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### Important Dates

November 10-12, 2017 NLS/DYLC

November 19, 2017 Lodge Executive Committee Meeting

December 9, 2017 Lodge Leadership Development

December 17, 2017 Lodge Executive Committee Meeting

January 21, 2018 Lodge Executive Committee Meeting

February 18, 2018 Lodge Executive Committee Meeting



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## **Chiefly Speaking**

Andrew Simmons

Brothers,

I am super excited and honored to be the Lodge Chief of Kittatinny V. I was once a shy youth in the Lodge who was so frustrated after my ordeal weekend. But thank goodness I came back for another weekend, because they are not the same the second time around. Do not be afraid to get involved as it will all be beneficial leadership experience to take back to your troops, schools, and future careers. We can always use active youth in running the lodge and working on committees. For more information on opportunities in the lodge feel free to email me any time. <u>Chief@Kittatinny5.org</u>

We are going to have a great rest of 2017 and 2018. Most chairmen are serving again in their respective committees and we have a very solid Lodge Executive Committee (LEC) to continue to make the lodge great. I am looking extremely forward to working with all the officers, chairman, advisors, and lodge as a whole. Mark your calendars now for April and May weekend, as well as Conclave. HOORAY FOR CONCLAVE!!!

Yours in Service, Andrew Simmons Lodge Chief

## SECTION NEWS - CONCLAVE 2018 - DO IT !

We don't mean you should just do Conclave ... "DO <u>IT</u>" is the theme for the NE-6B Conclave to be held June 1-3, 2018, at nearby Bashore Scout Reservation, Pennsylvania Dutch Council, host-ed by Wunita Gokhos Lodge #39. That's only 1/2 hr drive from HMSR!

What exactly is "IT"? Training - Learn IT ; Games - Play IT, Win IT; Food - Eat IT; Shows - Enjoy IT; Accommodations - Experience IT; Conclave - Remember IT!

For our newer members, Conclave is an annual gathering of the five lodges in our section for training, competition, friendship and fellowship. It rotates to a different camp in our section each year, so you get to experience different camps, different programs, and a different way of doing things so you can share those things back with our lodge.

Kittatinny Lodge will be allocated fifty slots for Conclave, so many of our members will be able to attend. The cost will be only \$36.00 for the weekend. Keep an eye out for more information as it comes out, and mark your calendars now.

# Patch News

For the patch collector or for those members who want to wear the latest and greatest Kittatinny patches on their uniform, the new standard issue lodge flaps have arrived. Due to shipping delays, they were not available at the September Weekend, but they are now available for purchase at the Council Service Center and at Kittatinny Inc. at future lodge events. Be sure to get them soon!



And speaking of flaps ...

The new CP&E participation flap was revealed at the September OA Weekend and presented to those who served three or more times on a CP&E Team in 2017. The only way to get one of these is to be trained for the CP&E Teams that go out and visit units during the election season in January/February and actually help conduct three unit Camp Promotion & Elections. That's going to make earning this flap a relatively rare thing and will require service to your lodge.



## How can you get trained and get on a team?

Contact CP&E Chairman Steven Bolt or Adviser Geoff Price, and be sure to come out for our Lodge Training Day on December 9.

# Leadership Training

## Lodge Leadership Training

## <u>LLD - Lodge Training Day - December 9</u>

Behind every OA function is the need for planning and leadership. Lodge Leadership Development (LLD) offers lodges the chance to provide training aimed at improving leadership and teaching about the many facets of the Order.

Hold the date!! Kittatinny Lodge will be hosting a LLD training day on **December 9th**, **2017**. This full -day of training will cover Camp Promotion & Elections, Troop Team Representatives, lodge operations and a number of other topics relevant to our upcoming 2018 lodge program year.

LLD for members of the Lodge Executive Committee is a requirement for JTE and we request all Officers, Chairmen and Advisers, as well as any other members of the lodge who would like to learn leadership skills and to become more involved in the lodge program try to attend this important event.

Look for more information coming soon to the lodge web site!



We now have an active lodge Instagram account. See what we have posted at https://instagram.com/kittatinny5

# Ceremonies

## Brandon Huey

## A Call to Service

Ceremonies Updates:

The Ceremonies Committee is proud to report that we have been preparing for next year's service weekends. We are currently looking for a time to hold training sessions so we can better ourselves as a committee.

Be on the lookout for new shirts, new moccasins, and some new accessories for the regalia. The ceremonies team has been working hard on preparing some new regalia.

Finally, The ceremonies committee is always in need of new ceremonialists, set up crew, and regalia keepers. If interested, contact us at <u>ceremonies@kittattinny5.org</u>.

# **Lodge Participation**

With just a little work, you can get started earning the four part (black wolf dangler patch and three pin segments) Kittatinny Lodge Participation Award. Most of it you can do just by being an active member in your unit and attending OA Weekends. Start by earning the patch and then in subsequent years you earn each of the pins. It takes four years to earn the complete award set.

The requirements for each of the four segments are the same: Complete FOUR of the following:

- 1) Attend two service weekends and one quarterly meeting;
- 2) Attend a Lodge Executive Meeting, Conclave, or other Lodge event;
- 3) Attend Summer Camp or a High Adventure camp;
- 4) Attend 75% of your Troop's meetings;
- 5) Attend two troop campouts (other than extended camp)
- 6) Teach a Scout a new skill.

Once you have completed these, talk to the Lodge Chief, or an Executive Committee Member about what you have done and what you are planning to do for your Troop and the O.A. in the future.

## The Warrior and the Eagle

Submitted by: Brandon Huey—Ceremonies Chairman

Long ago the Delawares believed that if a brave could pluck a feather from the tail of a live eagle and wear that feather, he would not only always be brave and of great courage, but good fortune would always follow him. Therefore young hunters used to try to catch eagles by putting pieces of wolf meat on high cliffs, eagles being very fond of wolf meat.

At one time there was a young brave who was very reckless, ambitious and daring. He wanted to get eagle feathers for a head dress and desired to pluck the feathers himself from live eagles, so he found a high place where eagles often came and baited the place for a few days with wolf meat. Then he killed a large wolf, took it to this place and hung a large piece of the flesh near the edge of the cliff. He then hid behind a big tree, with a forked stick, ready to capture an eagle.

Presently an eagle came to get the tempting morsel, but the young brave considered this eagle too small and drove it away. Soon another came, but this one also did not seem to suit the brave. He drove away several others, not being satisfied with the plumage of any of them. All at once he heard the flapping of heavy wings and there alighted before him an eagle much larger than himself. This eagle instead of looking like the others had red feathers, as if dyed in blood. This eagle did not take the wolf meat, but came straight to the brave, seized him in his talons and carried him away to a high cliff, from which it was impossible to escape, except by jumping down, which would have been certain destruction.

On this cliff was a large nest containing four young eagles. The large eagle left the brave in the nest and said to him: "You shall stay here and care for my young until they are large enough to carry you back to where I got you. I am the head chief of the eagles. Your greed and ambition have brought you to this. You were not satisfied with the plumage of the birds I sent you. Now you shall stay here and suffer for your greed, and perhaps when you return you will be glad to take such feathers as we give you." There was nothing else for the young brave to do but stay and guard the young eagles, and this he did so well as to win the friendship and love of the young eagles as well as the old eagle, who occasionally came to the nest, bringing in his talons a deer, rabbit or other game.

Finally, after the brave had been there many days and the young eagles had learned to fly, they would sometimes be away nearly all day and leave him alone. He would get very lonely and wonder if they were going to leave him to die of starvation or eat him up, or whether they really meant to take him back where the old eagle found him. He was not kept long in suspense, however, for one day the large eagle came again and said: "Now, my young friend, my grandchildren here shall carry you back to where I found you. I will go along to see that they do not drop you until you reach the place in safety." Accordingly two of the young eagles seized the brave in their talons and flew toward the cliff where he had been tempting the eagles with wolf meat. It was not far from the nest and they soon reached the place in safety. There the brave found some eagle feathers which he was glad enough to take without plucking them from a live eagle, and he returned with them to his people.

The lesson he learned from his adventure is that opportunities will finally cease to come if you continue to brush them aside, hoping for a better one.

## Lodge Adult Leadership Changes

## Glenn Piper - Lodge Adviser

Glenn Piper has been appointed Lodge Adviser effective September 13 after Kyle Dierolf stepped down for personal reasons. Glenn is a familiar face at Lodge activities, having taken his Ordeal in 1978 (opening year) at Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation. He became a Brotherhood member in 1980, and received his Vigil honor in 1992. During his tenure with the lodge, he has been an adviser to the Ceremonies, Brotherhood, Publications, Web Site, Historian, and Membership Committees, and has been Associate Lodge Adviser of Administration since 2016. He has attended 5 NOACs, the 2016 NEXT Conference, and many of the Section Conclaves held over the years. He is looking forward to working with the Chief and the LEC to continue improving Kittatinny Lodge and it's contributions to the Camp and to the Council.

## Rolland Miner - Lodge Staff Adviser

Rolland came to Hawk Mountain Council as the new Director of Camping and Lodge Staff Adviser, replacing Adrienne Wrona, who resigned in August. Rolland started his career with the BSA in 2009 after serving in the military for 23 years. He was a District Executive in Revolutionary Trails Council, Utica, NY, where he oversaw many committees as well as serving as Director for two camps. In 2015, he was promoted to Connecticut Rivers Council in East Hartford, CT as Asst Director of Field Services with duties including that council's Learning for Life and Scout Reach programs. He started with the Hawk Mountain Council on October 1, and is an Ordeal member of the Order of the Arrow, so we're sure the Brotherhood Committee will be talking to him in the very near future. Rolland is still getting his feet wet at camp and in the council, having just relocated from Connecticut, and will be coming up to speed quickly in his new role as Lodge Staff Adviser.

## James Milham - Supreme Chief of the Fire

Jim became the new Executive of the Hawk Mountain Council, and therefore Supreme Chief of the Fire, on August 1. He started his Scouting career in 1989 in the Southern New Jersey Council working his way up from an Exploring and Sr. Exploring Executive, to Sr. District Executive, and to District Director before taking on the Finance Director of that Council. From 2004-2010, he served as Director of Finance Services and later Director of Field Services/COO in the Baltimore Area Council. His last stop on his Scouting career prior to our Council was as CEO and Scout Executive of the Stonewall Jackson Area Council in Virginia. A native of Lehigh County, this is a 'coming home' of sorts for Jim. He is a Vigil member of the Order of the Arrow, and our members were excited to see him demonstrating his servant leadership as he picked up his paint brush and jumped right in on the service projects at the September OA Weekend.



The Wolf's Tale



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# OUR NEW VIGIL HONOR MEMBERS

## Kittatinny Welcomes Six New Vigil Honors Members

The night of Saturday, October 7th started off mild and humid, but later turned to drizzle then rain, but this did not keep six dedicated lodge members from keeping their Vigil fires burning throughout the night. About 25 Honor Vigil members came out to guide or to support our Vigil nominees in this endeavor. In the morning, after the Vigil, all were treated to a traditional Kittatinny Vigil delicious steak breakfast at the Marlin Miller Conference Center.

In the tradition of the Vigil Honor, members are given Lenape Indian name as well as the English translation of that name. Those we congratulate who received the Vigil Honor were:

Lewis Goodman III - Kochemunk Kwishelemao Nulemelante - "Outdoorsman Who Creates Heat" Charles "Chuck" Faust - Nawochgen Ochwall Anery - "To Follow His Father's Path" Russell Hobaugh - Tgauchsin Wowoatam Wingewochqueu - "Friendly Skilled Raven" Collin McCulloch - Mpi Knataepi Ila Tentary - "Water Watching Fire Warrior" Cole Butz - Wulatenamuwi Allogagan Gischihan - "Happy Servant Creates With Hands" Terry Rohrbach - Ktemaque Neumat Mailhatin - "Beaver Who Watches Camp"



Photo Caption: Vigil Recipients (foreground) and their guides: Lewis, Chuck, Russ, Collin, Cole, and Terry.

# **Register for Website Alerts**

Register for Kittatinny website alerts, and don't miss another announcement. This is yet another way to stay in touch with the latest lodge and OA information. Register at... *kittatinny5.org* 





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