



Kiskakon Lodge

Anthony Wayne Area Council

The Lodge

- Kiskakon Lodge is chartered to the Anthony Wayne Area Council and covers all 11 counties.
- The Lodge is led by 6 youth that are elected annually to be Lodge Officers. Together with youth officers from each district, they make up the Lodge Executive Board: (shown are 2006-2007 officers)

Lodge Officers

Kiskakon Chief:	Aaron Ware	(260) 744-0290
Vice Chief (Program):	James Moeller	(260) 486-4310
Vice Chief (Membership):	Nick Missos	(574) 267-1937
Secretary:	Randy Dearing	(260) 639-6514
Treasurer:	Jon Sober	(260) 356-7634
Past Lodge Chief:	Josh Kirlin	(260) 637-7833
Lodge Advisor:	Sammie Grimm	(260) 749-0801
Staff Advisor:	Tom Cochran	(260) 432-9593
Membership Advisor:	Dean Tucker	(260) 485-8349

The Chapters




- There is a Chapter of the Lodge for each District of the Council.
- Each Chapter is led by the youth officers and adult advisors and meets once a month to discuss upcoming OA events, as well as other Scouting matters.
- Anicus (Lincolnway District) Kosciusko and Whitley Counties
- Miami Southern Allen County
- Pokagon Dekalb, Lagrange, Noble, and Steuben Counties
- Seminole (Wabash Valley District) Adams, Huntington, Jay, and Wells Counties
- Thunderbird Northern Allen County



The Goals

- The goals of the Order of the Arrow are:
- To recognize those Scouts and Scouters who live and act according to the values of the Scout Oath and Law.
- To promote camping and develop leadership.
- To crystallize the Scouting tradition of cheerful service to others.

The Levels

- There are three levels of membership in the Order:
-  Ordeal = Completion of Ordeal
-  Brotherhood = Ordeal Sash with Red Bars = 10 months as an Ordeal Member and completion of Brotherhood Class
-  Vigil Honor = Brotherhood Sash with Red Triangle = 2 years as a Brotherhood Member and nomination and selection by the Vigil Committee.
- Attainment of each level can only come after undergoing the appropriate tests and completion of the appropriate ceremony.

The Election

- A Scout or Scouter may go through the Ordeal only when they have met certain qualifications:
- Scout = Must be at least 1st Class, have 15 days and nights of camping, and be elected by the Scouts of his Troop.
- Scouter = Must have 15 days and nights of camping and be nominated by the Troop Committee.

The Ordeal

- The Ordeal is the induction into the Order. Only those who have been elected may complete the Ordeal.
- If elected, a Scout or Scouter must complete the Ordeal within one year of the election. If not, he/she must be elected again the following year. Kiskakon Lodge holds two Ordeals each year on the CCLT opening/closing weekends.
- The Ordeal is a series of tests meant to focus the candidate upon the solemn meaning of the Order. Upon completion of the Ordeal, the candidates go through a ceremony and are welcomed into the Order.

The Brotherhood

- Any Ordeal member who has served their unit for at least 10 months since their Ordeal is eligible for Brotherhood membership.
- Kiskakon Lodge offers many opportunities for Brotherhood Conversion: A Brotherhood class and ceremony is offered at both our Spring and Fall Fellowships, as well as each week of Boy Scout Resident Camp at CCLT.
- Obtaining Brotherhood membership requires that the candidate attend a Brotherhood class, to know the basics of membership in the Order, and write a letter to the Lodge Secretary. After these tasks have been completed, the candidate is eligible to go through the Brotherhood ceremony.



The Awards

- There are a number of awards that one can earn as a member of Kiskakon Lodge. Some are part of the National Order of the Arrow program, and others are unique to our Lodge.
- The Vigil Honor
The third level of membership of the Order is a high mark of distinction reserved for those who provide exceptional service, personal effort, and unselfish interest to the Order, their unit, or Scouting in general. Members can only receive the Vigil Honor after approval of the National Order of the Arrow Committee.
- The Founder's Award
The Founder's Award honors those who have given outstanding service to their Lodge. The Award consists of a bronze medallion and a gold arrow suspended from a red ribbon for uniform wear.
- The Wischixin Award
In the language of the Delaware, "Wischixin" means "active one." The award, which consists of a personalized plaque, is given to youth who have been active in the Lodge over a period of time.
- The Kiskakon Service Award
Also known as "The Newman Award," both youth and adults can earn this award in a number of areas. The award consists of the pocket patch that complements the scene depicted on the standard lodge flaps, as well as a pin for each award earned. Different colors represent the different areas of the award. This award can be earned multiple times in each area.

White pin:	Leadership
Blue pin:	Ceremonies
Red pin:	Elangomat
Green pin:	OA Troop Representative
Gold pin:	Special Honor

Applications for this award will be available at most Lodge events. If not, contact one of the officers for a copy.

Getting Involved

- There are unlimited ways to become more involved in the Order. Whether it's serving as an officer, helping coordinate service projects, attending Lodge/Chapter functions, serving as a member of a ceremony team or a committee, or promoting the Order in your unit, there is something for everyone. Contact one of the Lodge or Chapter Officers to get started.

*Uncle Sammie wants YOU
to be active!
Get involved today!*

