



# The Owl's Nest

February/March/April 2018

## Welcome Our Newest Brotherhood Members



### From Our Lodge Chief

Brothers,

I hope you all enjoyed your Holidays!

A special congratulations goes out to our new Brotherhood members. Also, we owe a special thanks to the trainers and ceremonialists who gave their time to help these members seal their Brotherhood.

The Lodge has several exciting events on our calendar. First up is our Lodge Banquet. The banquet is our opportunity to recognize our Brothers and see some of the great things being done in our Lodge. At the end of April is our Lodge Fellowship Weekend. May is our Spring Ordeal Weekend and right after is Conclave. Be sure to put Conclave on your calendar. Since we are hosting Conclave this year, it will be especially important to have as many members as possible on hand to help us provide an awesome event for members in our Section.

I hope to see you all soon!

In Service,  
Mitchell Daneker



Last month, on Black Friday, nine Lodge members sealed their membership as Brotherhood members at our annual Brotherhood Conversion Day.

We would like to congratulate Michael Gehman, Connor Haines, Cyril Hainthaler, Max

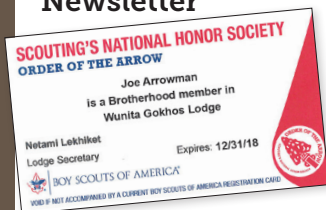
Henshaw, Logan Lippert, Andrew Reese, Henry Reese, Corbin Snavely and Alex Wood on becoming brotherhood members.

Thanks to the ceremonies team and other volunteers for taking time to drive to camp and help our

members join our Brotherhood!

Brotherhood Conversion Day provides an opportunity for members who cannot make it to our Fall or Spring Weekends to seal their membership as Brotherhood members.

## Your 2018 Membership Card is in This Newsletter



On page 4 of this newsletter, you'll find your 2018 membership card... that is if you paid your 2018 dues. If there is

no membership card, that means that you have NOT paid your dues.

If your dues are not paid, your name will be removed from our mailing list and this will be the last newsletter you will receive. You will not be able to register and attend Lodge and OA events and activities until your dues are paid. That's a National rule, not just a Lodge rule.



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## 2017 Lodge Executive Committee

### Lodge Officers

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Vice Chief	Garret Yoder	847-6459	kcggyoder@aol.com
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Adviser	Mike Stanilla	274-3784	mstanilla@verizon.net

## Lodge Committee Leadership

New and current members of our Lodge are strongly encouraged to participate in lodge activities. If any member, youth and adult is interested in serving on any committee, contact any of the committee chairmen or advisers listed below.

### Lodge Leadership Development (LLD)

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### Troop Representative Committee

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A: Dan Lenox 717-278-2738 dlaplenox@aol.com

### 2018 Conclave Committee

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A: Jim Castanzo 717-940-7913 jcastanzo@comcast.net

## SCOUTING'S NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

The February/March/April 2018 Owl's Nest

### Lodge Adviser's Message

I hope that everyone had a great holiday season and I am equally hopeful that you are prepared for a busy Lodge new year!

Congratulations are in order for those that sealed their Brotherhood in November, those that braved the public speaking course at LLD, and the Lodge as a whole for earning Journey to Excellence gold yet again. A new year brings the same questions – did I sign up for Banquet? Will we do the scavenger hunt at Fellowship? Am I already on a committee for Conclave at Bashore? Use the registration forms to get signed up for these events today!

2018 will be a busy year for WG39 – hosting Conclave in June at Camp Bashore, sending a contingent and over 10 staff members to NOAC 2018, and the roll out of an updated event calendar will have everyone on their toes this year. The LEC voted to update the calendar slightly to accommodate many different reasons, but one really jumps out to me. Research done by the National OA Committee proves that we stay engaged in the Lodge longer when fellowship and fun events follow service weekends. So, we have made an effort to continue to grow our 600+ person Lodge by completing a little repositioning of some events. Stay tuned for more exciting news as we progress through the year. Help us make 2018 the best year yet for WG39!

In service,  
Eric Shea



## Lodge Event Calendar for 2018/19

Below are the dates for Lodge events and activities for the coming months. ALL members are welcome and encouraged to attend and participate. As we get closer to the date for these events, we will be including more information in upcoming issues of this newsletter on the Lodge website regarding times, registration and costs (when applicable).

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### February 2018

Lodge Family Banquet	Feb. 17, 4:30 Registration	Melhorn Manor, Mt. Joy
Chapter Meeting	See Chapter News on the right	

### March 2018

Chapter Meeting	See Chapter News on the right	
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### April 2018

Lodge Fellowship Weekend	April 27 - 29	Camp Mack
LEC Meeting	April 28, 7:00 PM	Camp Mack
Chapter Meeting	See Chapter News on the right	

### May 2018

Spring Ordeal Weekend	Fri-Sunday, May 18-20	Camp Bashore
LEC Meeting	Sun., May 20, 9:00 AM	Camp Bashore

### June 2018

Section Conclave	Fri., June 1-3	Camp Bashore
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### July 2018

Summer Camp Callouts	Friday Evenings after Campfire	Camp Bashore
NOAC	July 30 through August 3	Indiana University

### August 2018

Summer Camp Callouts	Friday Evenings after Campfire	
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### September 2018

Chapter Meeting	See Chapter News on the right	
Fall Ordeal	Sept. 28 – Sept. 30	Camp Mack
LEC Meeting	Sept. 30, 9:00 AM at Lodge Weekend	Camp Mack

### October 2018

Chapter Meeting	See Chapter News on the right	
Council of Chiefs (Section)	To Be Determined	Camp Mack Training Ctr.

### November 2018

Chapter Meeting	See Chapter News on the right	
LLD	Fri.-Sun., Nov. 16 – Nov. 18	Camp Mack Training Ctr.

### December 2018

Chapter Meeting	See Chapter News on the right	
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### January 2019

Chapter Meeting	See Chapter News on the right	
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### February 2019

Chapter Meeting	See Chapter News on the right	
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### March 2019

Chapter Meeting	See Chapter News on the right	
Lodge Family Banquet	Mar. 23	To Be Determined

### April 2019

Lodge Fellowship Weekend	April 26 - 28	Camp Bashore
LEC Meeting	April 27, 9:00 AM	Camp Bashore
Chapter Meeting	See Chapter News on the right	

### May 2019

Spring Ordeal Weekend	Fri.-Sun., May 17-19	Camp Mack
LEC Meeting	May 19, 9:00 AM	Camp Mack

## Chapter News

### Attention Scoutmasters, OA Troop Representatives and all Arrowmen

Our three Chapter had some great meeting the past eight months. Chapter do not meet the months of May, June, July and August. Beginning in September, Chapter Meetings are held on the same night and in the same building as your District Roundtable Meetings. All Arrowmen are encouraged to attend – it's especially important for your Troop's OA Representative to make it to all Chapter Meetings. Chapter programs vary and meetings are fun and provide valuable tools and info that you can take back to your unit.

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### Horseshoe Trail District Chapter

The Horseshoe Trail District Chapter meets the first Thursday of each month at 7:15 PM at the Cedar Crest Middle School in Lebanon. This is the same evening as the District Roundtable. So if you want to get more involved with the OA, come on out to our chapter meetings and take part in some good fellowship and food. Please bring along a donation of \$3 to offset the cost of refreshments for the chapter meeting. If you would like to receive additional Chapter information contact Chapter Chief Joel Knepper at joel.knepper2000@gmail.com.

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### Conestoga River District Chapter

The Conestoga River District Chapter meetings are held at the Pequea Elementary School, 802 Millwood Road, Willow Street at 7:00 PM on the first Thursday of the month in conjunction with the Conestoga River District Roundtable meeting. The chapter meetings are open to all youth and adult members of the OA. We have an OA/ camping promotion theme to every meeting. Scouter attending the Roundtable are encouraged to bring youth Arrowmen to the chapter meetings. Pizza and drinks are provided. A \$2-3 donation is encouraged to offset the price of the pizza. For more information regarding chapter meetings contact Chapter Chief Joel Knepper.

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### Harvest District Chapter

The Harvest District Chapter Meetings correspond with the Harvest District Roundtable meetings, and are held the second Tuesday of each month at Lancaster Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Stake Center located at 1136 Sunwood Lane, Lancaster, at 7:15 PM. Scout Leaders attending the Roundtable are encouraged to bring Scouts in your Troop for the Chapter Meetings. Pizza and drinks will be offered at the Chapter Meetings, if possible please bring \$2-3 to help defray the cost.

For information or to be included on our Chapter mailing list, please contact any of the Chapter officers listed on the facing page.

## Back by Popular Demand...Lodge Banquet Bingo!

That's right! Come to the banquet and play Banquet Bingo. Winners will be taking home some great prizes! There's still time to register. Registration form is included in this newsletter.

## Silent Auction at the Lodge Banquet – Donations Needed

As we did last few years, the Lodge will hold a silent auction during the banquet. The Lodge is currently looking for items to be included in the auction. Items in addition to Order of the Arrow and Boy Scouts will certainly be considered. If you have anything you would like to donate, please contact Eric Shea. Proceeds from this silent auction will go towards our Lodge Scholarship Fund.

# SCOUTING'S NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

## Conclave 2018 – UPDATE

By now, you know that in 2018, our Lodge will host our Section Conclave. The date for Conclave is June 1st through the 3rd at Camp Bashore.

At the October Council of Chiefs meeting, the Section officers approved our Lodge's Conclave patch designs, budget and schedule. This means we have the GO to proceed with our plans.

Our adult Conclave Committee Advisors have been recruited. Next we will be completing the recruitment of our youth Committee Chairmen. We have also received many Conclave Recruitment Forms from Lodge members wishing to volunteer to serve in some capacity of our Conclave Staff.

Within the next few weeks, everyone who has submitted a Conclave Recruitment will get additional information including their committee assignment and advisor and chairman contact information.

We will also be scheduling Conclave planning meetings for our volunteers. Our intention is to schedule those meetings around existing Lodge events when possible. Those meeting notices will be announced via email and our Lodge Facebook Page.

Thanks to everyone who has already stepped up and volunteered.

We are still recruiting staff to serve on all of our committees: Customer Service, First Aid, Kitchen, Newsletter, Physical Arrangements, Program, Shows and Trading Post

If you have not yet volunteered and you are interested in being part of our Conclave staff, you can still volunteer – simply complete the Conclave 2018 Recruitment form included in this newsletter and send to Jim Castanzo at 519 State Street, Lancaster, PA 17603 or scan and email to Jim at: jcastanzo@comcast.net

## Conclave Items Are Now Available for Pre-Order!

Included in this issue of the Owl's Nest is the pre-order form for our 2018 Conclave.

Conclave items include:

- Trader Patch
- Staff Patch
- Backpatch
- Bolo
- Collectible Water Glass
- Toothpick Holder
- Web Belt
- Event T-Shirt

Patch images, dimensions and prices are included on the Conclave Pre-Order Form. Show your support and PRE-ORDER!

## Lodge Banquet Location Is Booked and Plans Are Finalized

Saturday, February 17, 2018

Location: Melhorn Manor, Mount Joy

Save the date for this year's Lodge Banquet! The Banquet will be held on Saturday, February 17, 2018 and will be held at Melhorn Manor at 977 West Main Street in Mount Joy. The Banquet will cost \$25 per person. The Banquet will begin with registration and member social from 4:30 to 5:30pm, with dinner and program to follow. Like the last few years, we will hold a silent auction during the banquet, and play our now traditional competitive game of Banquet Bingo! In addition to these activities and an evening of fun and fellowship with other lodge members and your family, several lodge awards will be presented, including the Founders' Award, Adult and Youth Arrowmen of the Year, and the announcement of the 2018 Vigil Class. Please use the attached form enclosed in this newsletter; registration deadline is February 2, 2018.

We are happy to announce that Melhorn Manor is our 2018 Banquet sponsor.

## Your Membership Card

Below is your 2018 Order of the Arrow membership card.

Sign the back of the card and keep it in a safe place.

**NOTE:** If you paid your 2018 dues, your card will be printed and taped here. If this space is empty and does not include a membership card, that means that you have NOT paid your dues.

If your dues are not paid, your name will be removed from our mailing list and this will be the last newsletter you will receive. You will not be able to register and attend Lodge and OA events and activities until your dues are paid. That's a National rule, not just a rule from our Lodge.

To pay your dues, download your dues form off the Lodge website at:

<http://www.wg39.org/images/stories/lodgeforms/2016duesform.pdf>

Follow the instructions on the form.

Thank you!

## Lodge OA Election Update

Beginning in February, Lodge Election Teams will be available to schedule Order of the Arrow Unit Elections throughout our Council. Units will be able to schedule their unit elections through mid-May.

As in past years, our Lodge Election Teams will have been trained so that they are familiar with unit election requirements and procedures. Our Lodge Election Teams consist of one or more trained youth members and at least one trained adult member. The youth members actually conduct the election. The adult is there to supervise and ensure procedures are followed according to National Order of the Arrow guidelines.

Youth and adult members received training at this year's LLD weekend held at Camp Mack the weekend of January 5 through 7. Additional members, both youth and adult, will be trained at either their January or February Chapter Meetings. Contact your Chapter Chief or Adviser to confirm. Only those Arrowmen who have been trained will be authorized to conduct unit elections.

The Lodge requires all units to have our trained Election Teams conduct their elections. Having our Teams participate in unit elections will ensure an efficient election process and accurate results.

Unit Leaders should contact their Chapter Chief or Chapter Adviser to schedule their unit election or to answer any election-related questions. Again this year, Ed Van Arsdale, III has volunteered to take on this responsibility of Unit Elections Adviser. If you have questions or would like to schedule your election, the contact information is listed below:

### Unit Elections Adviser

Ed Van Arsdale, III 413-7825 EJV3bsa@gmail.com

### Chapter Officers – Election Contacts

#### Harvest District Chapter

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#### Horse Shoe Trail District Chapter

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## Unit Election Team Training

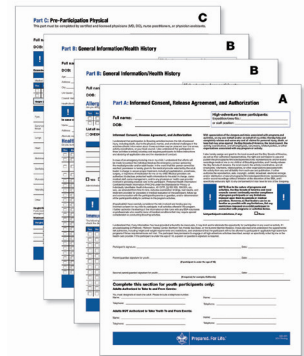
### Trained Team Members are needed but you must be trained

If you are interested in serving on one of the Lodge's Unit Election Teams, you'll need to be trained. We need both youth and adults to serve on these teams. If you attended LLD, you will have received the training. If you were unable to attend the LLD, each of our three Chapters will conduct Unit Election Training at their January or February Chapter Meeting. Contact your Chapter Chief or Chapter Adviser to find out when the training will be conducted.

Why do we need to be trained? We instituted the training several years ago and we discovered that it helps the elections to be more efficient and accurate. Additionally, paperwork is sent to the Unit Elections Adviser so that letters and notifications can be sent out before summer camp. This last bit of work is tedious and time consuming. If the elections are handled appropriately, election results can be compiled and distributed to our in-council and out-of-council summer camp contacts prior to the first week of camp. This eliminates confusion and problems for both camp staff and unit leaders.

Election team members will facilitate elections at troops who are familiar with the election process. They'll be prepared and ready when the teams arrive. Those elections go off without any problems or issues. Then there are those units who may not have held elections in a few years or have new leaders who are not familiar with the OA and the election process. These are the units who appreciate the help and assistance trained election teams can provide.

So, if you are interested in providing this valuable service to our units, get trained and join our Lodge Unit Election Teams.



## BSA Medical Forms Required on ALL Lodge and Section Weekends!

This is a reminder that official BSA Medical Forms are required for all OA weekends for all participants.

Although activities on OA weekends are not comparable to high adventure trips, sometimes people get sick or injured -- a nasty cut finger, a fall causing a swollen foot. We want to take the necessary precautions and be ready for that quick trip to the hospital for an x-ray or a few stitches. Should something happen, the Lodge health officer will need your medical form so your parents or guardian can be contacted and the health care providers have your current medical information.

If you have a current medical form, there is no need to get another physical, simply make a copy of your form and bring the COPY to the weekend. You can get the copy of your medical form back at the end of the weekend. Medical forms not picked up at the end of the weekend will be shredded. Since medical information can change, the Lodge does NOT keep medical forms from event to event. We want to ensure we have current information.





## Troop OA Rep Position

The Order of the Arrow Troop Representative is a youth serving his troop as the primary liaison to the troop's lodge or chapter. He meets the unit's needs by providing a communication and programmatic link to and from all Arrowmen, Scouts who are not presently members of the Order, and adult leaders. These efforts are meant to assist the unit and its members in achieving the mission of the Boy Scouts of America, and at the same time fulfilling the lodge's role in the Strategic Plan of the Order of the Arrow of being an integral part of the council. By setting a good example, he will enhance the image of the Order as a service arm to his unit.

If you are interested in becoming your Troop's OA Rep, you can find the OA Troop Rep registration form by going to this link on the Lodge website: [http://www.wg39.org/images/stories/oa\\_troop\\_representative.pdf](http://www.wg39.org/images/stories/oa_troop_representative.pdf)

You can find even more information about the Troop OA Rep position by going to this link on the National OA website: <http://www.oa-bsa.org/pages/content/troop-representative>

## NOTICE: We Are Changing Some Event Dates Starting in 2018

At our November Lodge Executive Committee meeting, the Lodge officers agreed to move some dates of a few of our regular events.

The decision to move these dates was not taken lightly. Instead of using the reason, "We always hold it on that date," we decided to consider attendance numbers, conflicts with school or other Scouting dates, weather and the consolidation of a few Lodge events into one.

The primary purpose for the moves is to make attendance more convenient for more of our members.

The event date changes don't start until the fall of 2018. See the 2018/19 Lodge Event Calendar on page 3 of this newsletter for the new dates. Specifically, we are moving LLD, Lodge Banquet, and Brotherhood Conversion.

## Lodge Refund Policy

As a reminder, the Lodge has an official refund policy that applies to all events the Lodge hosts. If you register for an event, but cannot attend and cancel before the registration deadline, you will receive a full refund. If you notify us after the deadline, but before the day of the event that you cannot attend, you will receive a refund of your registration fee less the identified food cost for the weekend. If you notify us the day of the event that you cannot attend or just do not show up to the event, no refund will be issued.

## Lodge Snow Policy

As a reminder, the Lodge also has an official weather policy that applies to all Lodge events. The policy is pretty simple – we follow the actions and decisions of the Lancaster Career and Technology Center regarding inclement weather. We will make every effort to notify event or meeting attendees as far in advance of the event as possible and will do so through social media and website posts.

## 2018 National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) UPDATE

At press time, the Lodge Contingent has remained at 24 Arrowmen who will represent the Lodge and Council at NOAC 2018. The group held their first Contingent Meeting following LLD on January 7th and the youth have started to plan the events and conference details which can be done early in the year. The Lodge is selling NOAC Flap Sets and T-Shirts to help support the trip to NOAC! These items are available for pre-order now, and will be available for pick-up at Fellowship. We anticipate the Flap Set to be very popular. A separate order form is included in this newsletter.

## Lodge Fellowship & Service Weekend

Friday, April 27 through Sunday, April 29 at Camp Bashore

At the end of April, the Lodge will hold its annual Fellowship and Service Weekend. This is a FUN weekend. Yes, we do service at camp but that's only on Saturday morning. Saturday afternoon is chock-full of games and fun activities. Those who stay Saturday night are treated to more fun, movies and popcorn and of course, fellowship with other Arrowmen.

This is a great time to get outdoors after being cooped-up all winter. By mid-April the weather is warming and we'll all be ready to start some early spring camp cleanup.

This is also the weekend when our Vigil candidates keep their Vigil (on Friday night). The Vigil ceremony is held early Saturday morning. Note that the Friday night Vigil activities and Saturday morning Vigil ceremony are open to current Vigil Honor members only.

We hope to get a good showing for this fun weekend. A registration form for the weekend is included in this newsletter. Deadline for registration is April 14, 2018.



## Five Incredible OA High Adventure Opportunities are Available

The Order of the Arrow has five awesome high adventure opportunities exclusively for OA members. All adventures include a week of service and another week of fun. The cost is incredible reasonable. Any youth member of our Lodge can participate, in fact, our Lodge offers a scholarship program to help cover expenses. If you are interested, contact Eric Shea.

More information and the dates for each can be found here: <http://adventure.oa-bsa.org/>

### OA Trail Crew

The Order of the Arrow Trail Crew program is one of the best ways to experience Scouting's premier high adventure base, Philmont Scout Ranch. For two weeks, participants see and experience all that Philmont has to offer and much more.

For the first week, participants have the chance to make a significant difference to Philmont by participating in trail building in the backcountry.

The second week of the program is spent experiencing Philmont in its finest. Unlike regular treks, Trail Crews make their own itinerary, instead of selecting from pre-planned routes.

### OA Ocean Adventure

The Order of the Arrow, in cooperation with the Florida Sea Base, offers an opportunity to provide cheerful service while experiencing the adventure and fun of one of the greatest ecosystems on our planet - the Florida Keys.

This ten day program will provide an array of service opportunities that include work helping to develop the Florida Keys Heritage Trail, removing invasive species in and around the Sea Bases' Big Munson Island, and supporting both the Crane Point Nature Center and Marathon Wild Bird Center in preserving the Keys flora, fauna and wildlife. You will be camping at both Big Munson Island and Crane Point during the service portion of the program, after which you will move aboard a 40-50' sailing yacht for four days at sea. While afloat, you will experience the fun and excitement of life in the Keys from the unique perspective.

### OA Canadian Odyssey

For two weeks, you will join together with Arrowmen from around the country and experience the wild beauty of the Quetico Provincial Park of Ontario, Canada.

Like it's U.S. counterpart the first week of the program is spent giving back to the Quetico through portage trail restoration work.

The second part of the program is a 90 mile trek from Atikokan, Ontario to Ely, Minnesota.

### OA Wilderness Voyage

For two weeks, you will join together with Arrowmen from around the country and experience all that the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness in northern Minnesota has to offer.

The first week of the program is spent giving back to the Boundary Waters through portage trail restoration work.

The second part of the program is a trek planned

by the crew. From the 8-1/2 mile "Grand Portage" leading to Lake Superior, to the Height of Land, even the pictographs on Fishdance Lake, crews have done and seen all in the Boundary Waters.

### Summit Experience

The Order of the Arrow Summit Experience program is an experience like no other. For 8 days, you will join together with Arrowmen from around the country and experience all that the Summit in West Virginia has to offer.

Four days of the program will be focused on building or maintaining trail around the Summit, and the New River Gorge National River Area. The remainder of the experience will revolve around white water kayaking and rafting, along with mountain biking, climbing, and participation in other Summit activities.

The program is designed to entice younger Arrowmen to participate in High Adventure. Lodges and Chapters are encouraged to participate as a crew. Arrowmen ages 14 but not yet 18 will have the opportunity to explore all that the Summit has to offer in terms of adventure, brotherhood and cheerful service.

### Ad Sponsorship Space Available in the Owl's Nest

We are offering space for ad sponsorships. An ad sponsorship will help offset the cost of the newsletter printing and postage. Your sponsorship permits us to direct Lodge funds to:

- Support the service projects we perform at both Camp Mack and Camp Bashore
- Cover costs associated

with conducting Lodge leadership training events

- Reduce the costs associated with sending Lodge members to Regional and National training opportunities
- Camperships to help send youth to our summer camps
- Provide financial support to our Council

If you are interested in an ad sponsorship, contact Eric Shea at [ericbshea@gmail.com](mailto:ericbshea@gmail.com)



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