

WOLF'S TALE

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



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CHIEF'S MESSAGE

Brothers,

Now that the winter months are over, it is my hope that the spark of cheerful service has again awakened in all of you. By the time you read this article the April weekend will have come and gone and I'm sure that we will have accomplished a great to deal to help out the camp. For those of you who didn't get the chance to help out at the weekend, try to make it in May so that you can take part in the fun and fellowship of the weekend while we help out the camp.

With my term coming to an end I've been reflecting on the past years that I've spent in service to the lodge. This is not only an end to my term, but an end to my being a youth in the OA. With that change coming I am beginning to realize the great experiences I have been fortunate enough to partake in while being a youth in the OA. I say it every summer when I do visitations to troops, "The OA has allowed me to grow and experience things that no other program can possibly offer." To those of you who haven't given the OA a good chance yet, I encourage you to come to the May weekend. Don't be shy ... and if you want know anything, find me and I'll be happy to talk with you.

I'd just like to close by saying again that if there is anything the officers can help you with, feel free to contact us. I look forward to seeing all of you at the weekend.

Yours in Service, Joe Buchert Lodge Chief Sachgagumen Tschiqui



CHENNILE TO RAISE FUNDS FOR CAMPFIRE CIRCLE IMPROVEMENTS

At the April OA Exec Meeting, members decided to issue a special chenille to help raise funds for improvements to the camp's main campfire arena on the far side of the lake. The years have taken their toll on the benches there and many will need to be replaced, and possibly some new ones installed. This is just one of the many ways the OA helps maintain the camping facilities at Hawk Mountain. There will be only one run of this special issue chenille, so order early! Each will cost \$25.00. Order forms are available online and at the council service center.

IT'S ELECTION TIME AGAIN!

No, not the kind of election you have to go to the polls for to decide how your taxes will be spent ... the kind to elect new officers for the Lodge for 2001-2002 and to decide how your lodge will be run in the next year. Is that important? It sure is!

To the right is a list of the proposed slate of officers for this coming year. The OA Executive Committee has proposed them based on their desire, willingness, and their proven ability to lead. Where do leaders come from? They come from members like yourself who take an active interest in the program and mission of the lodge. On page three you will find an article outlining what makes a Quality Lodge. But a quality lodge does not just happen. It requires planning, scheduling, motivating committee chairmen and advisers, putting members into action, and setting an example of strong leadership.

Please take some time to consider why you are in the Order, and what you want our lodge to be doing when you vote at the May weekend. Get to know the officers and ask questions. Take an ACTIVE role in the lodge and help serve on a committee. Make a plan for adding cheerful service in your life, not only on OA weekends, but also in your Scout unit, your school, and your home.

Yes, we have a lot of fun when we get together on OA weekends, but remember our purpose for being here. And when the election is over, stand behind your obligation and support those whom you elected by doing your part to make them and the lodge successful.

A MESSAGE FROM THE LODGE ADVISOR

I personally wanted to thank everyone who participated in the April Weekend and hope to see you at the May Weekend.

I hope all Ordeal members that are eligible for Brotherhood are thinking about becoming a Brotherhood member this year. Make it a point to come out to one of the weekends and meet with one of our Brotherhood counselors. We want to make the quota of Brotherhood conversions this year without struggling.

Thanks to our youth and adults for everything you do for the Lodge.

Yours in Fellowship, Dick Keppler Lodge Advisor

PROPOSED 2001-2002 SLATE OF OFFICERS

ChiefJon Trump

V.C. Admin Ben Trump

V.C. Activities . . . Mike Miller

Secretary Bob Cook

Treasurer Sean Baer

CHAIRMAN REPORT

This Issue: Ordeal

Brothers,

As you might have heard, the Ordeal committee will soon host an Elangomat Fellowship! Fun, food, and fellowship for free! We'll be doing it the Sunday of the May Service weekend (May 20nd) From noon to 4 p.m. at the Cub Dining Hall. Along with the food and fellowship, there will be training games and presentations on the Ordeal and how we conduct it, the Lodge's role in the Ordeal, and the Extended Elangomat System which the lodge hopes to put into effect April. All are welcome. Not just those who wish to be Elangomat can come. We also would like to answer any questions anyone has on the Ordeal, and help us all to come to a deeper understanding of the principles and meanings of the Ordeal. So come on down on Sunday and join the fun! (For more information, see the ad on the back page.)

Yours Sincerely, Josh Abramowicz Ordeal Chairman

PROMOTE CAMPING IN YOUR UNIT

One of the main purposes of the OA is to promote Scout camping. One way we do this is by conducting Council Camp promotions in your units, but there is an even better way to promote Scout camping, and you can make it Encourage your troop to attend happen. Summer Camp if you are not doing already doing so. Actively promote the National High Adventure programs as a way to put your Scout skills to the test (not to mention having some great memories to last a lifetime). But an even simpler way is get your unit out in the woods. Does your unit have at least one outdoor activity a month? Sure, everyone things about Summer Camp, but camping is a year-round When your unit does it's annual planning, make sure you get your say, and make sure camping is a part of your program. It's your duty as an Arrowman.



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From the Desk of...FLOW REBMIT

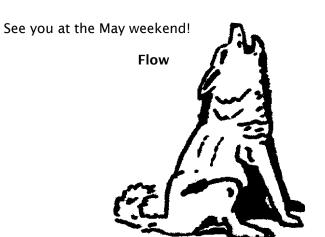
Hi! It sure felt good to come out of my den after a long and confusing winter. Snow, rain, thunder, lightning, warm sunshine, hail, sleet, and high winds all added to the season. Sometimes that was all in the same day.

Camp for the April weekend was great! It felt good to walk around and see all the service and fellowship. Walking around made me realize how soft and tender my paw pads had become over the off-season. The soreness is going away and I'm sure they'll be tough enough to join the dancers after the first Friday night campfire this summer.

The patch and memorabilia displays were awesome at April. I never realized so much embroidered material existed. WOW!

Nevaeh looked good and I liked the cool addition from the publications committee. (If you don't know what Nevaeh is-maybe you need to come to the May weekend)

The service we do at camp will be greatly appreciated by the Camp Staff and campers this summer. It is amazing how much we can get done when we don't care who gets the credit.



FAREWELL FROM THE ASSOCIATE LODGE ADVISOR

Since my time as Associate Adviser, Lodge Adviser, and then Associate Adviser once more, is drawing to an end, I would chance to thank you my brothers, of Kittatinny Lodge 5, for the opportunity to serve you in many capacities. I would like to thank each and every Committee Chairman, and their Advisers for the hard work and dedication you have given to Lodge 5.

Thanks to the Lodge Chief's and executive officers that I worked with, sometimes on a daily basis for their hard work and dedication to Lodge 5. But especially to the Staff Advisers Mike and JoAnne, and Former Lodge Advisers Mike, Barry, Joe to whom I could turn to for help and or advice with a problem. You will never know how much easier you all made my job. The past three and one half years seemed to fly by in one respect, but in another it seemed to take forever. Again, thank you for the opportunity to serve you and Kittatinny Lodge 5, as it's Adviser, and I know we will continue to serve and support the new Lodge Officers and Advisers.

Yours in the Wimachtendienk, Harry W. Hatt Associate Lodge Adviser

WHAT EXACTLY DO THEY DO?

An Overview of A Position In the OA: This issue- Associative Lodge Advisor

Recently Ben Trump and I were traveling to or from one of the Lodge's Executive Committee Meetings, and we were discussing the tenure of the Lodge Adviser and or Associate Lodge Adviser.

He asked me why I had become the Associate Lodge Advisor. And I explained to him why. The position of Lodge Advisor is actually, in a way, a four-year position. You first start out as Associate Lodge Advisor, in which you basically learn the tricks of the trade, from the current Lodge Advisor. Then, once a year is up, you take their place. You then remain the Lodge Advisor for a full two years, one to learn your job better, and a second to teach someone else. Then, after the second year you step down to allow the Associate Lodge Advisor to take full Advisorship, and teach and help them to do their best.

I myself started this avenue of leadership within the Lodge as the Associate Lodge Adviser and lasted for one year. This position was with Mike Barner who was the Lodge Adviser at the time. As the Associate Lodge Adviser it served as a training period where I got to learn the everyday operations of the Lodge, working with the Lodge Officers, and the different Committee Advisers.

At the end of this first year, Mike and I switched positions. He moved down to the Associate Adviser's position and I moved up to the position of Lodge Adviser. Mike's position was to serve as a counselor to whom I could turn to for advice and help with problems. I continued to work with the Lodge Officers, as well as the Committee advisers, taking care of the every day operations of the Lodge.

The third year I continued to serve as the Lodge Adviser, working with the Lodge Officers and Committee Advisers on the every day operations of the Lodge. This year Dick Keppler was named as the new Associate Lodge Adviser, and just as mine had been two years ago with Mike Barner it was my responsibility to introduce Dick to the operations of the Lodge.

My fourth year I reversed positions with Dick, he became the Lodge Adviser and I became the Associate Adviser. Dick worked more closely with the Lodge Officers and Committee Advisers while I was just there as a consultant if he would encounter a problem or need some advice.

Yours in the Wimachtendienk, Harry Hatt Associate Lodge Adviser

BROTHERHOOD TEST?... HOW ABOUT A BROTHERHOOD HIKE INSTEAD?

MESSAGE FROM BROTHERHOOD COMMITTEE

Dear Brothers,

The Brotherhood committee is proud to say that the new brotherhood hike is under trial. The hike takes the questions of the test and mixes it together with reflections and a walk through the woods. This will hopefully take the stress off the word "test" and make it a more enjoyable and memorable experience. Since much time and effort has gone into this, we invite all ordeal members who are eligible for brotherhood to come and take your brotherhood hike and tell us what you think. I would like to thank anyone who assisted in getting this project off the ground, especially Steve Dibler, Francis Flexer and Dr. Dwight Davis. Without your help this project would still be a dream.

Yours in Brotherhood, Mike Miller Brotherhood Chairman

FROM THE VICE CHIEF OF ADMINISTRATION

My Brothers,

I'd like to highlight an interesting program that is being developed by the Brotherhood Committee. The Brotherhood Committee is working on an innovative new Brotherhood conversion tool known as the Brotherhood Hike. In the past, to achieve the Brotherhood Honor in the lodge you had to undergo a Brotherhood "test." Although it wasn't a pass/fail test, many people were apprehensive about taking such a test because they were afraid of the test itself. This probably made many people shy away from becoming Brotherhood members.

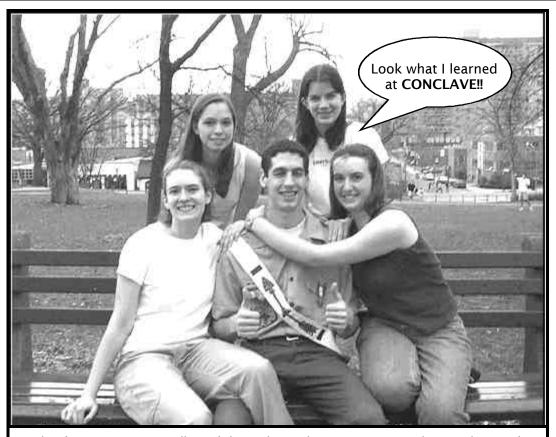
The Brotherhood Hike is designed to be a reflective experience rather than a test. The vision behind the hike is that a Brotherhood candidate will take a short hike with a Brotherhood member. Along the way, the guide and the candidate will have an informal chat about what the Ordeal meant to them, how they've been serving their unit and scouting, and what they wish to do in the future. The atmosphere for the hike is much more informal than a brotherhood test, and the Brotherhood committee hopes that it will encourage more people to become Brotherhood members. Although the Brotherhood Hike is a more casual

experience, the Brotherhood candidate is still expected to make efforts to become familiar with the traditions of the Order and the customs of the lodge that were required for the old Brotherhood test.

By the time this article reaches you, the Brotherhood committee will have tried a pilot version of Brotherhood Hike at the April weekend with a few Brothers. However, this program is NOT in its final stages yet and I'm sure it can only improve with time. However, I wanted to share it with the lodge to recognize the efforts of the Brotherhood Committee as well as get the word out that a new path to Brotherhood membership is available.

The Brotherhood Hike is a fine example of what we can do as a lodge when we put our minds and resources together to improve our program. I hope every other committee is taking similar steps to improve their committees and program to make our lodge work better!

Yours in WWW, Steve Dibler Vice Chief of Activities



Editor's Note: No, you really can't learn this at the OA Section Conclave, and we can't guarantee your popularity as a result of attending either, but could it hurt?

This message brought to you by the Conference/Conclave Committee. Are you going to Conclave?

LODGE CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

May 18-20 May Weekend H.M.S.R.

May 22 **Elangomat Training**

H.M.S.R.

H.M.S.R.

lune 8-10 **Section Conclave** Camp Mack

Sept. 18-20 Sept. Weekend



Did you Know . . . What is a Quality Lodge ?

To qualify as a National Quality Lodge, the lodge must renew its 2002 charter on time with appropriate fees, achieve items 1 through 10 below, and achieve four of the remaining items during 2001.

- 1. Show positive growth in its membership.
- 2. Induct a minimum of 30% of its eligible Ordeal members into the Brotherhood.
- 3. Conduct one or more Lodge Leadership Development (LLD) courses attended by a minimum of 75% of the lodge members eligible.
- 4. Completed a service project for: (a) a council camp or the council service center, and (b) an approved council wide service project or a council-approved community service project.
- 5. After contacting each troop and team in the council, conduct elections in every unit desiring an election.
- 6. Contact all troops and teams in the council concerning the implementation of the Order of the Arrow Troop/Team Representative program.
- 7. The Key 3 reviewed the Order of the Arrow's

- Strategic Plan to identify ways for the lodge to provide greater service to the council and the community and meet with the Scout executive and members of the council executive board to identify ways for the lodge to be more effective in cooperating and coordinating with other council programs and events.
- 8. The lodge leadership actively participated in the development and implementation of the council's plan for the promotion of the council camping, high-adventure, and other outdoor programs. Working closely with district and council leadership, the lodge camping promotion committee planned and conducted promotional visits to a minimum of 75% of the troops and teams in the council as of June 30, 2001.
- 9. The lodge contributed cash, materials, or both to the council in an amount equal to at least \$2.00 per lodge member.
- 10. Lodge activities and events were scheduled and evaluated as part of the council's annual program plan, and the lodge calendar permitted lodge members to actively participate in and support troop, team, district, and council activities, events, and programs

- 11. In addition to contributions made in item 9, make a minimum contribution of \$1000.00 to the council's endowment fund.
- 12. Publish a current Where to Go Camping pamphlet, updated within the last four years.
- 13. Conducted an appropriate number of Ordeal and Brotherhood ceremonies.
- 14. The lodge Key 3 met at least six times during the year to discuss the progress of the lodge.
- 15. Submitted a written annual report to the council executive board.
- 16. A minimum of two youth members attended a National Leadership Seminar and a section conclave within the last two years.
- 17. Establish and maintain a council-approved presence on the Internet, or participated in and helped maintain the council's Web page.
- 18. Produce and distributed a minimum of four newsletters to its members and contributed articles to the council's newsletter.

MAY 18-20 - OA Weekend Registration

*** Kittatinny Lodge Member Registration Form *** *** Please Print Clearly - Dues Payment form on opposite side *** Name:

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: [] \$10.00 - Before May 4 Full Weekend

[] \$ 6.00 - Before APRIL 4 Partial (2 meals)

[] \$15.00 - After APRIL 4 Full or Partial Weekend

[] \$14.00 - Additional Brotherhood Testing Fee

ONLY for eligible Ordeal Members

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$_____

Mail fee, envelope, and completed form to:

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

> REGISTRATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER MAY 11, 2001 - NO WALK INS

JUNE 8-10 - Conclave Registration

NE-4a 2001 Conclave, June 8, 9, 10. At J. Edward Mack Scout Reservation. Held by Wunita Gokhos Lodge 39 Of Pennsylvania Dutch Council. And just think! It Only Costs \$ 24.00!!! But Hurry Because There Is Only 30 Spots Open!!!

Name: _____ Troop/Crew #: ____

Phone: (_____ - ___ - ____ Age as of 7/27/02: ____

Address: ______ City: _____ State: ___ Zip Code: _____

Youth/Adult: _____ Lodge Position Held: _____ E-mail address (if any): ______

I will compete in ceremonies/dance competition Yes/No (Circle one) Other members of ceremonies/dance team _____

Mail fee and completed form to:

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	CLAN Andrew Lenart(610) 689 - 4122 Richard Howett(610) 367 - 2483	
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	POTATOES CLAN James Hoffman(610) 944 - 8122 Frank Arters III(610) 582 - 2637	
CHFT	CLAN Seth Wolfinger(610) 562 - 3604 Michael George(610) 921 - 0885	

ORDEAL FELLOWSHIP

Brian Drey(610) 582 - 4768

The Ordeal Fellowship will be held, May 20, from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm. All are invited, from members of the Ordeal Committee to members of the Kitchen Committee. A fun time of fellowship and brotherhood is promised! To RSVP, or notify your interest, or even ask a few questions. notify the Ordeal Committee Chairman, Josh Abramowicz. Don't be shy! Call right away! And remember-no calls after midnight!

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Enclose a self-addressed envelope with proper postage affixed if you would like your membership card sent to you by U.S. mailed.

Lodge Membership Dues - \$10.00

Name	e:	
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I certify that I	am registered as:	
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