



WOLF'S TALE

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



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LODGE CALENDAR

2005

September 23-25
Fall Service & Ordeal Weekend
Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation

October 8
LLDC / Fellowship Day
Brotherhood Review
Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation

November 5
Vigil Weekend / OA Exec Meeting
Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation

2006

June 2006
2006 Section NE-4A Conclave
Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation

July 29 - Aug 3, 2006
NOAC - Michigan State University
East Lansing, MI

NE-4A CONCLAVE 2005 COVERAGE (Reprinted for your convenience)



Members of Kittatinny Lodge 5, dressed in Greek regalia, announce the theme for next year's conclave "Play the Games". The event will be hosted by our lodge at Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation in June 2006. The Conclave will be built upon an Olympic theme, and the torch will travel from lodge to lodge over the next year, arriving back at Hawk Mountain in time for the opening ceremonies of our Conclave.

My name is Nathan Wyandt. I am 12 years old, and Star scout. I became Brotherhood during the May weekend. I heard so many good remarks about last years Conclave, that I came this year's.

The Conclave was fun, but Friday was a little bit boring only because there was nothing to do. Then on Saturday there were training cells which were also fun. The second cell I went to I was late because they changed the place the cell was at. After the cells were done we had lunch. After lunch was over there were a lot of things that we could do, like volleyball, horseshoes, also you could watch dance comp., and ceremonies comp.. I played volleyball with five other Kittatinny members. We played against six other lodges. Kittatinny came in fourth. This year Kittatinny had to run the patch action. The action was fun. I helped with keeping track of: who bought what and how much. I got some patches, some of our lodge flaps old and new, and other lodge flaps.

On Sunday morning there was a section meeting. Before the meeting started some kids were trading lodge flaps, so I traded one of our new lodge flaps for one of his flaps. If you liked what I wrote you should come to next years Conclave. You can also be on staff next year because Conclave is at Hawk Mountain. See you next year, hopefully!

Chief's Corner

Rich Tylka
Wingachtochwilsit Kotschemunk
Lodge Chief

It's been a hot summer so far, reminding me of a humid day at the beach. Wow, what a coincidence that the September weekend theme is "Beach Party". That's right. Grab your boardshorts and flip-flops and get ready for fun. If you want to get involved with a committee, there's no better time than now. You can check 'em out on the web site and see which ones interest you. Next year we're hosting Conclave and it's gonna be a blast. Talk to Ryan Gebely and get on staff. It's sure to be fun.

FROM THE VICE CHIEF

Ben Novinger
Vice Chief of Administration

Hello, I am having a fun time with the brothers from our lodge and many other lodges at summer camp. From talking to the other brothers there are many different ways in which their lodge functions and how they run their ceremonies. Many scoutmasters asked me how to have a successful ceremony with the campfire circle so close to the Blue Mtn. road, and I tell them that they didn't see our circle, which is very secluded. I am also very excited to come to the September weekend, which will be fun and exciting. I have a feeling that this weekend will be a very busy one, being that we have the conclave less than a year away. There is plenty of work to be done, but when it comes time for the conclave, the camp and all the work in which we accomplished will be worth the sweat and time. This year will be a great year and I plan to have fun with the lodge and hope the same for the rest of our brothers.

Important Notice

Josh Nimmerichter
Membership Chairman

Reprinted from the July/August Edition

It's recently come to my attention that there is a serious problem within our lodge. People have become used to just paying late fees and dealing with the consequences. The thing is, when someone or a significant number of people sign up for events late or don't sign up at all we don't have the food. We all know how it is when there isn't enough food; everyone gets very frustrated and the weekend is significantly less enjoyable.

Late fees were designed to discourage tardiness. The kitchen and those involved in administration cannot deal with these escalating issues. Please just register on time and starting in September, we will no longer accept Saturday dinner walk-ins. If there is no improvement by next May, we will start turning away ALL walk-ins. Please do not let this happen; pay on time and encourage others to pay on time and all will be well.

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Attention All Cubmasters

Kyle Balthaser
Ceremonies Chairman

It is never too early to start thinking about the next Scouting year. As always, your Webe-los 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 banquet.

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!

Kitchen Update

JJ Miller
Kitchen Clan Chairman

First of all I would like to congratulate all the new Ordeal and Brotherhood members from the past two weekends! I would also like to thank Ryan and the outgoing officers for a wonderful year and look forward to working with the new officers for the upcoming year!

I have been hearing comments on how the food is really good and that it has made a big change in the time that I became chairman. I fell the same way! I am glad to hear that everyone is enjoying the food and the Kitchen staff and I will continue to prepare excellent food. We have started planning our September menu already, it's looking good!

One final thing, if it weren't for the adults in the kitchen, a lot wouldn't get done. I want to give a big thanks to them for all their help! I hope to see everyone at camp this summer and at the September Weekend!



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 September 18th, 2005.

Ceremonies Cross-Over Team

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

2005 Conclave Candid



Alex Hafer, portraying Allowat Sakima, proudly displays his first place award for an individual part in ceremonies competition at the Section NE-4A Conclave held at Camp Karoondinha.



Re-elected as Section NE-4A Chief was Adam Heaps (center), newly elected Section Vice-Chief Dave Schaub (right), and Section Secretary Joshua Shelhammer (left).

MY LAST WOLF'S TALE

Jonathan Teter
Neka Auwen Papabin Achipiquon
Publications Chairman

This edition of the Kittatinny Lodge 5 Wolf's Tale will be my last as Publications Chairman. Since the July/August Wolf's Tale did not get mailed to the general population, I am reprinting this article and finishing up my post with the September/October issue. That is also because of the difficulty in transition with summer camp. I would like to extend a thank you to everyone who contributed to the Wolf's Tale. It is not possible without the support of the general membership. The decision to give up this post came because of my distance from camp during the year while at college near Baltimore, Maryland. I will continue to receive all articles until a new chairman is chosen. But I will also continue to submit articles because I know how difficult it is to find people willing to write. I hope that Arrowmen of all ages will support Publications and keep it going. This, along with the Lodge website, are the only media outlets and means of communication for the general lodge membership. I wish everyone the best of luck in their new positions as the officers for the 2005-2006 year take their place. I encourage all of the new members and younger members to become involved in the lodge. There is really a great deal to do before you turn 21. It is longer than you think and the opportunities never cease. Become involved in the Weekends and strive to serve your lodge, your camp, and your troop. Join the camp staff and help the OA Summer Program or become involved with ceremonies for a more hands-on approach. Whichever avenue you choose, Kittatinny Lodge 5 certainly has what it takes to give you a fulfilling experience in the Order of the Arrow.



Kittatinny 5 Ceremonies team at Section NE-4A Conclave. Pictured are Kyle Balthaser (), Alex

Passing of the bonnet. Ryan Gebley passes the chief's bonnet to Richie Tylka at the end of the Section Meeting. This is the first time this has happened since changing the beginning of terms of office for our lodge. Richie will be formally sworn in as chief at the September weekend, and will serve as chief until June 2006.



GO BACK TO NOAC

Every two years, Arrowmen from across the country gather on the campus of a major university for the National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC). The next NOAC will be held from July 29 to August 2, 2006 at Michigan State University. Kittatinny 5 will once again send a contingent to NOAC.

The National Order of the Arrow Conference is Scouting's second-largest national program event, second only to the National Scout Jamboree. NOAC is planned and carried out by Arrowmen themselves, and youth involvement ensures that the conference program will be exciting and non-stop fun.

These gatherings draw over 7,000 Arrowmen, traveling from as far away as Europe and Asia, for five days of training, fun, and fellowship. With each conference, NOAC becomes more diversified, more fun, and more exciting.

The main activities at NOAC include training, ceremonies evaluation, American Indian events, shows, competitions, and Founders' Day. NOAC

George Shoop
Lodge Advisor

has something for everyone of all backgrounds and all ages. It is definitely one of Scouting's most unique and entertaining training events.

Ask anyone in our Lodge who has attended NOAC and they will tell you that they want to go back. It's an experience not to be missed. We especially encourage our youth members to go. You don't have to be a Brotherhood member or a Vigil member to attend, so new Ordeal members should also plan to go. There is no better way to learn more about the OA. Check out the NOAC resources online. Put NOAC on your calendar, and ask our Lodge officers or advisors about registration.

On a personal note, I was surprised and humbled a few weeks ago when I was called out for Vigil at HMSR prior to my leaving for the Jamboree, and am very appreciative of the honor. Thanks go out to the Vigil Committee and to all of my fellow Lodge members for making the Lodge and the OA a continuing mountaintop experience for me!

HEY BROTHERS, WHERE ARE YOU?

Editorial by: John Fenstermacher

Dea, you! At the time I'm writing this little ditty, not counting new ordeal members, we have 395 adults who call yourselves our brothers. In the July issue of the Wolf's Tale a "Concerned Scouter" wrote about the disappointment in how so few people signed up to help make our summer cracker barrels more exciting than just pretzels and bug juice. Not that I don't like pretzels and bug juice, but come on folks, most of the troops already have that stuff in their campsites. Before I go any further I do want to pass on a big "THANK YOU" to those scouts, scouters, troops and everyone else who did step up and make a difference, not just with cracker barrels but also with other activities. Now, for those of you who didn't answer the call or maybe didn't even know we were looking for help. This is our lodge and no one else is going to do it for us. We all need to remember that there are many lodge activities that go on during the summer camp season and I am confident that each of you can give at least one night during the summer to support the efforts. The staff does a great job all day long and the more people who come out and help in the evenings, the better. I realize summer camp for this year will be over before any of you have a chance to read this, but I wanted to plant the seed now in hopes that it will grow into something great by spring. And don't even think you might forget about all this until then. I'll be writing again AND I'll be at the April & May weekends to make sure everyone has ample opportunity to put their name on the line and feed the lodge with your food your spirit.

LLDC SCHEDULED

October 8 has been selected for LLDC, Lodge Leader Development Conference. If your name is on the back of Wolf's Tale in the Lodge Leadership Directory, or you'd like it to be, you should plan on attending.

There will be a morning training session, followed by a light lunch, then all members may partake in a day of Fellowship. Ordeal Members with more than 9 months of service in the OA may also take their Brotherhood Review, and become full members in our lodge.

More information on the event will be available at the September OA Weekend. For more info, contact Lodge Chief Richie Tylka.

HISTORY, TRADITION & SERVICE TO OTHERS

Tony Damato

This past march my son and I attended NLS Training at Alpine, PA. The weekend had hard rains of two to four inches. Unami Lodge, at that training session invited everyone to attend their ninetieth anniversary celebration of the OA being founded at Treasure Island Scout Camp. Little did anyone know how the rain of that weekend would affect Unami Lodge's celebration and their council's 2005 summer camp season at Treasure Island.

Cradle of Liberty Council owns Treasure Island, located on the Delaware River midway between Allentown and Philadelphia, just north of Tinicum, PA on RT 32. Treasure Island is about half a mile long by three hundred yards wide and accessible only by a flat bottom boat. The boat docks were twenty to twenty-five feet below the surface of the Island. During the March rains the river rose and covered the island. The high water mark was determined to be about twenty inches above the dining hall/kitchen floor. Buildings on the island were shifted off foundations, tent platforms moved and lodged against trees while other things in camp just floated away. Thus the 2005 camping season had to be cancelled and the ninetieth anniversary of the OA was in jeopardy of being called off. However a huge effort by Unami Lodge brothers to clean up the island was completed to have the island presentable for the July sixteenth celebration.

Kevin and I arrived at a parking lot near the island to be bussed to camp Headquarters, which is a Bungalow on the PA side of the river with parking for about thirty cars. We walked down twenty steps to the boat dock and boarded a flat bottom boat for the seventy-five yard crossing of the Delaware River to Treasure Island. We took a walking tour of the island, taking in the sights and camp upon the ceremony circle. The winning 2004 NOAC ceremony team from Florida was on hand to portray their version of the ordeal ceremony in the same open air fire circle where E. Urner Goodman and Carroll A. Edson started it all in 1915. Also on display were many different versions of OA sashes, some autographed by Ernest Goodman, many lodge flaps, section and regional patches associated with Treasure Island and Unami. We saw old Minsi 5 and Memeu 125 flaps and patches, all part of our Kittatinny Lodge 5 Historical past.

Attending the celebration was a moving experience and real eye opener. Imagine everything you and your troop take to summer camp must go down a twenty foot embankment, loaded onto a boat to be transported over to the island and then carried up another twenty foot bank and off to your campsite. All food and supplies used in camp during the season must travel the same route. It makes you appreciate just how good Hawk Mountain Camp facility is.

We also talked to Unami Lodge brothers and discussed what their lodge has to do to get Treasure Island back in shape for the 2006 season. Since the OA is about camping and service to others, Kittatinny Lodge has offered to help Unami Lodge rebuild their camp. This will be a once in a lifetime opportunity for lodge brothers to visit Treasure Island where it all began for the OA, to step on hallowed ground and truly be of service to our fellow brothers in Unami Lodge.

CONCLAVE 2006 - WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO HELP ?

Now that this year's Conclave has come to a close, we can turn our attention to 2006. In June, Kittatinny Lodge will play host to the seven member lodges of Section NE-4A. This is a great opportunity to demonstrate our lodge's collective strengths. It is also a time we can showcase our very own Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation to others in our Section. It is also a great responsibility.

The Conclave planning committee has already had three meetings, and we are well under way in planning the event, but we need to start making commitments of time and talent to put on what we hope will be the best Conclave yet. Please take a moment and consider how you might be able to serve. If you have questions, ask someone at the September OA Weekend. We need to start building a pool of people who will be able to rise to meet the challenge.

There are many ways you can help. Over the next 9 months, there will be a lot of work happening around camp to prepare for the event. Please come out to the OA Service weekends, especially the next three, and together we can make it happen. There are big projects and small projects - something for everyone.

So take a moment now and sign up for the September weekend. Fill out the Conclave form and commit to helping make it a great event. There will be work, yes, but there will also be memories.

CONCLAVE 2006 - HAWK MOUNTAIN June 9-10-11, 2006

KITTATINNY LODGE 5 WILL BE HOSTING THE 2006 SECTION NE-4A CONCLAVE. IT'S A BIG JOB AND WE NEED A STRONG STAFF TO SUPPORT OUR GUESTS FROM LODGES IN OUR SECTION.

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

FULL NAME:		
LODGE MEMBER #		
PHONE: ()		
ADDRESS 1:		
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CITY:	STATE:	ZIP:
I AM INTERESTED IN A STAFF POSITION		<input type="checkbox"/>
I AM INTERESTED IN A DELEGATE POSITION		<input type="checkbox"/>

Interest Form Only !!!
No fee is required at this time, however, a fee will be charged for both staff and delegates.

Mail completed form to:
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NOAC 2006 - EAST LANSING, MICHIGAN July 29-Aug 3, 2006 ESTIMATED COST: \$700.00

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CITY:	STATE:	ZIP:
APPROXIMATE TOTAL COST:	\$700.00	
DEPOSIT REQUIRED:	\$100.00	

YOU MUST INCLUDE THE \$100.00 DEPOSIT TO ENSURE YOUR SPOT AT NOAC 2006. APPROXIMATE TOTAL COST WILL BE \$700.00

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- E. Urner Goodman, *Founder of the Order of the Arrow*

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SEPTEMBER 23-25, 2005 OA WEEKEND REGISTRATION

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SEPTEMBER 10 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 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:

- [] \$20.00 - Late Fee (Received after September 3, 2005)
- [] \$15.00 - Regular Fee (Received before September 3, 2005)
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- [] \$16.00 - Additional Brotherhood Testing Fee *ONLY* for eligible Ordeal Members

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