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*Manitous Lodge 88 – Great Sauk Trail Council #255*

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## Letter From the Lodge Chief

Brothers-

I would like to commend the Lodge on a job well done at this past Fall Ordeal. We had the most attendance and most Elangomat volunteers in recent years. We had many new brothers inducted into the Ordeal and several new Brotherhood and Vigil members as well. Congratulations are in order for everyone. I am proud to be your Lodge Chief.

We have many exciting events coming up in the near future. The next lodge event will be our annual banquet, please see the included form and pre register for your seat. We will be honoring brothers and will be celebrating another year for the books.

I would like to urge all Ordeal brothers who have been members for at least ten months to go through your Brotherhood before the end of the year. When completing your Brotherhood you will have officially sealed your membership in scouting's national honor society. For more information about a brotherhood conversion please contact the Lodge Brotherhood Chairman, Matthew Thrift, or myself. We will be glad to help you in your quest for fulfillment in the order.

Once again I would like you to know how proud I am of you as a Lodge and how honored I feel to be able to serve you. If there is one thing that I know it is that this is going to be another great year for the history of Manitous Lodge 88.

-Mark D. Rosiek Jr.  
*Achewiecheu Lehkiet*  
Lodge Chief  
Spiritpen88@yahoo.com

## Letter From the Lodge Advisor

### BE PROUD OF YOUR SASH

If you like to wear your sash, I have good news for you. (read on...) As an Arrowman you should be proud to wear your sash and let the world know you are a member of the OA. I encourage you to do so, but please wear the sash correctly.

The OA handbook states "The Order of the Arrow sash is worn with the official Scout field uniform or Scouting's official adult dress wear (a blue blazer and gray slacks). The sash also may be worn by Elongamats who are not in uniform at an Ordeal, youth wearing ceremonial attire, and in such other instances as approved by the Scout executive. The sash is worn over the right shoulder so that the arrow is pointing over the right shoulder. The sash is worn diagonally across the chest. It is not to be worn in any other manner."

Often time we see Scouts wear the sash along with a merit badge sash. Since they are both to be worn over the right shoulder, scouts will wear one folded and over the belt or wear them in a criss-cross fashion. The correct uniforming practice would be to wear only one or the other over the right shoulder and put the other on display (especially at a court of honor).

The OA handbook tells us when to wear the sash as well; "The sash is worn at Order of the Arrow functions and special Scouting activities, when members need to be identified as Arrowmen rendering special services." Or as already mentioned above, "... in such other instances as approved by the Scout executive."

The average arrowman should wear his (her) sash at Order of the Arrow functions and when specifically representing the Order of the Arrow. I have good news for you if you like to wear your sash. Last year the Lodge Executive Committee approved a motion to request that Arrowmen be allowed to represent the OA at all District and Council level events. As Lodge Adviser, I took that request to the Scout Executive and he did approve the motion. He was glad that we (the OA) want to be more visible in the public forum so now you may wear your sash at district and council events within the Council borders. Keep in mind that whenever you wear the sash you are representing the Order and are one of those campers “who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in our daily lives and by such conduct cause others to emulate our actions.” Be proud of your sash and make your sash proud of you.

Marty LaVoy

## **NOAC Information**

Greetings Fellow Arrowmen,

The National Order of the Arrow Conference is coming up in Summer 2009 and I urge all arrowmen to attend. The conference will be held August 1-6, 2009 at Indiana University. NOAC offers an opportunity to train in OA issues that will help improve our lodge and units here at home. It is the premium chance to network and have fellowship with Arrowmen from across the nation. If you choose to go, you are certain to see shows, gain knowledge, and have experiences that will enrich your life.

The price and sign-up procedures will be posted on the website in the near future. Please feel free to contact me at [emuir@chartermi.net](mailto:emuir@chartermi.net) if you have any questions regarding NOAC.

WWW,  
Eric Muir  
NOAC Contingent Leader

As this year comes towards an end and a new one begins, our major focus is going to be getting more ordeal membership arrowmen to seal their membership in the order by going through the Brotherhood workshop days in December. By doing this we will be able to boost our number to hit the requirements for Quality Lodge. Now for the more exciting topic, NOAC bring your brothers/ arrowmen with you. As Vice of Program I am going to try to fight for those low prices on this great arrowmen experience.

Thank you.  
WWW  
Ken Domingue  
Vice Chief of Program

Order of the Arrow members,

A new year is coming around the bend, right into this year's NOAC. We are trying to get a set price on the cost for the trip. Also, just as well, we are getting focused in on the Manitous patches and their prices. Remember to get your patches when you can so you are not out of luck for NOAC. That's a big fundraiser for the lodge, so that other activities we do have a lower price.

Thanks.  
Steve Domingue, Lodge Treasurer

Fellow Arrowmen,

I would like to introduce myself. I am Joseph McDonald the incoming vice chief of membership. Many things are being planned for this year. I would like to invite you to help with some of the projects that are planned for membership. If you would like to help out just contact me at my e-mail, joetoo98@yahoo.com. Thank You."

-Joseph

Hello, I am Ryan Oleynik, the Vice Chief of Chapters for Manitous Lodge. I am new at this job, so I hope that I will learn more of my job and role in this lodge. For Vice Chief of Chapters, I will work my hardest to get things done, I don't have anything planned now, but once I learn more and the LEC gets moving again, I should have some ideas and insights. I hope everything goes as smoothly as it has been for the past years and I thank you for electing me to this position.

## Letter From the Chapter Chiefs

The Munhake chapter is currently meeting at the LDS Church in Howell across from the high school. We currently meet at 7:00 P.m. We have not done to much so far. This month we are running our districts camporee, holding a games and food area for the cub scouts at the haunted woods. We also intend to do a lot of fund raising for the lodge, and service projects. We intend on having a tap out ceremony for ordeal candidates. We also intend on trying to run the spring camporee like we once did. We have many plans this year and intend on getting them done.

-Paul Friedlander

Our Chapter meetings have begun and I am looking forward to a successful year. We meet on the second Thursday of the month at the New Jerusalem Church on US-127 at 7:00 pm. We just had our second chapter meeting on Thursday, October 9<sup>th</sup>. Our meetings are full of fun and food. They are a great time for chapter members to get together and have a great time while at the same time being able to meet and discuss any business that needs to be covered such as; Order of the Arrow elections and service opportunities in the area. I hope to have a very accomplished year.

Nathan Allen  
Teetonkah Chapter Chief

Well, it has been a great past few months for the Tecumseh Chapter. I was glad to see new faces at the Fall Fellowship and many spirited members show up. I was also pleased to see new faces at our football parking event at the University of Michigan game. Our next date for football parking is November 15<sup>th</sup>. This is an early game so those helping need to be there between 8 and 8:30, and will be done by 2pm.

As you may know we are looking for an Ordeal Master for this upcoming Spring Ordeal. The Ordeal Master is a Scout who prepares things for that weekend, such things as finding a cook for the weekend and finding what service projects need to be done. All it takes is a few phone calls and isn't that difficult of a job. So if any of you are looking for a leadership opportunity or way to serve your lodge this is a great chance to do so. If you're interested in the football parking or Ordeal Master Position please contact me as soon as possible. I look forward to a great year of fun and fellowship!

Yours in Brotherhood,  
Kelsey Van Aken  
kelseyvanaken@aol.com

# Letter From the Committee Chairs

Hi, my name is Michael Saunders and I am the lodge historian for 2008-2009. I will be keeping track of the lodge history and events. If anyone has any questions about the history of the lodge and/or its predecessors, please feel free to email me at [mrsaunders10@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mrsaunders10@sbcglobal.net).

YIS,  
Michael Saunders

I am Jason Strimpel and I am the vigil chairman. I am an eagle scout out of troop 566. If there are any vigil members that would like to help out with vigil in any way just let me know what you want to help with and I will try to get you involved with the vigil process.

Yours in Scouting,  
Jason Strimpel

Hello,

My name is Matthew Strimpel and I am the ceremonies chairman. I am a brotherhood member and a life scout out of troop 566. If there is anyone in the lodge that is interested in joining the ceremonies team you can talk to me or to my adviser Sonny Strimpel. We could use more people who would like to do the brotherhood ceremony, but we will take any body interested in any ceremony.

Yours in Scouting,  
Matthew Strimpel

Hi Manitous,

My name is Stephen Stump I am the new Communications chairman. If you have an interest in helping to run the lodge website or want to help write the newsletter send me an e-mail at [stephen.stump@gmail.com](mailto:stephen.stump@gmail.com). Watch the website [www.manitous88.org](http://www.manitous88.org) for news and updates within the lodge.

-Stephen Stump

Congrats to the 2008 Vigil Class

If you see any of these people congratulate them on there new accomplishment. Anthony Halberstadt, Brent Buchanan, Dave Skinner, Ryan Oleynik, Steve Domingue, Bradley Trosin, Ryan Schroeder, Andy Tata, Ken Lake, Scott Churchill.

**Manitous Lodge 88**  
**NOAC 2009 Fundraiser Pre-Order**  
**License Plate**



- *100 patches will be made with a red medicine wheel (as shown). The price of this patch is \$25.*
- *50 patches will be made with a red Mylar medicine wheel. The price of this patch is \$50.*

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

QUANTITY \_\_\_\_\_ w/ red medicine wheel x **\$25.00 each**

\_\_\_\_\_ w/ red Mylar medicine wheel x **\$50.00 each**

DELIVERY METHOD (CHECK ONE): PICK-UP \_\_\_\_\_ US POSTAL \_\_\_\_\_ x **\$5.00 extra**

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Cash or Check acceptable: make checks payable to Great Sauk Trail Council- BSA. Mail forms to Great Sauk Trail Council 1979 Huron Parkway, Ann Arbor, MI 48104.*

*Patches will be available for pick up at the Winter Banquet on December 13<sup>th</sup> or at the Scout Service Center thereafter. Orders will be shipped the week after the Winter Banquet (if selected above and paid for). Numbers are limited, first come first served. Orders received after patches run out will be refunded.*

**Manitous Lodge 88  
NOAC 2009 Fundraiser Pre-Order  
Luggage Tag**



- *100 patches will be made and will include a strap and a clear sleeve on the back to put your travel information. The price of this patch is \$12.*

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

QUANTITY \_\_\_\_\_ x \$12.00 each

DELIVERY METHOD (CHECK ONE): PICK-UP \_\_\_\_\_ US POSTAL \_\_\_\_\_ x \$5.00 extra

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# Manitous Lodge 88

## 14th Annual Winter Banquet

Hosted by :Allohak Chapter



**Saturday, December 13th, 2008**  
Knox Presbyterian Church  
2065 S. Wagner Road  
Ann Arbor , MI 48103 (see map on back)

Early Bird Special **\$15.00** Per Person before November 28th.  
Regular Price **\$18.00** Per Person before December 11th.  
(End of Business Day)

Enjoy an Evening with the Lodge. The program includes  
Dinner (Chicken, Ham, Sides, Salad, Rolls and Desert),  
Presentation of Lodge Awards including Lodge Honor  
Awards, Founders Awards, Archie Adams Award,  
James E. West and much more!!

Please sign up by going to [www.manitous88.org](http://www.manitous88.org)  
Click on Winter Banquet Sign Up  
Pre Registration is required so that enough food can be prepared

**Fellowship 4:30pm**

**Dinner 5:30pm**

Trading Post Will be **OPEN**  
During Fellowship and after Dinner

**Walk UP Price \$25 Per Person**

Questions or Comments contact :  
Chris Delor [chdelor@bsamail.org](mailto:chdelor@bsamail.org) or (734)971-7100 x 212  
Marty LaVoy [martylavoy@gmail.com](mailto:martylavoy@gmail.com)



# Brotherhood Workshop



## Have YOU sealed your membership in the Lodge?

If you have been an ordeal member for 10 months or more, please consider taking the next step in sealing your membership in the Lodge.

Saturday, December 13th 2009

1:00pm—3:30pm

Knox Presbyterian Church

2065 S. Wagner Rd.

Ann Arbor, MI 48103 (see map below)

Sign Up on line at [www.manitous88.org](http://www.manitous88.org) and click on Brotherhood Workshop  
Register by December 11th

Cost is \$15.00 each

*You will be done in time for  
Winter Banquet!*



*Requirements will be  
presented to you in a  
informal group type teaching  
session !*

Questions or Comments contact :

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