

**Kittatinny Lodge 5  
Lodge Quarterly Meeting Minutes  
September 19, 2004**

Meeting called to order by Ryan Gebely on September 19, 2004.

**Officers Reports**

Chief- Ryan Gebely thanked everyone for a good weekend, even though the weather did not cooperate. He encouraged everyone to utilize the Lodge website and the E-news.

Vice Chief of Administration- Jeremy Fisher complimented everyone on a great weekend and luau. He told everyone he had the bead box and everyone interested should see him after the meeting.

Vice Chief of Activities- John Fritz congratulated all new ordeal and brotherhood members and told all the committees that they all did a great job.

Treasurer- Richie Tylka asked everyone to review the budget. A motion to accept the budget was made by Jason Bingaman and seconded by Ed Valibus.

Secretary- Dan Althouse apologized for not having minutes for the last Executive Committee meeting, and asked that everyone please speak up so his recorder could pick up the sound to make writing the minutes easier.

**Committee Reports**

Activities- Ryan Gebely reported for Steve Phillips, and he complimented the committee for their hard work to make this weekend a great one, and that ideas for the spring weekends are welcome.

Brotherhood- Casey Miller reported that we got 20 new brotherhood members this weekend, and congratulated all new ordeal and brotherhood members.

Ceremonies- Kyle Balthaser reported that ceremonies went well this weekend, except for a small hitch Friday night. He is looking forward to winter ceremonies and looks forward to actually doing ceremonies outside in the spring.

CP&E- John Fritz reported for Mike Tellep that elections will be held early, and that anyone interested should call their district rep.

Circle- Pete Matthew reported that the circle needs work, and anyone interested should please contact him.

Conference/Conclave- Kevin Damatoe reported that Conclave '04 was great and that Conclave '05 will be held at Waopeu Sisilija lodge 343. Kevin encouraged everyone to call him with ideas for our Conclave in 2006, and to go to next year's. Ryan G also encouraged everyone to go to Conclave because it is a blast.

Health and Safety- Mike Krajewski reported a great 0 injuries for the weekend and congratulated all new ordeal and brotherhood members.

Kitchen- JJ Miller thanked the kitchen staff and everyone that helped him cook and prepare the food for the weekend.

Kitty Inc.- Jason Bingaman congratulated all new ordeal and brotherhood members and thanked every one who made purchases this weekend. Jason also announced that participation awards will be given to those who earned them in April.

Membership- Josh Nimmerichter congratulated all new ordeal and brotherhood members and thanked those who helped him stuff packets. Josh said that check-ins went smoothly, and reminded everyone to pay dues for 2005.

Ordeal- Ben Novinger congratulated all new ordeal and brotherhood members, and challenged all new Ordeal members to come back for their brotherhood. Ben announced that he will be holding an elangomat training, and that anyone interested should call Ben.

Publications- Ryan G read a note from Jon Teter thanking people for writing articles for Wolf's Tale, and that the due date for the next Wolf's Tale is approaching rapidly. He also asked that people interested in helping him to please contact Jon, because he needs help.

Service- Travis Bortz congratulated all new ordeal and brotherhood members, and said that a great deal of work still got done with the rain. He thanked all the crew chiefs and new members.

Vigil- Ryan G announced that the Vigil weekend is coming up in November.

Website- Everyone is encouraged to explore the lodge website and participate in the E-news program. Anyone interested in being chairman, contact Dave McKeown.

### **Clan Reports**

Wild Potatoes- Charles Andrews reported that he has been trying to contact his members unsuccessfully, and congratulated all new ordeal and brotherhood members.

### **Advisor Reports**

Lodge Advisor- George Shoop congratulated all new ordeal and brotherhood members as well as the officers on a great first weekend. George encouraged the website and E-news, and encouraged everyone to take the principles of the OA back to their troops. George also announced a conclave '06 planning meeting would be held after the quarterly meeting.

Associate Lodge Advisor- Roger Mory congratulated Ben Novinger, Kyle Balthaser, and Dan Althouse on their NLS training, and Greg Portner on his NLATS training. Roger also encouraged planning for our Conclave in 2006.  
Staff Advisor- Sally Trump thanked everyone for their service this weekend, and said that everyone should be proud to be part of Kittatinny Lodge 5.  
Supreme Chief of the Fire- Dick Bennett is doing much better, soon he will be seen at Lodge functions.

### **Old Business**

Jambo Flap- Ryan G showed the lodge flap for those attending the Jamboree (Red border) and those not attending (White border) designed by Jeremy Fisher and Dave McKeown. A motion to accept the flap was made by Kevin Damatoe and seconded by Peter Matthew.

No brotherhood day- There will be no brotherhood day, only the Vigil weekend. Not enough people came, and not enough work was done, so there will be no Brotherhood Day this year.

Lodge Picnic- We are looking for a date in late May for the Lodge Picnic. The dates and sign-ups will be sent out on the E-news.

Election of officers- Bob Cook pointed out that the Lodge had never made a motion to accept the new officers. Bob made the motion to accept the new officers, which was seconded by Greg Tutusko.

### **New Business**

Where to go Camping book- Ryan G spoke about the book and how great of a resource it is, and asked that everyone ask their troop to contribute to it by January 1, 2005.

Patch/T-Shirt Designs- Ryan G asked that anyone with any design for anything please share them. Kyle Balthaser presented a patch that could be used as a lodge flap. Ryan G announced that we will be voting on a new lodge flap this April. Sally Trump also asked that a new Kittatinny Award Patch be designed, because they are running out of designs. Ryan G said that we will also be voting on a new T-shirt design.

Leadership in Service Award- Ryan G read the requirements for the new L.S.A. The new L.S.A. idea of a 3-year program was shown. After the first year, the leader receives a ribbon that dangles from the chest pocket. For each of the next two years, he receives what looks like an Eagle palm to go on the ribbon. It is for adults and for youth.

### **Good of the Order**

Neveah- Neveah went to the Kitchen committee, and the membership card was added to it from May.

Clans- Mike Miller made a motion to abolish the clans, and after lots of discussion the motion was changed to abolish the clans, retire their names, and the rules that go along with them.