



Bear Tracks



September 2024

Ohkwaliha-Ká Lodge #34, Leatherstocking Council #400

Fall Induction Weekend @ Camp Kingsley

We need your help to provide service to Camp Kingsley and hold a successful Induction for our newly elected candidates. We need help with Ceremonies, Elangomat guides, and general event staffing.

If you have questions on how you can help, please reach out to us on Slack!

September 13th-15th - BSA Health Form A&B Required

Registration is required for all activities!

Registration Link: <https://scoutingevent.com/400-OAFallInduction>

Questions? adviser@oalodge34.org

Octobearfest 2024 returns to Camp Kingsley

A weekend of fun activities awaits at Octobearfest 2024! We are in the final planning steps for this event. If you have suggestions for food or activities please make a post on Slack in the [#activities](#) channel. We will also be taking patch designs for this event until August 15th, you can enter your submission in the [#patchdesigns](#) channel. Registration will open for this event in September:

<https://scoutingevent.com/400-OAOctobearFest> Questions? adviser@oalodge34.org

Lodge Calendar and Slack

Always up to date:

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

Questions or help with Slack:

support@oalodge34.org

2024 Lodge Dues

You can now pay your Annual Lodge Dues (Jan1-Dec 31) for 2024! The \$15 can be paid at any lodge event or at the scout office. Checks can be made out to Leatherstocking Council. Pay online:

<https://www.scoutingevent.com/400-OADues>

Lodge Officer Elections

On September 15th, we will be holding the Annual Election of Lodge Officers. The election will be held at the end of our regular Lodge meeting that will start around 9am at Camp Kingsley. The following positions are up for election: Lodge Chief, Lodge Vice Chief, Lodge Secretary, and Lodge Treasurer. Arrowmen who are nominated to run for office must be in good standing with the Lodge, be under the age of 21 for their whole term and must be able to complete the duties of their position.

LODGE CHIEF

- Chairman of the Lodge Executive Committee
- Member of the Key 3
- Oversees all Lodge operations
- Casts deciding vote on all committee ties
- Appoints Chairmen for all committees with the approval of the Key 3
- Responsible for all actions of the Lodge, it's committees and its members
- Ad-Hoc member of all committees

LODGE VICE CHIEF

- Fills in for the Lodge Chief when he is unable to attend meetings or events
- Member of the Lodge Executive Committee
- Performs other duties as designated by the Lodge Chief

SECRETARY

- Member of the Lodge Executive Committee
- Take and maintain neatly the minutes of all Lodge meetings and read the minutes for approval at the next Lodge meeting.
- If the Secretary is unable to attend a meeting, he must find a substitute for that meeting to neatly take notes.
- Maintain all past Lodge minutes and records
- The minutes shall have the names of all Officers and Advisers in attendance at each meeting along with the starting and ending times.
- Editor in Chief of the Lodge Newsletter
- Webmaster for the Lodge Webpage
- Responsible for all committees under his direction
- Send approved copy of the minutes to all Lodge Executive Committee members, and Advisers.

TREASURER

- Member of the Lodge Executive Committee
 - Submits requests to the Council Service Center for checks to be issued at the behest of the Executive Committee
 - Record and maintains all financial records of the Lodge
 - Oversees the Trading Post and Lodge inventory
 - Presents annual Lodge budget to the Executive Board for review.
 - Plans, submits for approval, and oversees all fund-raising events for the Lodge
- Candidates must meet with the Lodge Key 3 before 9AM on the 15th in order to be qualified to run for Lodge Office. If you have any questions or would like more information about the positions or the election process, you can contact adviser@oalodge34.org or @bun0014 on our Slack.

Section E15 News

For those who were not at Conclave or do not follow us on the web, the Lodges that formed Section E16 have been moved into Sections E15 & E20. We are now part of section E15.

Official announcement and details:

<https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=889064639915821&set=pcb.889078603247758>

If you have any questions on the Section changes please feel free to reach out to your Lodge Leadership, or your Lodge Adviser, Ben Obernesser 315-271-3691 adviser@oalodge34.org

Save the date for the E15 Section Conclave!

June 6th-8th, 2025 at Camp Woodland in Constantia NY.

Here are some photos from Conclave at Camp Kingsley from this year:



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: https://join.slack.com/t/oalodge34lec/shared_invite/zt-7zyox54g-MMdB0b6lhV8H1omPfaLpfA If you have questions or need help joining slack please contact: support@oalodge34.org

2024 Active Slack Channels:

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

[#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

[#elangomat](#) will be used for the Elangomat committee

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

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

[#merchandise](#) marketing ideas

[#patchdesigns](#) patch ideas

[#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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Lodge Chief	Ethan Witt	chief@oalodge34.org
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Secretary	Noah Peterson	secretary@oalodge34.org
Treasurer	Jon Deitchman	treasurer@oalodge34.org
Lodge Adviser	Ben Obernesser	adviser@oalodge34.org
Staff Adviser	Keith Knight	staffadviser@oalodge34.org

Our Lodge Calendar is available at <http://oalodge34.org/wp2/calendar/>

Visit us online:

<http://www.facebook.com/oalodge34>

<http://www.oalodge34.org/>

Up to date info is available on slack!

Join us on Slack:

https://join.slack.com/t/oalodge34lec/shared_invite/zt-7zyox54g-MMdB0b6lhV8H1omPfaLpfA