WOLF'S TALE

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

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LODGE CALENDAR

2008

May Service Weekend
May 16—18
HMSR

Lodge Elections
May 18

Section Conclave
June 13—15

Farewell Feast
June 15

2008 Conclave News

Don't delay – Sign up today. Spots are filling fast and only a few remain. The conclave presented by Wunita Gokhos at Bashore Scout Reservation is shaping up to be a real adventure. Using Indiana Jones as a theme for Conclave, Wunita Gokhos has fun, food, games, training and special ceremonies planned to keep you entertained for the weekend of June 13th to 15th. We have received a pre-order form for patches and pins that is due May 15th and a parental release form for all scouts that may want to participate in the C.O.P.E. course during Conclave. These forms are available at the Council Service Center or by contacting Tony Damato, conclave adviser. Please keep in mind that a class 1 physical must be turned in with your Conclave Registration form at the time of payment. Anyone attending conclave that has special needs such as diet, sleeping arrangements or other needs must contact Tony Damato by May 12th. Plan now to join Jon Fritz and Kittatinny Lodge 5 in an exciting adventure with Wunita Gokhos lodge at the 2008 Conclave in nearby Jonestown, Pa.

It's OA Season!

The "OA season" is off to a great start so far with the April weekend under our belts, and we're gearing up for May. The April weekend went great, and we would like to thank everyone who came out to take part in cheerful service. I hope to see everyone again in May. Remember that the May weekend is going to feature a farm theme! So come to the weekend with your best boots and cowboy hats for some farming fun. There will be plenty of things for everyone to do. Get your registrations for May in as soon as you can to avoid the late fee. The dates are May 16-18th. Brotherhood conversions are another important part of the OA. If anyone is eligible to take their Brotherhood, you can do so at the May weekend, the September weekend, or any Tuesday during summer camp. It is a great experience, and the cost is $16. We hope to see a good turnout for conversions in May and over the summer.

Conclave is quickly approaching. This year Wunita Gokhos Lodge is hosting conclave at Camp Bashore. It is a weekend event with all seven lodges from our section (section NE-4A) are going to be attendance. There are all sorts of things to do at conclave. Some of these include a volleyball tournament, at'latl throwing, COPE course, climbing wall, and a ceremonies competition. Conclaves are a great time, if you are interested register quickly, slots are filling fast. The cost is $28 for the weekend. Pre-order forms for patches and other conclave merchandise are available. The weekend is being held from June 13-15th. The theme this year is: "The Adventure Continues", which is an Indiana Jones theme. It is promising to be a lot of fun this year, we encourage that you attend.

The summer is almost here! This year I am going to be the OA Summer Chieftain again, and I need some help. If any troops would like to sponsor cracker barrel on Wednesday evenings after the ceremony during your week of camp, please contact me. Sponsoring it means providing food and/or drinks for the cracker barrel. This is also a message to all the HMSR staffers out there, if you would like a ceremonies part please let me know. I have some spots filled already, but there are still plenty open. Summer of 2008 will also feature an addition to the OA program at camp. We will be having a forum for OA members. We would like to see what our members would like done with the lodge, and what the OA means to them, so please be ready with some ideas.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Kyle Dierolf
Wingolauchsik Tindey Topalwilenno
Vice-Chief of Administration

Hey Guys,

Now that one OA weekend is already finished, it's time to get as much done as we can before summer camp starts. I hope that we get to see you at the May weekend ready to get a lot done. Talk the weekend up in your home troops and get all Ordeal members to come back up for their Brotherhood conversion. It's getting to the end of the 2008 officers' year and we need new members to get active in all the committees. We can use new chairmen and guys to help each committee with anything they need to get done. Remember, without you being dedicated, camp would not be ready. Thanks for a great year and remember, "He who serves his fellows, is of all his fellows' greatest."

Kevin Damato
Wulangtowoagan Timmeu Mawachpo
Vice Chief of Activities

Chief's Corner

See you all at the May Weekend!

Hello Brothers,

Well, this is the last farewell from your Lodge Chief. It has been a wonderful two years and I enjoyed serving you as your Chief and I would like to thank you for electing me into this honorable position. I will truly miss all the rather exciting situations that have occurred in my two year term. I hope all of you remain active in the Lodge and continue to grow within the scouting elements. As always, have fun no matter what you do and always keep your scouting values close in mind.

Yours In Brotherhood,
Jon Fritz
Mechakghill Namees Elangomelwe
Lodge Chief

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Aloha Brohas,

As you all know our April service weekend has just passed and went fairly smoothly. At least I think it did, this article is actually being written in late March so I am kind of making a prediction/wish for our April weekend. I am sure everyone had a fantastic time as I know I am going to and that loads of got done. And all of it without one single ….. or maybe not. Don't want to jinx it.

Anyway, the health and safety committee does do more for the lodge than just sit in our cozy little corner and look pretty, although you have to admit we do a very nice job of doing just that. But seriously we are there for you guys. If you get hurt or don't feel well or just want to chat or **want to get trained in first aid and CPR** or have any concerns about your safety… don't be afraid to come to us! I get bored sitting in that lonesome, gloomy, dark, BUT VERY SAFE corner so stop on by and get to know me, the committee, the health, the safety, and maybe if you are lucky THE LEGENDARY PRYCE PARKER. The health and safety committee is always there for you at weekends if you ever need us for anything.

I guess I kind of walked myself into a corner with these health and safety tips of the issue so here it is. Drum roll please. The 2nd Bicentennial Celebratory Silver Edition Volume 23 semiannual Kittatinny Lodge 5 in Association with Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation Health and Safety tip is….. FIRST DEGREE BURNS!! As the sun begins to finally break us out of that frigid winter its time to slip on the bathing suit and lather on the sunscreen. First degree burn is the fancy medical term for sunburn, which is caused by the harmful ultraviolet rays given off by the sun which can cause skin cancer and other skin diseases if you leave yourself unprotected. The result of receiving a First Degree Burn is a cherry red coloring on the skin that is extremely sensitive and painful to touch. The best way to treat sunburn is to prevent it, always wear your sunscreen and it should have at LEAST SPF 15, but to be safe you should be using the SPF 30 or SPF 45. If you do get this annoyingly painful burn the best way to treat it is with Aloe, which comes from the Aloe plant and soothes the burning sensation. Usually you can find Aloe Vera or other products made specifically for soothing sunburn. Remember to have fun in the sun, but not until you've gotten lathered up in that sunscreen.

I hope you all enjoyed reading this article just as much as I enjoyed writing it and don't forget to give me a call or stop by to talk to me at a weekend if you are interested in being involved with the Health and Safety Committee because it is where , and I quote, "Heroes are made."

Yours in Safety,

Mike Wiencek
Health and Safety Chairman

CONCLAVE 2008

The adventure continues. Hot off the press, Kittatinny Lodge has been put on notice that plans have been finalized for the 2008 NE4A conclave, to be held at Bashore Scout Reservation June 13th to 15th. In this issue of the Wolf's Tale you will find a registration form for Conclave. A total of 40 delegate spots are available on a 1st come 1st served basis. Cost is $28.00 per delegate. Join us for a weekend of fun, fellowship and food at Bashore Scout Reservation, home of the Wunita Gokhos Lodge. The planned events are Volleyball & Horseshoe tournament, Dance & Ceremony competition, Cope, Water Balloon Launching, Atlatl Throwing & a Climbing wall. Meals include Pizza, Dogs, Burgers, French toast, Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Pancakes, Pulled Pork, Roast Beef, Cake and Ice Cream sundaes. Also available are various training opportunities to learn about OA Section and Region. Saturday Evening will bring an awesome campfire show designed to enhance the spirit of Scouting Service within us all, followed by a fellowship feast and a huge patch auction, Wunita Gokhos Lodge has planned a unique Conclave featuring an Indian Jones theme to coincide with the new movie: Indiana Jones & the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull. So crack that whip and get registered to join your Kittatinny Lodge Brothers from June 13th—15th at the 2008 NE4A Conclave.

Any Questions, Contact:
Chairman: Pete Secor
Advisor: Tony Damato

FAREWELL AND THANK YOU

This will be my last article as your Lodge Adviser. My two year term will end at the conclusion of our Section Conclave on June 15th when I turn the reigns over to the capable hands of Jim Buerger, our current Associate Lodge Adviser, and then move into the Associate Lodge Adviser position. What an honor and privilege it has been to serve the Lodge and what a great experience it has been; one that I will remember the rest of my days.

I have had the luxury of serving with only one Lodge Chief, Jon Fritz, during these past two years, which made my job much easier (I think!). As one can imagine, there have been many challenges for Jon along the way and he has stepped up to meet each and every one of them. He will be sorely missed by everyone in the Lodge (although I did hear a rumor that he will come back on service weekends disguised as a police officer). I wish him all the luck as he embarks on his new adventure.

The Lodge is all about teamwork and I would be remiss if I did not mention what a tremendous job the officers and committee chairmen have done. Coming up with weekend themes, menus, patch designs, projects, ceremonies, brotherhood hikes, activities, and conducting troop elections, just to name a few, is no easy task. It takes a concerted effort from everyone. Of course, behind every successful chairman, is an adult adviser. I want to thank all of those adults who stepped up to the plate when asked to serve as a committee adviser. They never lost sight of the fact that this is a youth run organization.

Last, but certainly not least, I cannot forget to thank Sally Trump for her patience in seeing me through all of the adult applications, forgiveness for the dozens of Coney Island hot dogs that she was forced to consume during her meetings with Jon and I (it will take her years to get her cholesterol level back to normal), and for always being on the other end of the phone when I needed her (she told me she will have caller I.D. soon, sorry Jim).

I continue to call on everyone to get and stay involved. In the Wolf's Tale, you will find a directory of all of the active committees, the names and phone numbers of both the chairmen and their advisers. Pick up the phone, call the chairman of a committee of your choice, and ask how you can get involved. You will be happy you did. Come to one of the three service weekends (April, May, or September), or all three for that matter; perform some cheerful service, eat lots of great food, and participate in lots of fun and fellowship. There is also the Conclave, the annual gathering of the lodges in our section. There are so many opportunities and experiences awaiting you. What a great time you will have.

There will be a lot of changes coming down the pike. We will be electing a new slate of officers in May. Also, our Section is being realigned and that will mean saying good bye to some old friends, and hello to new. In July, we will leave Section 4A to form Section 6B. Our section will be comprised of only five councils (and their respective lodges): Keystone (Susquehannock), Pa. Dutch (Wunita Gokhos), Hawk Mountain (Kittatinny), Chester Co. (Octoraro), and York-Adams Area (Tuckahoe). A smaller section will translate into more frequent rotations of Conclaves, so my call for increased membership participation becomes paramount.

I call on everyone to welcome Jim and the incoming executive committee to their new positions. I'm confident that they will be up to the task of continuing the fine tradition of our Lodge.

Yours in Service,

Greg Portner
Getteminak Mannachet
Lodge Adviser

News from the Committees

If you are a committee chairman, you can have your article printed right here in the Wolf's Tale. Submit articles or pictures for the January/February edition now. The deadline is ***June 8, 2008.***

ATTENTION ALL ARROWMEN!!!!
DID YOU KNOW???
MAY 16th, 17th, and 18th IS AN OA WEEKEND!!!!!!
I WANT YOU TO VOLUNTEER, COME TO CAMP, AND HAVE FUN!

I look forward to seeing all of your smiling faces on Friday May 16th, 2008 at sunny Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation to participate in one of the best OA Weekends ever! There is a lot to be done so camp is ready to rock and roll for another fun summer camp season and you are the people that make it happen. So grab those shovels and weed whackers and head to camp!

Remember, if you want to get involved call a chairman right now!! Numbers are on the back of this very Wolfs Tale! DONT SIT IN THE DARK!!

Your in Service
Daniel Kline
Kitatinny Lodge 5 Service Chairman

Hello Everyone,

I urge all lodge members to sign up for Kittatinny e-news. E-news allows the lodge to email you important dates, and events. These dates can be very important and include when your dues are due, or when the next OA weekend will be held. The website also offers many different links to pages related to other Scouting organizations. OA troop reps can also register online. The lodge's website is www.kittatinny5.org.

Yours in Brotherhood
Mike Beekman
Website Chairman

Hello Everybody,
Here is the latest news on Kitty Inc. and patches. If you go to www.kittatinny5.org and click on Kitty Inc., you will see that the pictures of our items are all new and updated. Also, you can find an online order form which you can print out and send to council (read the online directions). You will be able to visit us at any OA weekend and each week during summer camp after the Wednesday night call-out. so feel free to ask questions or even give some ideas of you want.
Other brand new items are coming VERY soon, so be ready!

Yours in Brotherhood,
Brant Portner
Kitty Inc. Chairman

2008 Nominating Committee Report

The Nominating committee presented the slate of officers for the 2008—2009 year to the general membership at the April 13th meeting of the Lodge. Election of officers will take place at the May 18th general membership meeting. The nominees are as follows:

Lodge Chief—Kyle Dierolf
Vice Chief of Administration—Phil Thomas
Vice Chief of Activities—Dan Kline
Secretary—Brian Kahl
Treasurer—Josh Seidel

According to Article V, paragraph C of our Lodge's By-Laws, "Additional nominations may be received no later then **15 days** prior to the election". Since elections will take place on May 18th, the **deadline** for submission of other nominations is **May 3rd**. Petitions (which can be found at kittatinny5.org under Lodge forms) will consist of the applicants personal information along with the signature of the Lodge Advisor and Scout Executive. The petition may list (1) chief, (2) vice-chiefs (as a cluster), and/or (1) secretary, and/or (1) treasurer. The petition must be addressed to the Lodge secretary and Staff Advisor, c/o Kittatinny Lodge #5, Order of the Arrow, Hawk Mountain Council, BSA, 5027 Pottsville Pike, Reading, PA 19605

ARROWCORPS 5
A HIGHER ADVENTURE

The Order of the Arrow has had a long-standing interest in coordinating a national service project, utilizing the infrastructure and leadership established over many years of success at the Boy Scouts of America's high adventure bases. Working closely together, the United States Forest Service and the OA have chosen five project sites, spread across America, that will be the focus of our combined efforts. ArrowCorps^5 (pronounced Arrow Corps Five) will provide a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for each participant to set an example of leadership in service to those who treasure our national forests.

Five thousand physically fit and able Arrowmen (determined by the "Philmont Weight Limits for Backpacking & Hiking"), made up of youth and adults, will participate. The national Order of the Arrow committee and key sponsors will fund the projects. Participants will pay a reasonable fee to help pay for accommodations, meals, and a full day of recreational activities during the projects.

*Estimated number of youth and adult participants planning to attend and percentage full (based on 800 participants per site). **Important: All sites will be filled on a first come, first served basis.**

Committee Interest Form

Please fill out your personal information then number the top four committees you would be interested in joining.

Name: _____

Lodge Member ID#: _____ _____ _____ _____

Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

Email: _____

__ Activities
__ Brotherhood (Must be at least Brotherhood)
__ Ceremonies
__ Camp Promotion & Elections
__ Circle
__ Kitchen
__ Kittatinny Inc.
__ Membership
__ Ordeal
__ Website
__ Service
__ Conference/ Conclave
__ Historian
__ Vigil (Must be Vigil)

Sign up for Kittatinny E-News at: Kittatinny5.org

CONCLAVE 2008

June 13th-15th
Camp Bashore

Name: _____

Lodge Member ID #: ____ ____ ____ ____

Phone #: (_____) _____ _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **ZIP:** _____

Email: _____ ( )Adult ( )Youth

FEE: $28.00

This form and a Class 1 medical form must be filled out and sent in by *MAY 12, 2008*

Mail Completed forms, and fee to:

Kittatinny Lodge 5
Hawk Mountain Council, BSA
5027 Pottsville Pike
Reading, PA 19605

May 16-18, 2008
OA WEEKEND REGISTRATION

*** Please Print Clearly - Make sure your dues are paid before registering ***

***MAY 9th* IS THE FINAL DATE YOUR REGISTRATION WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE COUNCIL OFFICE. PLAN ACCORDINGLY !**

Name: _____

Lodge Member ID#: _____ _____ _____ _____

Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

Ordeal members with 10 months in the lodge are eligible for Brotherhood conversion. Check the appropriate fee and indicate the total amount included. Please use one form per each member. Forms must be received in office on or before indicated date. Additional forms may be obtained at the council office or the Kittatinny Web Site. Thank you.

FEES:

[ ] $20.00 - Late Fee (Received after May 9, 2008)

[ ] $15.00 - Regular Fee (Received before May 9, 2008)

[ ] $10.00 - Partial Weekend - 2 meals (Received before May 9, 2008)

[ ] $16.00 - Additional Brotherhood Testing Fee *ONLY* for eligible Ordeal Members

TOTAL ENCLOSED $_____

Mail fee, envelope, and completed form to:
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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 July/ August issue is **June 8th,** and can be mailed to:

PHIL THOMAS
229 MINE RD.
OLEY, PA 19547

Or E-Mail to:
Phil102389@aol.com
(Subject Box: WT ARTICLE)

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"You were selected as pacesetters in cheerful service."

- E. Urner Goodman -

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Wolf's Tale Staff

Phil Thomas - Secretary

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

High Adventure With the National OA

Have you ever seen the Northern Lights or portaged a canoe? If not, then the Order of the Arrow has the opportunity for you to participate in the OA Voyage Program at Northern Tier Canoe Base in Ely, Minnesota.

Since 1999, the Order of the Arrow has provided Arrowmen between the ages of 16 and 21, the opportunity to explore and service the Boundary Waters and some of the most pristine wildlife seen by few. Even if you have portaged a canoe or participated in the program previously, there are other opportunities available to you.

All participants in the program are placed into crews that will service a portage trail for one week as it is imperative as members of the Boy Scouts of America to leave things better than we found them.

After learning how to use a variety of tools and how to effectively perform a "J-stroke," you and your crew will design your very own trek. These treks are unique in that many of them are longer and travel to un-chartered territory than the normal crews that leave the base.

Not very many people whom you go to school with or work with can say that they have paddled 185 miles by canoe to International Falls or portaged the final 4 miles that leads to Lake Superior.

These examples are experiences that will live with those crew members, who made some of the Voyage's memorable journeys. Experiences are what shape the people we will become in the future. Sign up today for a journey, you will surely not regret.

For more information about this program or any of the Order of the Arrow's High Adventure programs, please visit Adventure.oa-bsa.org or talk to your lodge chief. Don't miss out on the opportunity of a lifetime and try something new. Discover the hidden gem of the BSA, discover the OA Voyage at Northern Tier!