



Ho-de-no-sau-nee Lodge #159  
Greater Niagara Frontier Council #380



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## *A Word From the Lodge Chief*

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### Teamwork

What is teamwork? Well teamwork is the combined action of a group of people, especially when effective and efficient. Teamwork is key to get a big job done. You can't have a functional team without teamwork. Training with a team promotes teamwork and enhances team performance.

## *A Word From the Lodge Adviser*

Greetings Brothers,  
Happy New Year! I hope you all had a safe & enjoyable holiday season. With the New Year upon us and the holidays behind us it's time to reflect on how this Scouting year has unfolded thus far. Has your Troop re-chartered on time? Have you been camping on a monthly basis? Have you tried to promote our Council camps and encouraged your fellow scouts to attend summer camp? Have you shared your Cheerful Spirit with all that come in contact with you? Have you reached out and performed some Cheerful Service to a needy organization or family? Have you contacted a

Brother and offered to bring him/her to a meeting or fun event? These are some of the questions we as members of this brotherhood should be asking ourselves as we look ahead to the next half of this scouting year. Let's try to improve on where we left off. It's not too early to start planning now for your Troop's OA election as election season is in full swing. Submit your requested date and time and we'll be more than happy to come out and conduct your election. All this information can be found on the G.N.F.C. website on the Order of the Arrow page link. We have many fun up-

coming Lodge events this year starting with the First Aid Rally at West Seneca West Middle School on February 3<sup>rd</sup>, Winter Fellowship weekend February 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> at Camp Stonehaven, University of Scouting March 3<sup>rd</sup> at Niagara Falls High School, Lodge Banquet March 4<sup>th</sup> at Bowmansville Fire Hall, and then there is the always competitive and popular Broomball tournament March 24<sup>th</sup> at Nichols, so start thinking now on getting your team together, it's sure to be a fun time. The last events I want to mention are the National Leadership Seminar (NLS) and Developing Youth Leaders Confer-

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### Special points of interest:

- You can buy lodge flaps at all lodge events.
- Don't forget to take a look at the website for any lodge updates. [oalodge159.org](http://oalodge159.org)

## *A Word From the Seneca Chapter Adviser*

### ***New Twist on an Old Favorite to Warm You Up at Klondike***

Michael Simkins – Seneca Chapter Adviser

One of my favorite dishes to prepare on winter campouts, or any campouts where the chill in the air makes you start wishing you were home under a warm blanket is a steaming bowl of chili served with a slice or two of hearty Italian bread. Sometimes, though, it's hard to get your group to agree on chili for dinner. This is where the recipe below comes in handy. You get to have your chili and other members of the group get to have their Italian/pizza for dinner all in one pot. The recipe is easily doubled or tripled for larger groups and is easily prepared in a regular pot, a crock pot, or a dutch oven. For the really adventurous, you can serve it with homemade garlic bread topped with fresh minced garlic wrapped in aluminum foil and warmed over a campfire! Mmm, good!

### ***PEPPERONI PIZZA CHILI***

**8 Servings   Prep time: 15 min.   Cook: 45 min.**

#### **Ingredients**

- 1.5 pound ground beef
- 1 can (16 ounces) kidney beans, rinsed and drained
- 1 can (15 ounces) pizza sauce
- 1 can (14-1/2 ounces) diced tomatoes
- 1 can (8 ounces) tomato sauce
- 1-1/2 cups water
- 1 package (3-1/2 ounces) sliced pepperoni
- 1 green pepper, chopped
- 1 onion, chopped
- 1 4oz. can of sliced mushrooms
- 1 tablespoon pizza seasoning *or* Italian seasoning
- 1 teaspoon seasoned salt
- 2 teaspoons seasoned pepper
- 1 tablespoon red (cayenne) pepper
- 1 cup grated parmesan or parm/romano blend cheese
- 1 16oz. package of Shredded Mozzarella cheese (topping)

#### **Directions**

- In a large saucepan, cook beef over medium heat until no longer pink; drain.
- Stir in the rest of the ingredients and seasonings, except for the shredded mozzarella.
- Bring to a boil. Reduce heat;
- Simmer for at least 30 minutes or until chili reaches desired thickness.
- Top with shredded mozzarella and serve with Italian bread or garlic bread.



## *A Word From the Lodge Adviser (cont.)*

ence (DYLC) March 9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> at Camp Alpine. We have several spots available. This is an excellent opportunity for youth leaders and adult advisors to add to your leadership repertoire. The NE3A Section Conclave will be held at Camp Sam Wood June 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> and the National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) which will be held at Indiana University July 30<sup>th</sup> – August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018. 2018 Lodge dues are now being accepted. Unfortunately, we had to raise the dues this year to \$15 due to the National increase but

this is still below the national average. If you have missed paying your dues in the past, not to worry, you only need to pay this year's dues to reestablish your paid membership status. So, please help the lodge and pay your dues.

If you know of a Unit or you yourself would like a representative from the Lodge to come out and give a camp promotion, contact me at the below email or phone number and we'll get a team out to your unit.

Our monthly Lodge Executive Committee

(LEC) meetings are held at the Greater Niagara Frontier Council service center on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month at 7PM and any member is invited to attend. On a final note, there are several Chapter dates you should be aware of and put on your calendars, our spring induction weekends are scheduled for May 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> at Camp Stonehaven and June 15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> at both SSR & Camp Scouthaven. As in the past, we will be running a special offer for people who want to attend more than one weekend,

watch for more details in the near future.

Talk with your fellow brothers and come out to one of our meetings or a fun event and I can promise you, you won't be disappointed. Feel free to discuss with me your thoughts or ideas for the lodge anytime. If you have any questions about any of the events, open lodge positions or the lodge in general, please feel free to contact me at [emilitello@roadrunner.com](mailto:emilitello@roadrunner.com) or by phone (716) 625-4216.

Yours in Brotherhood,  
Eric Militello (Tuney)  
Lodge Advisor

## *A Word From the Lodge Vice-Chief of Service*

### **A Reminder**

The year of 2018 has begun. Likewise, our hallowed Order has begun its one-hundred-and-third year of existence. What's more, our Lodge celebrates its 51st year.

As we enter this 51st year of our Lodge's history, a reminder must be made. This reminder is a simple one, yet at the same time a solemn one—in both nature and tone. It is one of great significance, regardless of how active you are in our Order and its events and workings.

Whether you sit actively on our Lodge's executive committee or if you attend an event every so often, the message of this reminder is universally relevant.

With all this being the case, it is my humble duty and honor per my title as Vice-chief of Service that I give this reminder.

Therefore, I remind you all that on the day that you first wore that white cotton sash embroidered with a single red arrow, you became part of something bigger than scouting alone. I remind you all that as mem-

bers of the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service, we share a commitment, a common duty, an obligation. I remind you that this mandates us to a higher purpose—compels us to an elite mission. I remind you that we ALL promised—on our honor as scouts—to endeavor, so far as in (each of) our power lies, to be unselfish in Service and devotion to the welfare of others. Furthermore I remind each one of you to regard your fellow Arrowmen as Brothers, and moreover, to regard the ties with your fellow people as per the fourth point—A

Scout is friendly.

Additionally, I remind, and even ask that you try to remain cheerful, even in darker and toilsome times. I also say that not only should you cheerfully make the best of every situation, but also to make every situation better. I remind you to keep these promises not just as scouts, not just as Arrowmen, but as members of your community, citizens of your nation, and as members of the human race in the world as a whole.

In conclusion, I challenge you all to do as much ser-

*Lodge Banquet & General Meeting*

51st Annual Lodge Banquet

*Date:* Sunday, March 4th, 2018

*Time:* 5:00pm

*Location:* Bowmansville Fire Hall  
36 Main St. (off Genesee St.)  
Bowmansville, NY

***THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO ALL FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF OUR  
OA MEMBERS AND ANYBODY INTERESTED IN THE ORDER OF THE AR-  
ROW. COME CELEBRATE WITH US!***

***PLEASE ENCOURAGE BROTHERS IN YOUR UNIT TO ATTEND***

Early Bird Special: \$20.00 person by Feb.23

Feb. 24-March 2 : \$22.00/person

After Mar 2 & Walk-in: \$25.00/person

OA Lodge Banquet

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Troop: \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter: FW ON SEN

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Names: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_  Youth  Adult

Number Attending \_\_\_\_\_ X \$ \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_ Payment:  Check  Cash

Checks made payable to GNFC. Account "OALD"

2860 Genesee St

Buffalo, NY 14225

# Lodge Broomball

Date: March 24, 2018

Time: 6:30pm

Location: Nichols School Ice Rink

1250 Amherst St. Buffalo, NY

Early Bird Special: \$15/Player by March 16, 2018

Team of Six \$ 75

Non Players \$7

Late Fee/Walk-ins \$20/player or Team Fee/\$100



- All Must have helmets
- Brooms (non metal handle)
  - No Pads
- Only Goalies can use push brooms
  - Pizza and Soda provided
- **Must have dues paid to play**



## Lodge Broomball

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Troop: \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter: FW, ON, SEN

Multiple/Team Member Names:

- |          |          |
|----------|----------|
| 1) _____ | 4) _____ |
| 2) _____ | 5) _____ |
| 3) _____ | 6) _____ |

Honor: Ordeal Brotherhood Vigil Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Youth or Adult

Number of People Attending \_\_\_\_\_ X \$ \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_ Payment: Check Cash

Checks made payable to GNFC. Account number OABB

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# February 2018

## Schedule of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1)	2)	3)
4) Onondaga Ceremony Meeting	5) LEC	6)	7)	8)	9) Winter Fellowship	10) Winter Fellowship
11) Winter Fellowship	12)	13)	14)	15)	16)	17)
18) Seneca Ceremony Meeting	19)	20)	21)	22)	23)	24)
25)	26)	27)	28)			

- LEC Meetings are the first Monday of every month, not including September and the Summer months
  - 4-Seneca Ceremony Meeting
  - 5 - LEC
  - 9-11 Winter Fellowship - Camp Stonehaven
  - 18-Seneca Ceremony Meeting
- Upcoming Events in March*
- 3-University of Scouting
  - 4-Lodge Banquet & General Meeting
  - 5-LEC
  - 24-Broomball

SSR - Schoellkopf Scout Reservation, STH - Camp Stonehaven, SCH - Camp Scouthaven, CSC - Council Service Center, LEC - Lodge Executive Committee, FW - Falling Waters Chapter, ON - Onondaga Chapter, SN - Seneca Chapter

## A Word From the Lodge Vice-Chief of Service

vice as you possibly can. Be it a simple deed of politeness such as holding the

door for someone, or something such as building houses in a less fortunate coun-

try, I remind you to serve cheerfully.

Yours in WWW,

Sebastian Bodkin

## A Word From the Lodge Ceremonies Co-Chair

Brothers,  
In the Order of the Arrow, the various ceremonies performed at our events, such as the Ordeal ceremony, are all facilitated by our chapter ceremonial teams. There is a team for the Seneca chapter, a team for the Onondaga chapter, and a team for the Falling Waters chapter.

We hold practices at various times during the scouting year, and joining a ceremony team is a great way to meet new people and become more involved in the Order. Along with Ordeal weekends, the teams in the lodge can also be commissioned for OA Eagle ceremonies, Boy Scout cross-overs,

etc. Learning the lines and performing in the ceremonies is a lot of fun, and is a great way to learn more about the Order of the Arrow's traditions, values, and history, as well as make your presence known in your Lodge and Chapter. If you want to learn more about how you can get involved,

you can contact your chapter ceremonial chairman.  
WWW,  
Patrick Stouter, Lodge Ceremonies Co-Chair

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