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February 2010

Special points of interest:

- Dues are Due!
- April Workday fast approaching
- Visit manitous88.org to get Critical lodge updates. Now with a new look!

Upcoming Events:

- April Workday
4/17/2010
- Section Conclave
4/30/2010-5/2/2010
- Spring Ordeal 6/11/2010
-6/13/2010
- Fall Fellowship
9/17/2010-9/19/2010



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Manitous Lodge 88

Dues Are Due!

Did you know that only dues paid members can wear the Manitous 88 flap on their scout uniform? Many of you are still wearing the Manitous 88 flap but have not paid dues. If you have not already done so, please pay your dues so that you can continue to attend lodge events and receive newsletters. Are you still interested in saying you're a proud member of Manitous Lodge 88? Then PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES!

Dues are \$12.00 and can be paid right now at <http://www.manitous88.org>

Not sure if your are up to date, email our membership team at:
membership@manitous88.org

Chiefly Speaking

Hello Fellow Arrowmen,

We are off to a great start to the 2010 year of the lodge. This year we will be working on our quality lodge requirements now so we can get them out of the way and not have to worry about getting them done at the end of the year. As some of you know, our lodge is in charge of training at Section Conclave this year and we NEED your help with finding Adult Trainers. We need Adult Trainers that would like to run the training at Conclave C-2A Conclave and we need people that would like to put a training together. The Lodge NEEDS your help. It's a great way to serve your Lodge and the Order.

This year we want to boost our attendance at Section Conclave. Don't know what conclave is? Then head to manitous88.org Want us to come to your troop? We can do that! Contact me at lodgechief@manitous88.org The lodge has a variety of promotion materials which extend from summer camp promotions, all the way to Section Conclave!

Remember Conclave + YOU = FUNNN!!! I look forward to a great rest of the year!



WWW,
Lodge Chief,
Jason Strimpel

REMINDER

Pay your dues at manitous88.org

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COMMUNICATION TEAM DELIVERS, PROJECT DEAMED A SUCCESS

You know how a new computer just works right? It doesn't have any problems and it can stream data with ease. What if I told you that you can go to **manitous88.org** and we can deliver you that same experience through our **NEW WEBSITE!** The Communication Committee has been working vigorously typing ones and zeros to create a brand new website. One centered around one person, YOU! Designed to be easier to use, faster, and more visually pleasing we're proud to show our new work of art.

*"We who bear the
Obligation, mindful
now of our high
tradition..."
-Meten*

"But Kelsey." You may ask. "What about the content?"

It's all still there and we're working to keep it more up to date and easier to read every day. We'll even bring the info to you! With new features such as RSS feeds and new and improved Scoutmail, you can sync your Outlook, Thunderbird, or even Mobile Accounts with our calendar. Sign up today and receive the latest updates on the most anticipated event of the year, Section C-2A Conclave held right in our backyards at Camp Miakonda, Toledo, OH! And you guessed it, **manitous88.org** will be covering the event, including online registration, NOW OPEN!

What are you waiting for? Get online now and check out **manitous88.org** With new features every month we'll keep you coming back for more. Don't miss out on this new computing experience which has many people saying "WOW."

-Kelsey Van Aken
Lodge Communications Chair



Age is just a number, or something like that...

From the Lodge Adviser:

This month is the 100th birthday of the Boy Scouts of America. *Happy Birthday!* I am glad to see this milestone. A lot of events will be happening this year, including a National Jamboree. Are you going? There are still 11 youth openings. This will be my 4th time going and it will be just as much fun as my 1st. If you cannot afford to go with a troop, there are openings on OA staff. A youth (16 to 25) can go for \$400. They are still accepting applications from adults (26 and older) a lot of positions are still open. The cost is \$795. Go to <http://www.bsajamboree.org/Staff.aspx> for more information. You will have to provide your own transportation.

One of the things you could do is participate in one or more of your Lodges functions. Come on out to a ordeal weekend. *It's not just for new members.* Do you realize we only see a fraction of the current membership at our events? Are you part of the group we call "Sash and Dash?" This group's motto is "I did a weekend, why should I go back?" The fellowship and the service we provide is the fun part. Making friends from other troops is the best part. Getting involved is even better.

Yours in Scouting,
Dan Jechura
Manitous 88 Lodge Adviser

Contact me at:
redpacecar@buckeye-express.com

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The National Leadership Seminar (NLS) is a weekend training program focusing on leadership development. Run by the Region Chief and his Advisers, it provides an in-depth look at leadership skills and techniques. An NLS discusses how these skills can be applied in your role in the OA and in other aspects of your life.

The third Order of the Arrow National Leadership Seminar conducted by the Central Region in 2010 will be held at D -A Scout Ranch in Metamora, MI on **October 15-17, 2010. This is a National Order of the Arrow event.** We have openings for 8 arrowman (youth/ adults)

COST: Youth \$ 140.00 Adult \$ 150.00 [the lodge will pay 1/3 the cost (\$47 youth or \$50 for adults)]

We need a few adults that are interested in going, and are willing to drive.

Contact Dan Jechura, redpacecar@buckeye-express.com for more information go to : <http://www.central.oa-bsa.org/calendar/?id=128> click on "cover letter and registration form"

VCP

Fellow Arrowmen,

Hopefully your winter season was great and you are now looking forward to some warmer weather. When thinking about all the free time you have during the spring, don't forget there will be a April Work Day that will be a lot of fun, food and fellowship. We will be doing service projects to help show our support toward the council and doing improvements in a camp. Lots of fun!

Also, the Section C-2A Conclave is the first weekend in May. For all of you that have been to one of these events before, tell your fellow brothers on how much fun it is, and that they should experience a great time to. For all of you that have not participated in this section event, it is a true blast, and this years theme "Transforming in to the Next Century of Service is based on the movies **Transformers**. So sign-up at <http://www.manitous88.org> as soon as possible because you are not going to want to miss this event.

Finally, the winter banquet was a great. I tip my hat to a job well done to lodge for making the event very well presented.

I hope to see you at the upcoming events.

WWW,

Ken Domingue
Vice Chief of Program

Contact me at:
dlijks@att.net

*"I will always regard
the ties of
brotherhood as
lasting..."
-The Obligation*

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Camp Promotions, Now with our own book!

Hi,

On April 17th, the lodge will be holding its annual April Workday at Camp Teetonkah. The April workday is a fun-filled event of selfless service and brotherhood at one of the oldest Boy Scout camps in the nation. Unfortunately, there will not be a Brotherhood workshop held at the event this year, but good news, they will be headed to your district Camporee instead! Also coming up is the Section Conclave at Camp Miakonda Toledo, OH from April 30th to May 2nd. Coming to Section Conclave is a great way to stay active in the lodge because it is fun. Anyone in the Order of the Arrow may attend for a weekend full of fun, spirit, training, patch trading, Ultimate Frisbee . . . the list goes on and on. Be prepared to meet new brothers and deliver selfless service that we represent here in the Order of the Arrow. Also featured at this event is the end-of-the-weekend campfire, which includes a show, Native American dancing, and a section wide game, lodge against lodge. Make sure to come to both of these exciting events! Head to our website Manitous88.org for more info.

Keep your eyes open for the latest edition of the Where to Go Camping Guide coming out soon!

Yours in Brotherhood,

Michael Saunders
Camp Promotions Chairman
misaunders10@sbcglobal.net

The Chapters Welcome Feedback

Greetings Arrowmen,

As usual, the winter banquet was a success. One of our biggest goals is to get more participation at Section C2A Conclave. It will be held at Camp Miakonda which will start on April 30 and will end on May 2, 2010. The theme this year is "Transforming Into The Next Century of Service" and you can register online at manitous88.org. Tecumseh Chapter will be having an upcoming service project at Sterling State Park. The project will consist of picking mustard plants in Lake Erie. You have to bring a water bottle, a sack lunch if needed, work gloves, and appropriate clothing. More details to come, be sure to watch the website! If you have any questions regarding the service project, you can contact me at Tecumseh@manitous88.org.

Yours in Scouting,

Kyle Long
Tecumseh Chapter Chief

Teetonkah extends invite to members, April Workday approaches

Hello Manitous Lodge!

This is Jonathan, Teetonkah Chapter Chief. As the other chapter chiefs and Lodge Executive Committee members will probably tell you, the Winter Banquet was awesome, and Spring Workday and Section Conclave are closing in rapidly. If you're someone who enjoys hanging out with other guys, having fun, and keeping busy then these are for you. On the other hand, if you prefer just to sit around, play Euchre, and stuff food in your face, then these events are still for you. I hope to see you all there!

If you have any questions, queries, or things to ask me, find me in person at the CLT district roundtables, or email me at teetonkah@manitous88.org

Membership Speaks, PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES

Fellow Arrowmen,

As many of you know, dues are essential in keeping our lodge lively. So if we get them paid early we have no worries. If you go to the lodge website (manitous88.org) you can easily pay your dues and end those sleepless nights. We have many lodge gatherings coming up where all arrowmen are more than welcome.

These events such as April workday, Section C-2A Conclave, and Spring Ordeal can be found. Register on the lodge website. I hope to see all of you there. Need more info? Contact me at: dijks@att.net

Vice Chief of Membership,

Steve Domingue

Secretary Reporting

Dear OA Members,

Hey fellow members! It's me, Ryan Oleynik, your lodge secretary! We've had a good month so far, and things are going good for our lodge. Winter Banquet was a huge success; I hope you guys enjoyed it as much as I have. But we have more stuff coming up right now, with the April Workday, Section C-2A Conclave, and Spring Ordeal. April Workday is just around the corner now, and I hope you guys can come.

Remember cheerful service comes with good times. And speaking of good times, we have Section Conclave this May! Conclave is a time when our lodge comes together and competes with the rest of the section, and we need all the help we can get. If we want the Spirit Stick this year, we need good attendance to show the rest of those lodges what Manitous can do. So sign up for Conclave and help support our lodge.

Remember to visit our website and check out on the new things there. If you want to see the minutes of our latest LECs, just check manitous88.org to see them. Hope to see all of you at Section Conclave!

-Ryan Oleynik

Contact me at: rposnake@yahoo.com

Special Events, anyone up for a trip?

Hello Fellow Arrowman,

I am the Special Events Chairman. Currently I am working on getting some kind of winter event for lodge fellowship. I am interested in any of your ideas. Let me know what you would like to do. You can email me with your ideas at m_stimpel@hotmail.com Please let me know if you are interested in doing an OA winter or summer backpacking trip. The Chief Pontiac Trail has a special medal JUST FOR OA MEMBERS who hike the trail. If this sounds like something you would be interested in, please email me.

Section Conclave is coming, so I hope to see all of the Arrowmen attend and help our Lodge with the Spirit Stick competition. Bring your talent and voices to this fun filled event. Let's get the Coup Stick!

-Matthew Strimpel



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“Life is change.

Growth is optional.

Choose wisely”

-Unknown

Ceremonies

Hello All,

My name is Ryan Kernyo and I am your Lodge Ceremonies Chairman. The ceremonies teams perform all the ceremonies at lodge events. We also perform in competitions at events such as NOAC and Section Conclave. This coming Section Conclave, we will have three teams competing for medals. We will also be having three Ordeal ceremonies at Spring Ordeal. If any of this sounds interesting, please feel free to call me at **rakernyo@yahoo.com**

Ryan Kernyo, *Lodge Ceremonies*

Brotherhood

Hello Fellow Brotherhood Members!

We're getting ready for the next Brotherhood workshop which is going to be at your next district camporee. Be sure to register online for these events at **manitous88.org** Hope to see you there. Can't wait for section conclave!

-Keith Thrift, Brotherhood Chair

Contact me at: **keiththrift_11@hotmail.com**

Vice Chief of Chapters

Hello Fellow Arrowmen,

I have a new election form for you guys this year, and the form is easier to fill out so I hope that this will help out elections this year.

I really would like to see more of you guys out at lodge events so please come to them because they are a lot of fun.

Vice Chief of Chapters
William Cook

Contact me at: **wmcookie50@yahoo.com**

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April Edition articles due:

April 12, 2010

Submit all correspondence to:

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From The Editor's Desk

Hello all,

It was another good edition of the newsletter this month. Thank you to all those who submitted articles.

Remember that anyone who is a member of the lodge is able to submit an article. If your doing something OA related, or know of someplace that offers new Scouting experiences, and would like to share your pictures, stories, and more please contact us at: **comm@manitous88.org**

Kelsey Van Aken

Lodge Communications

April Workday 2010

When: April 17th, 2010, 9AM- 4PM

Cost: FREE! Just pre-register, we've got you covered!

What: A day of service helping one of our Council Camps
Lunch included!

Who: ANYONE! Both OA Members and Non-OA Members

Where: Camp Teetonkah - 3710 Burkhart Rd, Grass Lake, MI 49210

Register for event at <http://www.manitous88.org>

Section Conclave 2010

Who: All Members of the Order of the Arrow in our area are encouraged to attend the annual Section C-2A Conclave.



What: A gathering of Lodges throughout southern Michigan once a year for a weekend full of fellowship and training. This year hosted by Lodge 522 at Camp Miakonda in Toledo, Ohio.

When: Friday, April 30th, 2010 Arrival 6 PM – Sunday, May 2, 2010
Departure - 2 PM (Times approximated)

Register for event at <http://www.manitous88.org>

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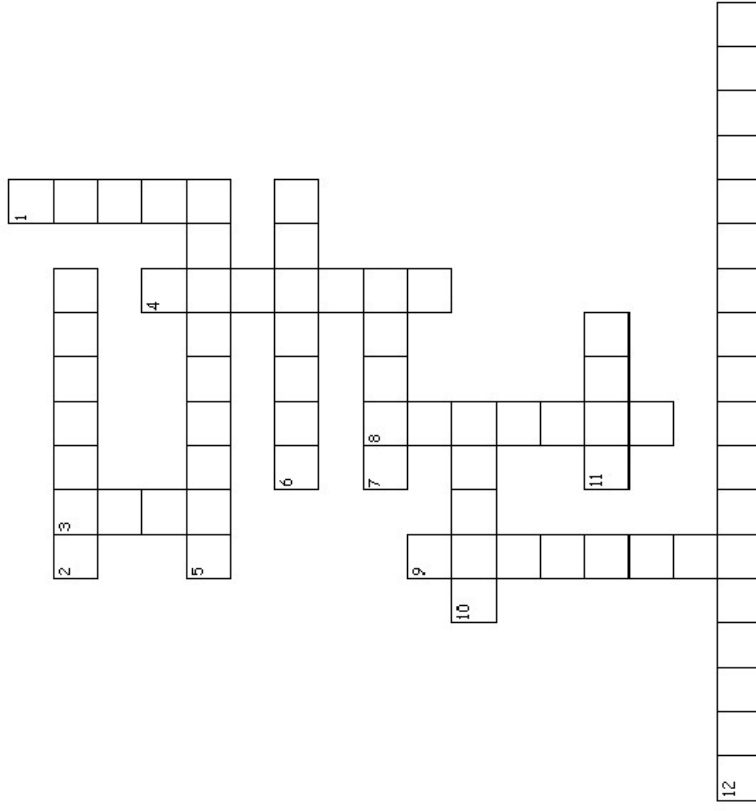
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1. The month of Spring Workday
3. National OA event in 2009
4. a lodge fundraiser at U of M
8. Chief (Think Ceremonies)
9. where Section Conclave will be held