



# Bear Tracks



October 6th, 2021

## Ohkwaliha-Ká Lodge #34, Leatherstocking Council #400

### Fall Induction Weekend Recap

On October 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> our Lodge held our Fall Induction Weekend at Camp Henderson. Congratulations to our 11 new Ordeal Members and 1 new Brotherhood member. We completed many work projects to improve the camp totaling 426-man hours of service. Thank you to all the support staff that made our Fall Induction Weekend a success!



### Octobearfest!!!

Octobearfest returns to Camp Kingsley October 29<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup>!

FOOD! Campfire fellowship, Shotgun Open Shoot, Nintendo Switches, and more!

We are planning out the activities now on Slack. Join the [#activities](#) channel to join in!

Pre-registration is required for this event:

<https://forms.tentaroo.com/view.php?id=7470970>

### Lodge Calendar and Slack

Always up to date:

<http://oalodge34.org/wp2/calendar/>

Questions or help with Slack:

[support@oalodge34.org](mailto:support@oalodge34.org)

### 2022 Lodge Dues

You can now pay your Annual Lodge Dues (Jan-1-Dec 31) for 2022! The \$15 can be paid at any lodge event or at the scout office. Checks can be made out to Leatherstocking Council.

## Unit Elections

Your unit's Scoutmaster should have received a message about scheduling a Unit Election. If you or your Scoutmaster have not received a message about scheduling, please reach out on the [#unit elections](#) channel on Slack or send an e-mail to [elections@oalodge34.org](mailto:elections@oalodge34.org)

We need your help to reach all our Council's Units for an election this year. We cover a large geographic area and rely on you to help with your unit election and elections at your neighboring units. We co-ordinate our elections using Slack. If you can help, please share your availability in the [#unit elections](#) channel on Slack.

## NOAC 2022

NOAC (National Order of the Arrow Conference) has been announced for 2022! Save the date: July 25<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> 2022 at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville. Our Lodge is planning to send a contingent (group) to the Conference. We will be developing a travel plan and pricing structure. Join us on our Slack channel [#2022NOAC](#) with your questions and ideas.

### The NOAC 2022 theme is



## New Membership Portal

Our Lodge will be launching a new membership portal through our database program Lodgemaster.

This program will allow you to keep your personal information up to date, print your own membership card, register for our events and more! Be looking in your e-mail in the next week for a link to claim your account. If you do not receive a message, it means we do not have your current e-mail address on file. To add or correct your e-mail address with the Lodge send a message to [support@oalodge34.org](mailto:support@oalodge34.org)

## Lodge Officer Annual Elections

On October 3rd, we held the Annual Election of Lodge Officers. The results are in:

### **LODGE CHIEF – Noah Ashe**

Unit: Troop 23 Oneonta

Inducted in 2018

"I've been a member of scouting since 1st grade and have held many leadership roles both in my troop and within the lodge over the course of my scouting career"

### **LODGE VICE CHIEF – Diego Gamarra**

Unit: Troop 1 Frankfort

Inducted in 2017

"I worked as Waterfront staff since 2018"

### **SECRETARY – Liam Casey**

Unit: Troop 23 Oneonta

Inducted in 2021

"I've been scribe for my troop since joining"

### **TREASURER - Jon Deitchman**

Unit: Troop 168 Worcester

Inducted in 2019

"I am an Eagle Scout with 7 palms."

### **Conclave Vice-Chief (CVC) – Jacob Eschenbach**

Unit: Troop 4 New Hartford

Inducted in 2021

"I've been a member of 3 cub packs and 2 Troops, one Troop being in Pennsylvania."

### **Congratulations to our 2021-2022 Lodge Officers!**



Thank you to our outgoing Lodge Officers for all your hard work and dedication to the Lodge.

If you have any questions or would like more information about other available positions of leadership in our Lodge you can contact [adviser@oalodge34.org](mailto:adviser@oalodge34.org) or @bun0014 on our Slack.

## Join the Conversation – Join us on Slack!

What is Slack? – Slack is a communications hub that can bring us all together. Slack gives us a common communication platform to chat, share, and work together. As a Lodge we will be using slack as our primary place for discussion and planning of all Lodge activities. Slack is free and available on all types of devices from phones to desktop computers. All you need to do to connect to us is follow the link: <http://owl.li/FQRF30oELWM> If you have questions or need help joining slack please contact: [support@oalodge34.org](mailto:support@oalodge34.org)

2021 Active Slack Channels:

We have been working to streamline the channels on slack for the new year (feel free to join them):

[#2022NOAC](#) will be used for NOAC planning

[#activities](#) will be used for planning all non-induction events

[#ceremonies](#) will be used for the ceremonies committee

[#conclave](#) will be used for all conclave planning

[#inductionevents](#) will be used for planning induction weekends

[#merchandise](#) marketing ideas

[#patchdesigns](#) patch ideas

[#summercampprograms](#) used for our summer camp programs

[#unit\\_elections](#) unit election planning and scheduling

[#voiceofthetroops](#) units can post their local events, OA Unit Representatives

[#general](#) this chat, global to all members announcements and calendar things will post here

[#random](#) post anything

There is also a Vigil channel that is by invite only. @bun0014 for more information



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<http://oalodge34.org/wp2/calendar/>

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Up to date info is available on slack!



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