

Order of the Arrow New Member FAQ Sheet



What is the Order of the Arrow?

Welcome to the Order of the Arrow! There are so many things to do and opportunities to be had as part of our organization, aptly called “Scouting’s National Honor Society”.

For over 100 years, the Order of the Arrow (OA) has recognized Scouts and Scouters who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives. This recognition provides encouragement for others to live these ideals as well. Arrowmen are known for maintaining camping traditions and spirit, promoting year-round and long-term camping, and providing cheerful service to others. OA service, activities, adventures, and training for youth and adults are models of quality leadership development and programming that enrich and help to extend Scouting to America’s youth.

I just participated in an Induction Weekend that was only work. Is this all that the OA does?

No, although the Ordeal is heavily focused on giving back through cheerful service, the OA is just not service work. The OA has plenty of events, whether through the lodge, section, or national, for you to attend that are a ton of fun! Attend some of the upcoming events in the lodge and see for yourself!! (Upcoming events listed on back).

Mission

The mission of the Order of the Arrow is to fulfill its purpose as an integral part of the Boy Scouts of America through positive youth leadership under the guidance of selected capable adults.

Purpose

As Scouting’s National Honor Society, our purpose is to:

- Recognize those who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives and through that recognition cause others to conduct themselves in a way that warrants similar recognition.
- Promote camping, responsible outdoor adventure, and environmental stewardship as essential components of every Scout’s experience, in the unit, year-round, and in summer camp.
- Develop leaders with the willingness, character, spirit and ability to advance the activities of their units, our Brotherhood, Scouting, and ultimately our nation.
- Crystallize the Scout habit of helpfulness into a life purpose of leadership in cheerful service to others.

I want to learn more about the OA

Visit the National OA website at: oa-scouting.org/jumpstart

To find more info & register for upcoming lodge events, go to our website at nst381.org



2025 Ni-Sanak-Tani Lodge Upcoming Events



Section Conclave – September 12-14 at Gamehaven Scout Camp

- 📍 Gamehaven Scout Camp, Rochester, MN
- 📅 September 12-14
- 🎨 Theme: Raiders of the Lost Arrow



Join us for the 2025 Section G10 Conclave!

Get ready for an unforgettable weekend of fun, fellowship, and adventure at this year's Section Conclave! Arrowmen from across Wisconsin and Minnesota will come together for a weekend full of exciting activities, meaningful connections, and lasting memories.

Event highlights include:

- Shooting Sports
- Escape Rooms
- The AJ Adams Haircare Routine Training – led by NST's very own Section Chief, AJ Adams!

Whether you're looking to try something new, make lifelong friends, or just have an incredible time, Section Conclave is the place to be! Step out of your comfort zone and experience a weekend full of excitement, camaraderie, and nonstop fun!

Find more info and register online at sectiong10.org/conclave!

We can't wait to see you at Gamehaven Scout Camp in Rochester, MN on September 12-14!



SECTION CONCLAVE

Trail Mix Volunteering & OA Canoe Float – Aug 23 at Camp Decorah

Join us at Camp Decorah on August 23! We will assist with the Trail Mix Races in the morning and early afternoon, and then participate in a canoe float along the Black River later in the afternoon and early evening. Please bring your swim check or buddy tag if you have it. We hope to see you there!



Look forward to these other events later in 2025 & 2026

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| 2025 | Trail Mix Volunteering & Canoe Float – Aug 23 |
| | Section G10 Conclave at Gamehaven Scout Camp – Sep 12-14 |
| | High Ropes & Climbing Event at Winona State – Oct 11 |
| | Spook-o-Ree & Snack Shack Assistance – Oct 18 |
| 2026 | Winter Banquet – Date TBD, Jan 2026 |
| | Spring Fellowship – Date TBD, Spring 2026 |

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