

# YELL! Newsletter

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### **Congratulations to Outstanding Leadership Award Winners!**

Thank you to those who earned this prestigious award this year. We are looking forward to seeing more great YELL! projects throughout 2017!

- 7 Cedar, Cedar Rapids, IA
- 38 Zare Svobody, Austin, MN
- 44 Zare Zapadu, Hayward, MN
- 108 Verna Laska, Denmark, WI
- 127 Owatonna, Owatonna, MN
- 141 Bratri Novych Hradu, Cadott, WI
- 219 Boleslav Jablonsky, Strathcona, MN
- 225 Michigan, Bannister, MI
- 389 Saline Center, Western, NE
- 426 Lincoln, Lincoln, NE
- 446 North Texas, Dorchester, TX



### **New YELL! group created in Lodge No. 144, Mosinee, WI**

Several months ago in 2016, I received an email from a member of Lodge 144 asking about the requirements for a YELL! group. The year was already half over and they would not be able to qualify for the Outstanding Leadership Award in 2016. They decided to begin a YELL! group in earnest in 2017. Welcome Lodge 144!

We are excited to have another group join our ranks and hope for more to join this year. If you know of anyone interested in starting a YELL! group, please let me know.



### **YELL! Groups in Action!**

What have the YELL! group been up to so far this year? Check out some of the activities submitted for the points system:

- Lodge 7: Bowl for Kids Sake
  - Lodge 192: Making Valentine's cards for seniors
  - Lodge 225: Decorate the lodge hall for Jamboree event
  - Lodge 389: Deliver goodie bags to 3rd grade class
- Don't forget to turn in your point sheets after each event!**

### **Reminder!**

#### **2017 points award system information for YELL! groups**

- The new points system has eased many of the requirements for the YELL! groups to earn a level within the new system.
- The YELL! groups activities contribute to the lodge's overall points. Having an active YELL! group can significantly increase the amount of points the lodge earns. To make having a YELL! group easier, we have dropped several requirements.

#### • Requirements that have been dropped:

- - There will be no Outstanding Leadership Award, all lodges with YELL! groups can achieve any level.
- - There is no requirement for a fundraiser.
- - There is no requirement for an officer under 40.
- - There is no requirement for the YELL! groups to do individual activities, they can all be combined with lodge projects.

• If you have any questions about how this will affect your lodge, please call or email Kelsey Logan in the Fraternal Department at 877.935.2467 and [klogan@wflains.org](mailto:klogan@wflains.org).



### **Quick Reminders**

- **Points forms:** To earn points for your activities, you must turn in the activity forms for each activity.
- Correspondence to the *Fraternal Herald* is not counted for points. If you have any questions, please contact the Home Office, as soon as possible.
- **T-shirts:** Has your YELL! group outgrown their YELL! t-shirts or gained new members who need a new shirt? Send me an email with updated sizes and address, and I will send you new shirts at no cost to you!
- **Send in your projects:** Be sure to send in your lodge articles or YELL! articles about all the great activities your group has done so far this year.
- **Send in YELL! changes:** Do you have new members or a new Youth Liaison for the YELL! group? Please email me the new members or new youth liaison's contact information.