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## 2012 NOAC

This is the number of days until the 2012 National Order of the Arrow Conference. Now is the time to make your plans to attend with 8,000 other Arrowmen at Michigan State University. This fall, lodges are building a contingent to travel to the 2012 national OA conference which will be full of cool activities, awesome evening shows, training, and fellowship.

**Are you ready to go?**

**267  
DAYS**  
JULY 30 - AUGUST 4, 2012

Contact Lodge Chief, Lodge Advisor or Lodge Staff Advisor.



Begins: Saturday, December 17, 2011 at 12:00 P.M.

Location: Camp Tuckahoe Dillsburg PA

Registration Opens @ 11:15 AM

The leaders of Sasquesahanough Lodge will be gathering for a Lodge Leadership Development event. The purpose of the event is to build the team of lodge leaders who will guide our lodge for the upcoming year. The event consists of a number of training sessions that will help us all focus our attentions on issues our lodge needs to again attain the National Quality Lodge distinction.

## Annual Lodge Banquet January 7, 2012

Join your fellow Sasquesahanough Lodge members at the Susquehanna Club for our Annual Banquet. Guests are invited to this event. Meal & desert will be buffet style, all you can eat followed by remembrances of our inaugural year and the presentation annual awards. The Lodge Trading Post will be open, and you can pay annual dues and register for Section Conclave and NOAC.

Only the first 250 people to register can attend, so register early.

Doors open at 5:15 PM Buffet Dinner  
Served at 6:00 PM

# The Vigil Selection



As you all may or may not know the Vigil selection process has changed slightly. We are now using a nomination form to help assist the Vigil committee in their task. As you can realize the selection process is a daunting task at best, not only does the committee verify the active member status of hundreds of eligible Brotherhood members but they are required to search the Members heart. For the Vigil is not a thing someone can earn. Membership cannot be won by a person's conscious endeavor. It comes as a "recognition" of his ALTRUISTIC leadership in service. For this fact the Vigil Honor is given to a Brotherhood member who has been Honored with the Vigil. The forms are on the web site and council offices. If you believe an Active Brotherhood member who has at least two years of service to scouting should be honored with the Vigil and are not sure if he/she is already a Vigil please fill out the form anyway. It will not be a waste of time. I realize that many of our older/younger members may have that extra knowledge that may benefit the committee please so please send in the form. All forms are due by Spring Ordeal 2012, and are due ASAP. Oh! Vigil weekend will be Fellowship Weekend. Callout is sat night.



## Message From the Chief

From the flooding that postponed our Fall Fellowship to the early glimpse of winter a few weeks ago, we have experienced the true impact mother nature has on our lives. These two events left us with wet basements, debris covered roads, power outages and other incidents that affected thousands. Many affected were our friends, families, neighbors and, co-workers while many remain our strangers. These forces of mother nature were minor in comparison to some of those that have made national or global news over the years but, what remains the same is that the community formed for the purpose of relief and assistance.

Probably the best way to meet people is to volunteer and lend a helping hand. Volunteer service organizations like the Boy Scouts of America and the Order of the Arrow can be a great place to meet even greater people. Cheerful service is often overlooked with all of the other subjects on the news. I personally believe that the headlines should contain the great things people are doing to assist others. What keeps our spirits up as respectable citizens? It is the pure feeling of unselfishness and cheerfulness brought on by the thankfulness of others. Thankfulness may not always be visible but, deep within the hearts we help, we have the ability to make a difference. What will you do to help others this holiday season?

Yours in Brotherhood  
Justin Eberly

# Union Canal Chapter

*Robbie Warden, Union Canal Chapter Chief*



I wanted to remind all of you that we are having a Chapter meeting on November 10. This is held the same night as our district roundtable, which is held the 2nd Thursday of each month. Roundtable is held at Grace United Methodist Church 433 East Main Street, Hummelstown @ 7PM. At the last meeting we had the most scouts ever (12) attend a Chapter meeting and I hope to see even more at this next fun filled meeting. I wanted to thank Joshua Foster for making the long trip in the rain to help with our Chapter election, a great job of Cheerful Service. Chapter Vice Chief for the upcoming year is Matthew Gross from Troop #65 and Chapter Secretary is Matt Svirbely from Troop #203. I'd like to thank them both for stepping up and look forward to working with them in the upcoming year. The chapter meeting I have planned is to have some food, drinks, and lots of fun games. Along with reviewing Brotherhood conversions and getting 2 election

## Vice Chief of Chapter Operations

*Joshua Foster, Vice Chief of Chapter Operations*

From the initiative shown through our chapter leaders who are preparing for the election season, a bright future can be seen for us. Arrowmen who are on the fence about a position's commitment to our lodge, know that our chapters need every cheerful hand. Talk with your chapter chief about what you can do for our lodge and I guarantee you the reward of self-sacrifice is different from anything you will experience in your life. The first step is to ensure your troop has the honor of holding an Order of the Arrow election. So what are you waiting for? Your lodge is calling.

## Lodge Christmas Party

All members welcome. Bring a covered dish. Lodge will furnish entree and drink. Join in on this festive fellowship following the Lodge Leadership Development Training on Sat. Dec. 17.



## From the Editor



This years production of the lodge 11 newsletter has hit its speed bumps but I believe that it has become something. This end of the year edition will have articles from every LEC member and a few special ones too. For this to happen we will need all of the articles to be entered into the newsletter be turned in by DECEMBER 10TH. Also if any lodge member are looking to get more involved, think about joining the newsletter committee and show off your journalistic

## Upcoming Events

Lodge Leadership Development	December 17th	12 PM—4:30 PM	Tuckahoe
Lodge Christmas Party	December 17th	6 PM—?	Tuckahoe
Lodge Banquet	January 7th	5:30 PM	The Susquehanna Club