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able. We actually had to slow down to go through towns! The members who attended had a great time, and are looking forward to our Lodge hosting the Section Conclave in 2007! The Lodge was represented very well with about 15% of the Lodge in attendance, giving us the largest traveling contingent for another year in a row! Yes, 15% made us the largest traveling contingent, but, we can do better! Next year, it promises to be another event and plans are already well in the making to have another "48 hour party!" Speaking of the Conclave being a 48 hour party, everyone needs to start thinking about the five day party called (*continued on page 6*) NOAC that will be happening in 2006, and start making plans now to attend. NOAC 2006 promises to be all the fun of a conclave and more (how could it not be with 7,500 Arrowmen in attendance?).

The Lodge also won awards for having BOTH the best website and newsletter! Without having a strong website team and a strong newsletter team these awards would not have come to us. If you have any interest in helping us earn these awards for next year, NOW is the time to volunteer to be a part of the Lodge's communication committee! At the Conclave, we also participated in a fundraiser for the victims of hurricane Katrina, raising almost \$2,000 for that tragedy (with our own Lodge Chief taking a pie in the face to the tune of \$74 at the pie auction). We as an order are truly a Brotherhood of Cheerful Service! Elected to be our 2005-2006 section officers were: Drew Behn Section Chief, Alex Ast Section Vice Chief, and Eric Svingen Section Secretary.

The Lodge would like to thank the following people for helping make this event be another success: Bruce Abernethy, Craig Holthus, Dave Miller, John Nelsen, Russ Votava, Scott Fitzwater, and Seth Bingham. These people did everything from teaching sessions, to driving the bus. It truly does take every Lodge in the section participating for the section to come together as one, and Golden Sun Lodge was definitely an integral part in making that happen. A big thank you and a respectful goodbye goes out to Ed Sexton. This was his last event, and it was a success due to his efforts, and we will miss you Ed!

We're On The Web...

Did you know the Golden Sun Lodge has a website? You can find up-to-the-minute information about all Lodge activities, committees, officers, history, traditions, and support information for the Lodge and OA program. You can register for events and even pay your dues online.

www.goldensunlodge.org

NLS

By Richard Lowery, Associate Lodge Adviser—Program



National Leadership Seminar (NLS) is a weekend of intense training for the leadership of a Lodge. This training is put on by regions within the Order. The final Central Region NLS will be the weekend of November 4-6 at Parkville, Missouri just outside of Kansas City.

Golden Sun Lodge will be sending a contingent of 8 leaders (7 youth and 1 adult) to this weekend. They will have opportunities to learn new leadership skills and meet with Regional and National OA leaders.

This outstanding opportunity will provide lodge leadership with skills and ideas to help improve programs and increase membership. The Lodge is proud to provide this opportunity to its leaders.

Chief Speaks

...by Seth Bingham, Lodge Chief



Hello fellow Arrowmen. Welcome to a New Year! Well...almost. We are into the new Lodge program year as of the end of the Fall Fellowship banquet on October 22nd. With the New Year are going to come some changes! We have some big goals to accomplish as a Lodge but they won't come to fruition without your help! Also new for the 2005-2006 program year is an effort from me to keep you more informed. If you go to the Council's webpage, www.cornhuskercouncil.org and register as a user, make sure to check the OA box. By checking that box on the registration form: <http://www.cornhuskercouncil.org/mycouncil/register.asp> it will put your name on a mailing list and I plan on keeping members informed through a monthly e-mail to promote upcoming events and to in general, keep everyone informed on what is going on in our Lodge. I hope everyone is having a great fall! I will see you on October 22nd at Doane College for the LLDC and Fall Fellowship event!