

Kittatinny Lodge 5 – Order of the Arrow Quarterly Meeting

The October 2, 2000 Lodge Quarterly Meeting was called to order by Lodge Chief Joe Buchert.

The 2000-2001 officers were sworn in by Lodge Advisor Dick Keppler.

Officer Reports

Chief - Joe Buchert thanked everyone for coming to the September weekend and congratulated all new ordeal and brotherhood members.

Vice-Chief of Administrations - Tom Rahn congratulated all new members in the Lodge. Tom also explained how the bead box worked and if there was anyone interested in being a part of the dance team, they should contact Joe Buchert, Chad Shade, or himself.

Vice-Chief of Activities - Steve Dibler asked the Lodge for any ideas about how to do anything in the Lodge differently. Steve also asked for any volunteers within the Lodge to help out with various operations.

Secretary - Chad Shade thanked everyone who came to the September weekend, including those several gentlemen who brought their patch collections to the weekend. Chad also briefly discussed the usage of a digital recorder at executive meetings. The motion to approve the minutes was made by John Matern and seconded by Ryan Gebly. The motion was carried. Later in the meeting, Chad awarded the Spirit Award and three national high honors, for Vigil Ceremony, Publications, and Website, all of which bestowed upon the Lodge at NOAC 2000.

Treasurer - Kyle Luckinbill congratulated all new members into our Lodge and presented the budget. The motion to approve the budget was made by John Matern and seconded by Scott Kohler. The motion was carried.

Committee Reports

Activities - Steve Kline congratulated all new Lodge members this weekend. Activities is also looking for any new ideas for making the weekends more enjoyable.

Circle - No report.

CP & E- Seth Wolfinger reported that CP & E is reorganizing themselves and would like some volunteers to help with unit elections. Anyone interested should contact Seth.

Ceremonies - Bob Cook reported that ceremonies is looking for anyone who is interested in understudying a part for ceremonies. Ceremonies is also looking for anyone who can help setup for ceremonies. If anyone is interested, they can contact either Bob Cook or Brandon Hafer.

Conference/Conclave - Steve Philips reported that the 2001 Conclave will be from the 8th to the 10th of June. Lodge 39, Wunita Gokhos, is hosting the Conclave at Camp Mack this year. Steve also reported that NOAC 2002 will run from July 27 through August 1 at the University of Indiana. Both Conclave and NOAC are a lot of fun, so sign up as soon as you can to secure a slot for yourself.

Kitchen - No report

Kittatinny Inc. - Dan Bingaman congratulated everyone who took their ordeal and Brotherhood test. Dan also thanked everyone who bought merchandise from Kittatinny Inc.

Membership - Tom Rahn reported for Shaun Baer. Tom reported that 188 brothers were at the September weekend, including 18 members who became Brotherhood members and 52 Ordeal candidates. Everyone is encouraged to come back next weekend.

Publications - Ben Trump congratulated all new Ordeal and Brotherhood members. Ben also thanked Steve Dibler and Glenn Piper for their work with the Wolf's Tale. If anyone has articles for the Wolf's Tale, they should send them to the email address listed in the back of our publication as fast as possible. All critical comments are welcome for the benefit of the Lodge.

Service - Andrew Hoffmaster thanked all of the crew chiefs for their service this September weekend. Andrew reported that a lot of work was accomplished over the weekend. Anyone interested in becoming a crew chief should contact Andrew for the April weekend.

Ordeal - Josh Abramowicz congratulated all new Ordeal and Brotherhood members. Josh thanked all of the elangomats who helped out during the September weekend. Anyone who is interested in becoming an Elangomat should give Josh a call.

Brotherhood - John Matern spoke on behalf of Mike Miller. John Congratulated all new Brotherhood members. There were eighteen new brotherhood members in total. Reminder, all new Ordeal members can become Brotherhood members ten months after the ordeal. John also explained that Brotherhood day is Saturday, November 4.

Vigil - Dusty Stitzer reported for Adam Kenderdine. Dusty reported that the November Vigil will be the night before Brotherhood Day. Dusty also welcomed all new members into our Lodge.

Health & Safety - Reported all injuries sustained over the September weekend.

Clans

Beaver - Charles Frankhouser welcomed all new Ordeal and Brotherhood members. The volleyball tournament, hosted by the Beaver clan, was eagerly won by the Snipe clan. The trophy will be awarded during Brotherhood Day.

Wild Potato - No report.

Snipe - Andy Lenart reported that the Snipe clan is always looking for new members. Andy proudly announced that the Snipe clan was victorious at the Volleyball Tournament.

Wolf - Jeremy Fisher congratulated all new members in the Lodge. The Wolf clan was also successful at gaining two new members over the September weekend. The Wolf clan has a raincoat in their possession which was left at the cracker-barrel.

Turtle - Joe Phillips reported for Rich Smutak. The Turtle clan is slowly growing, having signed seven new members over the weekend. The Turtle clan will be holding monthly meetings to learn more about the Native American Culture. Please contact the chairman if you are in the Turtle clan.

Adviser Reports

Lodge Advisor - Dick Keppler thanked all brothers that attended the executive meeting. Dick also urged all Lodge members in attendance to go back to their units and troops and encourage other Lodge members to attend the weekends. Dick also challenged the new Ordeal members to come back and see the weekend through different eyes in April.

Staff Advisor - JoAnne Schoffstall thanked everyone for their hard work, the camp appreciates all the service. JoAnne also brought up cabin cleaning and the clans volunteered themselves for each cabin. Just a reminder, the Lodge flap sets are becoming scarce, so if you haven't already, purchase a flap set as soon as you can.

Old Business

None

New Business

Steve Dibler talked about the dwindling supply of our current Lodge flap. If anyone is interested, the need for a new design is becoming great. Please bring your designs with you to the weekends and executive meetings.

Joe Buchert encouraged any member in the Lodge to attend the LLDC (Lodge Leadership Development Course). The presence of chairmen is required for Quality Lodge, an honor that is bestowed to our Lodge most frequently. The price to brothers attending the LLDC is nothing, what you gain from the LLDC is knowledge.

Good of the Order

Dick Keppler recognized Glenn Piper and Joe P for their outstanding service to the Lodge. Glenn, for his devoted service to publications and the website, and Joe for his dedication to membership.

Tom Rahn briefly discussed that budget requests for this year will be determined at the next Lodge executive meeting. If the committee you represent isn't using all of their budget, then there is a chance that it will be cut short. However, if your committee's budget is falling short, augmentations can be made but only if you show up to the meeting.

Joe Buchert expressed the need for brothers to park cars for a few hours for Tiger Day. The date of Tiger Day is October 14th, Zack Matz volunteered at the September executive meeting.

The Ranger is looking for any brother who would be willing to donate resources to the camp. More donations of time, labor, and equipment are all welcome additions for future weekends.

For the September weekend, Nevaeh was awarded to Publications for their hard work on Wolf's Tale. The past recipient of Nevaeh was the vigil committee.

The duty of cleaning up the camp was divided as follows:

- Steve Phillips volunteered to clean up Lake Lodge
- Ed Murray volunteered to clean up Hafer
- Seth Wolfinger volunteered to clean up Activities 1 and 2
- Randy Rowe and DuPorte were already in good condition and didn't require a set volunteer.
- The Beaver Clan volunteered to clean out the shower houses.
- The Snipe Clan volunteered to clean up the Dining Hall.

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Josh Abramowicz and seconded by Joe Phillips. The motion was carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chad Shade
2000-2001 Lodge Secretary