



The Turkey's Call

2019 Volume. March Special Edition.

Letter From Editor/ Lodge Secretary



Welcome to the Special Edition of the Lodge's Turkey Call! In this newsletter, we will be covering our events since Winter Banquet and covering some new decisions by the Lodge Executive Committee. We have done so much in the first 2 months of 2019 that we wanted to provide you with a special edition newsletter to share all of the new information! If you have any question or you would like to suggest anything about communications or the newsletter, please email me at secretary@tamegonit.org.

Yours in Brotherhood
Harry Wald
2019 Lodge Secretary

New Newsletter Name



In 2011 the Torchbearer newsletter was created. Ever since then, each newly elected Lodge Secretary made the Lodge's Torchbearer. With their own content and designs, each Torchbearer was and still is unique to each new Officer. In 2016 our Lodge newsletter underwent many new changes. That year Dawson Garcia was the Lodge Secretary and produced four amazing Torchbearers. Since I was elected as your 2019 Lodge Secretary, I have been getting many suggestions regarding the Torchbearers for 2019. One of these suggestions was about the Torchbearer name. In the first edition of the Torchbearer, we have the name "Torchbearer" as the title. In this Special Edition and all future editions, the name will be "The Turkey's Call". This idea was brought up to me by Jake Deane, the 2019 VC of Program. There are a few reasons why we chose to change this name. The first reason is that our Lodge's mascot is the Turkey. The next reason is to engage more youth with our newsletters. With this fun new title, we can find lots of people who are wanting to be more engaged within the Lodge. When we have youth reading these newsletters, they can find so much information that can help them get more involved and learn more about our Lodge!

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Letter From The Lodge Chief



My fellow Arrowmen,

We have had an incredible start to 2019! Since Winter Banquet, Tamegonit Lodge has been hard at work and has had an incredible number of events: the High Performing Lodge Seminar, the Winter Induction, and an Ordeal Rally. This wonderful Newsletter will highlight these amazing achievements so far.

We've done so much so far, but we're not going to slow down. This month get ready for your Chapter Chiefs to reach out to your units about Unit Elections. We're striving for 100% unit election rate, so every unit in the council needs to hold an election. Once elected, please come to one of our Induction weekends and bring your whole troop. Arrowmen can participate in service while younger scouts can work on rank requirements including cooking, fire building, first aid, and hiking. They can then have some fun with tomahawk throwing.

Once inducted, I encourage you to use our Ordeal Pass to get into our Fall Fellowship and Winter Banquet for a total cost of \$30. This offer is exclusive to new Ordeals, and we hope you take advantage of it and get involved more in Tamegonit Lodge and the Order of the Arrow.

As always, the easiest way to get involved is to go to Chapter Meetings. Strong Chapters breed strong Lodges, and your Chapter can be a great force to help your fellow troops and your district. Please show up to Chapter Meetings and get involved in planning a Chapter's service project, unit election, helping Cub Scouts cross over into Scouts BSA, or hosting a Chapter call out prior to an Induction weekend. You can even help serve and facilitate District Events such as family campouts or camporees.

There are so many options to be an active Arrowman in Tamegonit Lodge and I hope you will take advantage of them. Please, join us as we #LEADTHEWAY into 2019, our 80th anniversary, and continue to make history and strive for excellence in America's Heartland.

As always, you can reach out to me at chief@tamegonit.org if you have any questions.

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Brian Blood
Lodge Chief

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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

2019 OA Dues



As a member of the Tamegonit Lodge and the Order of the Arrow, it is part of your duty 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 Order of the Arrow Unit Representative or their OAUR 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.

LEC Meeting Dates

March 21, 2019

July 17, 2019

October 17, 2019

April 25, 2019

August 15, 2019

November 21, 2019

May 16, 2019

September 19, 2019

December 19, 2019

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 Chief. If you need to set up an election you can talk to your OAUR, Scoutmaster or your Chapter Chief to set one up! If you need any help, email our VC of Chapters at vcchapters@tamengonit.org.

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Ordeal Pass

One of our goals as a Lodge is to activate new Ordeal Members and get them involved in the Lodge. To help with this task, Tamegonit Lodge has created an Ordeal Pass. This Ordeal Pass is for any new Ordeal member who has completed their Induction in 2019. This Pass is similar to an Arrow Pass but it is exclusive to new Ordeals. With this Ordeal Pass, you will be paying ONLY \$30 for Fall Fellowship and Winter Banquet! These two events are great ways to meet new people in the Lodge and find ways to become more involved. If you have any questions or you would like to know more about the Ordeal Pass, email our Lodge Chief at chief@tamegonit.org.

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Lodge Coup



Our Lodge has a very unique recognition coup system. We have a different bead for something that you have done within the Lodge. This may be a Chapter Officer, Elangomat, Runner, and more! Most of the coups will have a form for you to complete so you can officially receive the coup. When you are wearing your coup, you are showing everyone in the Lodge what you have done and what you will continue to do.

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New Region Coup



On January 17, 2019, the Tamegonit Lodge Executive Committee approved the addition of a blue cylindrical bead to recognize those members of our Lodge who have served on a Regional Committee. Since the Order of the Arrow, is the National Honor Society of the Boy Scouts of America Organization as a whole, Tamegonit Lodge wants to recognize those members that moved beyond the Lodge and Section level of service with a new Lodge Coup. The previous bead recognition for Regional Committee members was the gold cylindrical bead. This bead also recognized those who served as National Officers and those who serve on a national committee. The LEC decided to make this change to differentiate our Arrowmen and further preserve the rarity of the Gold Cylindrical Bead. Changes to the requirements of the Gold Bead are as follows: **Gold Beads are to be worn after one successful year of office in one of the following: National office, committee lead, or committee member.** The same general requirements for other position beads still apply to the Gold and Blue Beads. Currently, this bead is only made in Lucite (Semi-clear plastic shown in the photo) material, but that could change in the future to the more affordable option of solid colored plastic. As pictured, this bead will reside on the coup thong between the Red section bead and the Gold national bead.

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The Elangomat Coupon

Elangomat, a friend and a brother to all. The Elangomat is the person who volunteered their time to lead you through your Ordeal. These people dedicate their time to help you and make sure you are on track to be in the Order. Being an Elangomat is one of the hardest jobs during an Induction. Not only are they volunteering their time to help, but they are volunteering to be on silence, eat scant food, sleep outside, and work with you. They go through the Ordeal again to make the process more memorable to new Ordeal Members. Previously, Elangomats have paid the full \$25 to come to and serve on an induction weekend. The LEC decided that Elangomats should not have to pay the full camping prices for less food and lots of work. The LEC, through guidance of Lodge Vice Chief of Inductions Grady Vap, elected to develop the Elangomat Coupon. This coupon will be given to all of the Elangomats at an Induction on Sunday Morning. It will be a coupon of \$10 to the Naish Trading Post.

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Fall Fellowship

Fall Fellowship is an annual event put on by Tamegonit Lodge to meet in fellowship with arrowmen throughout Heart of America Council. At this weekend in September, all Scouts, members of Troops, Venturer Crews, Cub Scout Packs, and Sea Scout Ships, will be able to enjoy a weekend of fellowship with many different fun and exciting activities. The Naish Trading Post will be open for any of your buying needs. Scotts Iconium Store will bring a trailer of merchandise, beads, and icecream out to Naish for the event! iFly Indoor Skydiving will be bringing an outdoor tunnel to practice STEM activities and SKill Trade Unions such as carpenters and metal workers will bring interactive exhibits as well. During the weekend event, all Arrowmen are welcomed into the Campfire Arena as we conduct the elections for the 2020 Lodge Officers. Many Chapters will hold Chapter Officer elections after the Lodge Officers elections. On Saturday night after the elections are held, the 2019 Vigil Candidates will be called out in Whipporwill Council Ring. This is a special event for all Arrowmen to witness. During the call, the Ceremonial Team will have a presentation about the Vigil Honor and then will call the names of those considered worthy of the high distinct honor according to Vigil Selection Committee. Be sure to attend this annual event to experience all of the FUN activities added above. The Program team works very hard to make this event special for YOU and your troop.

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Winter Venturing Induction

On February 1st, 2019, BSA welcomed female youth into the Scouts BSA Program and the Order of the Arrow. Venturers and Sea Scouts are now eligible to be elected to become members of the Order. Taking advantage of this opportunity, Tamegonit Lodge held a special Winter Venturing Induction. This Induction was held from February 1st - 3rd, 2019, the first weekend this candidates were eligible for election. On Friday night, we had two election teams perform elections for all of the crews that came out to be elected. After they completed the elections, all of the elected candidates went to a call out ceremony.. After this call out, their journey of the Ordeal commenced. At this induction, our Lodge inducted a total of 28 new ordeal members and 3 new brotherhood members! 24 of these new ordeals are part of the Venturing Program and we are proud to welcome them into our Brotherhood. During this induction, the youth went through the normal induction process with the four tasks assigned to them. Our Lodge also held a special Klondike event for any Scout, Venturer, or Sea Scout that was not elected. Many new Scouts BSA troops attended this Klondike event. At this Klondike, the Scouts learn many valuable scouting skills like lashings, fire building, first aid, and more!

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Photos from the Winter Induction



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Lodge Leadership Development

Lodge Leadership Development is a training held annually by the Lodge. At this training you will learn how to become a better leader in general, as well as in your Troop, Chapter, and Lodge. All Lodge and Chapter Officers and Chairman are required to attend this event. Additionally, any Unit Leaders, youth and adults, are invited to become properly trained in leadership. Lodge Leadership Development will be held at Camp Naish on **November 15-17** and will include a multitude of trainings to prepare lodge, chapter, and unit leadership for success in the years to become. Be on the lookout for an announcement about some special guests that will be in attendance.

2019 High Performing Lodge Seminar

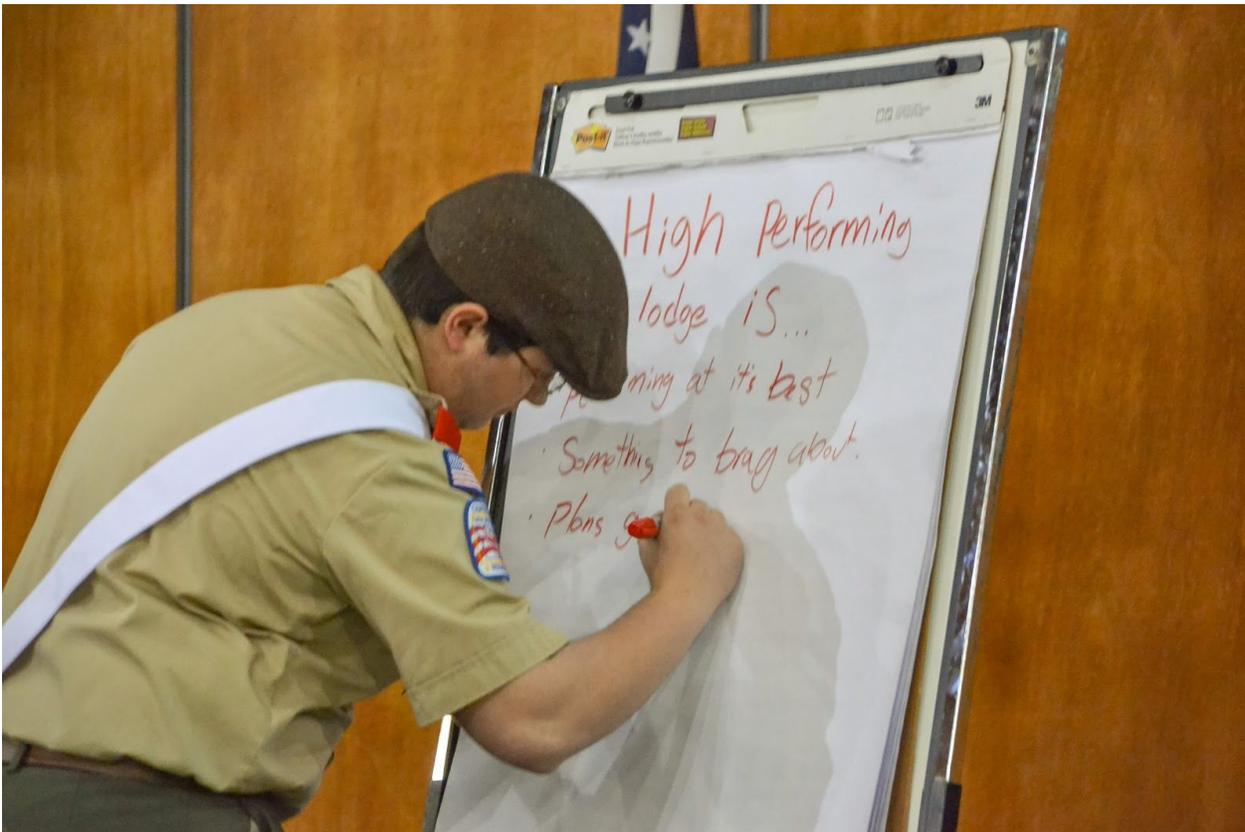
The High Performing Lodge Seminar (HPLS) is training for Sections to teach their Lodge's how to become high performing. This leadership training was ran by Section C-5B and Section C-5A and was hosted at the Theodore Naish Scout Reservation. During this event, we had many Lodges from the area come to Camp Naish and learn about leadership skills and collaboration. Each training taught lodge members about how to improve different aspects of their Lodge's development. HPLS was a weekend course that lasted from Friday to Saturday night, and all participants received a patch and training that they can use for the rest of their scouting life. We all learned how to become a proper leader and what a leader does, activation rates, and more!

Photos from the 2019 HPLS



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Ordeal Rally

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[Ordeal Rally Youtube Video](#)

Photos from the Ordeal Rally



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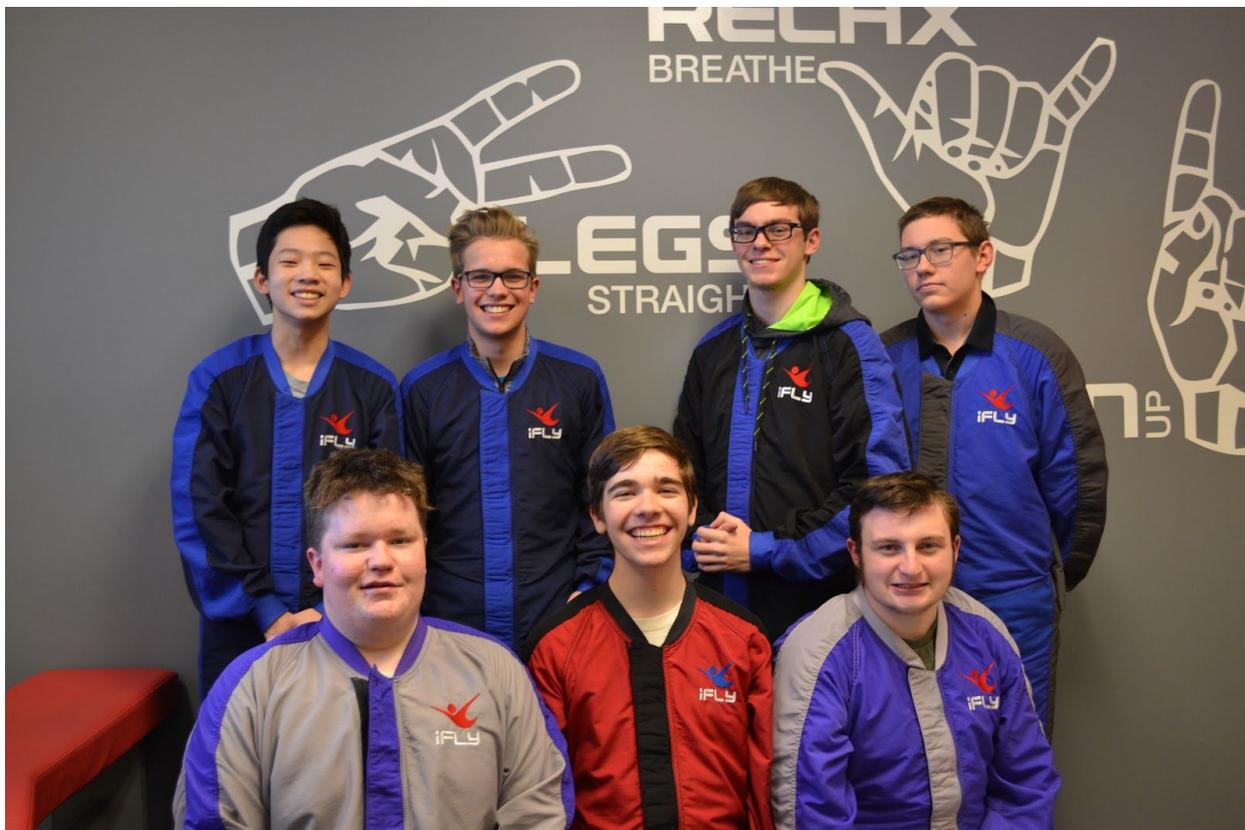
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Lodge Officer Retreat

On February 10, 2019 all seven Lodge Officers and a few Advisers met at iFly Indoor Skydiving. During this meeting, the Officers were assigned a task regarding their job. As the Lodge Officers worked, iFly prepared for people to go indoor skydiving. After about five hours of working and having fun, the Officers and one of the Advisers started to prepare to skydive. Each of the Officers and the Advisor had two, one-minute skydiving sessions. The first session, everyone went through, was the basic flight about 4-5 feet off of the net. After all of the Officers and Adviser went through their first session, they all went for a "High Fly" session. During this one minute session, they all went about 15-16 feet into the air and spun around a few times. Recently Scouts BSA has partnered with iFly to help teach the STEM NOVA and SUPERNOVA awards. The STEM award is an award for youth Cub Scouts and Scouts BSA members to learn about science, technology, engineering, and math. Members of Scouts BSA and Cub Scouts can also get a reduced rate. It is a great way to earn a Scouting award and have some fun at the same time, perfect for your next troop or school event.

Photos from the Retreat



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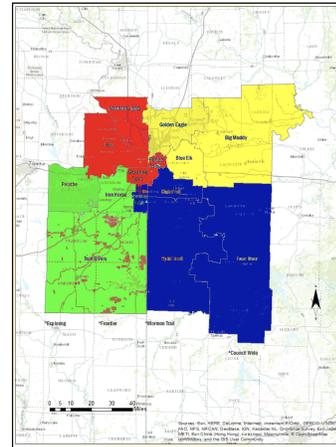


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Area Chief *NEW* (Updated 2/27/2019)

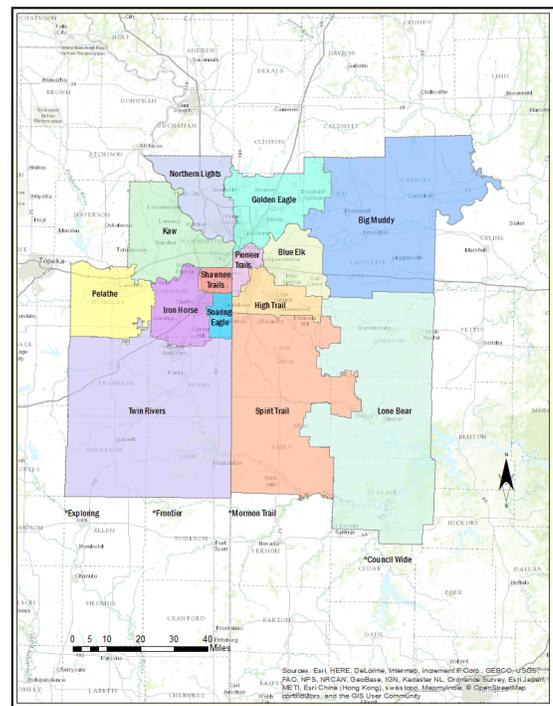
This year our Lodge has opened a new position and level of contact, Area Chiefs. There will be four Area Chiefs looking over 3-4 chapters each.



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

2019 Chapter Chiefs (Updated 2/27/2019)

-----	Big Muddy
Nicholas Dunsdon	Blue Elk
Connor McCarthy	Golden Eagle
Anthony Licata	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
-----	Twin Rivers



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Open Chair Positions

These are the current open chair positions for 2019! (Updated 2/27/2019)

Vice Chief of Administration	Membership Registration	vcadmin@tamegonit.org
Vice Chief of Chapters	Area Chief #1 Cub Scout Connections OAUR (OA Unit Representative)	vcchapters@tamegonit.org
Vice Chief of Program	Parking	vcprogram@tamegonit.org
Treasurer	Fundraising	treasurer@tamegonit.org

Open Adviser Positions

These are the current open adviser positions for 2019! (Updated 2/27/2019)

Vice Chief of Administration	Training Arrowmen 101/202 LLD/LLDC	vcadmin@tamegonit.org
Vice Chief of Chapters	Venturing Connections Cub Scout Connections OAUR (OA Unit Representative) Area Chief #3,#4	vcchapters@tamegonit.org
Vice Chief of Inductions	AIA	vcinductions@tamegonit.org
Vice Chief of Program	Fall Fellowship OA High Adventures Winter Banquet	vcprogram@tamegonit.org
Secretary	Alumni Relations	secretary@tamegonit.org
Treasurer	Fundraising	treasurer@tamegonit.org

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.

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Section C-5B Conclave

Section Conclave is a gathering of lodges from across parts of Iowa, Kansas, and Missouri. This year, Section Conclave is being hosted by us, Tamegonit Lodge, at the Theodore Naish Scout Reservation. You will experience booths from iFly and the Skilled Trades, ceremony competitions, magic shows, shooting sports, and will get to network and share in fellowship with Arrowmen from around the Section. The cost is \$40 and you can now register at registration.oa-bsa.org, just go to the Central Region and select "Section C-5B Conclave" to register. We hope to see each and every Arrowman from Tamegonit Lodge in attendance!

Save the Date

Service Corp Workday	March 9, 2019
Service Corp Workday (Bartle)	March 23, 2019
Section Conclave	April 12 - 14, 2019
Spring Induction #1	April 26 - 29, 2019
Spring Induction #2	May 17 - 19, 2019
Summer Induction #1	June 5 - 6, 2019
Summer Induction #2	June 12 - 13, 2019
Fall Induction #1 (Bartle)	August 9 - 11, 2019
Fall Induction #2	August 23 - 25, 2019
Fall Fellowship	September 20 - 22, 2019
Vigil Banquet	October 5 - 6, 2019
Service Corp Workday	October 19, 2019
Service Corp Workday	November 9, 2019
Lodge Leadership Development	November 15 - 17, 2019
Winter Banquet	January 4, 2020

[2019 Lodge Activities](#)

questions can be directed to our VC Program at vcprogram@tamegonit.org

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