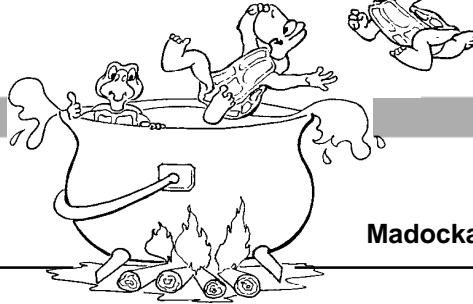


TURTLE SOUP



Order of the Arrow



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

Pine Tree Council
Boy Scouts of America
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New Council Office Dedicated

Lodge "Speaks and Serves" during Council Office Opening

By Tom Kester, Lodge Secretary



New Council Office: Members of the lodge who participated in the dedication and official opening of the new council office pose near the main entrance.

Representative Mike Michaud's office at the ceremony, as well as various members of the lodge who currently serve in a variety of roles in the lodge and council. Special events throughout 2005 will celebrate the opening of the new Council Service Center, including a time capsule, representing Pine Tree Council units and Scouting in Maine will be buried at the new site at the end of 2005 to be opened in 25 years! Make sure you bring your contribution to the time capsule to Pine Tree Council! 🍌



2005 Officers - The Sequel. (l to r) Staff Adviser Matt Randall, Treasurer Kirk Gagnon, Lodge Chief Dan Warner, New Vice Chief Tom Parenteau, Lodge Secretary Tom Kester, and Lodge Adviser Bruce Rueger.

A good sized contingent from Madockawanda Lodge attended the formal opening and dedication of the new Alton E. "Chuck" Cianchette Scout Service Center. Located near the Portland International Jetport the new Service Center provides a larger and enhanced Scout Shop, meeting space, and being located just off the Maine Turnpike, it is easy to get to! Former Lodge Staff Adviser Jeremy Lucas lead a flag team lead by newly elected Section Chief Paul Froman and three other youth members of the lodge in the first raising of the American Flag at the Scout Center. Guest speakers included former lodge chief Matt Dubois, who represented US

Froman Elected as Section Chief!

Dan Warner appointed as new Chief, and Tom Parenteau as Vice Chief!

By A.J. Kierstad, Website Chair

Madockawandians traveled down to Camp Resolute for the 2005 Section NE-1A Conclave hosted by Chippanyonk Lodge. It was hot and muggy, plenty of mosquitoes and clouds of pollen wafting through the air, but a great time was still had by all. Lodge teams participated in volleyball, OA Jeopardy and ceremonies competitions. Others attended Meet the Man sessions and the POW WOW. A Red Sox World Series Ring made an appearance, and a Lodge team competed in the Healy Cup. On Sunday morning, during the Annual Conclave Business Meeting, Lodge Chief Paul Froman was elected the 2005-2006 Section NE-1A Chief! Congratulations Paul! The Lodge also received awards for Volleyball (3rd place), Website (2nd place), and Publications (1st place). Tom Kester of Abnaki was recognized as the best Kichkinet in the Section during the ceremonies competition. Finally, the Lodge was again awarded the Silver Tomahawk Award for providing the greatest service to its council and camps, both in quality of service and quantity of service. Congratulations and a tip of the purple hat go to 2005 Section Chief Mike Price for a tremendous year as Section Chief and planning a great conclave! After the Conclave, the remaining Lodge Officers, in cooperation with the Lodge Rules of Operation, met and appointed Dan Warner as Chief and Tom Parenteau as Vice Chief to replace newly elected Section Chief Paul Froman. Congratulations to all! 🍌



The Section Chief has hailed from our own Madockawanda Lodge in four of the last six years: (Josh Gagnon - 2001 & 2002; Mike Price - 2005; Paul Froman - 2006)



The Silver Tomahawk, awarded annually at the Section NE-1A Conclave for the lodge who's members best exemplify service to their Council, has been in existence for 9 years. Madockawanda has been awarded the Silver Tomahawk 8 of the 9 years, and the last 7 years in a row! That's a wicked record of service to council!



Honoring the Order in Philadelphia...

Madockawanda well represented at 90th Anniversary of the Order

By Noah Lemire, York Chapter Chief

On July 14, ten brothers set out for the 90th anniversary of the Order of the Arrow. On the 14th, we all met at the Manchester Airport in Manchester New Hampshire to begin our journey. The contingent was made up of Phil Taschereau, Henry Zwetsloot, Carl Gagnon, Dave and Maryanne Wade, Noah Lemire, Wayne Holden, Sam Niman, Adam Theriault, and Kenny Bonar. After waiting a couple of hours for our flight, we were off to Philadelphia for a day of touring before heading to Treasure Island for the celebration. After a trip to a local mall where Phil got his nails done, we headed back to the hotel for the night. On Friday the 15, we spent the day seeing the various sights of historic Philadelphia, including the Liberty Bell and Independence Hall. What trip is complete without a nice long walk to the



The Origin Point of the Order: Brothers from Madockawanda stand at the entrance to Treasure Island Scout Reservation (from l to r): Henry Zwetsloot, Ken Bonar, Phil Taschereau, Carl Gagnon, Dave Wade, MaryAnn Wade, Noah Lemire, Sam Niman, Adam Theriault, and Wayne Holden.

Hard Rock Cafe for a Philly cheese steak! Henry then volunteered to run twelve blocks back to where we were parked in the pouring rain! After this, we grabbed some food and enjoyed a relaxing evening of fellowship and cards. On Saturday, we woke bright and early to go to Treasure Island. En route, we enjoyed spirited conversation and following a guy in a scout uniform with the idea that he was



Reenactment of the First Ceremony: Brothers from Unami Lodge prepare the council ring on Treasure Island for a recreation of the first ceremony held on Treasure Island in 1914. Members from O-Shot-Ca Lodge of Miami, Florida, the # 1 rated ceremony team at the 2004 NOAC performed the flawless ceremony on two occasions during the 90th weekend!

going in the right direction. Luckily, he was and we made it to the Erwinna PA fire house. From here, we were taken back the way we had come and were barged over to TI. The morning was spent touring the island, talking to national officers, all six of whom were in attendance, including the National Chairman and the National Committee Chairman. For the afternoon, we enjoyed a variety of activities, including an original ceremony reenactment and another massive rainstorm, which yours truly watched come at me. Soaking wet, we all waited in the dining hall until the thunder stopped and we could be barged back over the river. Once back across the river, we headed to the Okanickon Scout Reservation where we had a great dinner program, which featured speeches by Mark Chilutti, National Chief Patrick Murphy, and National Committee Chairman Brad Haddock. We also spent the night there, after our own Dave Wade managed to get us cots as opposed to bare springs! In the early morning, we all showered and headed back towards Philly. After a coffee stop at Dunkin Donuts, we headed back to the airport. We waited at the airport, and then headed home after a great trip. I personally cant wait for the hundredth anniversary!!





Treasure Island has a rather interesting history. It was originally privately owned by a scoutmaster named Oscar G. Worman who used it for his troop. Philadelphia Council leased the island from him for six years starting in 1913 and also held their first summer camp there in 1913. The council bought the island at the end of the lease in 1919. It was originally called Ridges Island.



Brothers from Madockawanda Lodge who visited Treasure Island only saw part of the council that Unami Lodge #1 serves. Unami actually services five scout camps of The Cradle of Liberty Council: Treasure Island (founded 1913), Resica Falls (founded 1956), and the three camps of Musser Scout Reservation, Camp Delmont (founded 1916), Camp Hart (founded 1930) and Camp Garrison (founded in 1999)



Lodge Also Honors Order with 90th Project!

Brothers Complete Renovations to Meditation area at Hinds

By Paul Froman, Section Chief

Not to be outdone by the brothers who trekked to Philadelphia and Treasure Island, those of us "left behind" also honored the 90th Anniversary of the Order with a small token of service to our



No Meditation Here: A bit of posing, and a bit of work in preparing the renovated meditation area at Camp Hinds. Check it out next time you're in camp!

great Camp Hinds. Badly needing a face lift, a group of approximately 12 members from our lodge undertook the revitalization of the Meditation area just south of Cadigan Lodge. Repairs to the altar area, a fresh coat of paint, and some badly needed brush and "landscaping", as well as the installation of benches near tenny point allowed us to again provide "cheerful service" to our camp while those 10 brothers winned and dined at Treasure Island.

Brothers participating the day of service included Paul Beaupre Paul Froman, Mike Mirisola, Al Warner Dan Warner, Tom Kester, Tom Parenteau JP Parenteau, Robert Carter, John Wood and Ian Hanley.



Matt at Camp...Ramblings from Mr. Randall

By Matthew Randall, Lodge Staff Adviser

The beauty of the fall, it is a wondrous time of year - and a busy one for members of the order. Lodge Leadership Development Weekend, Ordeal Number 3, Lodge Executive Committee Meeting, Lodge Annual Business Meeting, and the Lodge Banquet will all soon be upon us before we know it. Many of our brothers have been representing the lodge with great honor during the summer months. The 90th Anniversary work day project, drum team demonstrations, OA Service hours, Brotherhood Conversions, Conclave, Ordeals Number 1 and 2, the election of a new Lodge Chief, the election of a Section Chief, and the beginning of a new meditation area at Camp Hinds have come to pass. It has been a fantastic summer for the lodge.

I wish to ask each of you to focus on the following with the coming of the fall. Make all the OA events you can, but stay loyal to your troop. Prepare for the Trailblazers Cub day in September – the council and the lodge will need your help and support. Take the time to contact the troops in your district during the fall, in order to prepare for you to visit them in the winter during election time. Spend time with your family and friends. Have fun. I would like to close with the following two points. First, William Shedd is quoted with stating that "a ship in harbor is safe, but that is not what ships are built for." The fall is the end of our 2005 season, but is also the time for us to plan for the 2006 season. We, as a lodge, have tried many new things – and I challenge each of us to continue to "sail our ships out of harbor and into untested waters," by trying and suggesting new ideas. It is only through change that we grow and become better at what we are charged to do – serve cheerfully.



The Golden Eyed Kattywumpus

From the Chief

**Seasons
Change...and
Roles
Change!**



Hello my Brothers,

I would first like to thank you all for allowing me to be your Chief for the rest of the year, I look forward to a wonderful end to the summer, and a very productive fall and winter. Good luck to Paul Froman in all his future endeavors, he has served this lodge very well in the last few years, and I wish him all the best. We have a long fall ahead of us, as we have many members we need to get to pay their dues, if we are to retain our current status of Honor Lodge. I would like to encourage all of our brothers to attend this year's Lodge Leadership Development (LLD) weekend. This year's will be an excellent event, as we have many fun events planned, fun will be had by all. We also have the Annual Banquet to round off the year. This year, it will be hosted by the best chapter in this neck of woods, Abnaki (I might be only slightly partial regarding that matter). It will be held at the Ramada Inn, located in Auburn. This promises to be a wonderful finish to the year, with great food, a great speaker, and lots of fellowship! I hope to see many brothers at these remaining events, and I leave you with this challenge: if each member of our lodge gets just one person to renew their dues, whether it is a fellow member of your troop, or a good friend of yours, it will help us to reach our goal of Honor Lodge. I challenge all of you to get just one person to renew their dues. If you follow through with this, know that you have helped to make this Lodge an Honor Lodge for another year.

In the Spirit of the Purple Turtle,

Dan Warner ~ Lodge Chief

Service Hour in its Seventh Year!

By Paul Beaupre, Service Chairman

I am pleased to report that Madockawanda Lodge's OA Service Hour is alive and well at Camp this summer. Through the first five weeks, we have had 142 brothers participate in the program, and projects have been wide spread throughout camp. In addition to completing some of the prep work for the 90th Anniversary project, and some of the final touches to that project, including the touch up work on the benches, some of the service projects this summer have included cleaning and repair to the west beach walk leading from the main camp to the beach area, old wire removal near the pump house on Chipmonk Point on the Tenny side of camp, as well as the demolition and removal of the wood from the old water pump house itself. We've also had some of the brothers move some of the troop plaques in the dining hall, allowing us more "lower" rafter room for new troop plaques this year. Of course, there has been the traditional work cutting and moving brush throughout camp, and the clearing and re-marking of the colored trails that lead throughout camp.



Cleaning up Camp! A group of cheerful brothers help load old stairs and brush from the "condo" area at Camp Hinds during the Week 4 Service Hour.

Yours in Wimachtendienk. . .

Casco Bay Chapter

Casco Bay is rolling into the summer stretch. With strong turnouts at both Spring Ordeals we are proud to welcome our new Ordeal members, and congratulate our fellow arrowmen achieving their Brotherhood. We are also looking forward to the final months of the year, where Casco Bay Chief Tom Parenteau will serve as Lodge Vice Chief. As a result the Chapter Officers and Advisor have decided to move Chapter Vice Chief, Ian Hanley to Chief. Robert Carter will fill in as Chapter Vice Chief. The position of Chapter Treasurer will remain vacant till chapter elections in October. Our Ceremonies Team is continuing to grow as they completed a Call-Out at the recent District Camporee, The team is also planning to assist the district's Cub Scouts with opening ceremonies at the district's Day Camps. Casco Bay will continue our work on our adopted site at Camp Hinds. Replacing the lean-to in the Patrick site with an Adirondack cabin. This work will be done at the Fall Ordeal, and any additional work will be done at spring chapter meetings and the two ordeals. We expect the cabin to be completed for 2006 Camp Hind Summer Camp use by troops camped at the Patrick Site. We are inviting all Brothers, including those outside Casco Bay, to assist us at the Fall Ordeal in this service project to the camp.

Ian Hanley

Pre-Register for 2005 NOAC...the time of your Life

Although coupons for the registration for the 2006 National Order of the Arrow Conference will appear in the next issue (November-December, 2006) of *Turtle Soup*, our last issue encouraged all members to send in a deposit, and some have already arrived at the Council Office. Only held every two years, the 2006 NOAC returns to Michigan for the first time in many years....this time hosted by Michigan State University. It is expected that over 8,000 members will attend the festivities! Don't forget to sign up, since our contingent is filling up quickly!



Dr. Goodman's keynote speeches were a traditional and inspiring highlight of OA National Conferences, until his final appearance in 1979 at Colorado State University, just six months before his death at 89. He was hailed by the 4000 Arrowmen present with a thunderous standing ovation. He spoke movingly of his creation of the OA as a "Thing of the Spirit" in that place ... so distant in time... on the misty shores of the Delaware River.



On the Delaware! All members from Madockawanda Lodge pose on a deck at Treasure Island which overlooks the Delaware River (l to r): Adam Theriault, Sam Niman, Fred Gervat, Chris McKinney, Ken Bonar, Wayne Holden, Phil Taschereau, Mary Ann Wade, Dave Wade, James McKinney, Mike McKinney, and Carl Gagnon

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Watch for the LLD Flyer/Signups Coming in September

Just a Reminder that the Lodge Leadership Development Weekend and the Annual Election of Officers will take place during the Weekend of October 28-30, 2005.

And Remember, please encourage your remaining candidates to attend the Fall Ordeal at Camp Hinds!

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Lodge Calendar

Fall 2005 Update

- Sep 9-11 - Ordeal Weekend - Camp Hinds
- Oct 28-30 - LLD Weekend - Watch for Registration Flyer!
- Oct 30 - Lodge Annual Meeting and Election of Officers
- Dec 3 - Annual Family Banquet - Ramada Lewiston
- Dec 11 - New Lodge Officer Training - Location TBA
- Dec 15 - Recharter Package to National Office
- Jul 29 -Aug 3 - 2006 NOAC - Michigan State University

Attend the LLD and Cast Your VOTE for the Lodge!