



Ag-Im Lodge #156 October 2008 LLD/Winter Conference Newsletter

Lodge Leadership Development (LLD) Conference

The Lodge Leadership Development (LLD) Conference will be held **October 25 and 26** at Holy Name School in Escanaba. Training sessions start at 10 a.m. eastern time Saturday. Registration begins at 6 p.m. Friday, October 24, for those Arrowmen wanting to spend Friday night at the event. Cost is \$5 per person. It will end by 12:30 p.m. Sunday after lunch and awards program.



The LLD is required for all Lodge and Chapter officers and committee chairs. It is also good for new Arrowmen wanting to learn more about the OA. All Arrowmen are welcome to attend.

Topics this year include budgets, camp promotion, ceremonies, Cub Scout programs, communications, service projects, problem solving and more. A Lodge Executive Committee (LEC) meeting will be held Saturday night. The LEC will also be planning the coming year's program. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Arrowmen will be sleeping in the school so sleeping bags are required. The school is located one block east of the Escanaba High School. Turn on 3rd Avenue South from M-35 (South Lincoln Road).

C1B Section Conference



Arrowmen from Ag-Im Lodge salute the flag at the C1B Section Conclave at Camp Decorah near LaCrosse, Wis.

Ag-Im Lodge was represented by 41 Arrowmen at the the C1B Section Conclave at Camp Decorah near LaCrosse, Wis. Once again, Ag-Im dominated in euchre. The Lodge also did a great job with the Saturday night campfire. Spencer Dugan was the emcee. Bruce Olson and Shane Poisson earned Oscars leading the skit. Tom Conine was fantastic in the Ordeal commercials and John Stock and his crew did a wonderful job running sound, lights and multimedia. Good job! Justin Dupra, acting Lodge Chief, was pied. And Bruce Olson was elected Section Vice Chief. Next year's Section Conclave will be held at Camp Hiawatha!

Ag-Im Winter Conference Dec. 5-7

The Winter Conference will be held December 5 – 7 at the Caspian Community Center in Caspian. The event will include Chapter competition for ceremonies. There will be one judged ceremony, which will be the Pre-Ordeal Ceremony, and one open ceremony for Chapters who want to show off their ceremony team's talents. Activities also include swimming at the George Young Recreational Facility and sledding near the community center (depending on snow).

There will be a banquet Saturday night. Our guest speaker will be from Oldenburg Group in Iron River. We will also present the Lodge's Distinguished Service Awards, Founder's Awards and Vigil nominations. Parents and friends are welcome to attend the banquet.

Because of the banquet program this year, it will be important to pre-register for the Winter Conference. The cost for the event will be \$20. It will cost \$10 each if you have guests attending the banquet or if you plan to only attend the banquet.

Chiefly Speaking

Hello Arrowmen, This is David Lies, the new Lodge Chief of AG-IM Lodge for the 2008-2009 year. I would like to take the time to share my enthusiasm for the lodge. This year will be a very important year, and a great one too! With the excessive help from AG-IM lodge, Snowshoe Village is now complete and looks wonderful. Working from the groundwork that Ethan Parker set, I also have goals for the lodge. It is my goal to continue Lodge Leadership Development, and to continue to work for Quality Lodge. It is also my goal to increase service within the Lodge and chapters; I would also like to hold a weeklong lodge service project.



Fall Conclave this year was a great success with many Ordeal and Brotherhood members, and a wonderful ceremonies team from Chippewa and Wyandotte. We got lots of work done in the campsites and for the new showerhouse. Hope to see everyone again at our next event.

This upcoming year AG-IM Lodge will also be hosting the Section Conference, which is the gathering of all the other lodges in our section. This is our time to shine and show off what AG-IM is made of! I know that we have a great lodge and this year will be our banner year. We will be meeting at the next Council of Chiefs, a gathering of the section lodge chiefs and officers, to continue working on section conclave.

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2009 NOAC

The National Order of the Arrow Conference will be at Indiana University August 1–6, 2009. There will be 8,000 Arrowmen from all over the country. We are taking pre-registration deposits of \$100. Registration is due by Dec. 31. Attendance is limited. Total cost is undetermined.

Lodge Dues

If the mailing label on this newsletter has a year printed above your name, that is the year we have listed for your last dues payment. If the year is 2006, you need to update your dues to continue receiving OA information. Everyone is encouraged to keep your dues up-to-date.

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