](mailto:oa.lodge165@gmail.com).



### Lodge Dues are DUE

Please make sure that your dues are paid up. Your OA membership runs from January through December of each year. It is important to keep your dues paid so that you can receive all the OA mailings, and be kept informed. Remember if you're not paid, you won't get any of the important information on events and happenings of the OA. We are going to add a page off our web site showing current registration soon. Dues can be paid at council office or at any OA event. Can't remember if you've paid or not? You can check at the Thomas or Mr. Peine.

