



WOLF'S TALE

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LODGE CALENDAR



2013

May OA Weekend
May 19-20-21

NE-6B Conclave
June 7-9

September OA Weekend
September 20-22

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SUMMER IS NEAR

Greetings,

The summer is getting closer and closer! As the younger among us finish up school, I am sure we are all looking forward to our summer activities. Whether we are going to the beach, working at HMSR, or some other activity, I'm sure we all have great summers looking us in the face! I'll bet that even those who aren't in school and don't get quite the break we do are also looking forward to the summer. As we start the summer I just wanted to remind you all to live out the OA oath and cheerfully serve those around you. No matter what you are doing, you can cheerfully serve. This is as simple as enjoying whatever it is you are doing. I see a lot of my friends complaining about how their job is horrible and they have to do this and that and blah blah blah. Don't be that person! Enjoy what you are doing and make people take a step back and realize it. You could even come to some OA events to serve and fellowship with brothers! We have Conclave in June, Wednesday night cracker barrels at camp, Brotherhood ceremonies on Tuesdays, and other weekly ceremonies. Your being a cheerful servant could do something as simple as cheer up those around you. This is who you are. You are a brother. A brother who doesn't let a simple task get you down. A brother who makes his cheer evident and shares it with those around him. Have a great summer!

Yours in the Order,

Dan Cap, Chief and Jon Carl, Random Guy

From the Section Chief

Ever hear of the National Leadership Seminar? NLS, or The National Leadership Seminar is one of the greatest leadership programs in the country, and the best the OA has to offer! If you are still confused, but interested, let me further explain.

If you are active and becoming a prominent leader within your lodge, your lodge officers may choose you to attend an NLS. This weekend event is usually hosted by the Region at another camp, for Kittatinny, we usually travel to Camp Alpine in New Jersey when it is there (Random Fact: HMSR has hosted NLS's in the past!). Once you arrive, you are treated to games, activities, and many training cells that will give you the tips and strategies of becoming a better leader within your lodge and in the real world. You are sat at a table with other youth from across the Northeast Region and gradually get to

know them as friends. Each table gets a table guide, someone who can be anyone from a Section Officer, to the National Chief himself. NLS is a great opportunity to meet national officers, and other Arrowmen from all over. I would tell you more, but I'll save you some excitement for when you attend.

So how do you go to an NLS again? Step 1: GET ACTIVE! We look for Arrowmen that have a potential in the lodge, and are committed to the jobs and responsibilities they are handed. After all, that is what leadership is all about. So get out there, have fun, and talk to anyone who has gone to an NLS. Heck, I still remember much of my NLS from 2008!

Your in service,
Brant Portner
NE-6B Section Chief

LODGE ADVISER'S MESSAGE

We are into spring and the April weekend is behind us. Aside from what was accomplished there is still much work to do before camp opens in June. If you attended the April weekend try to attend the May weekend and bring another with you.

A thank you to Dan and the committee who put a very nice banquet together in March. The speaker was excellent and the food and fellowship was great' I wish next year we could double the attendance.

I think the workshop in March was a success. There were discussions within committees and I think things were planned for the coming year.

A thank you to the CP&E teams for a job well done. I think we had a successful year with elections. Troop Team Reps and brother please try to make sure everyone you may know takes their Ordeal.

Thanks to everyone in the Lodge for everything you do to make our lodge what it is.

Dick Keppler, Lodge Adviser
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Greetings from the Lodge Fire Circle

Calling all Arrowmen! Hawk Mountain Council is less than two months from the opening of summer camp. There is much activity happening at camp to include the building of the Cub Scout Challenge Course, fishing piers, and BMX course. Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation will truly be the place to spend the summer year after year. However, the Reservation needs YOU! Staff positions are still available, and as an Arrowman, working at summer camp will provide you a great opportunity to hone your skills as a leader while providing "cheerful service" to your brother Scouts.

With the high numbers of projected Scout attendance, we continue to hire staff in all program areas including Food Service. HMSR offers a \$250 bonus to those who join the Food Service Team. The positions available are Cooks, Prep Cooks, Kitchen Utilities/Staff, and Heaterstack Prep/Driver. The Heaterstack Prep/Driver is responsible for delivering breakfast and dinner to those campsites that opt for that service. If you are looking to enter the food service market, working at HMSR as a Food Service team member is a great way to gain experience and build your resume.

The Reservation is also seeking potential staff over the age of 21 to support the expanded shooting sports program. Hawk Mountain Council will send you to a week long camp school to become NRA certified in the disciplines offered at Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation to include rifle, shotgun, pistol, and muzzleloader.

If you are looking for a rewarding position where you can be a positive force in the development of future leaders while having "fun with a purpose," be sure to fill out a staff application and submit it to Hawk Mountain Council. Applications are available at the Council Service Center and on the Council website. Feel free to contact David Muldowney at 570.754.7552 or email at david.muldowney@scouting.org if you have any questions. See you on the trail!

Yours in Brotherhood,
David Muldowney
Lodge Staff Advisor

News from the Committees

If you are interested in getting involved in committees, please talk to us by using the contacts on the back or speak to a officer or chairman at any service weekend, or the Summer Chieftain at Summer Camp.

YOU CAN EARN SOME BEADS!

Did you know that you earn something for the Lodge activities that you participate in? Well you do! This may be one of Kittatinny's best kept secrets, and you are hearing about it here! The Lodge has a bead system for the very purpose of recognizing those who willingly serve in the lodge and uphold the principles of the lodge. We are not talking about beads for things like coming to all activities in a year. You can get your first bead by simply attending a lodge executive meeting! So, at the next OA weekend, go up to the Vice-Chief of Administration and claim your first bead! To learn more, head over to the lodge website (kittatinny5.org) and search for "Service Bead System." I want to seem some bead wearing, so check it out!

CP & E

The Camp Promotions and Elections teams would like to thank all the unit leaders for a successful election season. Final counts are still being recorded, and newly elected candidates will be receiving their Ordeal invitations in the near future.

This year the lodge will be updating it's *Where To Go Camping* guide, so please be ready to help contribute your favorite local & not-so-local camping and adventure spots.

The *Where To Go Camping* guide is a requirement for Journey to Excellence, and is used by unit leaders to share promote camping and outdoor program possibilities. It is also used by visiting units from outside of our area to learn what types of activities are available within our council.

MEMBERSHIP

Fellow brothers!

Hello and happy spring! I hope everyone enjoyed the cold, but it seems that warmer weather is finally upon us. With the warmer weather there are so many great opportunities for you to participate in your lodge. And personally, I think there's no better way to spend some time this spring and summer than with your fellow brothers in the lodge! First and foremost, I'd like to thank everyone who came out for the April Service weekend-- Your service is much appreciated, and I hope everyone had a wonderful time! Also, congratulations to our new Ordeal and Brotherhood members.

There are still plenty of events this spring though. First and foremost, everyone should register and come out to our May Service weekend! It'll be a great weekend for fun, fellowship and needed service to your camp, Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation. It'll be a good time...I look forward to seeing you there!

In addition to the May Service weekend, there is still time to register for Conclave, which is always a fun time for all in attendance. We want to send the biggest contingent possible, so sign up for Conclave to enjoy an incredibly fun wild west themed weekend of fellowship and fun!

Also, be sure to look for the lodge at summer camp! Our lodge provides many different programs during summer camp, so check them out during your stay at sunny HMSR!

I look forward to seeing everyone at the May Service weekend!

Yours In Scouting,
Joshua Hay, *Membership Chairman*

HEALTH & SAFETY

Greetings Brothers,

I hope you are all well as spring begins to blossom and the school year approaches its conclusion. For those graduating, congratulations and I hope to see you continuing to contribute your efforts to the Lodge. As with all good things, this article comes with a few health and safety tips. As hiking and camping trips become more frequent as the weather warms up, one of the biggest things to remember is to drink plenty of water. A tip about Gatorade and other sports drinks: while flavorful, they should not be used as a complete replacement for water unless you are participating in very intense physical activity. Another note for the warmer weather, and especially as our service weekends approach in April and May, it is important to dress for the weather. If you are coming up to sunny HMSR, it is crucial that the open toed shoes, such as sandals, remain at home, or be used only in the shower house, as the rocky terrain can be dangerous for exposed feet. I wish you all good luck as the spring approaches, and from your friendly neighborhood Health and Safety Chairman, stay healthy and safe!

Yours In Brotherhood,
Cole Mitchell, *EMT*

Greetings from the Website

The website transition has been complete for a little while now and seems to have been received well. If you haven't stopped by to check it out, head on over!

As a lodge we are really trying to get a good web presence so in addition to the website we are also on Facebook and Twitter. If you are doing some cheerful service or anything that your lodge would be proud of, feel free to tweet at us: @Kittatinny5 We might even favorite or retweet you! Also, we encourage you to tweet any ideas for lodge weekends that you have at us.

See you at the May weekend!

Your in Scouting,
Jon Carl *Website*

NE-6B CONCLAVE JUNE 7-9, 2013

Wait, you don't know what a Conclave is? Well, a Conclave is a gathering of the five lodges that make up our section of the Northeast Region. Each year, we gather together for a weekend full of fellowship and feasting. There is a little bit of training, and a little bit of inter-lodge competition. Wrap this all up into a package that includes spectacular shows and stellar dining and cap it all off with the annual Section Meeting and election of new officers, and you have yourself a great Conclave. So, now that you know what a Conclave is, Register now: [2013 NE-6B Conclave Register Form](#). Some of the planned activities include:

- Archery
- BMX Course
- Ceremonies Competition
- Charity Benefit
- Cowboy Corral
- Closest to the Pin Golf
- Horseshoes
- Human Foosball
- Iron Chef Lodge Cook-Off
- Rifle Shooting
- Shooting Gallery
- Volleyball

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**NOAC 2015 - The 100th Anniversary of the Order of the Arrow**

Start Planning Now! The location and dates for the 100th Anniversary NOAC were announced at the National Planning Meeting in December. It will be held at Michigan State University in East Lansing, MI from August 3 thru 8, 2015. They are planning on close to 50,000 Arrowmen for this once-in-a-lifetime event. Kittatinny Lodge will be in attendance. If you're not sure what NOAC is all about, speak to one of the 44 lodge members that were in attendance at this past year's NOAC. Will you be there?

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