



WOLF'S TALE



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

November/December 2010



- NOVEMBER 6
Lodge Leadership Development
Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation
- NOVEMBER 6
Lodge Executive Committee Meeting
Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation
- NOVEMBER 6-7
Vigil Weekend
Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation



FROM YOUR LODGE COMMITTEES

If you are a committee chairman, you can have your article printed right here. Submit them to Robert Stricek at ras98@earthlink.net or mail to:

ROBERT STRICEK
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LODGE CHIEF

I would like to thank everyone who attended the September Service Weekend for dedicated service to Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation and our Lodge. We had an awesome weekend and accomplished many tasks. If you are interested in becoming an active member of the Lodge leadership please feel free to contact me via email. I am still open for suggestions or interest in a bus trip. If there is any interest, please send me an email, kldan38@gmail.com. For those of you who are using the Internet and Facebook, the lodge does have a group entitled "Kittatinny Lodge 5". Joining this group will keep you up to date with the latest events and news from the lodge. Please register for E-News on www.Kittatinny5.org as an alternate method to the Facebook group.

The lodge has many upcoming events so get your pens and calendars. First, Lodge Leadership Development will be held on November 6th at the Willits dining hall. We will be starting sessions at noon and all lodge members are invited and encouraged to attend. This afternoon training seminar will provide participants with information about being a successful leader. The Committee Workshop Weekend will be held March 11th through

March 12th. This weekend is for the lodge leadership to plan for future events. If you want to join a committee, this weekend is the one for you.

The lodge banquet will be held this year on March 12th; more information about this event will be available soon.

I would like to take this last paragraph to remind everyone that we are in fact Boy Scouts and should live our lives by the Scout Oath and Law, even outside of troop events and camp. Please remember to respect each other's belongings and not to take what is not yours.

Yours In Cheerful Service
Daniel Kline

LODGE ADVISER

The September weekend has come and gone. It was a beautiful weekend and a lot was accomplished. Thanks to all.

As we look ahead, it is time to focus on camping promotions and elections. Elections can be scheduled November 1, 2010 to February 28, 2011. No elections will be accepted after February 28, 2011.

Brothers please look at the list of committees and consider signing up for one. You can sign up anytime. Call a chairman or adviser for information.

I hope everyone has a great holiday season.

Yours in Scouting,
Dick Keppler, Lodge Adviser
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BROTHERHOOD

Hello Brothers,

During the OA September weekend 10 ordeal members came out to seal their Brotherhood membership. Congratulations to all. If you are an Ordeal member and have been so for 10 months, you now have the chance to become a Brotherhood member. The next time to become a Brotherhood member is during the 2011 April service weekend. Complete registration form and mail it with payment to the Council Service Center.

Yours in scouting,
Connor Bunn
Brotherhood Chairman



TREASURER

Hey guys!

I apologize for not being able to make the September Third Meeting. I want to congratulate all the new ordeal and brotherhood members! I hope you had a great weekend. As we move into the colder months, I'd like to remind everyone to dress warm and carefully prepare for cold-weather hikes and camping. You never know what might happen, be prepared! Also, please feel free to go out of your way to help someone today. Always remember we serve with a cheerful spirit! I hope all is well with everyone, and stay healthy over the flu season.

Jeremy Houser
Lodge Treasurer

HISTORIAN

Hello everyone,

My name is Joe Sgaramella and I am our Lodge Historian. I would like to thank everyone who came out and helped at our September weekend. It is greatly appreciated. If anyone has documents, photos, or any historical papers regarding our lodge and would like to donate them it would be appreciated for the record keeping and preservation of the lodge.

Thank you.
Joe

VICE CHIEF OF ADMINISTRATION

Greetings Brothers,

Once again we had another fun filled OA weekend at Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation. Were you there? If so, you enjoyed the exciting Oktoberfest themed event with great food, as well as the suspenseful patch auction. If you did not go, why not? September OA weekend was another fun-filled weekend and so will the next ones in April and May. Remind your troop members, having good friends with you at an event only makes it more fun. I hope to see all of you at the next Kittatinny 5 event!

Yours in Service,

Brant Portner
Vice Chief of Administration

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MEMBERSHIP

Hey guys,

I can't believe that it's already deep into fall! I hope that everyone's school year is going great. Anyways, let's talk about some lodge news. First of all, I would like to give a big thanks to anyone and everyone that came out to the September service weekend. A lot was accomplished and the weekend was a huge success. I would also like to give a congratulations to any one that got brotherhood at the weekend, and to all the new ordeal members. Great work everyone!

As time continues to roll on and on, we are getting ever so close to dues season. I would like to take this time to give everyone a nice early reminder to please pay their dues. And as always, I'm open to anyone with an interest in helping out with the membership committee. If so, please contact me at JHay240@gmail.com.

YIS,
Josh Hay

SECRETARY

Hello fellow Brothers,

Now on to a more serious matter, we need people! We need new faces in the lodge to get involved and affirm their membership within our Lodge. At least come back to the next weekend because this lodge is nothing without it's members. Getting involved in the OA is fun and it can open up many new opportunities, not to mention meeting new people. I know I had a blast putting on the regalia and being apart of the Wednesday night call outs. If acting isn't your thing then there are plenty of other committees to get involved in.

If anyone has any suggestions, articles, or pictures they would like published in the Wolf's Tale send me an email at ras98@earthlink.net

YIS,
Robert Stricek
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Secretary

TROOP REP

Hey all you Brothers out there,

Guess what time it is? It's time for another fun filled and exciting lodge year here at Kittatinny lodge 5. Come out and enjoy the fun that is sure to be in store at the next OA weekend. Also the executive committee of the lodge is planning on having a full range of new ideas and events for this year's calendar, so if you want to contribute to the fun that is sure to come then join one of our lovely committees or talk to one of our executive committee members whose names are found on the back of the fabulous Wolf's Tail. So my fellow Brothers go out there get involved from being an OA Troop Rep. in your troop to joining a committee to showing up to weekends, remember you can make a difference. So have fun and let's keep the good times a Rollin.

Yours in the Brotherhood,
Cory Kercher
Troop/ Team Rep. Chairman



From Flow.....

It's been some time since I've ventured out of my cozy den to send greetings to my brothers in the lodge. In fact, some of you may have never met me. My name is Flow Rebmit. I'm your friendly lodge timber wolf who pays attention to what's going on in our lodge and checks in with you fro time to time.

As the leaves fall from the trees at Hawk Mountain, it provides a good chance to look back on the busy fall season. Were you able to come to the September weekend? There was a lots to do. I observed brothers preparing camp for the coming winter season. Committees were busy accomplishing the business of the lodge. I wanted to recognize the activity committee for putting on a great Oktoberfest and for organizing a lively patch auction. The brothers going to NOAC will really appreciate the proceeds from the auction. I'd also like to send my compliments to the ceremonies committee. The ceremonies seem to get better and better each weekend as you become more comfortable with your parts. Keep up the good work!

With winter coming soon, I'm always tempted to hibernate. However, the scouts of Kittatinny will be keeping busy. I'm excited about planning the lodge banquet and I hope you are planning to attend. The winter also provides many opportunities to serve your troop or crew. Remember, those who chose you need you.

Your eyes and ears,
Flow Rebmit

All members are encouraged to contribute letters or articles of interest. Publication of contributed material is subject to the discretion of the Hawk Mountain Council Lodge Staff Adviser.

The deadline for contributions for the **January/February 2011 issue is November 30, 2010** and can be emailed to ras98@earthlink.net or mail to:

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2011 EVENT CALENDAR

- March 11 Lodge workshop weekend
- March 12 Lodge Banquet
- April 8-10 Ordeal/Brotherhood Weekend
- May 20-22 Ordeal/Brotherhood Weekend
- June 10-12 Conclave at Hidden Valley
- July 10-16 Summit Corps at The New River Experience, Week 1
- July 17-23 Summit Corps at The New River Experience, Week 2
- July 24-30 Summit Corps at The New River Experience, Week 3
- July 2-9 Summit Corps at The New River Experience, Week 4
- August 1-6 Indian Summer
- Sept 24-26 Ordeal/brotherhood weekend
- Nov 5-6 Vigil Weekend



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES			
Lodge Chief Dan Kline	610-921-2396	Ceremonies CHM Matt Kayhart CHM Mike Van Etten CHM Austin Noguera ADV Matt Prine	610-682-5040 610-777-2720 610-929-2247 610-367-2576
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		Vigil CHM Kyle Dierolf ADV Jerry Miller	610-921-1524 610-562-5898

What are the benefits of the Order of the Arrow's involvement in the Cub Scouting Program.

Benefits for the OA Member

- An Arrowman can be a role model and help a Cub Scout want to be like him
- An opportunity for an Arrowman to demonstrate and practice leadership and camping skills before an appreciative audience
- An opportunity for OA members to promote camping
- An opportunity for OA members to provide cheerful service to Scouting
- Arrowmen can help assure the future of Boy Scouting (more than 90 percent of Boy Scouts were Cub Scouts)

Benefits for Cub Scouts

- An opportunity for Cub Scouts to see older Boy Scouts in action and want to be like them
- Cub Scouts can see camping skills demonstrated by an older youth instead of by adults
- An opportunity for Cub Scouts to participate in quality outdoor programs
- Cub Scouts can see themselves as future Arrowmen and be encouraged to continue in Scouting
- Cub Scouts can have fun with older boys closer to their age than the adult leaders



OA LODGE MEMBERSHIP

DUES: If you took your Ordeal in September 2010, your dues are paid through December 31, 2011. We do this because there are typically few lodge activities from September to December. No matter when you take your Ordeal, you will receive a dues renewal card in the mail when it is time to renew your membership. Please use the reminder card when renewing. It speeds our processing greatly. If you do not pay your dues, you are not considered an active member of the lodge. Dues are \$12.00 if paid before December 31. Late payment fee or re-instatement fee (if you have not paid dues more than 2 years) is \$15.00. We ask that you pay your dues as quickly as possible after receiving your renewal card. Lodge dues to the National office come

due at the end of the year, and we need your payments to cover those fees. Also, after December 31, the membership committee is involved in processing new unit elections, so it gets busy for us if you didn't pay on time.

TRANSFERS IN/OUT OF THE LODGE: If you are moving into or out of the area, and are changing your BSA registration to or from another council, you must change your lodge registration. You may not be registered as a Scout or Scouter in one council and as a lodge member in a different council. Contact the membership committee of the council you are leaving to obtain proof of your membership, and supply it to the membership committee of the council you are going to. Kittatinny has provided an incoming Lodge Transfer Form on our web site

for this purpose. By attaching your proof of prior membership, we can quickly get you registered in Kittatinny Lodge.

RECORD KEEPING AND REPORTING: If you have a question about your membership status, dues payments, event registrations, etc, contact us at the phone numbers listed in OA Directory. You may also email your questions to membership@kittatinny5.org, or use our web message center and address your question to membership committee.

If you would like to help with the membership committee in (weekend check-in, candidate packet preparation, record keeping, letter folding, envelope stuffing, etc, please contact the membership Committee Chairman, Dan Capitella.



The Order of the Arrow Scouting's National Honor Society

For more than 95 years, the Order of the Arrow (OA) has recognized

Scouts and Scouters who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives. This recognition provides encouragement for others to live these ideals as well.

Arrowmen are known for maintaining camping traditions and spirit, promoting year-round and long-term resident camping, developing leaders, and providing cheerful service to others. OA service, activities, adventures, and training for youth and adults are models of quality leadership development and programming that enrich, support, and help to extend Scouting to America's youth.

Mission

The mission of the Order of the Arrow is to fulfill its purpose as an integral part of the Boy Scouts of America through positive youth leadership under the guidance of selected capable adults.

Purpose

As Scouting's National Honor Society, our purpose is to: Recognize those who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives and through that recognition cause others to conduct themselves in a way that warrants similar recognition.

Promote camping, responsible outdoor adventure, and environmental stewardship as essential components of every Scout's experience, in the unit, year-round, and in summer camp.

Crystallize the Scout habit of helpfulness into a life purpose of leadership in cheerful service to others.

Develop leaders with the willingness, character, spirit and ability to advance the activities of their

units, our Brotherhood, Scouting, and ultimately our nation.

History

The Order of the Arrow was founded by Dr. E. Uerner Goodman and Carroll A. Edson in 1915 at the Treasure Island Camp of the Philadelphia Council, Boy Scouts of America. It became an official program experiment in 1922 and was approved as part of the Scouting program in 1934. In 1948 the OA, recognized as the BSA's national brotherhood of honor campers, became an official part of the Boy Scouts of America. In 1998, the Order of the Arrow became recognized as Scouting's National Honor Society when it expanded its reach beyond camping to include a greater focus on leadership development, membership extension, adventurous programming, and broader service to Scouting and the community. Today, its service, activities, adventures, and training for youth and adults, are models of quality leadership development and programming that enrich, support, and help extend Scouting to America's youth.

Membership

The OA has over 171,000 members in lodges affiliated with more than 290 local BSA councils.

Eligibility

The Order of the Arrow membership requirements are:

- Be a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America.
- After registration with a troop or team, have experienced 15 days and nights of Boy Scout camping during the two-year period prior to the election. The 15 days and nights must include one, but no more than one, long-term camp consisting of six consecutive days and five nights of resident camping, approved and under the auspices and standards of the Boy Scouts of America. The balance of the camping must be overnight, weekend, or other short-term camps.
- Youth must be under the age of 21, hold the BSA First Class rank or

higher, and following approval by the Scoutmaster or Varsity team Coach, be elected by the youth members of their troop or team.

- Adults (age 21 or older) who are registered in the BSA and meet the camping requirements may be selected following nomination to the lodge adult selection committee. Adult selection is based on their ability to perform the necessary functions to help the Order fulfill its purpose, and is not for recognition of service, including current or prior positions. Selected adults must be an asset to the Order because of demonstrated abilities, and must provide a positive example for the growth and development of the youth members of the lodge.

Ordeal Membership

The induction process, called the Ordeal, is the first step toward full membership in the Order. Upon completion of the Ordeal and its ceremony, the member is expected to strengthen his involvement in the unit and encourage Scout camping.

Brotherhood Membership

After 10 months of service as an Ordeal member and after fulfilling certain requirements, a member may take part in the Brotherhood ceremony, which places further emphasis on the ideals of Scouting and the Order. Completion of this ceremony signifies full membership in the Order of the Arrow.

Vigil Honor

After two years of exceptional service as a Brotherhood member, and with the approval of the national Order of the Arrow committee, a youth or adult Arrowman may be recognized with the Vigil Honor for their distinguished contributions to their lodge, the Order of the Arrow, Scouting, or their Scout camp. This honor is bestowed by special selection and is limited to one Arrowman for every 50 members registered with the lodge each year.

THE NEW RIVER EXPERIENCE

SummitCorps – the New River Experience service and adventure go together like peanut butter and jelly. Milk and cookies. Map and compass. At least that's the idea that the Order of the Arrow is exploring with SummitCorps The New River Experience in July of 2011 at the New River Gorge National River in West Virginia.

For years, the Order of the Arrow has pioneered the concept of the service adventure with the OA High Adventure Programs. In 2008, the OA had the chance to open up the service adventure to more Arrowmen with *ArrowCorps*⁵. Now, in 2011, the Order of the Arrow is providing another opportunity to blend the bliss that comes from cheerful service and the personal growth that can only come from a high adventure. While the service to the national river is an important aspect of the project, the fun that comes from recreation, brotherhood, and being in the wilderness will make the experience that much richer.

Many Arrowmen have experienced service, and have experienced adventure. If you have not taken the time to experience one of the Order's service adventure opportunities, 2011 is your chance. Join us for the service adventure of a lifetime in West Virginia.

More information regarding the Kittatinny Lodge contingent to come.

KITTATINNY LODGE 5 2011 DUES

OA dues for the year 2011 are now payable.

You must be registered with the Hawk Mountain Council to be a member of the Kittatinny Lodge.

Please complete all requested information and submit with payment to insure proper credit.

Name: _____

Lodge Member ID#: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

Registered as a member of troop/crew/pack/council

Checks should be made payable to: Hawk Mountain Council, BSA

(_____) \$12.00 prior to 12/31/10

(_____) \$15.00 after 1/1/2011

**Mail to: Hawk Mountain Council
Kittatinny Lodge 5
5027 Pottsville Pike
Reading PA 19605**

ANNUAL LODGE BANQUET (Early Registration) March 12, 2011

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

Name: _____

Lodge Member ID#: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

The Annual Lodge banquet is open to all members, spouses, friends and family. The banquet includes meal and program. We will recognize the recipient of the Camp Service Award and the Spirit Award, as well as other Lodge awards for the past year. The Annual Banquet is a great way to let others know what the O.A. is all about. Sign up early, so we can plan accordingly.

FEES: \$15.00

Number attending : _____ @ \$15.00.

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

**Mail fee and completed form to:
Kittatinny Lodge 5
Hawk Mountain Council, BSA
5027 Pottsville Pike, Reading, PA 19605**

April 8-10, 2011 - OA Service Weekend

*** Please Print Clearly ***

Make sure your dues are paid before registering

Name: _____

Lodge Member ID# _____

Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

Troop # _____ District: _____

Youth__ Adult__

COSTS:

\$20- Full Weekend
\$15- Partial Weekend
\$25-Weekend Late Fee

Add \$18.00 for Brotherhood Fee

Due Date: April 1, 2011

Mail envelope and completed form to:
**Kittatinny Lodge 5
Hawk Mountain Council, BSA
5027 Pottsville Pike, Reading, PA 19605**

May 20-22, 2011 - OA Service Weekend

*** Please Print Clearly ***

Make sure your dues are paid before registering

Name: _____

Lodge Member ID# _____

Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

Troop # _____ District: _____

Youth__ Adult__

COSTS:

\$20- Full Weekend
\$15- Partial Weekend
\$25-Weekend Late Fee

Add \$18.00 for Brotherhood Fee

Due Date: May 13, 2011

Mail envelope and completed form to:
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