



The Torchbearer

2019 Volume. Winter Edition.

Letter From Editor/ Lodge Secretary



Welcome to the fifth Torchbearer of 2019! My name is Harry Wald and I am your 2019 Lodge Secretary for Tamegonit Lodge. Previously I worked under the 2018 Lodge Secretary as Social Media Chair.

This year has been an amazing year for the Lodge overall. In 2019, the Lodge held 7 Inductions and inducted some of the first youth female Ordeal members! All of the officers and chairman put in tremendous work to get everything done and make it an amazing year! Yes, we have accomplished a lot this year, but remember, this is not the end. This Lodge has so much more to accomplish. Come along and join! Help at inductions and be the ones who changed this Lodge forever. If you would like to know more or you are interested in helping, contact me at secretary@tamegonit.org.

Thank You,
Harry Wald
2019 Lodge Secretary

2019 Lodge Leadership

Lodge Chief: Brian Blood

Vice Chief of Program: Jake Deane

Vice Chief of Administration: Brian Pendleton

Lodge Secretary: Harry Wald

Vice Chief of Chapters: Garrett Curtis

Lodge Treasurer: Coleman Moffitt

Vice Chief of Inductions: Grady Vap

NEW 2020 Lodge Leadership

Lodge Chief: Jake D.

Vice Chief of Program: Kathryn E.

Vice Chief of Administration: William D.

Secretary: Makenna H.

Vice Chief of Chapters: Grant G.

Treasurer: Grady V.

Vice Chief of Inductions: Carter B.

SCOUTING'S NATIONAL **HONOR** SOCIETY

2019 OA Dues



As a member of the Tamegonit Lodge and the Order of the Arrow, it is part of your service and obligation to the Order to keep up to date on your Lodge dues. OA dues are used to help build the program we are able to give with the summer-camp, Inductions, Winter Banquet and Fall Fellowship. Your OA dues are \$15 per arrowman. OA members paying their dues through their troop should contact their OATR or their OATR Advisor. If an OA member is paying individually they can do so online at <http://www.hoac-bsa.org/order-of-the-arrow>. You can also pay in person at Camp Naish but please make sure your receipt is turned into our Vice Chief of Admin, Brian Pendleton. If you have any questions email him at vcadmin@tamegonit.org.

Unit Elections



Before a troop can go to an Induction, they must have a unit election. At each election, there will be an election team that will come and will conduct an election for your troop. If you are interested in being on the election team for your Chapter, talk to your Chapter Vice Chief of Elections. If you need to set up an election you can talk to your OATR, Scoutmaster or your Chapter Vice Chief of Elections to set one up! If you need any help, email our VC of Chapters at vcchapters@tamengonit.org.

Social Media

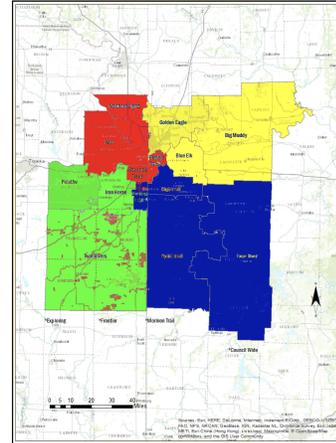


In between Torchbearers, a great resource to connect with the Lodge is through our Social Media accounts. It is our goal to be able to effectively reach out to as many OA Members as possible by using our Facebook and Twitter more effectively, which can only be done with your support. Some things that should change regarding Social Media in 2019 is our Twitter and YouTube Accounts. Our Twitter has been very inactive for a very long time. If we could start up our Twitter again, we can send out more information to the Troops and Chapters and hopefully boost attendance with our Lodge events. Our Lodge also has a YouTube account. We are trying to find someone who can take photos and videos during the Lodge events. With that information, we can put those together and make a cool video for the channel. These videos will show others how exciting and fun our activities are and can boost attendance for our Lodge events. If you are interested in learning how to help or give us information, please contact our Lodge Secretary at secretary@tamegonit.org. The lodge's current social media can be found on page 17 !!of this Torchbearer.

Area Chief *NEW* (Updated 12/22/2019)

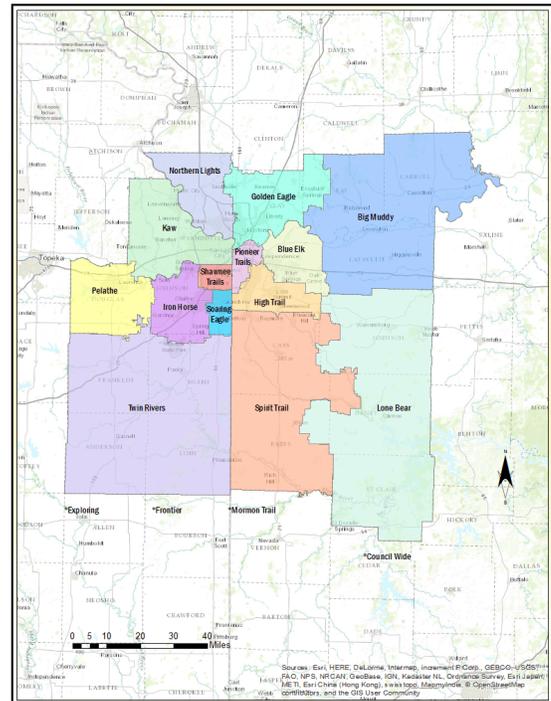
Starting this year, our Lodge is opening a new position and level of contact, Area Chiefs. There will be four Area Chiefs looking over 3-4 chapters each.

-----	Area #1 (NW : RED)
Justice Gorsline	Area #2 (NE : YELLOW)
Caleb Daniels	Area #3 (SW : GREEN)
Bradley Simmons	Area #4 (SE : BLUE)



2019 Chapter Chiefs (Updated 12/22/2019)

-----	Big Muddy
Nicholas Dunsdon	Blue Elk
Connor McCarthy	Golden Eagle
-----	High Trail
Brady McDonald	Iron Horse
Anthony Krebs	Kaw
Frank Todaro	Lone Bear
Grant Gose	Northern Lights
Robbie Messineo	Pelathe
Lian Hyland	Pioneer Trails
Ethan Minter	Shawnee Trails
Micah Roening	Soaring Eagle
Preston Pointer	Spirit Trail
Alex Rosich	Twin Rivers



Upcoming National Events



24th
**WORLD SCOUT
JAMBOREE**
SCOUT MONDIAL
UNLOCK a NEW WORLD
USA

The World Scout Jamboree is a once in a lifetime Scouting experience at The Summit in West Virginia. This is the first time in over 40 years that the U.S. has hosted this Scouting event. The hosts of this event are a combination of the US, Canada, and Mexico! The jamboree has over 50 countries coming and over 60,000 scouts attending it. Legend has it that you could be eating lunch with a British Scout one day and a Japanese Scout the next. If you have any questions, email us at vcprogram@tamegonit.org.

learn more at <https://wsj2019.us/>



The National Order of the Arrow Conference in 2020, or NOAC 2020 for short, is the Order of the Arrow's premier event, occurring every two years at a select University. Get excited for: Fun, Fellowship, a University experience, leadership opportunities, patches, merchandise and a once in a lifetime experience. This conference last 8-9 days including travel. Special campership scholarships from our council are available for select youth. You will have the opportunity to travel through the country and you will be able to meet the National Leaders in the organization. We plan to bring a strong contingent as one of the largest Lodges in the Nation. In addition to the fun activities, there will be many practical pieces of training and competitions that arrowmen can compete in. Some of these activities include Ceremonies competitions, Dance competitions, Lodge Officer training, Chapter Officer training, and even craft classes! You will be able to selectively choose your classes and trainings through the NOAERS system after you register. We will post updates on registration and merch designs throughout the coming months, so stay tuned!

learn more at <https://noac2018.org/noac-2020/>

Digital Resources

In an effort to move into the 21st Century as well as save paper, the Lodge Executive Committee has decided to transfer the Lodge Handbook and Lodge Induction Packet to online resources. These resources can be found at handbook.tamegonit.org and inductions.tamegonit.org respectively. There you will find any and all information relating to Tamegonit Lodge or its Induction Process. Paper copies will still be available upon request, however, these digital resources are the best way to make sure you are receiving the most up-to-date information.

OA High Adventure Opportunities

Each summer, the Order of the Arrow offers a myriad of different High Adventure opportunities to meet your summer needs whether its wetting your appetite by going for a plunge in the Atlantic Ocean with the Ocean Adventure at the Florida Sea Base; maybe hiking is your passion, what better place to go than the Philmont Scout Ranch where you can hike the same trails as your Scoutmaster or Scouting ancestors as a part of your Trail Crew experience.



Have you ever given thought about what the Native Americans and early explorers did to be avid traders, maybe the OA Voyage is your calling. Want to have the Experience of a lifetime while also supporting the newest National High Adventure base? Then why not attend the OA Summit Experience. Whatever your summer aspirations may be, these National High Adventure bases have put together a multitude of options for you.

Along with your one week trek (4 days for Summit Experience) completely designed by you, each arrowmen will be afforded the opportunity to leave their mark in history by helping to sure up portage trails, backpacking trails or coral reefs. Aside from providing a good deed to each of these high adventure bases, every participant will have the opportunity to work closely with arrowmen from across the country, who have a similar interest in the future of both the program and the adventure base.

You may be thinking that this is a daunting task but it is an experience unlike any other afforded to you in scouting in that it takes you out of your world and places with people who want to do something different. It's not every day that you can tell your friends that you climbed into Cypher's Mine, watched the Northern Lights from a canoe or went scuba diving in the Florida Keys.

These programs help to ensure that the future of scouting has a place to live, work and interact. This summer, try something new or do something you thoroughly enjoy, but do something with the Order of the Arrow High adventure opportunities. Your destiny awaits you.

learn more at <https://oa-bsa.org/high-adventure>

or

email our VC Program at vcprogram@tamegonit.org

2020 Winter Banquet

Every year, Tamegonit Lodge holds its annual Winter Banquet. Each banquet is a gathering of Arrowmen from our Lodge. Each Chapter has its own booth and games for the Scouts to play. Ceremonial Team, Dance Team, NOAC, and other activities will also have booths for Arrowmen to learn about. After the dinner, awards are presented to those who have received them. We announce the Vigil Class of that year, Founders Award recipients, and initiate the new year's Lodge Officers. To add to the festivities, we invite a special guest speaker. In 2019, we invited Travis Rubulee, the 2019 Director of Field Services. The 2020 Winter Banquet will be on January 4, 2020. Register for the 2020 Winter Banquet at this link [HERE!](#)



2019 In Review!!

We had lots of new Scouts join our Order in 2019! Here are the stats from 2019!

New Ordeals = 665

New Brotherhoods = 323

New Vigil Honor Members = 55

Number of Service Hours = ?? Hours

Brotherhood Conversion Rate = 32.24%

JOIN Dance Team TODAY!



Hello fellow Arrowmen, the Dance team is back! For the past few years with our Lodge, we have been without a Dance team. This year we got back on track and have begun to train new recruits and we have a solid team! Our goals this year are to be able to do as many Blue & Gold Banquets as we can and to have a strong presence at Lodge events. We have practices once or twice a month with pizza.

learn more by emailing our Dance Team chair at dancechair@tamegonit.org

JOIN Ceremonial Team TODAY!



Other than continuing a tradition of high-quality ceremonies, I would like to see our team grow in both size and cohesion. I'm looking forward to continuing our weekly meetings and furthering each of our ceremonialists' understanding and connection to the scripts, especially in regards to the fundamental values they lend to our organization. Another thing I am excited for in the coming year is the opportunity to encourage our ceremonialists to grow closer as a unit. Recruitment will be a focal point of this coming year as some of our team members are getting older and can't perform forever. It would be ideal to have prospects in the wings that are interested and invested in learning more about the Order of the Arrow and the symbolism of our ceremonies. Hopefully, this year will be a big building block in the progression and continuation of our consistently strong group this year, and in the years to come.

learn more by emailing our C-Team Chair at ceremonieschair@tamegonit.org

Summer Camp Staff

Every summer Theodore Naish and H. Roe Bartle have summer camps for the scouts in HOAC. To be able to run the camp and have merit badges, each camp needs summer camp staff. Being on staff is a great learning experience where you are leading and teaching scouts!

Camp Naish staff application <https://www.hoac-bsa.org/naish-camp-staff>

Camp Bartle staff application <https://www.hoac-bsa.org/bartle-camp-staff>

Follow Along with Tamegonit Between Torchbearers at:



@Tamegonit Lodge - Order of the Arrow
<https://bit.ly/2zbiPZl>



@Tamegonit147
<https://bit.ly/2RNvZmp>



@Tamegonit147
<https://bit.ly/2zGP42k>



@Tamegonit
<https://bit.ly/2z50Ao> (or scan)



@Tamegonit
<https://bit.ly/2RGYxOE>



@Tamegonit Lodge 147
<https://bit.ly/2BDkOX7>



Tamegonit Lodge Handbook
<https://bit.ly/2TalisP>



Online Digital Portal
<https://bit.ly/2EMRod9>



2019 Activities
<https://bit.ly/2EGwWtu>



HOAC - Order of the Arrow
<https://bit.ly/2QOuubE>

I would like to personally thank everybody who helped make this Torchbearer **AMAZING!** I would like to give a **HUGE** thank you to Zach Setzkorn for writing the content in this Torchbearer. If you have any suggestions, comments or information you would like to tell me, email me at secretary@tamegonit.org.