

RED FLAME AUGUST 2026 EDITION

Abraham Lincoln Council, Scouting America

HOW DOES THE NEW INDUCTION EXPERIENCE AFFECT

ILLINEK LODGE AND OUR FUTURE INDUCTIONS?

Section induction experience

The Order of the Arrow induction experience is changing for 2027. Section G-7 leadership will provide OA members with this learning experience. Illinek Lodge will not be eligible to conduct the new Induction experience until we have enough youth and adult members who have completed this new training. Illinek Lodge members are encouraged to attend the upcoming training. We need 8 youth and 2 adults to sign up before we will qualify to move forward with this transition. August 7-9, 2026 is the training weekend at Rhodes-France Scout Reservation near Pana, IL. Illinek Lodge members that attend should be able to train our membership for our 2027 inductions. To register for this section event by Wednesday, go to: <https://scoutingevent.com/312-sie2026>



WHAT DO OFFICERS DO?

Leadership Orientation 2026 - 2027 | August 9

Following this coming Sunday's Illinek Lodge Executive Committee Meeting, in Booth Lodge at Camp Illinek, this Orientation is open to all lodge members, friends, family, and Scouting leadership. The Orientation will highlight the expectations, opportunities, and schedule of the key lodge officers. The LEC meeting is scheduled to begin at 2:00 p.m. There is no fee for attendance at this event. All lodge activities this date plan to be concluded no later than 5:00 p.m.

August Fellowship | August 14-16

Fellowship at Camp Illinek. Induction, Service, and Brotherhood transition are available at this event. To register for this event go to: <https://scoutingevent.com/144-89640>



Brotherhood opportunities

If you have completed at least six months of active service in Scouting since becoming a member of the Order of the Arrow, we encourage you to consider sealing your membership in the OA by becoming a Brotherhood member.

For requirements and schedule of upcoming events, please access:

brotherhoodsignup.illineklodge.org



To Pay for Brotherhood Sash: brotherhood.illineklodge.org



Annual Meeting | August 15

Illinek Lodge Annual Meeting, Saturday at 7:00 p.m. Officer Reports, Vigil Honor candidate callouts, and 2026-2027 Officer Elections and calendar are included in the agenda. Any youth members interested in becoming a lodge officer for the coming year need to complete an Officer Candidate Election form, found on our lodge website, under Resources. Interested youth should read the Illinek Lodge Bylaws, also on the website, and should be familiar with the OA Handbook for Officers and Advisers, before submitting an application. Applications or nominations submitted to the Lodge Adviser will be scheduled for an interview to follow, and should plan to attend the Leadership Orientation, which is to be held following the August Lodge Executive Committee Meeting.

Newly elected and appointed Lodge Officers, along with their advisers, will meet at Camp Bunn for an Officers & Advisers Retreat the following weekend, August 21-23, 2026 to review communication tools, schedules, and responsibilities for the upcoming program year, September 2026 through September 2027. By invitation only.

Trails to Troops | September 11-13

The 2026 Trails To Troops event at Camp Illinek (formerly Webelos Woods) will provide an orientation to Troop Scouting for Webelos and Arrow of Light Cub Scouts. Lodge members

are encouraged and requested to register with your unit. Or lodge members may register as event leadership or staff. Please access the following: <https://scoutingevent.com/144-89630>



Section G-7 Conclave | October 2-4

Our 2026 Conclave will be held at Camp Lewallen (near Silva, MO) October 2-4, 2026.

<https://www.illineklodge.org/event/section-g-7-conclave-2/>



October Fellowship | October 9-11

This event at Camp Illinek will be the 3rd and final opportunity for Induction or Brotherhood transition for 2026. <https://scoutingevent.com/144-89637>



National Order of the Arrow Conference | July 26-31, 2027

NOAC 2027 is scheduled to be held at the University of Illinois in Champaign. More information as planning develops. Follow our lodge website for updates at: [illineklodge.org](https://www.illineklodge.org).

<https://www.illineklodge.org/event/noac-2027/>



Section Conclave 2027 | October 8-10

Illinek Lodge will serve as Host Lodge at Camp Illinek for next year's section conclave.

Illinek Lodge Dues

OA dues are \$20 for each calendar year. Dues are due at the beginning of each year. When a new member to Illinek Lodge pays the induction fee, this payment covers the dues for the remainder of the current calendar year, and the entire 12 month of the following calendar year. When a member of Illinek Lodge pays dues, the payment is applied to the next

calendar year based on which year was last paid for. If there has been more than one year without payment,

then one year's "back dues" is also required to become current. <http://dues.illineklodge.org>

To see your payment history, you should enter OA Lodgemaster, access your Member Portal, scroll down to the dues records.



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