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THE EYES AND EARS OF KITTATINNY LODGE 5
HAWK MOUNTAIN COUNCIL 528, BSA



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LODGE CALENDAR

2006



- January 8**
Lodge Executive Committee Mtg
Council Service Center - 2:30 pm
- January 12**
CP&E/OA Troop Rep Presentation
Indian Run District Roundtable
- January 28**
Council of Chiefs
Columbia-Montour Council
Service Center - 1 pm
- February 5**
Lodge Executive Committee Mtg
Council Service Center - 2:00 pm
- March 1**
NOAC Lodge Reservations Due
- March 19**
Lodge Executive Committee Mtg
HMSR Sci-Tech Center - 2:00 pm
- March 31-April 2**
National Leadership Seminar /
National Lodge Adviser Training
Camp Alpine, Alpine, NJ
- April 1**
Council of Chiefs
H.M.S.R. - 1 pm
- April 21-23**
Ordeal/Service Weekend
Theme: Medieval
Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation
- May 19-21**
Ordeal/Service Weekend
Theme: Marti Gras
Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation
- May 31**
NOAC Final Payments
& Staff Fees Due
- June 2006**
2006 Section NE-4A Conclave
Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation
- July 29 - Aug 3, 2006**
NOAC - Michigan State University

Chief's Corner

Brothers,

Thanks to all of you who spend time in furthering the Order of the Arrow in our council. I know first hand how hard it can be to balance the many aspects of life, and how hard it can be to find time for programs like the OA. The truth is that many of us have sealed our bonds, but still do not follow through on the commitment that is. There are so many ways to get involved almost anyone can find something to do. We have weekends to plan, elections to run, and regalia to make. I hope all of our troops have taken care of planning elections, and if not please do so quickly, remember that the CP&E team representatives are people just like you, who have given their time for you, lets try and make everyone's job a little easier, please help out however you can..

Yours in Brotherhood,
Richie Tylka
Lodge Chief

The 2006 Olympics To Be Held At HMSR

Not really, but the Olympics is the theme for this year's conclave, and it is being held at HMSR. On June 9th, Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation will be flooded with nearly 500 people for NE-4A's annual conclave.

Now for those of you who don't know exactly what Conclave is, it is a big section gathering where seven lodges, which make up section NE-4A, get together for a weekend of fun, food, training, and celebration. It's basically a big OA weekend without all the manual labor. However, leading up to Conclave there is a lot of work to be done. We need everyone in the lodge to help out and get Hawk Mountain ready for this year's conclave.

Staff Applications are being accepted now and participant applications will soon be available (Ordeal members are strongly encouraged to be a part of the contingent and not necessarily be on staff). If you can't make it to conclave, or you are going as part of the contingent, your help at the service weekends will be greatly appreciated, there will be other service weekends in addition to the regularly scheduled April and May weekends. If you're interested in helping out contact Dick Keppler or Ryan Gebely.

Yours in the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service,
Josh Nimmerichter
Chairman of Administration, Conclave 06

Nominations Open for Annual Lodge Awards

FOUNDERS AWARD: The Founder's Award was created to honor and recognize those Arrowmen who have given outstanding service to the lodge.

The award is reserved for an Arrowman who demonstrates to his fellow Arrowmen that he memorializes in his everyday life the spirit of achievement as described by founder E. Urner Goodman. Use this form to nominate any Arrowman you feel is worthy of consideration for the award. Nominations can be submitted by any active lodge member. Please be as specific as possible when recommending an Arrowman. The more complete the information, the better consideration can be given. The Founder's Award Committee will only give consideration to Arrowmen nominated using this procedure.

CAMP SERVICE AWARD: The Camp Service Award is presented by Kittatinny Lodge 5. It is given to a youth member who renders outstanding service to the Lodge's summer camping program. In order to give due

consideration to all worthy lodge members, fill out a form, including all pertinent information.

SPIRIT AWARD: The Spirit Award is an honor that Kittatinny Lodge 5 bestows for service to the Lodge. It is a mark of distinction reserved for those Scouts or Scouters who, by reason of exceptional service, have made contributions beyond the immediate responsibilities of their position or office during the past year. This award is presented to any worthy member. In order to give due consideration to all worthy lodge members, fill out a form, including all pertinent information.

Deadline for the Founder's Award is Feb 15 so selections can be made and forwarded to the national Office. Deadline for the Camp Service Award and the Spirit Award is March 31.

Forms are available online at www.kittatinny5.org under Communications > Lodge Forms, or at the Council Service Center.

21st World Scout Jamboree "One World, One Promise"



The 21st World Scout Jamboree will be held from July 27 to August 8, 2007 at Hylands Park in Chelmsford, England. This is most appropriate, as it will commemorate the

100th Anniversary of the founding of the Scouting movement. The Jamboree will take place just to the north of London and encompass a variety of activities and events, such as World Village, The Gilwell Adventure, Global Development Village and a Community Actions Day. Participants from the United States contingent must be registered Scouts or Venturers between the ages of 14 and 17 years old on July 27, 2007. More specifically, the Scout or Venturer must have been born between July 28, 1989 and July 27, 1993. Age requirements are set by the World Scout Committee and are not negotiable.

Each BSA region selects leaders after the local council has approved the application. The estimated cost of the jamboree is \$4,975.00 per participant. Tour prices are subject to change based on the final transportation contract and participation. The Hawk Mountain Council has been allocated six (6) youth participant

spaces. Additional spaces will likely not be available. For more information and applications go to: www.scouting.org/international.

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Not Too Late for Unit Elections & Camp Promotion

It’s still not too late for you to schedule your troop’s Summer Camp Promotion and OA Unit Elections. This is a very important part of what the lodge does.

OA Troop Representatives should coordinate a date for the presentation with their Scoutmaster and their District Team Reps. Try to have as many troop members present on the date. Invite new parents to attend to learn more about what to expect at Summer Camp. District OA presenters can discuss Summer Camping at Hawk Mountain, or other High Adventure opportunities for both OA and non-OA members.

Sign up to hold your unit presentation now. Contact your respective District O.A. Rep found on the back page of Wolf’s Tale.



Attention All Cubmasters

It is new year! As always, your Webelos scouts will be taking steps to earn their Arrow of Light award. As a service of Kittatinny Lodge 5, we extend the opportunity for you to invite a ceremonies team to conduct your Arrow of Light presentation at your Blue and Gold Banquets .

To take advantage of this opportunity, please contact Kyle Balthaser at (610) 775-4119 if you are in the Berks County area. Contact Susan Zierle at (570) 678-9713 if you are in the Schuylkill County area.

If you are interested in this opportunity, be sure to contact one of us before January 31, 2006. No requests will be accepted after that date This is a change from last year - Please make note of it.

I look forward to another great year in Ceremonies!

Kyle Balthaser
Ceremonies Chairman

Join a Ceremonies Cross-Over Team

Are you a member wanting to get involved in the Ceremonies Team? A great opportunity exists -- Winter Ceremonies. Over the Winter and early Spring months, the ceremonies team travels to cub packs around the council to assist with cross-over ceremonies. There is nothing like the excited face of a Cub seeing you in native regalia and parents are thrilled to have the OA be a part of making their son's cross-over ceremony memorable. If you want to be a part of the cross-over team, give us a call:

Jon King (Northern Berks) at 610-916-2056

Alex Seidel (Southern Berks) at 610-921-3585.



Dues Are Now Past Due!

It is imperative that everyone in the lodge have dues paid as soon as possible. Since this article is being printed on the deadline for regular payment (Dec 31), dues are now \$11.50.

You now have until March to pay your dues without having to fill out the reinstatement form.

Please send all payments along with your name, address, and Lodge ID number (or the green postcard) to the council office immediately. Any questions can be submitted via e-mail to:

membership@kittatinny.org.

Yours in Service,
Josh Nimmerichter
Membership Chairman

Where To Go Camping Book Needs Your Input

Kittatinny Lodge 5 is in the process of updating it’s “Where To Go Camping” book, a guide for Scoutmasters. This resource is made available to Scout leaders to find new and different opportunities for camping within the unit, and is a requirement for National Honor Lodge. Promoting Scout Camping is one of the purposes of the Order of the Arrow.

This is a perfect job for your Troop O.A. Rep. Have him summarize where you’ve gone camping over the past few years and complete a web form for each place you’d like to add.

The form can be found on the lodge web site at: kittatinny5.org/committees/cpe/wtgcform.htm

For the Good of the Order ... At a Glance

- We need staff and participants for Conclave, June 9-11
- If anyone is interested in doing ceremonies or dance team contact Alex S. (Ceremonies Chairman)
- Dues are past Due, get them in A.S.A.P.
- We need new designs for patches, talk to any chairmen for more information
- If anyone is interested in becoming an Elangomat for the Ordeal Weekends, contact Kevin Damato (Ordeal Chairmen)
- April OA weekend theme is “Medieval”
- Attention all eligible Ordeal Members, don’t forget to go for your Brotherhood

Designs Wanted

Picture this; your very own patch, designed by you, being put in the ordeal packets and being sold by Kittatinny Inc. On January 8, 2006 the lodge is holding a lodge executive committee meeting (LECM). The meeting will be held at the Council Service Center, aka the Council Office, at 2:30pm. At the previous LECM, held in November, it was decided that, at the next meeting, we will be voting on a new patch.

It was also proposed to vote on a new t-shirt and hat design along with a new product, sweatshirts. If you can draw or think you have a good idea come to the meeting and present your ideas. If you can t make the meeting all ideas can be sent to the Council Service Center or forwarded to any LEC member.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Josh Nimmerichter
Membership Chairman



News from the Committees

If you are a committee chairman, you can have you article printed right here in the Wolf’s Tale. Submit articles or pictures for the January/February edition now. The deadline is ***February 1st, 2006.***

From The Kitchen

I hope that everyone has had and enjoyable holiday season. I want to wish everyone and their families a very happy new year and look forward to another great year.

So much time has gone by since I have been a member and I cant believe it's already the year I graduate! You know what they say, "time flies when you're having fun!" There is not much to report in these couple of months except that we are working hard on the kitchen plans for Conclave 2006, and hopefully we will be able to release those details to you soon.

I look forward to another great year working with all of you and also encourage you comments and suggestions for the kitchen. You can send them to me at kitchen@kittatinny5.org or call me using the number on the back of the Wolf’s Tail.

One last thing, congratulations to all the new Vigil Honor members of our lodge. Once again I look forward to another great year and I will see you in April.

JJ Miller
Wanita Wundsummen
Kitchen Chairman

Lodge Participation Awards

If you’ve been in the lodge a while, you may already know this, but if you are new, you may be missing out on earning various lodge awards available to you for everything from just showing up to performing outstanding service. Kittatinny Lodge offers two awards just for participating in Lodge and Unit activities.

The first is Lodge Beads. You see these beads presented at OA Weekends, Lodge Executive Meetings, and at training sessions. Beads hang from a leather thong on your left pocket, and beads of different colors represent your level of participation. You get one red bead for each activity attended. Trade in 3 reds for a yellow, 3 yellows for brown, 2 browns for a green, 2 green for a black, 2 black for a white. Other special beads are presented for training, and special activities. For a full description, go to kittatinny5.org/beadsystem.htm.

The second participation award of the lodge participation award. You can begin working on this award as soon as you become a lodge member. It is a four-part patch/pin set, it requires four years of active participation and completion of requirements to earn. Begin with the cloth patch, then each extra year earned, add a pin segment to complete the wolf head. For a full description, go to kittatinny5.org/participationaward.htm.



The Cold Winter Months

ideals of the Scout Oath and Law in our daily lives, about setting the positive example at all times, about being a friend to all, and about cheerfully serving others. It is about living by the three principles of the Order of the Arrow - Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service. These are what make the OA a strong organization. These are the things that truly count. These are the *Things of the Spirit*."

George Shoop
Pedhakquon Sisilija Lilenowagan

"Being an Arrowman is more than just wearing a white sash or going to lodge executive committee meetings or conclaves. While these too are important, it is about living up to the

While you are all out shoveling your sidewalks, your lodge's officers, advisers, and committee chairmen and members are busy planning the new year's events. "What events", you ask? Well, there are the three service weekends in April, May, and September. There are summer camp events such as Tuesday night Brotherhood ceremonies and Wednesday night callouts. There are monthly executive committee meetings and NOAC in July. But the largest event by far will be the upcoming section Conclave which will be hosted by your own Kittatinny Lodge 5 over the weekend of June 9-11 at Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation.

So, are you just going to sit there like the grass in your lawn - dormant? Look in Wolf's Tale for the chairman's name of a committee you would like to get involved with. Pick up the phone and call that person telling him that you want to help. You will be glad you did. It will be one of your most rewarding scouting experiences.

Greg Portner
Associate Lodge Adviser



*Lodge Chief, Richie
Tylka presents at the
Lodge Leadership
Development
Conference (LLDC)
held last fall at Hawk
Mountain Scout
Reservation.*

2006 NOAC Information Area Opens On The Web

The 2006 National Order of the Arrow Conference is coming to Michigan State University July 29 - August 3. This is the biggest OA event in the nation and it is quickly approaching. A brand new National Order of the Arrow Conference Information Area is now available on the National OA Web Site. Arrowmen, Contingent Leadership, Staff, Parents, and Professionals can find the resources they need to plan, promote, and register for NOAC 2006. Resources currently include videos, flash presentations, advertising flyers, posters, contingent leader resources, and staff information. The NOAC information area will be updated as new information becomes available, so check out the resources available now and come back as more become available.

NOTE: Kittatinny had 10 openings for NOAC participation as of December 20. If you are interested in attending, please forward form and deposit to Council as soon as possible.

The Guide reflects current policies concerning the organization and administration of the Order of the Arrow lodge. Topics covered include Lodge Organization and Program, Communications, Camping Promotion, Service, Membership Requirements, Unit Elections, OA Structure, Awards, and more. All lodge and chapter officers and advisers should have a copy. The current edition does not reflect changes announced in Operations Update 04-9 (Lodge Numbers), 05-3 (OA Membership Verification and OA LodgeMaster), 05-5 (Inductions), and 05-9 (Recognitions). The policy changes contained in these Operations Updates are in effect now and will be reflected in the next edition of the Guide. All future editions of the Guide will only be available through the website.

NOAC 2006 - MICHIGAN STATE

July 29–Aug 3, 2006

ESTIMATED COST: \$700.00

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CITY:	STATE: ZIP:
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<p style="text-align: center;">Interest Form Only !!!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">No fee is required at this time, however, a fee will be charged for both staff and delegates.</p>	

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APPROXIMATE TOTAL COST:	\$ 700.00	
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5027 Pottsville Pike, Reading, PA 19605

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If you have the internet, you can go to **www.kittatinny5.org** and submit a letter or article of interest to the publications committee ,electronically.

The deadline for contributions for the **March/ April** issue is **January 18th**, and can be mailed to:

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- E. Urner Goodman -



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Want your name here?
Contact Pete to become a member of the team!

Order of the Arrow Wilderness Voyage
Charles L. Sommers Canoe Base - Ely, MN

The Order of the Arrow Wilderness Voyage program is a fourteen-day experience at the Charles L. Sommers Canoe Base, part of the Northern Tier National High Adventure Bases, in Ely, Minnesota.

The OA Voyage program is inspired by the traditions of the French Voyageurs who ventured the northern wilderness during the 1700-1800's. Traveling thousands of miles by water and portage, these Voyageurs were hired to haul goods and furs to trade with Native Americans and Europeans. In the spirit of these adventurers, Arrowmen will embark on a voyage that is twofold.

One-half of the OA Northern Tier Wilderness Voyage focuses on portage trail and campsite maintenance within the Boundary Waters. The remaining expedition is spent on a canoeing adventure that is planned and chosen by the participants in the program.

The Order of the Arrow Wilderness Voyage program is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to experience the principles of Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service in action.

First, you must be older than 16 by the start date of the program, but under 21 for the entire duration of the trek. Secondly, you must be a member of both the Order of the Arrow and the Boy Scouts of America. Thirdly, you must complete a Class 3 Medical form and meet the Charles L. Sommers Height & Weight Guidelines. In addition, every participant must agree to abide by the Voyage Code of Conduct.

For more information, go to: <http://adventure.aa-bsa.org/index.php?p=voyage> or contact the Council Service Center.