



# WOLF'S TALE

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



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## LODGE CALENDAR

## Chief's Message

2009



**September OA  
Weekend  
September 18-20**

**LLD  
October 3rd**

**Cub Adventure Day  
October 24 and 31**

**Vigil Weekend  
October 24-25**

## THE SUMMER IN REVIEW

This was a particularly busy summer for Kittatinny Lodge 5. After two great spring weekends our summer really began. Our OA programs ran very well all summer long. I would like to thank Phil Thomas for representing the lodge well at the Indian Village and all of those who helped out with the various OA programs that we offer at summer camp. I hope that everyone noticed the presence that the lodge had at camp.

Conclave went great back in June. Octararo Lodge 22 of Chester County Council did an excellent job hosting this year's conclave. The theme of "Test the Bow, Accept the Arrow" allowed us all to look back at the messages of the pre-ordeal and ordeal ceremonies. Everyone who attended had a great time. Our ceremonies team did well; please congratulate them on a job well done. We also elected our new section officers. Check [www.ne6b.org](http://www.ne6b.org) for bios and contact information.

Most recently our 26 person contingent attended the National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) at Indiana University. This week long event was one of the best experiences I have had in scouting. NOAC was filled with top quality training sessions, patch trading, sports competitions, ceremonies, and all sorts of other activities. We even found out what a Hodag was. NOAC presented numerous opportunities to Arrowman. It also allowed us to see the many opportunities that one can take advantage of in the OA. I had the privilege of attending various luncheons and even had the chance to sit with one of George W. Bush's former undersecretaries during his administration. This was simply the icing on the cake as I was able to share in a week of fellowship with my fellow Arrowmen. The "Power of One" theme was very powerful. It showed us how the dreams, ideas, and dedication of one person can change the world. I would like to extend a very large thank you on behalf of the lodge to our contingent leader Mike Barner. We would have never made it without you!

Make sure you check the lodge calendar for upcoming events. We have the September Service weekend from September 18-20. If you plan on attending please register by September 11. The fee is \$20 if you register on time, and \$25 if registered after the 11th. Please send them in early. Brotherhood reviews will be available for a fee of \$18. This pays for a new sash, pin, and card. Please take your Brotherhood if you are eligible. We will also be hosting our annual Lodge Leadership Development course on October 3rd. This is an excellent way of improving leadership skills and learning more about the lodge. We highly encourage that everyone attend if you are able. All chairman and officers must attend. The fee is...FREE! Please just fill out the attendance form if you plan on coming. As always, keep in mind the ideals of scouting each and every day.

Yours in Cheerful Service,

Kyle Dierolf  
Lodge Chief

Dear Brothers,

I along with 25 other brothers from our lodge recently returned from NOAC at Indiana University. It was truly an amazing experience. From the great training cells, to the shows, to the competitions, there was never a dull moment. I encourage all brothers in our lodge to attempt to visit a NOAC in the future, if for nothing else than to witness the truly amazing sight of more than 5,000 arrowmen singing the "Song of the Order" as well as "Don't Stop Believing". I am really looking forward to this lodge year, and hope to serve you all well as Vice Chief 2. There are many opportunities to cheerfully serve this year, some of which include our 3 service weekends as well as the Cub Adventure days in October. Remember that Cub Scouting is the future of the lodge and that providing a great program to Cub Scouts is a great way to learn leadership and preserve the future of the lodge. I hope to see you all at the September Weekend.

Yours In Brotherhood,  
Gordon Stock  
Vice Chief of Activities

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### 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 November/December edition now.

The deadline is October 1st.



A special thanks to Mike Barner for putting so much work into NOAC preparations and being a great contingent leader!



To all Ordeal members,

As you may know the achievement of your Brotherhood is the next step up in the Order of the Arrow. I encourage all of you to take this challenge and show your know-ledge of the OA. Strengthen your bonds among your brothers and your involvement in the Lodge. When can you take it? Brotherhood conversions are offered at all three weekends; September, April, and May. Another time is every week during summer camp. If you don't know what you need to be eligible here's the list; first it has to be 10 months after your Ordeal and second your dues must be paid. I hope to see a large number of you at our September Service weekend and may your journey be safe.

Robert Stricek  
Brotherhood Chairmen

Hola Hijos,

It looks like our summer camp season has quickly drawn to a close and of course it has brought a tear or two to everyone's eyes. Luckily, we now have the off season to make Hawk Mountain even better! This year I challenge everyone to make the extra effort to attend as many Kittatinny events as possible. In my travels this summer I have had the pleasure of visiting a few different lodges and witnessed how they are run and their ceremonies. I even was lucky enough to attend the NE-5A conclave at Resica Falls. I must say as amazing as all of those lodges were, none of them even came close to comparing to the great Kittatinny 5. Take pride in your lodge and make sure to give it your all this summer. Remember, the only difference between ordinary and extraordinary... is that little extra.

Yours in Safety,

Mike Wiencek  
Health and Safety Chairman

### Attention all Scouts and Unit Leaders

If your troop does not have an OA troop representative, please make sure you select an individual to become the OA rep. This is important for increased communication between the lodge and your troop. Please have your OA representative contact Cory Kercher at 610)-856-1273 to get information and unify communication between your troop and our lodge. Thank you very much.

Hi Guys,

My name is Dan Capitella and I am the new membership chairman. I am looking forward to working with all our brothers in this upcoming year. If anyone is interested in helping with the membership committee talk to me at any point. I am very excited to work with the new version of Lodgemaster, just released at NOAC this year, the premier lodge management software. I would also like to encourage all ordeal members eligible, to take their Brotherhood at the September weekend. I Hope everyone had a fun summer camp season.

Yours in Service,

Dan Capitella  
Membership Chairman

### Secretary's Note

Dear Arrowmen,

I would first like to introduce myself. I am Brant Portner, the new Secretary of Kittatinny lodge 5. I will be putting together the Wolf's Tale and the executive committee meeting minuets. If anyone has any questions or comments, please talk to me at any Kittatinny 5 event. I want to encourage all arrowmen reading this to read all the other chairmen's articles because they all have important information and advice that you should be aware of. I also encourage all arrowmen to become more active in our lodge, even if it is attending one of the weekends a year instead of none. The Kittatinny 5 NOAC 2009 contingent and I just got back from NOAC at Indiana University and I can tell you that it was one of the best experiences in my scouting career, so get active and have fun.

### ATTENTION!

September is coming up fast so get ready for September weekend which is the 18th to the 22nd. The theme is the 100th Anniversary of scouting! So feel free to bring any old Boy Scout items to the weekend!

### CEREMONIES

If anyone is interested in helping out with ceremonies please contact Patrick Pomian via the information on the back of Wolf's Tale or see him at the OA weekend.

Thanks!

Your Missing Article  
Can  
Appear  
Here



## Kitty Inc.

85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary flap- \$3.00

Hat pin- \$3.00



Lodge Shirt- \$10.00 (S, M, L, and XL.) \$12.00 (XXL., XXXL.)

## CALLING ALL TROOPS! GET AN OA REP!!!!

Get an Order of the Arrow Troop Representative!! What is an OA troop rep? An OA troop rep is the liaison between a Boy Scout troop and the OA of course!! There is now an entire committee in Kittatinny Lodge 5 dedicated to bringing up Troop OA reps! There is also a national website devoted to the subject!!! Your troop needs an OA rep!!!! It will help bring news about the OA to the troop and make the OA news links more efficient!!!

Kittatinny Lodge 5 has a new OA Troop/Team Rep Committee dedicated to bringing together all the OA reps in council under the wing of district OA rep chairmen (like myself) and become supervised by an overall chairman. The overall chairman for the troop /team rep committee is Cory Kercher. His job is to coordinate with his district chairman and bring training to these chairmen so they can pass it on to individual troop reps.

What is the role of an OA troop rep? Well BSA National has an entire website on the subject! [www.oa-bsa.org/programs/ttr/index/.php](http://www.oa-bsa.org/programs/ttr/index/.php), this website has all sorts of information on what it means to be a troop/team OA rep!!! According to the website, these are the duties of an OA troop representative: The Order of the Arrow Troop Representative is a youth liaison serving between the local OA lodge or chapter and his troop. In his unit, he helps meet the needs of the unit and will serve as a communication and programmatic link to and from Arrowmen, adult leaders and Scouts who are not presently members of the Order. He will do this in a fashion that strengthens the mission of the lodge, purpose of the Order and the mission of the Boy Scouts of America. By setting a good example, he will enhance the image of the Order as a service arm to his unit.

### OATroop Representative Duties are:

- Serves as a communication link between the lodge or chapter and the troop.
- Encourages year round and resident camping in the troop.
- Encourages older scout participation in high adventure programs.
- Encourages scouts to actively participate in community service projects.
- Assists with leadership skills training in the troop.
- Encourages Arrowmen to assume leadership positions in the troop.
- Encourages Arrowmen in the troop to be active participants in the lodge and/or chapter activities and to seal their membership in the Order by becoming Brotherhood members.
- Sets a good example.
- Enthusiastically wears the Scout uniform correctly.
- Lives by the Scout Oath, Scout law and OA Obligation.
- Shows scout spirit.

### Qualifications:

- Under 18 years old
- Appointed by SPL with Scoutmaster approval
- OA Member in good standing

Mike Lado  
Black Rock Troop/Team Rep

## Lodge Memories:

### NOAC 2009

Wow! What an event! Now that the NOAC contingent has returned home from Indiana we all wish we could return (and trade patches). This NOAC was many of our first NOACs and here are some things we did at NOAC and along the way:

- We Stopped at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
- Broke the Guinness World Record for world's largest kazoo band
- Met arrowmen from all over the world
- Saw about 7,000 arrowmen
- Traded all kinds of neat patches
- Attended a "hodag"
- Ate lots of great food
- Played other regions in dodge ball, and lots more!!
- And lots, lots more!

## NOAC Pictures



The nightly NOAC show



Lots and lots of patches!



Kittatinny 5-before the dodge ball game

# LODGE LEADERSHIP DIRECTORY

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## October 3, 2009

### LLD REGISTRATION

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

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge Member ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Troop #; \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a troop rep.? Yes\_\_ No\_\_

Youth\_\_ Adult\_\_

There is no fee.

This form is due by September 28. The training will be at:

Willits Dining Hall at 9:00 AM.

Mail envelope and completed form to:

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

## September 18-20, 2009

### OA WEEKEND REGISTRATION

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

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge Member ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

*Ordeal members with 10 months in the lodge are eligible for Brotherhood testing. 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:**

[ ] \$25.00 - Late Fee (Received after September 11, 2009)

[ ] \$20.00 - Regular Fee (Received before September 11, 2009)

[ ] \$15.00 - Partial Weekend - 2 meals (Received before September 11, 2009)

[ ] \$18.00 - Additional Brotherhood Testing Fee \*ONLY\* for eligible Ordeal Members

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Mail fee, envelope, and completed form to:  
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