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NEWSLETTER

SPRING FIX-IT MAY 16th -18th, 2025

We are looking to have 80-100 of you to help prepare camp for the 2025 Camping Season. Carpenters, plumbers, roofers, electricians, laborers, please bring any tools you may need to help complete these projects.

Chris is taking reservations now. Please contact Chris @: paradise9913@gmail.com or text to: 219- 775-5340.

Meals will be provided. When you make your reservation, please let Chris know if you will be eating dinner on Saturday evening. This will help to prepare the correct amount of food.

Thank you for your continued support of Owasisippe!

2025 OSA SPRING FIX-IT PROJECTS

Clean Food Prep, FP paint walk-in freezer ceiling (paint on site), BH Site 8 Kybo Roof Repair (materials on site), BH Beach milk crate storage addition (materials on site), BH Dining Tent will be set up after lunch, Ranch tack shed roof repair (materials on site), Ranch tree clean up, Wolverine Flintlock flue & window installation, Wolverine & GSV clean propane tanks, Reneker Program tent set-up (after breakfast), Reneker replace the bar that is bent on the tennis court, Reneker volley ball court 4x4 replacement, Ad Center, outlet addition for OCF, Ad Center clean the concrete boxes behind snack bar, Health Lodge floor repair in doctor quarters, Screen repair continuation with Reneker in mind, Cooks cabins any remaining touches, Repair speed boat seats, measurements have been taken.

The newsletter for the members of the Owasisippe Staff Association

47th Anniversary OSA Annual Meeting – Brief Recap

By: Susan Derby

Scores of members and friends enjoyed the OSA's 47th Annual Meeting on March 8, 2025 at American Legion Post #18 in Lockport, IL. During the evening, we held our annual meeting, made special recognitions, conducted Board elections and raffled off some wonderful prizes.

2024 OSA Member of the Year Award

Kevin Harper

Net Funds Raised for OSA Programs (after expenses)

The OSA [Ad Book](#): \$2,878

Dinner Dance Raffles: \$2,463

Dinner Dance Silent Auction: \$262

Thank You!

Much thanks goes to all who worked to put this event together, to all who attended, to all who donated raffle items, to all who participated in the raffle, and to all who took ads in the [ad book](#)!



President's Perspective

By: Jennifer Kotwasinski



Spring is Here!

I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to everyone who attended our 47th Annual Meeting on March 8th. Thanks to your support through our ad book, split the pot, raffles & silent auction, we raised significant funds for our organization!

We also held our annual board election, and I am excited to welcome our new board members for 2025: Mike Dorich, Jacob Klein, and Jason Roepke. Please join me in congratulating these new faces on the board!

For those interested in getting more involved with our events and initiatives, including updates on the OSA Facebook page, please keep an eye out over the next few weeks for information on available committee openings.

As a reminder, our Spring Work Weekend is scheduled for the weekend of May 16th. We hope to see many of you there, as there's plenty to do to get the camp ready for summer!

Thank you all for your continued support!

Welcome to our New Members

Jim Howicz was already a member but became a Life Member.

Thank you for your support

HELP!

E-mail is the primary way the OSA communicates events, news, and greetings. We have received information from constant contact, who the OSA uses for sending the newsletter, that the following people e-mails have been suspended or are non-existent. If you know any of these members and can provide an update please let us know at osainfobooth@gmail.com.

Roger Bevans, Don Bryla, LeRoy & Mary Ann Fell, Guy Gogliotti, John Harrington, Jeremiah Jackson, Edward Jordan, Jory Lannes, Mike Maddox, Mike Nelson, James Nierman, Mike Payne, Joe Olechno, Robert Runchey, Dave Schlichting, and Glenn Young

Top Raffle Prize Winners

By: Jennifer Kotwasinski

Some of our top Raffle prize winners were:

2 night stay at the Guest Lodge

- Carla Gargas

Split the Pot

- Jennifer Kotwasinski

Blackstone Griddle

- Brian Weems

Congrats to all the winners!

Raffle Summary

By: Jacob Ross

Funds Raised for OSA Programs

OSA Ad Book: \$2,825.28

Raffle Prizes: \$2,599.57

Silent Auction: \$259.72

A big thank you to everyone who donated items for the raffle and silent auction. Your kindness and generosity helped to make this event possible.

Thank you to Caitlin Boline, Mike Brus, Ron Derby, Jamie Goodwin, Kevin Harper, Jennifer Kotwasinski, Ted Rotzoll, Susie Smyth, Edgar Wolff-Klammer, Kurt Wolff-Klammer, Pat Troy and PTAC for donating one or more items for the event.

We also want to give a big shoutout to all of our raffle prize winners and winning bidders in the silent auction, your contributions help fuel our mission to support the camp we all know and love.

Thank you to all that participated, if you didn't win anything this year just remember there's always a chance next year!

2025 OSA Board Election Results

PRESIDENT

Jennifer Kotwasinski,

VICE PRESIDENT

Chris Sanchez

SECRETARY

Pat Troy

TREASURER

Edgar Wolff-Klammer,

MEMBERS AT LARGE

Mike Dorich

Paul Kerchberger

Jacob Klein

Kevin Oster

Jason Roepke

Night at the Wolves Game

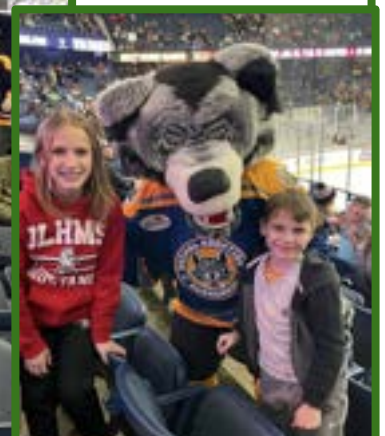
By: Pat Troy

On Sunday 1/19, the Owasippe Staff Association held its Winter Family and Friends event at the Chicago Wolves Hockey Game. This social event was attended by about 25 people. We had a good time as we sampled the beverage and food options available at the Allstate Arena. The nachos seemed to generate the most buzz.

Unfortunately, the Wolves lost to the Bakersfield Condors. The Wolves did create some excitement in the last minute of the game when they pulled their goalie to create a 6 to 5 power play. This ended when the Bakersfield Condors were able to score an open net goal.

One highlight of the game was when the Wolves mascot, Skates, came up to visit us in our seats. This was enjoyed not only by the youngsters in our group but also by the young at heart.

Look ahead to the days of the summer when we will plan the next OSA Family and Friends Social event which is expected to occur in August. The last two years, we attended a Windy City Thunderbolts game for this event. That event is not yet planned but these events are always good to see and catch up with some people who we don't meet up with on a regular basis.



CIT Training is Back

By: Kevin Oster

I am proud to announce that the CIT training that started in 1978 will once again be run by the OSA. Working in conjunction with the Reservation Director, Dalton Devries, we have assembled a terrific training team with lots of experience doing the CIT training. The team includes Joe Sener, Chauncey Niziol, Pat Troy, Max Zelenka, Christina Pronger and myself. We have already had our Shakedown event on 4/6, where 22 of the 30 CITS were able to attend and begin their training.

If you are interested in helping this summer or in the future, please email Kevin Oster naturedog@sbcglobal.net. You can help support the program by donating to the OSA Staff Development Fund. We are all looking forward to working to help develop these young future staff for the camp so dear to us all.



Upcoming OSA Dates

May

- 7..... Committee Discussion
- 16-18..... Spring Fix-it
- 17..... Board Meeting (onsite at Fix-it)

June

- 4 Board Meeting 7:00 CT

July

- 2 Board Meeting 7:00 CT
- 25..... Christmas in July

August

- 6..... Board Meeting 7:00 CT
- TBD..... Baseball Game

September

- 3..... Board Meeting 7:00 CT
- 19-21..... Fall Fix-It

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