



# Panther Press

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Dear fellow Arrowmen, this is the new format for Kanwatho lodges enews! Anything you need to know for now and future will be on our news letter!!

### **Fun Fact:**

The very first induction for the Order of the Arrow was July 16th, 1915

### **Dues Renewal:**

It's that time of year again Arrowmen, Renew your dues online before March 15; save \$3 if you pay before then. Dues were handed out at the Winter Banquet or mailed to your home. Pay online at [www.kanwatho.org/Dues](http://www.kanwatho.org/Dues) or at the Scout office. Arrowmen if you need to update your personal information at any point visit [www.Kanwatho.org/Corrections](http://www.Kanwatho.org/Corrections). If you have any questions please email [Registrar@Kanwatho.org](mailto:Registrar@Kanwatho.org)

### **NOAC Fundraiser:**

Come support your fellow Arrowmen's journey to Boulder, Colorado for NOAC 2024 by coming to the lodges first ever Spaghetti Dinner!! This will happen on March 10th, at the Kenosha Moose Lodge. It's currently \$8 a person, 2 and under are free! All are welcome; bring a friend. See you all there!!





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# Spring Conclave:

This year's spring conclave is Greek God themed, come out for a fun time filled with Brotherhood, Cheerfulness and Service!! Join us as we welcome new ordeal members, celebrate those sealing their membership and honor those keeping their vigil. Compete in various friendly competitions between chapters, take the brand new "chapter cup" back to your chapter. Also, our yearly elections will be happening at Spring Conclave. If you want a weekend filled with tons of fun activities and cheerful service spring conclave is where it's at!!



# Winter Banquet:

This year's Winter Banquet was one to remember!! As the year closed, we reflected on our selfless service; and awarded & honored individuals that have gone above and beyond. Awards such as Heart of the Fire, James E. West Award, and the Founders Award just to name a few were awarded. Lastly, 12 members were called out to keep their vigil for the 2024 year

## 2024 Winter Banquet Awards & Honors

### Lodge/National Awards:

Heart of the Fire: Abigail Bork

Honored Scouter Award: Ken Walton

Elongomat Recognition: Robert Bonow & Joseph Bonow

Founders Award: Evan Smazel & Joseph Bonow

James E. West Fellowship Recipients: Kadyn Barsch & Frank Russ

Lodge Advisers Award: Tyler Gerds & Daniel Dyer

### 2024 Vigil Honor Class:

Aaron Dorr, Austin Gulbrandson, Emmitt Esselstrom, Jacob Rezutek, Jason Reinholz, Jayme Zachow, Jeffrey Mantes, Lloyd Hoeper, Sr., Madilynn Puetz, Rebecca Susmilch, Steve Polacheck, William Steingraeber



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# Section G9 Events:

Party at the Kalahari!! 25 Arrowmen headed up to the Wisconsin Dells for Winter Council of Chiefs to experience G9 trainings and have fun at the waterpark! Section G9 will be hosting their Section Conclave in Sandwich Illinois, at the Sandwich Fairgrounds (4/19-4/21). Registration is live, visit <https://sectiong9.oa-bsa.org/> for more information.



If you want to experience amazing trainings (some being put on by our very own Arrowmen) and meet new scouts from around our section and camp while you do it, Section Conclave is for you!



# Chapter Meetings:

Want to get more involved in the OA? The easiest way is to start going to chapter meetings! You'll meet members from other units in your district, learn about local service opportunities, and have a lot of fun! Going to your local chapter meetings is a great way to get more involved in the lodge! Join us at your chapter's next meeting:

Eluwak Chapter (Aurora District)  
St. Rita's Church in West Allis – 6:30 p.m.  
March 4th, 2024  
April 1st, 2024  
May 6th, 2024  
June 3rd, 2024

Tehink Sipu Chapter (Southern Shores District)  
Greendale Middle School - 6:30 p.m.  
March 14th, 2024  
April 11, 2024  
May 9th, 2024  
June 13th, 2024

Wikiak Sabbeleu Chapter (Red Arrow District)  
Somers Fire Station No. 1 – 7:00 p.m.  
March 15th, 2024  
April 17th, 2024  
May 15th, 2024  
June 19th, 2024



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# Unit Elections:

Units, go ahead and schedule your unit elections because its election season!! It's important that all Scouts alike deserve the opportunity to be welcomed in as a Ordeal Member. Unit Leaders, please watch your emails so you can schedule a election at your next troop meeting!!

# NLS/DYLC:

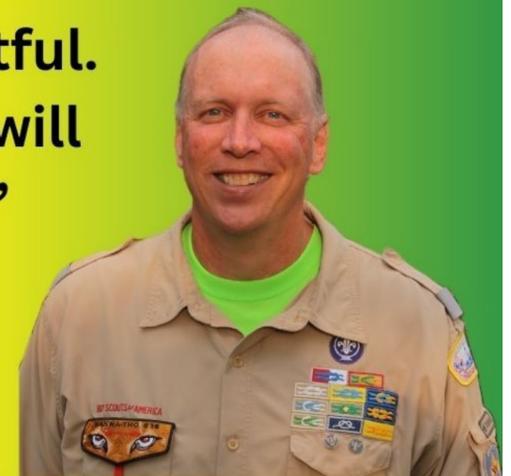
The Gateway Region will be hosting concurrent National Leadership Seminar (NLS) and Developing Youth Leadership Conference (DYLC) training courses within our very own council borders this upcoming spring! NLS and DYLC are weekend-long conferences that focus on the skills and attributes of leadership.

NLS and DYLC will be held March 15-17, 2024 at the Salvation Army Camp Wonderland in Salem, WI. The Gateway Region spans from Wisconsin south to Louisiana and all the way west to California, this is the closest that these courses will ever be held; therefore, we encourage as many Arrowmen to attend as possible! Course topics include learning how to promote resilience, fostering a growth mindset, providing constructive feedback, and creating a lifelong mentoring relationship.

Kanwa tho Lodge also provides scholarship opportunities to youth members who would like to attend national events including high adventure and training such as NLS. Ask your chapter chief for more information.

For more information and to register, please visit [registration.oa-bsa.org](http://registration.oa-bsa.org).

**“Over the past few decades, I have been afforded the opportunity to take part in numerous trainings. Of them, DYLC was one of the most interactive and insightful. Anyone who attends will benefit, Trust me.”**  
**-Ken Walton**



Register today at [www.registration.oa-bsa.org/](http://www.registration.oa-bsa.org/)



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