



The Lodge Lip

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Attention Ordeal Members

First, we want to congratulate the new Ordeal members. You might be asking yourself, now what? Well 10 months after your ordeal you can seal your membership in the OA by becoming a Brotherhood member. Check out your handbook as the requirements and information is in your OA handbook.

You really should try to come to the lodge events. The next lodge event will be our Summer OA weekend, held in August (see article on this page for more details). You can come and give in the brotherhood of cheerful service and now as a member witness what you went through which will increase your knowledge of the OA.

Then in November, we have Fall Fun Fellowship which is a weekend of fun. This year's theme is Super Heroes related. We have had themes in the past like Buffalo Games (off the Hunger Games), Walking Dead, and Star Wars themed weekends. At the Fall Fun Fellowship, the Saturday night dinner will be our Winter Banquet. Every year since 1985, we have held a winter banquet. We will be holding lodge officer elections at the Fall Fun Fellowship. Don't forget to check out our website, www.takachsin.org where we post information, and yes, check out our facebook page also.

Attention Brotherhood Members

First, we want to congratulate the new Brotherhood members. Even though you are Brotherhood, you are still on the path of cheerful service. Come out to the Summer OA Weekend to enjoy the fun, the fellowship and cheerful service.

Attention Vigil Members

We will be conducting vigil induction on Friday Night/ Saturday Morning during the Summer OA Weekend on August 10-12th. All Vigil members are invited to the ceremonies and to the vigil breakfast which will be approximately 6 a.m. on August 11th at Camp Buffalo. Vigil Chief is Lucas Bowman.

Summer OA Weekend

The Spring and Summer weekends are not just "ordeal" weekends, but a time for all members to come to camp and give in cheerful service, for we are the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service. The Summer OA weekend is August 10-12, 2018 at Camp Buffalo.

Remember that you need to have Parts A and B of the physical form filled out and brought with you. You can get a copy of this form over at takachsin.org under forms.

Remember also that this is a **pre-register and pre-pay event only**. You must pre-register & pay on campmaster or at the council office. Registration closes Monday August 6th. See you at Camp Buffalo August 10-12th.

2018 Dues

Reminder that your 2018 Dues can now be paid. The preferred method is to pay on Campmaster. Go to our website, www.takachsin.org and click on the link. Dues are \$12 a year. A good portion of the dues goes to the sectional and national OA along with a portion supporting scouting in Sagamore Council.

Our bylaws indicate that dues not paid by January 31, 2018, may put you on the inactive list and that you need to remove your Takachsin Lodge flap from your uniform(s) as only current members may wear the flap.

Also, in order to attend lodge events your dues must be current. We will only be mailing newsletters to those with current dues paid. Thank you in advance for taking care of this issue. **If your 2018 dues are not paid by 8/10, this will be your final issue of Lodge Lip.**

Spring OA Weekend

We had a great Spring OA weekend in May at Cary Camp, where approximately 20 new OA members and about 20 new Brotherhood members were inducted.

Ceremonial teams did a fabulous job even though a few individuals were pulled together at the last moment. Great meals, great fellowship, great fun and great amount of work happened.

A special thanks to all those who served on the ceremonial teams. A very special thanks to our Ordeal Master Kyle Eenigenburg who was assisted by our Lodge Chief Nathan DeMien. We held a lodge meeting updating the members on various upcoming events.

Ceremonialists still needed

At the Summer OA Weekend, we are still in need of those who will be a ceremonialist. If you can do this contact Bryce Borden at vcceremonies@takachsin.org. Adults if you are interested in being the ceremonial advisor for a particular ceremony contact Chris Birk at ceremonialadvisor@takachsin.org Your job would be to coach and advise the ceremonialists.





On Display

Thanks to Steve and Tressa Bowman for organizing our various patches and to those who have dug in their collections to find the missing pieces, we now have on display up at Shideler Hall, our flaps, patches and banners. A special thanks to Robert (Todd) Fernung who donated several missing items and is working on a set of patches from the merged lodges for us to display.

2018 Executive Committee/Officers

- Lodge Chief- Nathan DeMien [chief@](mailto:chief@takachsins.org)
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 - Lodge Associate Advisor to Membership – Brad Rody
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 - Lodge Associate Advisor of Commissary- Craig Burkholder
 - Lodge Committee Advisor (Finance)- Doug Whitham
 - Lodge Special Events Advisor-Tressa Bowman
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Advisor Minute: Half Full

Is your cup half full? A good and positive attitude can truly change the way you approach things in scouting, life, and your future. Several years ago, out west, there was a wildlife organization that offered a bounty of \$5,000 for wolves captured alive. Two friends decided to go out and seek their fortunes. Day and night, they scoured the mountains and forest looking for their valuable prey. Exhausted one night, they fell asleep dreaming of their potential fortune. Suddenly, one of them woke up a bit startled to see that they were surrounded by about 50 wolves with searing black eyes and bared teeth. He nudged his sleeping friend and said, "Wake up! I think we're rich!"

These guys had a positive attitude! And so it should be, in the Lodge, home, work, and life. Your attitude can turn a negative situation into a positive one just that quickly. Try it out next time you're faced with adversity, and let's see how more richly your life will become. When things don't seem to go your way smile through it. Your smile and positive attitude greatly impact you and how people interact with you.

We look forward to seeing you at our next Lodge event (Summer OA Weekend August 10-12 at Camp Buffalo)

Yours in Brotherhood,
Steve Bowman
Takachsins Lodge Advisor

ATTENTION: ORDEAL MEMBERS Going for Your Brotherhood?

If you took your Ordeal in 2017 or before, you are eligible to earn your Brotherhood. You see, others elected you into the OA. So to really seal your membership in the OA, once you are eligible (10 months in), you can go for your Brotherhood Honor. If you look in your handbook, it lays out the requirements. We typically do this in a group/class setting, which makes it easier for you to learn these things.

Lodge Chief's Corner

Brothers:

We are now into the summer and we are going strong! Many hours of preparation and planning have gone into our many events coming up in the future. Some of our next events are fast approaching with everyone getting very excited. Approaching very swiftly is the Summer OA Weekend. We are already having massive amounts of people signing up to attend and many more getting ready. Summer OA Weekend, Friday August 10th – Sunday August 12th, is fast approaching and there is still so much to do, so much for each of YOU to do.

This year's theme for Fall Fun Fellowship theme is "Superhero's". If you are ever interested in helping out via a ceremony role or an elangomat or just lending a hand, please do contact me. . Feel free to send me an email any time at chief@takachsins.org. Thank you everyone for an amazing year and I can't wait to see it become event better in the future.

Yours in the Order,
Nathan DeMien.
Lodge Chief '18

Upcoming Events-Calendar

For more information on upcoming events and our full calendar, see takachsins.org and don't forget to check out our Facebook page! You will find on our website information on upcoming events, registration links and info. Our webmaster, Vicki Triplett keeps our website current so that we may more efficiently communicate with our OA members! Below are SOME of the various upcoming OA and OA related events.

August 10-12: Summer OA Weekend -Fri., 8/10, 6pm—Sun., 8/12 10 am (Camp Buffalo) All OA members are expected to come out for cheerful service and fellowship. Ordeal and Brotherhood Honor inductions will be conducted. *Lodge Meeting will be held at the event*

November 17: Winter Banquet Camp Buffalo (more details next newsletter)

November 16-18: Fall Fun Fellowship (more details next issue of Lodge Lip).

Lodge Lip

The Lodge Lip is published 5 times a year, at the end of the even months except August (i.e. February, April, June, October, December) and is sent to those whose dues are current. The name Lodge Lip was the name picked back in 1973 and was used starting with the first Takachsins newsletter mailed back in 1973.



Spring Camporee Callout

Callouts

Our Lodge grows with new members from the Callouts. Above is from the Council Spring Camporee at Camp Buffalo. Other places in this issue are pics from summer camp callouts. If you have those in your troop who were called out, and have not yet went through the Ordeal, please remind them they have just our Summer OA Weekend (8/10 thru 8/12 at Camp Buffalo) and next Spring at Cary Camp to complete their Ordeal. (Otherwise they will have to be called out again to be eligible for the OA weekend).

What do you see in this picture that no longer exists at Camp Buffalo? Answer is on page 3.



Summer Camp Callout by the Lake



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Council Spring Camporee OA CallOut

Note the "creek" in the background. It is no more!