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Chiefly Speaking

Andrew Simmons

Brother Arrowman,

Congratulations Kittatinny on sustaining bronze Journey to Excellence (JTE) in 2018. That is quite an accomplishment for all of our great officers, advisors, lodge executive committee and membership to hang their hat on.

I'd like to congratulate the twelve new vigil members we inducted in the fall. Also, in the fall we held our annual Lodge Leadership Development to directly train our members. One of the biggest events of the year was our year end fellowship feast. The feast was a hit! We had 97 people gather for fellowship at New Ringgold fire company with section and region representation as well.

Looking forward to 2019 we have a busy year ahead. The 2019 election season is underway, and we are trying to hit some lofty goals, so make sure your troop or crew schedules an election. Indian Village will return to summer camp so make sure to come out to our OA day. Also, in June we will be venturing down to Camp Horseshoe for Conclave put on by Octoraro 22! This year the JTE measurements are changing and thus we are adjusting out goals accordingly. We need more active members! Please reach out in your community to any OA members. Invite them to come out to an event so that we can all contribute to camp and toward our collective goals. This June we will have a number of committee members and officer aging out so if you are interested in getting involved, contact myself or one of the other LEC members. Its going to be an exciting next couple of years and you are going to want to be involved.

Lastly, thank you all so much for making 2018 the best year of my scouting experience. Serving as your lodge chief has been an honor and I am super excited for what the future holds!

Yours in Service,

Andrew Simmons

Kittatinny Lodge Chief



Conclave 2019 - Carnival of Fellowship

We don't mean this is just your average neighborhood carnival...

Carnival of Fellowship is the theme for the NE-6B Conclave to be held June 7-9, 2019, at nearby Horseshoe Scout Reservation, Chester County Council, hosted by Octoraro Lodge #22. Visit <http://www.octoraro22.org/conclave> for more information and to register.

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 different way of doing things so you can share those things back with our lodge. Kittatinny Lodge will be allocated thirty-five slots for Conclave, so many of our members will be able to attend. The cost will be only \$40.00 for the weekend. Keep an eye out for more information as it comes out, and mark your calendars now.

To register for Conclave go to <http://www.hmc-bsa.org/Event.aspx?id=4246>



Kitattinny Lodge 100th Anniversary

As many of you may know, the lodge is celebrating its 100th birthday in 2021! *THAT'S ONLY TWO YEARS AWAY!* We've already had two committee meetings, at which much was discussed. We narrowed down the logo design, and are working towards creating the MEGA DESIGN, which encompasses aspects from all of our design submissions.

At our last meeting, we briefly ran through the sub-committees, and established what committees are needed in order to pull off an amazing year. Those committees include **Publicity** (kind of like a communications team), **Merchandise** (like Kitty Inc.), **Events** (like an Activities committee), **History, Project, Finance, and Alumni**. For those committees, I will need people to fill them, and I'll especially need people to oversee those committees. If you're interested in helping, or want more information, please don't be scared to send me an e-mail or text message.

One last bit of exciting information... *WE HAVE A SLOGAN!* We worked really hard on deciding on

a really good slogan that represents our past and future. Credit to Dave Fry, who was the mastermind behind the slogan. Those who were at the last meeting are very proud of what Mr. Fry created, and we're proud to use it as our slogan.

Without further ado, the slogan of the Kittatinny 100th Anniversary:

Proud Heritage, Bright Future

Please feel free to reach out and offer a helping hand, and thank you to all who have helped already. I'm excited, and you should be too. It'll be a fantastic year!

Yours in Brotherhood,

Jacob Hensinger

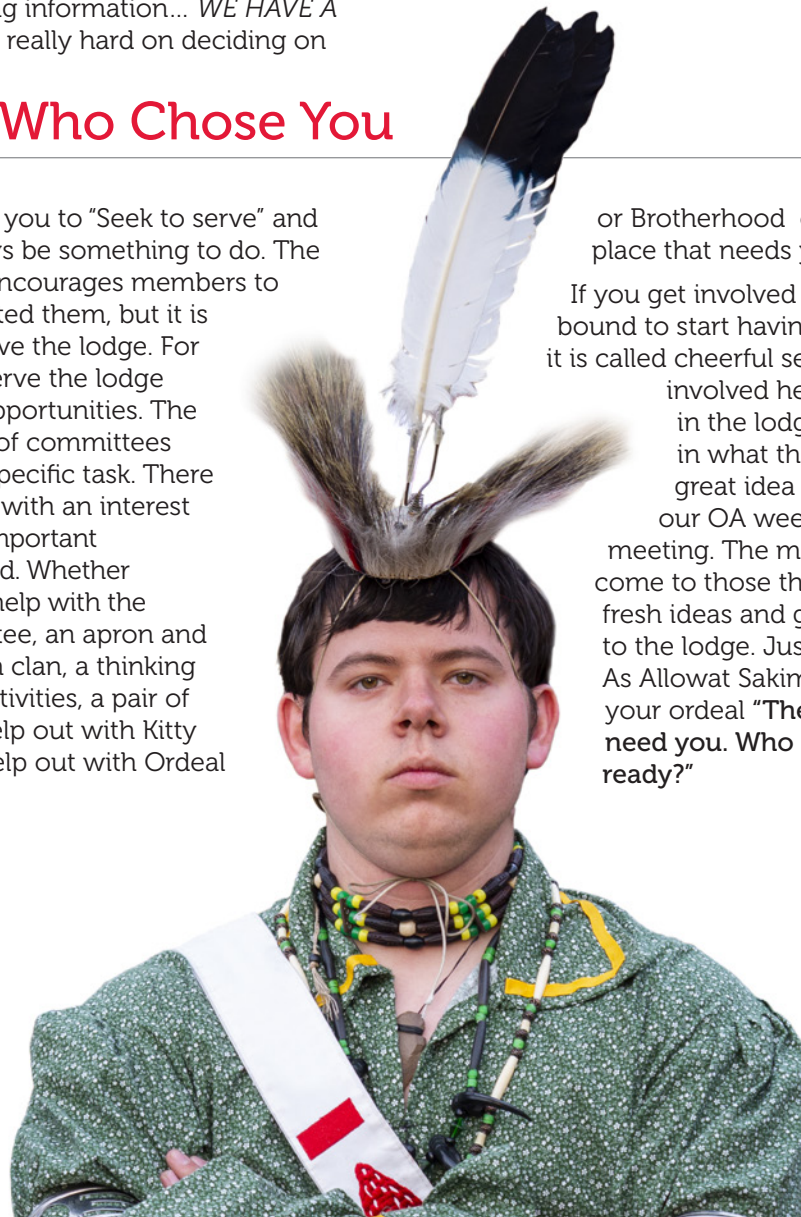
Kittatinny Vice Chief of Activities

The Ones Who Chose You

Long ago Meteu told you to "Seek to serve" and there seems to always be something to do. The Order of the Arrow encourages members to serve those that elected them, but it is also important to serve the lodge. For those who wish to serve the lodge there are plenty of opportunities. The lodge has a number of committees each in charge of a specific task. There is one for everybody with an interest in helping out. The important thing is to get involved. Whether you don regalia and help with the Ceremonies committee, an apron and help with the Kitchen clan, a thinking cap and help plan Activities, a pair of K5 sunglasses and help out with Kitty Inc, or a smile and help out with Ordeal

or Brotherhood committees there is a place that needs you in the lodge.

If you get involved in our lodge, you are bound to start having more fun; after all it is called cheerful service. Plus, getting involved helps to give you a voice in the lodge and allows you a say in what the lodge does. Have a great idea for a theme for one of our OA weekends, come to a LEC meeting. The more people we have come to those the better, as it allows fresh ideas and great changes to come to the lodge. Just strive to get involved. As Allowat Sakima said on the night of your ordeal **"The ones who chose you need you. Who among you now is ready?"**



Lodge Events

Vigil Nominations Due

March 17th, 2019

The Vigil Honor is a high mark of distinction and recognition reserved for those Arrowmen who, by reason of exceptional service, personal effort, and unselfish interest, have made distinguished contributions beyond the immediate responsibilities of their position of office to one or more of the following: Lodge, Order of the Arrow, Scouting community, Scout Camp. Under no circumstances should tenure in Scouting or the Order of the Arrow be considered as reason enough for a Vigil Honor recommendation.

Appalachian Trail Service Day

March 30th, 2019

Don't miss this year's OA Appalachian Trail Service Day. Each year Kittatinny dedicates a day of service to the Blue Mountain Eagle Climbing Club's efforts to conserve the Appalachian Trail for hikers who use trail, shelters and other amenities year-round. This year we'll be reconstructing tenting platforms at Hertlein Campsite (between Route 501 and Route 183). The club is extremely grateful for the lodge for the members who come out to help them.

Register for the Appalachian Trail Service Day at <http://hmc-bsa.org/Event.aspx?id=4310>

National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT)

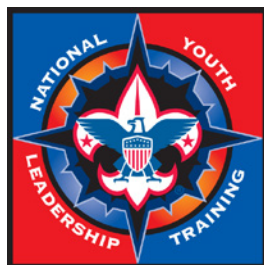
August 4th-9th, 2019

Arrowmen looking to enhance their leadership knowledge and skills should consider taking NYLT at Hawk Mountain this summer.

Whether it be enhancing your presentation skills, communicating effectively with youth or adults, or learning how to work effectively in a team, NYLT teaches you these skills in a hands-on environment where you put the skills you learn to work right away.

Registration is live at hmc-bsa.org.

For further details contact this year's course director, Dr. Elaine Price at nyltcd.hmc@gmail.com.



Arrowman Spotlight

William Kellner

William began his days in the OA with his election in Winter of 1962. In April of 1962, he was inducted as an Ordeal Member of Memeu Lodge #125. As an Ordeal, he attended his first Area 3-D Pow Wow at Camp Lavigne.

William went on to seal his ties in Brotherhood in 1963. As a Brotherhood member, William attended the Area 3-D Pow Wow again at Camp Acahela, and he attended the 50th anniversary of the Order in 1965 at Goose Pond. Over the Summers, William volunteered for the lodge wherever help was needed. He conducted elections across his district.

William joined the Navy out of high school. While on home leave in December 1965, he was tapped out for Vigil. He took his Vigil in May 1966. His Indian name is Woapalanne, which means Bald Eagle.

In June 1969, William returned home and resumed his high level of activity in Memeu Lodge as adviser of the TrailBlazer. He was active until 1971. He again resumed activity in 1973, joining Kittatinny Lodge 5. He served terms as the adviser for Activities, Kitty Inc., and served as Lodge Historian. He attended all Conclaves from 1974 to 1994. He staffed at all Conclaves hosted by Kittatinny and staffed on five NOACs.

William received the Adviser's Award in 1986, the Founder's Award in 1988, and the 75th Anniversary award in 1990.



Elangomat's Needed

Have you served as an Elangomat? Have you considered joining the team of Arrowmen who guide the newest members of the lodge through their first experiences in the Order of the Arrow? We're always looking for inspiring young Arrowmen to lead the next generation of lodge leaders into the brotherhood. The Elangomat program will be greatly expanded in 2019, and we'd love to have you joining the team. We hope to see some interested young men there!

Lodge Announcements

Lodge Hooded Sweatshirt **PRE-ORDER**

We will be taking pre-orders for a new Kittatinny Lodge hooded sweatshirt. This is the first time we've offered this item, so you don't want to miss it! Pre-orders must be placed by March 24. All orders received by that date will be available to pick up at the April OA Weekend (26-28). Orders will not be shipped to customers— you must pick them up. If you won't be at the April Weekend, you can pick them up at the Service Center after the weekend.

Order now at <https://hmc-bsa.org/kittatinny/store>



Order of the Arrow Sudoku X9

Use each letter found in the phrase ORDER OF THE ARROW.

Fill the 9 boxes in each block, column, row, and diagonal.

Use each letter only once.

Puzzle Credit: David Fry

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Find the solution at <https://bit.ly/2COWvpr>

Wear the Flap; Pay Your Dues

Dues reminder cards were mailed out in December. Remember, your dues must be paid in order for you to participate in lodge events and activities like LEAD, Weekends and Conclave or to be considered for Brotherhood and Vigil. You can send your payment in with your renewal card, but why wait — *pay your dues online now!*

For more information, visit the lodge dues web page at <https://kittatinny5.org/dues>.

Useful Tip— Did you know you can pay online with a credit card OR a checking account using eCheck?

LODGE CHALLENGE— Are You An Active Member?

As the lodge leadership looked at our 2018 JTE (Journey To Excellence) results and started to plan for 2019, they noticed something somewhat distressing. One area where we could really improve on is the percentage of lodge members participating actively in the OA program. The lodge ended 2018 with 768 members, but the number of unique members that are actively participating (attended at least one event) was only 346. If you remove the Candidates that attended a weekend to take their Ordeal Weekend, that number becomes something around 234. Only 1/3 of our dues paying members are participating in the program! This really hurts us in JTE when we have objectives based on percentage of membership.

I would like to issue a challenge to **ALL** the members of Kittatinny Lodge in 2019. Let's see if we can have every member attend at least one, just ONE, lodge event in 2019. It may be a service weekend, the Fellowship Feast, a Summer Camp OA cracker barrel, one of our monthly Camp Service days, or a special activity. If you come out to one, you will see what you have been missing: making good friends, having fun, serving the camp, the council, or the community... you know... the stuff WWW stands for. If you attend just one event, we think you will be inspired to attend a few more. As I like to say, just being there is half the battle!

I hope we can count on your help to make the lodge strong and successful in 2019. See you at one of our upcoming activities!

Glenn Piper

Lodge Adviser

Circle our Council Fire

by William Kellner

Prior to moving from Shikellamy to Nisatin, a group of members led by Earl Moyer, Mike Johnson and Bill Kellner surveyed the area. The prior site was beyond the present day rifle range; it was small but it fit the bill. The site before that was at the bottom of Kilburn field and across the lake. We also found another circle that was used for Brotherhood ceremonies.

The Brotherhood circle was across the access road to the lake, about fifty yards into the woods. The site was marked by a totem pole carved from a tree.

We decided that the new circle would be the site at the bottom of Kilburn Field; the present day Tuscarora campsite. There was stonework in place and the benches for attendees were still there. There was a lot of new growth since the site was last used in 1966/67.

Before we started work on the circle, we made sure that a candidate's path was in place. We had to clear a lot of brush and put two new bridges in place; on the spillway and on the culvert on the North Shore. Then, a quick trail was made for members behind Kilburn field.

The circle took about two work weekends to clear. It was discovered that the site was very marshy, so we used a perforated pipe to drain it.

As work on the site forged on, members continued to move rocks from Kilburn Field to the site to make a wall around the circle. It was decided to have an arrow shaped fire pit, so we dug a four to six foot hole and filled the bottom with cement and a drain. The whole pit was lined and stone cemented while the altar was being built. The corner stone from the Minsi Lodge building in Shik was placed in the center to remind us what we left in Shikellamy. Behind the cornerstone I put an empty soda can with a note in it for whoever opened the cornerstone. We jokingly told everyone it contained a Memeu and Minsi flap.

In the center of the wall is a huge stone called the "Egyptian Stone," so called because it took ten members to move it from the field to the circle. We had to use logs to roll it along. The hardest part was getting it across the stream. We found a narrow sandy place, put the logs under, and pushed it across. As soon as we got it into the perimeter we said, "enough, that is a good spot," and the wall was built around that stone.

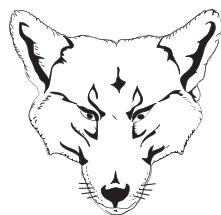
The circle was completed and used in the 1978 NE5A Conclave at the new camp. We also planned on building a Lodge Building behind the circle on the Tuscarora Campsite, but after perk tests were done and the area was measured out, council said, "No!" We had to settle for the Kittatinny Room as our "Lodge Building."



Register for Website Updates

Register for Kittatinny website updates, 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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