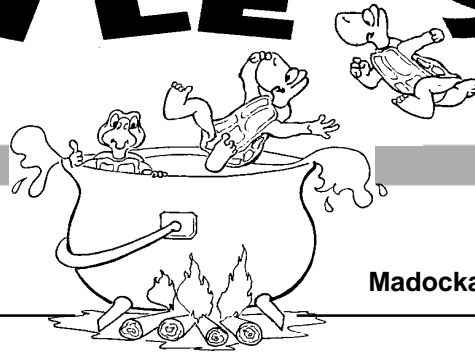


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Order of the Arrow



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Lodge Earns Second National Service Award!

Award to be presented to Lodge at National Meeting in Washington

By Bruce Rueger, Lodge Adviser

Madockawanda Lodge recently received word that in addition to the National Service Grant awarded in December, 2005, we also earned the National Service Award. The National Service Award was established in 1999 to recognize lodges in each region that have performed outstanding service, both in a qualitative and a quantitative sense, to their council. The National Service Award Petition was submitted along with the lodge recharter application this past December. . Only two lodges per region are recognized with the National Service Award each year. The National Service Award petition requires lodges to submit information our current membership, a detailed description of the largest and most meaningful service project we completed for Pine Tree Council, and a record of all service performed by the lodge for the council since the last recharter process. During 2005, Madockawanda Lodge contributed a total of 4,312 hours by 754 individuals or about 6 hours per person. Service to the Pine Tree Council included work at the University of Scouting, camp promotions, the grand opening of the new council office, three ordeals, the celebration of the 90th Anniversary of the Order of the Arrow, the weekly OA service hour at Camp Hinds, Cub Day Camp and Fun Pack weekend staff, construction of a new cabin at Patrick campsite, development of a new meditation area at Camp Hinds and renovation of the old site and assisting at the Cub Trailblazer Day.



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For Friends and Brothers....Conclave 2006

Camp Wah-Tut-Cah Prepares for onslaught of Brothers from Seven Lodges in June

By Paul Froman, Section Chief



Look for the 'Smart Turtle' info box for OA quick facts!



Once Again...
Section NE-1A's
1 Rated
Newsletter



Conclave 2006 will be the biggest and best Conclave in the Section history! You may be asking yourself, what is conclave? Conclave is where all the Lodges in Section NE-1A come together for a weekend of training, competitions, fellowship and of course food! Conclave 2006 is something that no Order of the Arrow member in his right mind would want to miss!

This year's Conclave is being held at Camp Wah-Tut-Cah in Northwood, NH. Hosted by Nanepashmet Lodge #158. The Section has been working hard with the lodges to have the best and most memorable Conclave ever. Ask anyone who has come to a Conclave before. They will say it's not an event to miss. Everyone comes to Conclave for their own reasons a few maybe, ceremony competitions, the Native American pow-wow, patch trading and sometimes just a weekend with friends away from the old parents or maybe even the little brother or sister. For whatever the reason you came to conclave by the time it comes to an end you will already have your reason to come next year.

Conclave has so much going on there is almost no down time. The weekend starts off with an opening show. Followed by activities so you can meet people from around the section. Well you are meeting some new people and maybe trading some patches. You can find your way to the dinning hall for the cracker barrel and pick up some great food to hold you over till

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AIA Weekend Brings Tradition

Madockawanda and Pamola Lodge Brothers meet in Waterville to Celebrate Native American Rituals and Customs

by Ian Hanley, Casco Bay Chapter



Speaking of Native American Affairs, the Order of the Arrow has its traditions based on the Delaware Indians. Lodges throughout the country utilize totems as symbols of their lodge, taken principally from the traditions from our ancestors. Our lodge's totem is the Turtle, which has a great meaning in most Native American culture. For example, The Gabrielino Indians of California tell a tale of the creation of earth on the back of six great turtles.



Although most Brothers know what the term "conclave" means from a Scouting perspective, the term comes from the Latin phrase cum clave ("with a key"), referring to the "locking away" of the pastoral electors during the process of electing a Pope in the Catholic Church.



The fellowship was high and the sleep was low in Waterville on March 31st to April 2nd, as members of Madockawanda and Pamola Lodges came together for the 2nd Annual AIA Fellowship Weekend. The event was held on Madockawanda lodge soil at the Alford Youth Center in Waterville. The lodge was represented by four members: Drumming Chair Aaron Greene, Ceremonies Chair Ian Hanley, Ceremonies and Drumming Advisor Tom Thornton, and Kevin Lees of the lodge and K-Valley ceremonies team. Our brothers to the north made up the majority of the attendees with around 30 members present. Friday night included a



Drum Away! Our own Tom Thornton leads two brothers from Pamola Lodge in a drumming session at the AIA weekend.



Full Regalia! Darrell Donahue, Lodge Adviser for Pamola Lodge dances in full regalia during a dance session at the AIA weekend in Waterville.

cracker barrel with a plethora of food. The next morning was quick to start with 3 training cells including drumming, dance/ceremonies regalia, crossovers/call-outs, and quality ceremonies. Lunch was capped by Section Vice Chief Joe Caiazzo speaking on opportunities outside of the lodge. A final training cell came after lunch, and was a choice of "Living the Character" and special effects. After which the section visitation team conducted a meeting with members of both lodges. The highlight of the afternoon was the powwow, emceed by Pamola lodge Advisor Darrell Donahue. Supper consisted of pizza followed by cake in celebration of three Arrowman having their birthday during the weekend. By the way, did you know that Tom Thornton and Darrell Donahue are both born on April 1st? These "April Fools" may be separated by years, but not by purpose! One thing is for sure, those of us who know Tom certainly now have

some explanation for his behavior! The evening was highlighted by an hour long game of water polo in a therapy pool, and watching a movie. The weekend's fellowship and programs received high reviews and anticipation is running high for next year. Discussion within training classes suggested interest in expanding to related OA fields such as Elangomats and Brotherhood. The weekend was a beneficial success, thanks to the work of Aaron Greene, who worked to secure the facility and organize the program.





The National Lodge Adviser Training Seminar (NLATS) is a weekend conference focusing on the skills and attributes of effective lodge advisers. It is intended primarily to enhance an adviser's knowledge of and connectivity with the OA's strategic plan



The National Leadership Seminar is a weekend conference on the skills and attributes of leadership. It is intended primarily to enhance the leadership skills of the Order of the Arrow's key youth and adult members as they seek to improve their services to the Boy Scouts of America and the greater community



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breakfast. After breakfast the day will start off with training that the Training Committee has been working hard to put together for Conclave. You get to pick three training cells of your choice that interest you! Training Cells include; The Search or the Arrow program for new members, come and learn more about the Order and what it means to be part of the OA. Learn Native American Dance or learn Native American drumming and singing. Learn Wilderness First Aid or Making a Lightweight Camp Stove out of nothing more then things you can find around your house! These are just a few of the class's that can be chosen. After the morning classes have come to an end the afternoon takes off with hands on activities! Play any sports? Put together a lodge team and compete in volleyball, tag-a-war, alternate Frisbee and much more. Sports not your thing, but interested in Ceremonies? Get the gang together and compete in ceremony's competitions or just save your strength to Bike, Run, Swim, Row and kayak in the Annual Healy Cup! Now it's time once again to head to the dinning hall for the weekends feast! If you are not hungry by the time dinner comes around something is wrong or it just means you spent a lot of time in the trading post! When dinner gets over its time for the evening show! The show is full of entertainment but also brings home the purpose of the Order, Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service. After yet another awesome breakfast the Conclave will come to an end with the final show and the Annual Business Meeting. It is at this time that the new Section Leadership is elected by the Arrowmen of the Section. After that is done its time to pack up for the travel home. If Conclave isn't one of your best scouting experiences I would be shocked! I have never heard of anyone ever saying it wasn't a great time. If you have never been to a Conclave give it a try. You'll regret if you don't. For all your friends will say you shouldn't of miss the best Conclave ever!



Conclave and the Host Lodge/ Council: Above is the Council Patch for Yankee Clipper Council, the host Council for the 2006 Section NE-IA

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training and about being a "Brother" and learn how to become selfish. After the game, participants realized the folly of their ways, and so it was that "All You Can" isn't the real goal. Sunday morning brought a great basketball movie: Hoosiers to be exact. This movie allowed us to analyze the leadership styles of the coach to better help us understand all we learned over the course of the



weekend. After this, we all had to make contracts or "tickets", devising three plans that use what we learned at NLS to better help our lodge, troop, school, or community. Following was the graduation, and wishful thinking from many important people, including the Region Chief and the National Vice Chief. The weekend was a worthwhile adventure into the depths of leadership. It was enjoyed by all, and many thanks goes out to Paul Froman, the sponsorship from Madockawanda Lodge, and all the staff members of NLS. One other note... The drive to Camp Alpine, although made by many, is a very long trip! During our group's travels there it was discovered and became fully apparent to all in our vehicle that Jared can not operate electric windows, and Paul can. Caleb also sees random stick figure license plates and there seems to be a bus that came by direct route from Korea to the US. Don't ask me why....we saw it and it continues the mystery of the trip to Camp Alpine!





Well, you can have your Turtle Soup and EAT it too! We have to be the only Lodge Newsletter in the Nation to have a Ben & Jerry's Ice cream flavor named after our great publication! Go check it out at the Ben & Jerry's website:
<http://www.benjerry.com/>
 Or even better, buy a pint and bring it to the Spring Ordeals!



Lodge Petitions Council to Name Waterfront

James Keene Memorial Waterfront Proposed

Jim Keene, an integral member of Madockawanda Lodge and Abnaki Chapter, passed away in November 2005. Jim, a Vigil Honor member and retired civil engineer, was the chief architect, engineer, supervisor, and driving force behind the 1999 & 2000 renovation of the Camp Hinds Waterfront. He also engineered the new Hinds camper shower houses, and helped repair the back wall of the Camp Office/Rec Hall, which was in danger of collapsing. In recognition of his years of tremendous work for the Chapter, Lodge, and Scouting as a whole, but particularly because of his role in the waterfront project, the Lodge has petitioned the Pine Tree Council to name the main waterfront at Camp Hinds in Jim's memory. A group of Brothers comprised of past and present members of Abnaki Chapter, as well as those who worked closely with Jim over the years, drafted a proposal to name the waterfront the *James Keene Memorial Waterfront*, place a bronze plaque at the waterfront, and place an informational display inside the museum at the Hinds recreation hall which will include some of the original



engineering drawings and pictures of the work that took place over two years, three ordeals, and a Vigil workday. At the Executive Committee Meeting in March, the Lodge endorsed the proposal, and it was submitted to the Council. The proposal has the support of the Council Properties Committee and will be considered by the Council Executive Board at their May 18th meeting. "We're confident that the Executive Board will endorse our effort to honor Jim's contributions to our camps, council and lodge," said Matt Dubois, Abnaki Chapter Adviser, who is spearheading the project. "We were hoping for approval a bit sooner, but we have the necessary pieces of the project ready to be put in motion as soon as it is approved." Tentative plans call for placing the plaque and display at Camp and spiffing up the waterfront at the June 2-4 ordeal at Hinds, as well as a dedication of the waterfront for Saturday, June 17, during the second Hinds ordeal. Plans remain in place to host Jim's family, Council dignitaries, as well as any interested Brother, Scouter or community member for the dedication ceremony. Watch the Lodge website and Turtle Soup Express for more information as the ordeals draw near.



The Internet Guide to Order of the Arrow Insignia contains 43,633 images from 776 lodges! Many of Madockawanda's flaps and logos appear here...go check our lodge's historical patches, neckerchiefs and logos!



From the Chief

To My Brothers of the Lodge:

"These are those who have been Chosen"



The Ordeal season is upon us, and with that comes a new feeling for the Order. It is this time of year where we bring our new members into our brotherhood, but also where we will come together for our great and glorious times of brotherhood and service. This is our bread and butter; this is the time where we do what we are best at, giving service to our fellow brothers and our fine council's camps. This leads me to recall upon a song, "This was her time, this was her dance. She lived every moment; left nothing to chance." This is our time, my fellow arrowmen. This is when we make the difference in the lives of the thousands of youth that will benefit from our work and service this summer. I urge you all to attend at least two Ordeals this summer, and do your part in making the most of this summer, and giving back to Scouting all that it has given to you. I look forward to seeing you all at our upcoming events.

In Brotherhood! *Dan Warner, Lodge Chief*

Yours in Wimachtendienk. . .

Casco Bay Chapter

As spring election seasons come to a close I am proud to say that Casco Bay is once again posting strong numbers in both number of elections and candidates. We have begun work on the Annual Banquet, more information will come. Our ceremonies team has performed a variety of crossovers with a few more to come including Call-Out. That's all for now, hope to see you all at Ordeals.

Ian Hanley

Abnaki Chapter

Abnaki Chapter performed a handful of crossover ceremonies for packs 153, 110, 160, 111, and 116. Many, many thanks to the Arrowmen who took time out of their schedules to help out. Cub Scouts are our future, and it is important we participate in their program as much as we can. Great job to our ceremonialists! We also are planning for the Call Out Ceremony to be performed at the Campfire of the District Spring Camporee. This ceremony recognizes all those Scouts who were elected this year. Any Arrowman who would like to help out – either by performing one of the parts, or during the day of the ceremony, attend the May chapter meeting and get involved. And remember, chapter meetings are held at the same time as the District Roundtable. They are the second Wednesday of each month (except July and August) at Auburn Middle School at 7 pm. We'd love to see you attend and become involved in chapter activities.

Nick Bouyea

York Chapter

The past two months have hosted meetings that have been more business and somewhat less on the fun scale. Our commitment has been on cheerful service as we were more focused on our elections season. Kudos to Caleb Fredrick on his absolute dedication to the 2006 chapter election schedule. Single-handedly, Caleb has participated in 10+ elections, and has held the York election team together. Now that we're moving into the Ordeal and Service period of the lodge year, the coming months should be good and should be more on the fun side. May is host to the "save a scout" campaign, and June is our chapter bowling trip to Bowlarama in Sanford, so all York Dorks take notice. Bring \$9 and the will to have a good time, and this last meeting before the July chapter meeting vacation should be a great way to end the year. Remember, if you have candidates in your troop that have been elected this year, please encourage them to attend an Ordeal and become a member. If you are already a brother, make sure you come to serve and have a great time. See you at all of our chapter and Lodge spring activities!

Jared Cascio

K- Valley Chapter

Our chapter newsletter, The -Valley News will be going out soon with a lot of info specific to chapter, including dates and places of upcoming events so make sure to give it a once over. We are also ordering t-shirts very soon since we have decided on colors and such at our last chapter meeting. They are 7\$ for most shirt sizes, so get your orders in before they go away. For more information please contact Bunny Wiggin and she will hook you up. K-Valley will also participate in the "save a scout" day at the next meeting at E-Pro Consulting in Augusta. We are also sending some members to help out in Downeast Chapter on that night as well. We will be having a chapter "relaxation" campout at Bomazeen in the coming month along with supporting the district camporee.

Aaron Greene



Our lodge came into existence on July 10, 1944 at Camp Hinds where our first seven members were inducted into the Order. You could say that was our lodge's first Ordeal!



In the early years of the Lodge...mainly in the late 1940's when funding was tighter and transportation issues were somewhat larger, the separate chapters met as a Lodge once a year, during the Christmas school vacation, when the lodge held its annual meeting for fellowship and election of Lodge officers. Since the early 1990's that practice has evolved into the Fall Lodge Leadership & Development weekend, or LLD!



Officers Attend National Leadership Seminar!

Lodge continues annual support of youth leadership training for it's members

By Jared Cascio, York Chapter Chief



NLS Crew: The 2006 attendees at the National Leadership Seminar/National Lodge Adviser Leadership Training session held in April (l to r): Section Chief Paul Froman, Paul Beaupre, Caleb Frederick, Jared Cascio, Mike Mirisola, and Tracy Wiggin.

Again for 2006 a bunch of us Madockawandians attended the National Leadership Seminar which was located at Camp Alpine on March 31st to April 2nd. Most of use participated in this leadership training, while Mike Mirisola participated in the NLATS program (National Lodge Advisor Training Seminar). NLS participants included Caleb Fredrick, Jared Cascio, Paul Beaupre, and Tracy Wiggin and we shared a weekend of excellent training seminars. The weekend opened with a introduction to leadership, and a Friday evening cracker barrel. Saturday opened with a delicious breakfast, followed by a lesson on how to “be” a leader. Late Saturday morning we learned how to plan effective lodge events, then moved onto training on how to be always on the job. Next was situational leadership, where we took time to learn how people should be lead, and when to lead them in a certain manner. In the afternoon, we learned the “Riddle of Man”. In this lesson, we learned how to better understand those you lead. After dinner, we played OA Jeopardy, where quite humorously, everybody flopped! Right after that we played the ever famous “Win All You Can”. This game was designed to get you to

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Lodge Serves Successfully at U of S!



Brothers in Service: Tom Parenteau, Steve Hart and an unidentified Brother help with lunch setup at the 2006 University of Scouting held in Auburn.

Lodge now moves to planning the Fall LLD!

by Aaron Wiggin, Lodge Vice Chief

As we move into the spring month's we look back at one training activity and proceed to the next one. The University of Scouting (UoS) was a great success. In the early morning hours as our Council's various leaders were showing up for the event, the Lodge faithful was already working to get tables set up for various displays in the midway. Member also setup tables in the lunch area. All in all it was a good start to a long day. But arrowmen were not just there for service.... this year was the first year we actually planned and hosted separate OA courses which covered subjects like Brotherhood conversion to Northeast Woodland Native American culture. But what day would be complete without the famous lodge slide show...let me tell you....if you want flames just leave it to our lodge firefighters to make the slide show. If you think this years OA Studies were good, just wait till next year since there are already ideas in the works for various enhancements to our

training programs and course offerings. As a preview to our Fall training program, I along with other members of the lodge are in the process of planning this years LLD. It promises to be damn good and I want you to register when the flyers come out in September! In addition to normal training we are in the process of developing a lodge Advisers course which would provide our adult leadership with more than just the traditional “adult jam” to attend. I mean we youth of the lodge actually have to get them to do something other than drink coffee! In closing this I would ask that if you have an ideas or would like to help in planning or jobs at the LLD contact myself or Nate Smith. Because the more hands we have the lighter the work will be.



Search for the Arrow? Cubs Come to Conclave!

Conclave to host session for Cub Scouts!

By Scott Valcourt, "Dick Valcourt's Son"



As part of the 2003-2007 OA Strategic Plan calling for "...an initiative to enhance learning opportunities at section conclaves" the National OA Committee has provided training support material to the sections to aide in training of Arrowmen. Included in this initiative is material for Lodges and Sections on how they can aide with the Cub Scout program. Among the items discussed in the session are ways for the OA to be involved in the Council's Cub Scout Outdoor Program and in the Webelos to Scout Transition. Part of our responsibility is to assist with Cub Scouts, and historically our role has included our brothers or ceremony teams providing "crossover" ceremonies to local cub scout packs, helping out

at a Pack's Blue and Gold banquet, or assisting with the Cub Scout Day Camp Program. These have been successful, but we can expand this function, and this year we are expanding into the Section Conclave with a program specifically designed to introduce scouting to cub scouts and encourage boys to make the transition from cub scouting to boy scouts. Our goal is to provide an opportunity for as many Cub Scouts from the local Councils to experience a unique part of Scouting in an effort to help promote Boy Scouting to Cub Scouts. The biggest transition period in Scouting is between Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts. We want to show these young Scouts how much fun Boy Scouts can be and educate them about the program. We also want to promote the Order of the Arrow so when they become a Boy Scout, then they can look forward to the day when they are elected.

Part of the schedule for the "Search for the Arrow" Cub Scout Program during the Saturday festivities at Conclave includes the following events:

- Arrive and Check-In 1:00 PM
- Welcoming 1:15 PM
- Round Robin Activities Begin 1:30 PM
 - Learn different Boy Scout Ranks and Merit Badges
 - Learn how to Camp- Model Campsite
 - Play Native American Games
 - Make a Native American choker (necklace)
 - Pow-Wow 3:30 PM
 - Learn how to Dance
 - Join Pow-Wow, wear your NEW! Choker
- Free Time 4:30 PM
 - Explore Conclave/ Visit Trading Post
- Dismissal 5:00

So, where do you fit in....well, please encourage your local Cub Scout Packs and Cub Scout Leaders to attend this great program. This event is open to 50 Cub Scouts from our Section, so sign up soon! Registration and permission forms are available on the Section Website at www.ne-1a.org



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Madockawanda Lodge also contributed 338 hours of community service as 45 Leadership in Service awards were earned by our members. The National Service Award will be presented to the lodge at the National Meeting of the Boy Scouts of America in Washington, DC on May 25. This is the second time since the inception of the award that Madockawanda Lodge has been bestowed with this honor. The lodge also earned the award in 2000, for service performed in 1999 primarily for the modifications and beautification of the waterfront at Camp Hinds, the reconstruction of the council ring at Camp Bomazeen, and the establishment of the OA Service Hour at both Camps.



Even the Quality Lodge criteria in 2006 now include Requirement # 15 that the lodge provide "manpower, resources and/or program assistance in support of the Council's Cub Scout outdoor program and Webelos transition to Boy Scouts."



For those who have "Given": Above is the graphic representation of the very limited edition (100 in print) of the Turtle Soup patch being distributed this spring to those Scouts and Scouters who have contributed to the success of Turtle Soup over the past six years.

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*Don't forget to attend the **OA Service Hour** on any Thursday evening at Camp Hinds during the summer camp season.*



Be a Trader! Pick up your **2006 Trader Flap** at our Lodge spring events!



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Lodge Calendar

Spring-Summer 2006 Update

- Apr 30 - **** **Unit Election Season Ends** ****
- May 6th - Deadline for Unit Election Submission
- Jun 2-4 - Spring Ordeal - Camp Hinds
- Jun 9 - 11 - Section NE-1A Conclave - Camp Wah-tut-Ca
- Jun 16 -18 - Spring Ordeal - Camp Hinds
- Jul 7 - 8 - Vigil (7) and Founders Day (8) - Hinds
- Jul 29 -Aug 3 - 2006 NOAC - Michigan State University
- Sep 8 - 10 - Fall Ordeal - Camp Hinds

Remember - Brotherhood Conversion Ceremonies and the OA Service Hour every Thursday at Summer Camp