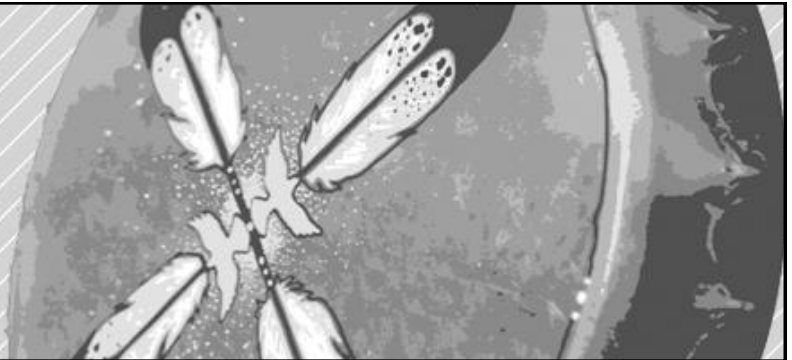




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Putting It All Together and Sending It Home

By Aaron Shepherd

The Closing Gathering began with an American Indian entrance of the American Flag. Fifty Scouts stood overhead draping many more of our nation's flag from the balcony. Dancers from the week followed the flag holders down the aisle and stood by at attention. Arrowmen sang the National Anthem and recited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Obligation.

With Indian Summer 2011 coming to end, Arrowmen were reminded of how our Order was founded 96 years



Mike and Justin look at a journey describing the founding of the OA.

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Next Stop...Michigan State University!!

By Braden Stewart

National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) is the ultimate OA Scouting experience. The 2012 NOAC, to be held at Michigan State University, will be one of the largest yet with over 8,000 Arrowmen in attendance.

NOAC will feature a number of unique events, including national competitions for ceremonies, drum, and dance. Other events will include evening shows, the OA history museum, and awesome gaming events. Highlights such as the Founder's Day

Parade, the Grand Hodag, and the inter-Region dodge ball battle are some staples of the NOAC program.

Attending Arrowmen can partake in service projects, high adventure opportunities, leadership training, American Indian Activities training, and much more. While enjoying the various activities, Arrowmen will have a great time meeting new friends and sharing

their experiences with people from around the nation.

NOAC is an inspiring meeting of Arrowmen from across the Nation. 8,000 strong, with one purpose and one mind... at NOAC, you can change the world.

Today's Weather

<p>Saturday</p>  <p>70% Storms Likely Hi 80°F</p>	<p>Night</p>  <p>60% Storms Likely Lo 70°F</p>
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NEXT STOP



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\$2,500 Donated to the Maury Clancy Indian Campership Fund

The Maury Clancy Indian Campership Fund was created in 1971 to help provide funds to those American Indian Scouts needing assistance to attend resident camp. The fund was subsequently named in memory of long-time national committee member Maury Clancy,

who contributed significantly to the Order. Mr. Clancy emphasized the significance of our nation's American Indian culture and worked to encourage the preservation of our American Indian heritage. Lodges may contribute to this fund through their

section at will, thereby increasing the fund and enabling more camperships to be awarded.

This week at Indian Summer, \$2,500 in donations to the Maury Clancy Indian Campership Fund were collected through trading post picture sales and

PowWow donations. In comparison, NOAC donations to the Fund are typically about \$1,000 dollars. For more information about the Maury Clancy Indian Campership Fund, go to www.oa-bsa.org and view the National Awards section of the site.

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ago. The story began with Mike and Justin, all friends, sitting in their room. "This journal of your great, great grandfather Pilkington is great," Mike said. "Grandpa was in Troop 1 from Philadelphia and they camped at Treasure Island," Justin continued.

A flashback to a 1915 camping trip on Treasure Island introduces one of the kids, Barrett, who was sick and it was a little "messy." His friend, Billy, was helping to take care of him. While emptying his full bedpan Billy tripped and got rather messy as well. Billy jumped up with a huge smile on his face. Mr. Goodman noticed and said, "Listen to me. Anyone who could come away from that situation and find a way to be happy has got something this old world of ours needs."

As the gathering proceeded, Servant-Leadership quotes read by Arrowmen were

interspersed with a performance of the Ordeal Ceremony. The quotes reinforced the Servant-Leadership attributes of our Order. "Ceremonies contain more than words," said Jonathan Hillis, National Chief. "It's the action and actually doing something with it. A great ceremony was what got me active in the Order of the Arrow."

The simple act of cheerful service from Billy in the gathering performance was what created the Brotherhood in which you currently serve. As you leave today, you should take what you learned here at Indian Summer and implement it in your lodge. "Remember, you are the Servant-Leader of your lodge," Hillis said. He asked that everyone share what they learned with those who could not attend Indian Summer 2011. "What you have learned here has the potential to inspire and teach the next generation," Hillis said.



Jonathan Hillis talks about his experience as a ceremonialist in the keynote address.



The first members of the Order of the Arrow discuss how they are going to run it.

Indian Summer 2011 in Review



The Long Way Home

Who travelled the furthest distance to get to Indian Summer and will therefore travel the furthest to get home?

Carroll and Kathie Palmore came from Germany where they serve in the United States Armed Forces.

A Reflection on Servant-Leadership

Quote: “The measure of a leader is not the number of people who serve the leader, but the number of people served by the leader.” –Adapted from a quote by John C. Maxwell.

In the Legend of the Order, we see many examples of Servant-Leadership. Chief Chingachgook highlights this when he says: “For, said he, who serves his fellows is, of all his fellows greatest.” An elangomat is another outstanding example of a Servant-Leader within the OA. They work side by side with soon to be Arrowmen through each step of the Ordeal process, offering guidance and support, and asking nothing in return.

Man on the Street

Question: What was your favorite thing about Indian Summer and why?



“My favorite thing was the Northeastern Indian Costume class. I learned about the Iroquois Nation and how they had a democracy before the United States.”

Dmitri G., Wewanoma Lodge, Rio Grande Council, age 13, Weslaco, TX



“My favorite thing was learning about the inductions and administration side of the OA, which I plan on using to improving my own lodge inductions. Otherwise, I really enjoyed the overall fellowship.”

Chris K., Santee Lodge, Pee Dee Area Council, age 18, Chesterfield, SC



“I learned that there is a lot to the OA and that there is dancing. I also really enjoyed meeting other guys from around the country.”

Vince S., Jacostowne Lodge, Crossroads of America Council, age 13, Fishers, IA



“Learning to straight dance. I really enjoyed dancing and it’s what I came to do.”

Ryan P., Dzie-Hauk-Tanga Lodge, Jayhawk Council, age 12, Topeka, KS

Thanks for Reading!

The Communications Committee would like to thank you, the readers of *The Drum Beat*, for your unwavering devotion. Without your insight, comments, and activity, *The Drum Beat* would just be a blank piece of paper. We have enjoyed our time here at Indian Summer getting to know many of you through interviews for the “man on the street” and the “Where is it?” competitions. We wish you safe travels and hope to see you next year at NOAC and Summit in 2013!!

- John Rehm, Communications Chairman

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