

# 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 Mystery Weekend. 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 Fellowship. Don't forget to check out our website, [www.takachsin.org](http://www.takachsin.org) and facebook page.

## 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 9-11th. All Vigil members are invited to the ceremonies and to the vigil breakfast which will be approximately 6 a.m. on August 10th at Camp Buffalo. Vigil Chief is Kyle Eenigenburg.

## 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 9-11, 2019 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](http://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 5th. See you at Camp Buffalo August 9-11th.

## 2019 Dues

Reminder that your 2019 Dues can now be paid. The preferred method is to pay on Campmaster. Go to our website, [www.takachsin.org](http://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, 2019, 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 2019 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 7 new OA members and 12 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. Due to rain, we had to do both ceremonies in the dining hall, something in our Lodge's 46 year history has only happened a few times.

## 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 Turner Parke at [vcceremonies@takachsin.org](mailto:vcceremonies@takachsin.org). Adults if you are interested in being the ceremonial advisor for a particular ceremony contact Chris Birk at [ceremonialadvisor@takachsin.org](mailto:ceremonialadvisor@takachsin.org) Your job would be to coach and advise the ceremonialists.





## Callouts & Elections

Our Lodge grows with new members from the Callouts. If you have those in your troop who were elected, and have not yet went through the Ordeal, please remind them they have just our Summer OA Weekend (8/9 thru 8/11 at Camp Buffalo) and next Spring at Cary Camp to complete their Ordeal. (Otherwise they will have to be elected again to be eligible for the OA weekend).

Note that callouts are OPTIONAL. They are primarily a recognition ceremony. If a scout/scouter was elected and did not get called out, they can still go through the Ordeal. The Ordeal is not optional (grin).



## 2019 Executive Committee/Officers

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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 9-11 at Camp Buffalo)

Yours in Brotherhood,  
Steve Bowman—Takachsins Lodge Advisor

### ATTENTION: ORDEAL MEMBERS Going for Your Brotherhood?

If you completed your Ordeal in 2018 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 9th – Sunday August 11th, 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 "Mystery Weekend". If you are ever interested in helping out, please do contact me. Feel free to send me an email any time at [chief@takachsins.org](mailto: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 '19



## Upcoming Events-Calendar

For more information on upcoming events and our full calendar, see [takachsins.org](http://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 9-11:** Summer OA Weekend -Fri., 8/19, 6pm—Sun., 8/11 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 9:** Winter Banquet Camp Buffalo (more details next newsletter)

**November 8-10:** Fall Fun Fellowship (more details next issue of Lodge Lip).

## Lodge Lip

The Lodge Lip is published 3 times a year, in April, July and October. It 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.



No, that isn't a "selfie" stick that Mr. Cline has on his camera but allows him to take pictures from a higher perspective!