



# Witauchsoman Lodge #44



## Annual Report 2009

The 2009 year was a successful year for Witauchsoman Lodge #44. We achieved Quality Lodge for 2009 and experienced membership growth. We have continued to develop the Witauchsoman Information System and are creating the Witauchsoman Broadcast System to increase communication. We have an active participation amongst the Council level, Sectional level, and National level. We took 86 Arrowman to the Section NE-5B Conclave in June and 58 Arrowman to the National Order of the Arrow Conference in August at Indiana University. This was the highest participation we have ever had at any Section or National event. For the first time in almost fifteen years, the Lodge Officers, in conjunction with past Lodge Chiefs the Lodge Executive Board, updated and rewrote the Lodge's Bylaws. The final version is ready for presentation at the Lodge Banquet in January of 2010 for Lodge membership approval. We continue to plan for the future and have already begun the planning for when we host Conclave in 2011. The Conclave 2011 location and theme has been set. Additionally, we are planning to have an active participation at the Council's Jambo in 2010 by having several OA areas where Scouts can participate and learn about the Order of the Arrow and Camping. 2009 Lodge Statistics can be found below as well as attendance numbers and service projects:

### Membership:

168	New Ordeal members	310	Registered Ordeal members
68	New Brotherhood members	463	Registered Brotherhood members
8	New Vigil members	99	Registered Vigil members
		<b>872</b>	<b>TOTAL 2009 Lodge membership</b>

### Event Attendance:

138	Lodge Banquet
254	Lodge Spring Weekend
69	Lodge Picnic
198	Lodge Fall Weekend

### Major Programs:

- OA service weekends once a month
- Updated Lodge Bylaws
- Continued to have an active role in the Council's Scoutreach program
- Continued to have an active role on the District levels

### Major Service Projects:

- Completed the Don Beck Memorial First Year Camper Pavilion at Settlers Camp
- Collected over 200 toys for Toys for Tots
- Collected and distributed food for many community food banks
- Continued major involvement at Beaver Day at all three camps

### Service Hours and Monetary Support:

- 8988 documented service hours to the community, Council, Districts, Camps, and Scoutreach
- \$65,163.00 in documented service hour labor by Lodge members
- \$28,485.54 in donations secured
- \$22,660.00 in donated machinery and equipment use
- \$598.54 in materials purchased from OA account
- \$116,907.08** total contributions to the community, Council, Districts, Camps, and Scoutreach