



Section NE-2A Adviser's Update – April 2013

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Council of Chiefs Meeting: The next Council of Chiefs Meeting will be held on Sunday, April 28, 2013 at Camp Tri-Mount Scout Reservation, East Jewett, NY. Half Moon Lodge has graciously offered overnight accommodations in Kurland Lodge for Saturday evening. Contact Henry Frick at rvwcouncilcommissioner@gmail.com to make reservations no later than Friday, April 26, 2013.

2013 Section NE-2A Conclave: Conclave Registration is open at <http://www.ne-2a.org>! A special one-week promotion was held when registration was opened and 49 Arrowmen registered during the promotion period. They will each receive a special gift. Please continue to promote registration to the Arrowmen in your lodge. The theme for the 2013 Conclave at Camp Tri-Mount Scout Reservation is "Keep the Fire Burning."

Important Dates: \$35 Early Registration – before 5/1/13, \$45 General Registration – before 6/1/13, \$55 Late Registration – after 6/1/13. New 2013 Ordeal members may register for \$35 at any time.

Conclave Committees:

Year	Lodge
Service Lodge	Half Moon Lodge
Friday Night Activities	Tschitani Lodge
Training	Pocumtuc Lodge
Saturday Afternoon Activities	Tschitani Lodge
American Indian Activities	Paugasset Lodge
Shows	Owaneco Lodge
Publications	Nacha Nimat Lodge

Section Officer Elections: The annual election of the Section Chief, Section Vice Chief, and Section Secretary will be held at the Conclave business meeting. The duties of these officers are outlined in Chapter 2 of the Field Operations Guide, available online at <http://oa-bsa.org/resources/pubs/FOG-2013b.pdf>. All youth candidates for these offices should be aware of the responsibilities and meet these eligibility requirements:

IV. Eligibility, Nomination, Selection of Officers and Appointees

A. All section officers must meet the following eligibility requirements:

1. A registered member, in good standing, of the Order of the Arrow and the Boy Scouts of America in a council within the section who has the approval, in writing and in advance of being nominated, of his council Scout executive or council Scout executive's designee. The member's

council must be in good standing (renewed its OA charter) with the national office.

2. Younger than 21 during his entire term of office.

Approval letters must be received by Section Adviser Bill Chin [bill@eaglewbc.com or 56 Lincoln Street, Trumbull, CT 06611] by 12:00 noon on Saturday, June 8th. Please note that a letter that authorizes an Arrowman to run "for Section Chief" will not allow him to run for Vice Chief or Secretary. A letter that approves an Arrowman to run for "Section office" will allow him to run for any or all of the three offices.

Conclave Patch Auction: Dan O'Rourke is collecting items for the Conclave auction. Please ask Arrowmen in your lodge and help solicit donations for the auction. The funds raised help to fund the operations of the Section and the Conclave.

Lodge Trading Posts: Lodges will be permitted to sell merchandise from their lodge trading post at the Section Conclave. Lodges selling items will be assessed a 10% sales charge. Ex. If the lodge sells \$100 worth of items, the Section earns \$10. Please contact Bill Chin in advance so that we can plan on having enough table space for your lodge trading post items.

Section NE-2A High Adventure Scholarships: The Section will be offering one High Adventure scholarship to each lodge in the Section in the amount of \$250. The Section leadership strongly believes in the Order of the Arrow's High Adventure programs and we encourage every lodge to participate in these activities. The 2013 registration forms for OA High Adventure are now available for download: <http://www.oa-bsa.org/resources/forms/#adventure>.

Scouts Helping Scouts: Nacha Nimat Lodge of the Hudson Valley Council was recently awarded a \$4,000 grant to replace a pavilion in Akela's Den at Camp Bullowa.

Section Officer/Adviser Travels: Section Chief Tom Donlon was a guest at Nacha Nimat Lodge's Spring Ordeal Weekend at Camp Bullowa.

Field Operations Guide: An updated revision of the Field Operations Guide has been released. The FOG is available online at <http://oa-bsa.org/resources/pubs/FOG-2013b.pdf>.

Northeast Region OA Jamboree Patches: The Northeast Region has recently released an OA patch for the National Jamboree. Patches are available for \$3.50 each, minimum order of 10. Lodges and Sections are encouraged to sell them for \$5 and make a profit to help benefit local programs. The patch has a loop, is suitable for uniform wear, is fully embroidered, and made in the USA.

Project 2013: Staff positions for the Order of the Arrow's Project 2013 to support the National Scout Jamboree are still available. There are five different program areas to serve: Jamboree Trek Guide (lead Troops on a four mile hike to the top of the Garden Ground Mountain), OA Service Corps, Day of Service Guides (onsite service at the Summit or community service project), Indian Village, and Recreation. For more information about Project 2013, visit: <http://event.oa-bsa.org/events/jambo2013>.

2013 Calendar:

Date	Event	Location/Comment
April 28	Council of Chiefs Meeting	Camp Tri-Mount Scout Reservation, East Jewett, NY
April 30	Conclave Early Bird Registration Deadline	
May 31	Conclave General Registration Deadline	
June 7-9	Section NE-2A Conclave	Camp Tri-Mount Scout Reservation, East Jewett, NY

Conclave Rotation:

Year	Lodge
2013	Half Moon Lodge
2014	Nacha Nimat Lodge
2015	Tschitani Lodge
2016	Owaneco Lodge
2017	Pocumtuc Lodge
2018	Paugassett Lodge

Lodge Visitation Program:

Year	Lodges
2012-2013	Nacha Nimat, Paugassett, Tschitani
2013-2014	Half Moon, Owaneco, Pocumtuc