

LEC Agenda

1. Opening
 - 1.1. Meeting opened at 1:59 PM with the Obligation.
2. Roll Call
 - 2.1. Conclave, Fellowship, and National Activities committees were not present.
3. Secretary's Report
 - 3.1. A motion was created and passed to approve the minutes from the last LEC, on January 10.
4. Treasurer's Report
 - 4.1. The Lodge is in good financial standing right now and will be in better standing if more brothers pay their dues. Encourage any members you know to pay their dues and be active within the Lodge. If all goes as well as we are hoping, this will be a good year.
5. Chapter Reports
 - 5.1. Abnaki
 - 5.1.1. No report presented
 - 5.2. Casco Bay
 - 5.2.1. Casco Bay Chapter has been very busy for the last few months. We hosted and programmed a very successful Klondike derby for the district. There were 27 sleds full of Scouts and Webelos. We had plenty of snow and great weather. Our election season got off to a slow start, however in the last month, we have elected 35 new candidates. We still have 10 units scheduled for elections before the April deadline. We are hoping for at least 75 new members. The chapter ceremony team has conducted 5 crossover and Arrow of Light ceremonies this season for the Cub Scouts of Casco Bay District. We have more scheduled through May.
 - 5.3. Downeast
 - 5.3.1. The Downeast Chapter held multiple elections in the past month, and has contacted all of the troops for dates of possible elections and Camp Promotion presentations. Within the coming weeks we are preparing for those meetings and as always asking for members that have become inactive to pay their dues. The meetings are generally consisting of the election team's discussions on how to best improve our elections. As for upcoming Conclave, we are planning to attend and have some of our members serve on staff.

- 5.4. K Valley
 - 5.4.1. Report presented, not turned in
- 5.5. York
 - 5.5.1. 2009 is starting to be a good year for York. We have done many elections and crossover ceremonies. We completed an Elangomat training at our March meeting and are planning to have a guest speaker at our April meeting. We are in the planning stages for a Chapter bowl-a-thon fundraiser to be held in the next few months. We continue to work on our plans for adopting Pleasant Point Park on the Saco River. In the next month or so, we will be looking at potential locations for our Annual Lodge Banquet.
- 6. Committee Reports
 - 6.1. Service & Ordeal
 - 6.1.1. As far service is concerned at this point, I am putting a list together of possible projects for the ordeals coming up. I have discussed this with Bob and he will be leaving me notes for the OPC on April 4th Also I am in the process of putting together a list of things that need to be accomplished for this year's Conclave. That's all for now, Tune in next time for an update.
 - 6.2. Brotherhood
 - 6.2.1. Report presented, not turned in
 - 6.3. Vigil
 - 6.3.1. Vigils have not been selected, but the meeting has been planned.
 - 6.4. Ceremonies
 - 6.4.1. AIA weekend-Went well, we had some training cells and ceremonies workshops. Ceremonies Practices-The February practice was a big lackluster, lacking participation after a couple late drop outs. We had more people at the practice in March, and I thought it was a success. We were able to get a lot of practice in and prepared for the UoS Brotherhood Conversion. Brotherhood Conversions- We'll talk later. UoS Brotherhood- It went well for the chaos that preceded it.
 - 6.5. AIA
 - 6.5.1. The Drumming & Dancing Committee has events coming out the whazoo. We have a practice at the Portland SMEMS offices tomorrow, and we are also drumming at the St Anselm College Powwow on April 4. We are planning on putting in the Camp Tracy docks in June to get the Alford Center for free.
 - 6.6. Lodge Store
 - 6.6.1. The Lodge Store Committee is right in the swing of things. At our first committee meeting, we decided on some new items to be offered, including pens and pencils, starting at the University of Scouting. We have also decided to post an interest sign-up sheet

at the store for the limited-edition handcrafted pens to be made by Jarod White. A minimum of eight signups would be needed for production to begin. If this goal is met, 12 pens will be made. The special pens would be offered exclusively to those who preorder them at the price of \$15 each.

6.7. Founder's Award

6.7.1. The Founder's Award Committee is planning to meet sometime in the coming months to decide upon this year's recipients of the award. Stay tuned for more exciting news!

6.8. Elangomat

6.8.1. 2009 has started off well. I have a few Elangomats lined up for the first and second Ordeals. If you know of anyone interested in being an Elangomat, please let me know. There has been Elangomat training for York Chapter. If any other chapters would like to have a training, please let me know. [REDACTED]

6.9. Campership & Camp Promo

6.9.1. No report presented

6.10. Troop Rep

6.10.1. OA Troop Rep committee is doing good. We have increased in numbers again. There was a class on OATR at the University of Scouting. We look forward to growing more throughout the coming year.

6.11. LLD

6.11.1. LLD is coming along great. On Wednesday I got the confirmation letters from Mt Blue High School saying that Madockawanda Lodge has the school, fields, and parking lot for free. The only fee we will have to pay is for one person to be in kitchen at \$12.50/hr. I went ahead and talked to the Army and Marines, both will be coming to LLD. I am looking at getting some people to come from different tribes around Maine. For the Turtle Cup, I am adding some twists! Each chapter will represent a branch of the military. I am also trying to get the Fire Department to bring a few spare hoses and put them into some aspect of the Cup. IT looks like I am going to have to change the date of LLD because of Wood Badge.

6.12. Publications & Website

6.12.1. Turtle Soup is still waiting for articles on the AIA Weekend, Conclave, Summer Brotherhoods, NOAC, the OPC, Crossover Ceremonies, Quality Lodge, 2009 Lodge Goals, Founder's Day, and Service. Adrian and I had asked for these articles to be in by March 7th. It is well past that - please get your stuff in, so we can send Turtle Soup out. In other news, the website has gotten to the point where I'm just making updates now. There are no more big changes to make, at least for the moment.

- 6.13. National Activities
 - 6.13.1. No report presented
- 6.14. Membership & Elections
 - 6.14.1. So far, there have been very few election reports coming into the Lodge. I would like to remind everyone that they are supposed to send in the forms the day after the election. By the look of the lack of election forms, we are going to be very busy with elections soon, and I hope I am right. Also, don't forget to ask if anyone at the elections you do needs to pay their dues. It is a lot easier to get them to pay if you approach them in person, rather than emailing or calling them.
- 6.15. Fellowship
 - 6.15.1. No report presented
- 6.16. Conclave
 - 6.16.1. need reg materials on website, info.
- 7. Old Business
 - 7.1. The Lodge earned its fourth National Service Award recently, given for 2008 service. It includes the large contingent we sent to ArrowCorps⁵.
- 8. New Business
 - 8.1. 2009 Planbook
 - 8.1.1. The Planbook requires just a few more items before it can be distributed. Note that printed copies will be made in limited quantities, as they were not very popular last year.
 - 8.2. Chapter Activities and Commitments
 - 8.2.1. Elections are slow. Bruce says we have less than 100 candidates so far. If chapters have reports that they are holding on to - send them in ASAP. Scan them and send them to Bruce, if you can, or just mail them normally. If we have hit a saturation point, there's not much we can do, but if not, we need to get going. Promote the Order, do elections, and send in forms!
 - 8.2.2. Crossovers - keep up the good work. Chapters should keep record of crossovers they do and send them to Ian.
 - 8.2.3. Chapter-run Summer Brotherhood Dates
 - 8.2.3.1. July 9-Downeast
 - 8.2.3.2. July 16-York
 - 8.2.3.3. July 23-Abnaki
 - 8.2.3.4. July 3-Casco Bay
 - 8.2.3.5. August 6-KV
 - 8.2.3.6. August 13-Lodge
 - 8.2.4. Call-out ceremonies - all chapters have planned at least one. If you need help with the ceremony, contact Ian.
 - 8.3. Conclave
 - 8.3.1. There will be a workday on April 4. The Section walkthrough is also that day - they have asked us to move the OPC back to 11

AM. We will have projects for the 4th. There may be a workday on May 30. It should be a lot of tent setup - any tents not put up by the Lodge now will have to be done by candidates, and we would like to avoid that.

8.4. Service

- 8.4.1. 10th Anniversary Service Hour - If you have a design for a patch, send it to Mike Mirisola and Matt McAdam.
- 8.4.2. The OPC will be April 4, 11 AM.
- 8.4.3. Spring Ordeals - check calendar, show up and help.
- 8.4.4. Service Projects - We have the opportunity to do projects on the Appalachian trail through the Appalachian Trail Mountain Club. If we want to do work there, they will provide lodging and a training course on the trail.

8.5. Founder's Day, July 18

- 8.5.1. Founder's Day will be at Camp Bomazeen. There's a lot of brushwork to be done. Chapters - promote Founder's Day. This is the 65th anniversary of the Lodge, it may wind up being something special.

8.6. Committee Displays at Ordeals

- 8.6.1. Chairmen - build a display for the Ordeals. We will be having a sort of Committee Job Fair where you can recruit committee members and move away from being a one-man committee.

8.7. LLD

- 8.7.1. We have the entire Mt Blue High School for free. We will have to pay a small fee for a kitchen supervisor, however. The theme is the Past, Present, and Future. The Turtle Cup will be changed up a bit - each chapter will be assigned to an attending military branch, and train with that branch for the event. We will have a climbing wall, pull-up bars, Hummers, and more. The date was going to be the last weekend in September, but that has to change. It may be the weekend of Webelos Woods.

8.8. Banquet

- 8.8.1. The location will be in York Chapter somewhere. The speaker will be National Chief Jack O'Neill. Flight details must be sorted out, including the cost of the flight here.

9. Other

- 9.1.1. Discussion was had over whether or not we should award full scholarships to campers. We would like to send as many Scouts to camp as possible. Awarding multiple smaller camperships on a need basis may work.

10. A Word on Committees

11. Staff Adviser's Minute

12. Lodge Adviser's Minute

13. Closing - closed at 3:25p