



## What is a Committee?

Committees are what keep the lodge running! Each committee is in charge of one aspect of the lodge, and there are various committees including, but not limited to: Activities, Elections, Outreach, and Communications. Each committee has one or two chairmen in charge of running this committee. But the best part is YOU can join any committee! Whatever your interests may be there is probably a committee for you! Below you will see a message from each chairman describing what their committee does and how you could join it.

## Join a Committee!

**Activities Committee** - The Activities Committee helps the LEC by planning and coordinating events. Some tasks of the Activities Committee are to coordinate where events are going to be held, what is going to happen at an event, who is needed to make the event run successfully, and when the best date and time for the event is. Another important responsibility is to make any flyers or agendas needed for an event. Additionally, it is the job of the Activities Committee to inform the lodge about anything related to upcoming events. The Activities Committee is always open to new committee members. If you are interested in joining the Activities Committee you can contact the Activities Chair by email at [activitieschair@wagoshag.com](mailto:activitieschair@wagoshag.com).

- Ethan Welke, Activities Chairman

**Ceremonies Committee** - The ceremonies committee is the Lodge's group that coordinates Lodge ceremonies and practice. We also update and clean the Lodge Regalia to keep them updated and neat. Right now we are working to getting ceremonialists together for the Brotherhood ceremony at Spring Wingding (Springding). We are still looking for one more willing Arrowman to play the Guard in our ceremony! If you would like to make the brotherhood ceremony memorable for other Arrowman in the Lodge, please send an email to [ceremonieschair@wagoshag.com](mailto:ceremonieschair@wagoshag.com) and/or [lodgevicechief@wagoshag.com](mailto:lodgevicechief@wagoshag.com).

-Blake Stephens, Vice Lodge Chief

**Elections Committee** - The Wag-O-Shag Elections Committee is hard at work this winter processing Election Requests from Units near and far in the Council. Managed by yours truly Jonny Roth, Danny T, and Supreme Overseer Blake Stephens, our focus is to guarantee an opportunity for every unit to have an election and select the most deserving scouts of this high honor. We are always looking for arrowmen to step up and give back to the OA by conducting an unit election. Want to know what elections to help with? Check out our [Sign-Up Genius](#) and sign-up for whichever elections you want!

- Jon Roth, Elections Chairman

**Training Committee** - The Lodge Training committee creates and facilitates lodge trainings at and independent from larger OA events. The Training committee also hosts the annual LLDC at Camp Long Lake. Currently, we are working with the Outreach committee on a OA representative training and with the Membership committee on an Elangomat training. If you are interested in joining our committee or helping to present a training, contact Trainings Chair Drew Dahlgren at [trainingchair@wagoshag.com](mailto:trainingchair@wagoshag.com).

-Drew Dahlgren, Training Chairman

**Vigil and Awards Committee** - The Vigil and Awards committee is in charge of handling all the awards/vigil experience for the year. We do the Fox Award, Camping Award, James E West Fellowship, Founders Award, and the Vigil Honor. Recently we held nominations for the Fox Award and selected 8 people! The Camping Award application recently closed, where we had 8 units apply. Nominations are now open for the Vigil Honor and the Founders Award. Details can be found in your email address or by visiting [this link](#).

-Zach Landquist, Vigil and Awards Chairman

**Communications Committee** - The Communications committee is in charge of writing *The Fox* (this newsletter) every month, we are also in charge of making and posting Wag-O-Shag Wednesdays to keep you up to date. Currently we are posting weekly on Instagram and Facebook, and writing this newsletter monthly. We are looking for more committee members to create Instagram posts and memes! If interested please contact [communicationschair@wagoshag.com](mailto:communicationschair@wagoshag.com)

-Grant Nicholson, Communications Chairman

**Outreach Committee** - The Outreach committee keeps OA Representatives informed about what's happening in the lodge. Then the OA Reps can keep their units in the loop. The Outreach Committee is currently working on OA Rep Training as well as working at developing better outreach with the section, region, and national. We would love to have committee members. If you are interested please contact our Chair, Connor McKenzie by emailing him at [outreachchair@wagoshag.com](mailto:outreachchair@wagoshag.com)

-Connor McKenzie, Outreach Chairman

**Service Committee** - Hello Arrowmen! My name is Noah Sobczak and I am your Service Chair for this Lodge Year. As the Order of the Arrow is devoted to cheerful service to others there is a lot that I do for the Lodge. This includes, planning for our wonderful Spring and Fall Conferences and The Lodge Day of Service. As well as other minor events scattered across the year. I am happy to announce here to the whole Lodge that our Lodge Day of Service will be held at MacCannon Brown Homeless Sanctuary in Milwaukee sometime in April. We look forward to helping them in their mission of assisting the poor in Milwaukee and people with general needs. After this I will start planning on the Spring Conference to make sure that everyone attending can get a lot done at Camp Long Lake and kick off a great camping season. If anyone is willing to help in planning either event please don't hesitate to reach out to me at [servicechair@wagoshag.com](mailto:servicechair@wagoshag.com) or if you have any questions send them my way!

-Noah Sobczak, Service Chairman

**History Committee** - The History committee updates and maintains the lodge history book. Currently we are working on putting together info over the past 5 years. Anyone is free to join! Have any memorable OA experiences? Email them to [lodgesecretary@wagoshag.com](mailto:lodgesecretary@wagoshag.com).

-Mike Penn, Lodge Secretary

**Finance Committee** - As Treasurer, I lead the Finance Committee! The Finance Committee is in charge of maintaining the lodge budget, pricing events, and the Wag-O-Swag you wear. Currently, the Finance Committee is working to get our LEC Quarter Zips and name tags that way at events such as Wingding and Fall and Spring Conferences we are easier to recognize. Currently, we don't have any committee members but we are open to getting a few! If you would like to be a part of the finance committee you can contact my email [lodgetreasurer@wagoshag.com](mailto:lodgetreasurer@wagoshag.com).

-Liam Hughes, Lodge Treasurer

# Fireball 2021

Fireball 2021 was lit! (Pun totally intended) this year, even through the pandemic, the Wag-O-Shag Lodge has found time to set aside and help give cheerful service to our principal camp; Camp Long Lake. This year, we had the opportunity to grout the kitchen tiles for the summer season, alongside the bathroom tiles. Sadly, due to the high winds this year, the actual Fireball was not as big as the past. But that did not stop us from having a fire, no sir! We were able to help Ranger Jim with brush removal and burning over on Bear Paw part II (little



extension from staff campsite). Not only did we give cheerful service to camp, but also had some awesome fellowship. Like any good OA event, pizza was served! It was the most delicious, and warm, food we had that weekend. Especially with the 10 below zero temperature! Not only did we have pizza, but we also got to explore Tittle and Long Lake. The water being frozen over gave the rare opportunity to walk on Long Lake Water! Although these times are hard, Wag-O-Shag Lodge has learned to work around these hardships and still provide a program for our Arrowmen. Will we see you at Fireball 2022?

-Blake Stephens, Lodge Vice Chief

# Adventure Rock Lock-In

Last Friday, the Galaxy Fox and Shooting Star Chapters joined forces together and planned the ultimate lock-in at Adventure Rock. The night started off with an orientation and then climbing the smaller walls immediately after. Once pizza was eaten and the building was closed, the Wag-O-Shag Chapters had the entire Adventure Rock building to themselves! Highlights of the night included climbing until 2am and countless rounds of Uno. After that, everyone fell asleep in the bouldering room watching Shrek. A special shoutout goes to our two chaperones as well as Adventure Rock for allowing us to have this event.



-Jon Roth, Galaxy Fox Vice Chief

# Oa Rep Training

On Wednesday February 24th, the training and outreach committees hosted a virtual training for the lodges OA representatives. The training focused on how representatives could best serve their units. For representatives who missed the training, a recording can be accessed here: [OA Rep Training Video](#)

-Drew Dahlgren, Training Chairman

## Contact Our Officers!

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