

Central Minnesota Council
Naguonabe Lodge #31
1191 Scout Drive
Sartell, MN 56377

A Newsletter for Members & Leaders

THE FEATHER

2025
Winter Edition



Lodge Executive Committee Meetings (LEC)

Feb. 16- 2pm Council Office
Mar. 16- During Winter Fellowship at Parker
April 13- 2pm Council Office
May 18- Immediately following Spring Conclave at Parker
June & July Combined July 20- 2pm Council Office
Aug. 17- Immediately after Fall Conclave at Parker
Sept. 21- Following Fall Camporee at Parker
Oct. 25- Following Spooktacular at Parker
Nov. 16- During LLD at Parker
Dec. None

Upcoming Events

March 14-16- Winter Fellowship at Parker Castle
March 21-23- NLS/DYLS at Base Camp
May 9-11- Ripley Rendezvous
May 4 ??- Pre- Conclave at Parker
May 16-18- Spring Conclave at Parker Scout Reservation
Little Flower Church-TBD – Summer Fellowship
Vigil Conclave-TBD –at Parker
August 10??- Pre- Conclave at Parker
August 15-17- Fall Conclave at Parker
Sept. 5-7- Section Conclave at Northern Tier
Oct. 25- Spooktacular at Parker
Nov. 14-16- Lodge Leadership Development (LLD) at Parker
Dec. 6- Winter Banquet at TBD

Order of the Arrow
Naguonabe Lodge

2025 Lodge Executive Committee



Chief Alex Dietz

Alex is a Life scout from Troop 211 in Sartell. He is a Brotherhood member.

"My favorite OA event was the National Order of the Arrow Conference. It was a great time to grow in fellowship with other members from our lodge and to meet new people from across the country."

"One of the responsibilities of my role is to provide direction and leadership for all lodge activities and events. The chief also presides over LEC meetings, ensuring that the business of the lodge is conducted efficiently. Another responsibility is to make sure that all lodge members feel welcome to attend and happy at any lodge events."

What are some things you want to accomplish during your term?

I want to have a good relationship with as many lodge members as possible, and be a learner just as much as a teacher."

What are your hobbies outside of Scouting?

"I enjoy playing tennis, shooting archery, going biking with my friends, Knowledge Bowl at school, and being a manager for my school's cross country team."

What is your advice for new scouts or Arrowmen who are looking to get more involved?

"Take on smaller leadership roles like being on a committee so you can gain experience and meet new people who will help you later on. Also remember that there's no such thing as a hole in O, you have to take that first swing even if it seems hard

Who has been your biggest mentor along your Scouting journey and why?

My biggest mentor is my brother. A lot of the things I have done, he has too, which means I ask him questions often."



Vice Chief of Administration
(VCA) Sean Reese

Sean is a Life scout from Troop 777 in Sauk Rapids. He is an Ordeal member.

"My favorite OA events are conclaves because I love to see new members and to work on the camp."

"The main responsibilities of my role are organizing elections, making sure people pay their dues, and helping with registration"

What are some things you want to accomplish during your term?

I want to show that I can be helpful, especially in the LEC. I also want to learn more about the lodge."

What are your hobbies outside of Scouting?

"I love theatre, gardening, video games, baking, sports, photography, speech, and painting."

What is your advice for new scouts or Arrowmen who are looking to get more involved?

Know your limits, and don't do every activity just because you feel required to. A good leader delegates and knows when they need a break."

Who has been your biggest mentor along your Scouting journey and why?

"Mrs. Dedra Allen. She is always so helpful and kind. So much so, I've known her as my second mom!"



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Upcoming Events

O A WINTER FELLOWSHIP

MARCH 14-16

PARKER SCOUT RESERVATION



Activities may include: snowshoeing, games, tubing, bowling, fellowship and much more!

\$25 TILL MARCH 1ST, \$35 AFTER THAT, FREE WITH MEGA PASS

<https://scoutingevent.com/296-OAWinterFellowship2025>

For any questions please contact Jace Carlson
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Lodge News

Now taking Vigil nominations. Must be received by May 1st, 2025. Please see the council website for eligibility list. Who can Nominate someone for Vigil Honor? Any registered member of the Central Minnesota Council can nominate any member of Naguonabe Lodge that meets the eligibility requirements. Final approval for selection rests with the Naguonabe Lodge Vigil Selection Committee and the National Order of the Arrow Committee. A nomination in no way guarantees selection to receive the Vigil Honor. To avoid disappointment, please do not inform the nominee of their nomination for the Vigil Honor.

Eligibility for the Vigil Honor

1. The nominee is a registered Scouter within the Central Minnesota Council
2. Is an active (current dues paid) member of Naguonabe Lodge #31
3. Has completed two or more years as a Brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow.



Vice Chief of Ceremonies (VCC) Kian Duda

Kian is a Life scout from Troop 36 in Baxter. He is a Brotherhood member.
“My favorite OA events are Spring and Fall Conclave because I love everything about ceremonies, and they happen at Conclaves.”

“My main responsibilities are assembling a ceremonies team, ensuring that the team practices ahead of time, and getting the ceremonies to a point where they are flawless. Another responsibility is seeking out Elangomats and preparing them for conclaves.”

What are some things you want to accomplish during your term?

“Have a ceremony team which is ready, practiced, and prepared for the conclaves well ahead of time. I also want to have the ceremonialists decided and dedicated in a timely manner.”

What are your hobbies outside of Scouting?

“In my free time, I like to swim competitively, do theatre, and learn new things.”

What is your advice for new scouts or Arrowmen who are looking to get more involved?

“Try new things, because if you don’t try, you never know what could happen.”

Who has been your biggest mentor along your Scouting journey and why?

“Josh Duda has been a great mentor for me because he has helped push me along my career and has been my Scoutmaster for a long time. Overall, he has been a great role model and advisor.”



Secretary Ethan Brott

Ethan is a Life scout from Troop 13 in Haven Township. He is a Brotherhood member.

“My favorite OA event was the National Order of the Arrow Conference. It was really fun because I was able to meet new people. I also really enjoyed trading shirts with people from other lodges.”

“The main responsibilities of my role are taking notes at LEC meetings, creating and publishing the Feather, and managing communication within the lodge.”

What are some things you want to accomplish during your term?

“I want to have the Feather published on time, and have a good relationship with other people in the lodge.”

What are your hobbies outside of Scouting?

“I enjoy blacksmithing, wrestling, shooting trap, and going biking.”

What is your advice for new scouts or Arrowmen who are looking to get more involved?

“My main piece of advice is don’t be afraid to ask for help.”

Who has been your biggest mentor along your Scouting journey and why?

“The leaders of my troop have been my biggest mentors because they’ve always been there for me whenever I have needed help.”



Treasurer Zephyr Stewart

Zephyr is a Star scout from Troop 211 in Sartell. He is an Ordeal member.
“My favorite OA events so far have been the conclaves.”
“My main responsibilities as treasurer are being in charge of the lodge trading post, as well as managing the financials of the lodge.”

What are some things you want to accomplish during your term?
“I want to have better financing and more support for the LEC.”

What are your hobbies outside of Scouting?
“I like playing football and doing robotics.”

What is your advice for new scouts or Arrowmen who are looking to get more involved?

“If you want to get involved in a specific position, ask around and see if they need help, such as a committee chair.”

Who has been your biggest mentor along your Scouting journey and why?

“I would say that my biggest mentor has been my dad. This is because he has always pushed me to step out of my comfort zone and rise to the challenge.”

Event Recaps

Spooktacular

Some of the OA youth and adults continued their service to others by helping out at the Spooktacular at Parker in October. They helped run games, crafts and some helped in the haunted basement.



Lodge Leadership Development (LLD)

The Lodge Leadership Development was held in November at Parker. The youth and adults took part in training sessions. They are pictured below during one of the hands on sessions about communication. During the weekend they also went to the water park for some fun and bonding with new and old members.



Winter Banquet



The theme of Winter Banquet was Halloween for Christmas. We kicked things off with games and a costume contest.

A taco bar was prepared by Jace and Holly, with help from Steve and Meghann.



**Left: Tim W posing with Skeletree
Top: Some of the costumes**



**Outgoing LEC pictured L-R:
Amanda B, Theron J, Kylissa O, Samantha P**



**Vigil Honorees pictured L-R:
Dennis C, Amanda P, Derek N, Steve R**



**Incoming LEC pictured L-R:
Ethan B, Kian D, Sean R, Alex D**



We recognized our newest Vigil Honor Members Steve Reese, Samantha Pearson, Derek Nathe, and Dennis Clark.

Ordeal of the Year is awarded to an Ordeal Member who lives up to the obligation and serves their Order well. This award recognized Sean Reese.

The Indigenous Lantern is presented to a youth lodge member, someone who has given unselfish service to the lodge and goes the extra mile to light the path for their fellow Arrowmen, this award may not be presented to an acting member of the LEC. This year the Lantern was awarded to Kian Duda.

The Feather is presented to an adult lodge member who has given unselfish service to the lodge and goes the extra mile to secure service to our camp and Order for all members and non-members alike. Josh Duda was the recipient of The Feather award.

Our new Lodge Executive Committee took the oath of office. Our 2025 Lodge Leaders include:

Alex Dietz, Chief
Sean Reese, Vice Chief of Administration
Kian Duda, Vice Chief of Ceremonies
Ethan Brott, Secretary
Zephyr Stewart, Treasurer

As we welcomed in our new leadership team, we also thanked our 2024 Lodge Leaders for their service.

