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**Chief** - Peter [REDACTED]  
**Vice Chief** - Josh [REDACTED]  
**Secretary** - Ben [REDACTED]  
**Treasurer** - Zach [REDACTED]  
**Advisor** - Steve Upchurch  
**Staff Advisor** - Jim Petersen

Fill out the Winter Dinner Registration form and return it to the office by January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2012 to reserve your seat!



2012 Winter Dinner Patch!

## ***Leadership Lines***

Greetings Fellow Arrowmen,

2011 was a great year for the lodge. We accumulated over 4700 service hours during the year to break our previous record. Our Ceremonies Team performed the Pre Ordeal Ceremony at the Section Conclave. We sent a crew to Summit Corps in West Virginia, had for Arrowmen participate in OA Treks, spent the Ordeals building a 75 foot break wall and a brand new bridge. We elected new officer and had a new Lodge Advisor take over. 2011 proved to be a great year for the lodge because of all the support that you, the arrowmen, provided. 2012 will be even better. This summer, July 30<sup>th</sup> to August 4<sup>th</sup>, Illinek lodge will be taking a contingent to Michigan State University for the National Order of the Arrow Conference. All of our Arrowmen are invited; stop by the office to sign up. In order to recognize all of the hard work that was done in 2011 and what is to come in 2012, Illinek Lodge will be celebrating our Winter dinner on January 21<sup>st</sup>. Use the form in the newsletter to sign up. We will be recognizing our new Ordeal, Brotherhood, and Vigil members along with the elangomats. We will also be presenting the prestigious Founders award, so sign up soon and don't miss this amazing opportunity!

Happy New Year,  
Peter [REDACTED]  
Lodge Chief

## ***2012 Winter Dinner***

The 2012 Winter Dinner will be held at the Chatham American Legion Post 759 on the Square on January 21<sup>st</sup> beginning at 5:30. The Cost is *only* \$15.00 per person for meal and special patch to commemorate the evening.

The Winter Dinner is a time to gather with friends, enjoy a great meal and fellowship. We will review the activities of 2011 including recognition of our 2011 new Ordeal members, Brotherhood members and our newest Vigils. We expect a visit from our Section C-3B officers to share plans with us for the upcoming summer national programs.

So come enjoy an evening of fun and food. You can also bring a guest. Simply complete the registration form below and return with payment to the Scout office by January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2012, at 2pm. We cannot handle walk-in registrations the day of the event and ensure you can still eat! So register ASAP!)

## ***2011 Brotherhood Day***

Brotherhood day was an amazing day. It was the last chance of the year for our members to undergo the brotherhood conversion. We had an Ordeal Member do his Brotherhood Conversion. Following the ceremonies the party started and our members enjoyed a night of fun to celebrate the new member. Following the Brotherhood Questioning, we went on a short brotherhood hike and attended the ceremony. Following the ceremony we ate and began the Regalia Party. This is not an event to be missed next year.

George [REDACTED]  
Brotherhood Affairs Chairman

## ***Regalia Party***

In December the Lodge hosted the first ever Regalia Part. We headed indoors and cranked up the fire and began to work. We made headway on new regalia for the Ceremonies Team. A new headdress was started along with many other items such as a shield, knives, sheaths, and more. We took breaks to enjoy lots of food and fun. We had the Lodge Wii out and watched some movies. Our first regalia party was a huge success, but more work must be done. Look out for news about our next one. We hope to have all of the new Regalia ready for the June Ordeal and Summer Camp!

John [REDACTED]  
Ceremonies Chairman

## ***Publications Committee***

Anyone interested in the Publications Committee should contact Chief Peter [REDACTED] for opportunities to help out with the production, writing, and editing if the Red Flame. If you want to help out contact Peter at [illinek123chief@gmail.com](mailto:illinek123chief@gmail.com).

## ***2012 National Order of the Arrow Conference***

Every 2-3 years, Arrowmen from every lodge in the country gather for a week of training, games, fun, activities, patch trading and amazing block parties and arena programs. Typically 8000 Arrowmen are in attendance.

This coming summer, Illinek Lodge will once again send a contingent of about 18-20 Arrowmen to NOAC, this time held at Michigan State University in East Lansing, Michigan. It will be a few weeks before we receive registration information and can begin to figure the final cost for each participant, but for planning, we expect it to be \$500 range. We will look at ideas to raise money to help reduce that cost however.

What really happens? There are hundreds of training cells available to chose from classes each morning. These can range from hands on how to create Native American regalia, history presentations, Native American cultural discussions, leadership skills and related tools, outdoor skills, wilderness medicine, program planning techniques, Leave No Trace, designing scout patches, better organization of your lodge and unit, scuba, and more! Afternoons are typically centered on FUN - field games, Wii competitions, lodge ball contests, basketball competitions, vendor displays of new camping and outdoor items (usually available at significant discounts!), the National OA museum.

Each evening we break for large arena programs with exciting themes and shows. One night we have the HODAG - that's a large block party with games, free food, prizes and entertainment. Of course there is also lots of patch trading!

Fill out our Inertest form at:  
<http://www.illinek132.com/resources/NOAC2012Int.pdf>

National also just posted an information site at:

<http://event.oa-bsa.org/events/n2012/>

## ***Lodge Training Day***

On February 17<sup>th</sup> Illinek Lodge will gather at Booth Lodge and host our Annual Training Day. The day is jam packed with training cells, games, team building activities, great food and fun. The cost for the training, materials, food and a patch is only \$5! To register email [thechain15994@yahoo.com](mailto:thechain15994@yahoo.com) and bring your money to the door. This event is not to be missed, we will offer training from Elangomat, to Troop Representative, to event planning and more. Don't miss this opportunity to gather in fellowship and training.

Josh [REDACTED]  
Vice Chief

## ***Lodge Facebook Group***

The LEC is trying to boost the membership of our Facebook Page. It is the fastest way for us to reach our members. It is also one of the best ways to reach our youth. Right now we have 72 members in our group. For every 10 new members we get we will have a drawing for a prize from the Lodge Trading Post. The first item will be a Lodge Flap, and at 20 new members it will be a Lodge Coin, and the prizes will get bigger each additional 10 members we receive. Go to our group by searching Illinek Lodge #123 in Facebook or go to <http://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/201870097714/>

. To help grow the group add yourself and then add your friends, troop members, and others! If we have 90 members by the Winter Dinner we will have another Drawing for additional Prizes.



## ***NOAC Patch Design***

The Lodge is in need of a patch design to take to NOAC. We are asking our graphic designers to make a creative patch for our logo to take. Remember, the more unique they are, the more tradable they will be. The person that submits the winning design will receive a limited edition of their patch design. Designs do not have to be perfect, sketches are fine. Email your submission to Peter at [illinek132chief@gmail.com](mailto:illinek132chief@gmail.com).

## ***Help Needed!***

We need help at the Klondike Derby and First aid meet to man our stations. At the Klondike the OA is a favorite Station because we provide Hot Coca to the participants. At the First aid meet we serve as runners and man a Camp Promotions Station to help promote Camp Bunn. Contact Peter at [illinek132chief@gmail.com](mailto:illinek132chief@gmail.com) if you can help out.

Jason [REDACTED]  
Camp Promotions



## Leadership Lines

Happy New Year, fellow Arrowmen! I am looking forward to a great 2012!

Even though we have a lot of exciting things in store for us this year, I want to reflect on the things we accomplished in 2011. Looking back over the past year, Illinek Lodge did some amazing things. We provided over 4,500 hours of service last year, over 15 hours per arrowman. We inducted almost 70 ordeal candidates into the order and almost 40 Ordeal members became Brotherhood members. We also elected four arrowmen to the Vigil honor.

We completed some very meaningful service projects at Camp Illinek this year. We made some great progress on building an erosion barrier around Pioneer Point, we have a newly renovated Fire Bowl, replaced a worn bridge on the trail to the ceremony site, put mulch and edging on many of the trails and a host of other projects to improve the camp. At Camp Bunn, we made significant strides toward completing the Fire Bowl lighting project. We now have electrical service that is ready to be used for the lighting. In service to our country, we retired over 2,100 United States flags during One Day of Service in April.

Our newly developed OA Ceremony Team was just getting started at the beginning of this year. In April, the ceremony team from Wenasa Quenhotan Lodge #23 visited and gave us a seminar on performing OA ceremonies. In October, after having performing several ceremonies during the summer, the Illinek team participated in ceremony team competition at the Section C3B Fall Conclave. They arrived back

home with no hair. Ask me about the head shaving sometime. More importantly, they took second place in the competition. What an accomplishment!

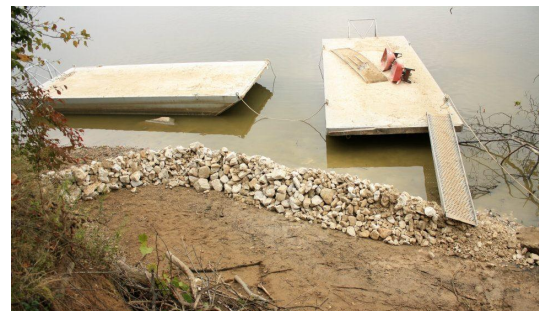
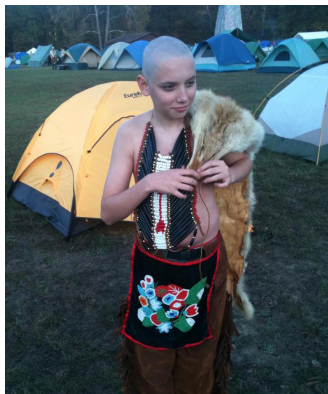
We have recently activated the Native American Dance Team (NADT) and are seeking members who are interested in participating and learning this exciting part of Native American culture.

As always, we are seeking new ways to get the word out about what is going on in the lodge. We have the monthly LEC meetings and all members are invited. Please plan to attend to see what the lodge has to offer. We are also sending event and activity notices by electronic mail, Facebook and the Red Flame. I encourage you to sign up and visit the Illinek Lodge #132 page on Facebook. If you have not been receiving notices by email, we might have your email address wrong. Please send the correct one to [Illinek132@vipperlake.com](mailto:Illinek132@vipperlake.com) and I will update our records.

I am very excited about the fun we will have and the progress we will make in 2012. We are going to kick it off with the Winter Dinner on January 21<sup>st</sup>. Please plan to attend. Illinek Lodge is growing in both strength and commitment and I am very proud of all that it stands for. I cannot stress enough the need for every member to get involved, stay involved and enjoy the fun and rewards of the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service.

Yours in Service,

Steve Upchurch



# *Illinek Lodge Winter Dinner Registration*

Keep the top half and turn in the bottom.

Details:

January 21<sup>st</sup> ant 5:30 PM

Chatham American Legion Hall (Directions Below)

Registration Due January 16<sup>th</sup>



The American Legion hall is located at 206 Chestnut Street, on the corner of Chestnut Street and Market Street. From the corner of Illinois Route 4 and Walnut Street (BP station and Family Video), go south two blocks and turn right on Chestnut. This is the corner of the Methodist church and Chatham Square. The next corner on your left is the legion hall.

## **Winter Dinner Illinek Lodge Registration Form**

Return registration form with payment by January 16, 2012, to the Scout Office:  
**Abraham Lincoln Council, Illinek Lodge, 5231 S. Sixth Street Road,  
Springfield, Illinois 62703**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Number Registered Including Guests \_\_\_\_\_ Total Amount Enclosed (\$15/each) \_\_\_\_\_

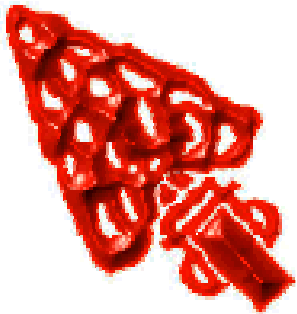
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## **Upcoming Order of the Arrow Events**



January 15	Lodge Membership Meeting (LEC)
January 21	<b>Illinek Lodge Winter Dinner</b>
February 18	<b>Lodge Member Training Day</b>
February 19	Lodge Membership Meeting (LEC)
February 25	Council First Aid Meet
March 11	Lodge Membership Meeting (LEC)
March 17	<b>Spring Fling</b>
March 25	<b>Council Pancake &amp; Sausage Breakfast</b>
April 14	<b>One-Day-of-Service (US Flag Retirement)</b>
April 15	Lodge Membership Meeting (LEC)
April 28	Pilgrimage Hike Trail-End Cafe