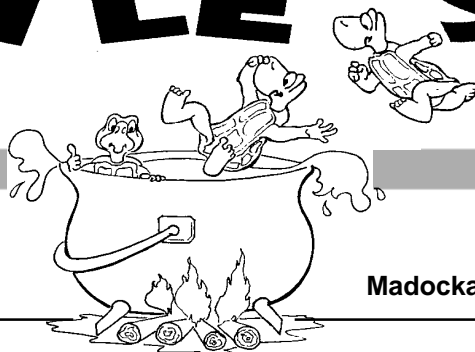


TURTLE SOUP



Order of the Arrow



Madockawanda Lodge #271



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Frederick Elected as Chief for 2008

Early LLD and Annual Meeting Sweep in three new Officers for '08

By Nate Smith, Casco Bay Chief



2008 Lodge Leadership: (l to r) Incoming Lodge Staff Adviser Matt Mower, newly elected Lodge Treasurer John Knowlton and Lodge Vice Chief Ian Hanley, Lodge Chief Caleb Frederick, returning Lodge Secretary Matt Allaire, and Lodge Adviser Bruce Rueger.

58 arrowmen converged at Camp Hinds this September for an intense weekend of fellowship and training. The 2007 LLD weekend kicked off to a great start with nachos and mini pizzas, a social hour, and a great movie. Training started bright and early on Saturday, where we learned how to perform an effective unit election, tips for getting a chapter ceremonies team started, how to be an OA representative for your troop, and (certainly not least) got the lowdown on ArrowCorps5 (a week of fun in the Tetons? Can you say yes?). We also learned about our new 5yr program.

Once training was over, we headed outside for the fun stuff! A brief youth and adult jam was followed by ultimate frisbee, soccer, football, and, of course, the Turtle Cup! The first

see LLD 2007....continued on page 3

Lodge Sets Goals for AC5 and Bridger Teton!

Deposit Coupons on Page X of this Issue....get your's in Today!

By Andrew Rueger, Nat. Affairs Chair

Planning in earnest has begun for our Lodge's participation in ArrowCorps5 in 2008, as interested participants have joined our mailing list and we now boast of approximately 15 deposits received from members! With a goal of having 25 participants in our group, we are already over halfway there and the coupons haven't even been printed. Well, you're in luck since we can take as many as we like, so there's still time to get into *the experience*. Coupons have been included in this issue of *The Soup* and our first full group planning meeting will be held on the same date as the January LEC so it can't be any more convenient! Preliminary plans include a couple of nights in Jackson Hole, Wyoming and our stay at Camp Buffalo Bill. We also plan to explore some of the other scenic wonders in the area just before we enter the Bridger-Teton National Forest.



It's the Patch: Here's the official Bridger Teton patch for this AC5 site.

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Speaking of his Vigil experience many years later at a National Lodge Meeting, Urner Goodman said, "I suppose you can imagine how my spirit brooded over the camp and its activity through the watches of the night as I thought of the possibilities of the things that were starting then. I confess, however, that if I could have seen this sight which now stretches before me today (The National Lodge in Session at NOAC), if I could have conjured up a vision of the growth of the Order, I could scarcely have believed my own senses at the time."



Service to Camp from Casco Bay

CB completes what has become an annual project to Camp Hinds

By Nate Smith, Casco Bay Chief

It was mid-May, and the black flies were vicious at Camp Hinds. It wasn't Ordeal season, and yet the sounds of numerous hammers and saws filled the air, and brothers were walking around with paintbrushes and boards. What could have been behind these phenomena? The answer: Casco Bay. Over 20 dedicated brothers from Casco Bay met on mother's day weekend to perform service to camp. We stained the outside and sealed the inside of the Patrick campsite leader's cabin, and replaced the turtle docks on the main waterfront with two new ones. After putting in a hard day's work, we planned out the next year's service projects and played ultimate frisbee. We hope to have another service weekend in the 08 season, but why should Casco Bay have all the fun? Casco Bay has adopted Patrick campsite, but there are plenty more to go around. If another chapter is interested in meeting our challenge for a great weekend of work performing service to camp, they can contact Cathy Gosselin at 797-5252.



Use your outside drum: Members who attended this year's LLD were able to again participate with the lodge drum team. The weather was perfect for some native american drumming!

Swapping one "Matt..."

Matt Mower appointed Lodge Staff Adviser as....

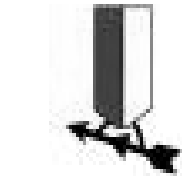
by Bruce Rueger, Lodge Adviser



Matt - The Sequel: Our new lodge adviser, Matt Mower, poses in front of the Hinds Training Center.

With a new lodge year coming quickly, it is with both appreciation and anticipation that we announce some changes in the advisory ranks within the lodge. Specifically, with the acention of Matt Randall to the heights of Section Staff Adviser, replacing the long-serving Rick Riopelle (thanks, Rick) in that Section role, and we are pleased to welcome Matt Mower as the new Lodge Staff Adviser. In his role as a professional scouter, Matt serves as K-Valley District Executive after filing the same role in Abnaki District. Matt's term will begin at the 2007 Annual Banquet, so make sure you congratulate him at the next lodge function!

I'd also like to take this opportunity to thank Matt Randall for his service to the lodge as it's staff adviser, and to commit our lodge's continue support to his new role at the Section level!



It took from August 1915 (Goodman) to July 22, 1922 for the fourteenth Vigil to be bestowed by members of Unami Lodge!





From "The Ordeal" by former National Lodge Chief H. Lloyd Nelson he went on to describe the place of the pre-ordeal as follows: "A secluded place, used for no other purpose, to the north of the camp, if possible, and also by the end of the water, if available, should be chosen. If no natural creek, or river or lake is available, a spring may be used, or simulated by a container of water buried in the surface of the ground."



From 1934 to 1936, the position of Adviser began to receive a great deal of attention. From a national bulletin: "Nearly all lodges and chapters have found the help of an adult member who acts as adviser on all activities and tends to stabilize their organization."



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LLD 2007

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appearance of this inter-chapter cross-country relay competition (teams were entered by York, Casco Bay, and Kennebec Valley chapters) was well received, and Casco Bay squeaked by with the title after a close encounter with York. After dinner, the chapters once again joined in friendly rivalry as they vied for the title in the return of the Best Damn OA Game Show Ever... (2). The show was an intense

whirlwind of trivia and facts, where we all learned that "Arthur Price knows". As the

evening wound down, we ended it with another movie and a brotherhood conversion performed by the York Chapter ceremonies team. Sunday at the Annual Meeting of the lodge, we hailed Caleb Frederick, Ian Hanley, Matt Allaire, and John Knowlton as our Lodge Officers for 2008 and bid farewell to a spectacular weekend.



Sitting at the Training Center: Not sure this is service, but they certainly have the coffee drinking down, now don't they! (l to r) New Lodge Staff Adviser Matt Mower, Arthur Price, Judy Thornton, Joe Niman, and to the far right beyond a few unidentified brothers is Aaron Green. A perfect representation of the youth "doing" and the adults "advising"!

...for Another "...Matt"

...Matt Randall moves to Section Adviser!

December 1st, 2007 (the date of the Lodge Banquet – for which you should all be in attendance...), I will be stepping down as Lodge Staff Advisor for Madocawanda Lodge. Succeeding me will be Matthew Mower, our Senior District Executive from the Kennebec Valley District (and formerly in Abnaki District). In an attempt to keep at least ONE of my messages down to roughly a minute – I would like to say "Thank You" to everybody in the lodge. I have had a wonderful run as your Staff Advisor. I have been honored to work with some fine young men and to learn from some talented and wise Scouters and Arrowmen. I hope that when folks look back on my time with you that they feel that I did my job and that we were able to have a few laughs along the way. I also hope I have raised your expectations for Staff Advisors in the future. Remember that it is their responsibility to serve you – and this includes attending and participating in the activities and functions of the lodge – not just popping in for a few hours and leaving. Please bear this in mind as you work with and guide future Staff Advisors. I am looking forward to being able to focus my time on my new duties as Section Staff Advisor for NE-1A and will enjoy being a volunteer for Madocawanda Lodge, in the back causing trouble and being loud. Again, I thank you all and may God bless you and your families.





At the 1977 Order of the Arrow National Conference, for the first time, a completely different block of training was available for adult advisers. Six training topics for adults were offered at that NOAC! 🐢



Thanks goes out to all of the Lodge Officers and Advisers as well as the many members of our lodge who have assisted me in the last seven years of editing "The Soup". An extra special thanks for the "editorial license" given to me over the years. However, it's time to step down and I know that someone will step forward and continue this tradition.

CDG 🐢

Start Planning for the 2008 AIA Weekend

Registration Information and Coupon just to the right.....

By Paul Froman, Drumming/Dance Chairman

The AIA committee has put together a Maine Fellowship weekend that will be held Jan 18-20th at the Alford Youth Center in Waterville. We are having class's in the morning on both ceremonies and drumming and dancing. We have guest instructors who are from local tribes in Maine to come and teach about native culture. In the afternoon we have the pool and climbing wall booked so we can swim and do some rock climbing. In the evening we are putting together a pow-wow for people to see how a pow-wow works and get a chance to learn from again local natives as well as your local AIA folks. Chapter Chiefs please let your chapters know and be sure to talk up the event on my behalf to the chapters. If anyone has any questions please let me know. We've put the registration flyer just to the right so don't forget to sign up for a great weekend. 🐢

From the Chief

To My Brothers of the Lodge:

"The winter arrives with much retrospect"

What a year it has been... full of successes and some failures but altogether a year to remember. One of the greatest honors was to be able to be part of your Leadership and with your help my job went as smoothly as possible. I have come away from this term with a lot of knowledge and understanding. And most importantly I came away knowing more brothers, each of which has become a good friend.

To the officers I have had the pleasure of working with this year... Thank you as each of you helped carry the burden and did something to make my life easier. I hope you will remember this year as much as I will. And to my advisers, whether you worked on a lodge or chapter level you all played an important role providing advice prior to any decisions we made through countless insights and knowledge.

And most importantly, to the rest of our Arrowmen in our lodge. You contributed hours of service through elections, projects at ordeals, service to your community and to your troops. Thanks for your dedication.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Aaron Wiggin

Outgoing 2007 Lodge Chief



Lodge Achieves "Quality Lodge" at Recharter

Lodge Adviser Bruce Rueger reports that the lodge will probably recharter at the Honor Lodge level, the third straight year that our lodge has achieved this distinction. "We have 589 members and positive membership growth at this point in October, so I don't see a problem with meeting the other requirements before the end of the year." stated Bruce in a recent phone conversation. With brotherhood conversion taking place at all three Ordeal weekends and during summer camp, the lodge also was able to meet it's conversion goals. Other requirements include a service project, a donation to assist council funding, offering a newsletter at least four times a year, and holding an annual lodge leadership and development weekend. Achieving National Quality Lodge status is required to apply for all national lodge awards and recognitions. Lodges that are certified as a Quality Lodge will be eligible to purchase pins for youth and adult Arrowmen after February 1st of the following year.

The MAINE Fellowship MAine INdian Events

Organized by: Madockawanda Lodge, American Indian Activities Committee

When:
January 18-20, 2008

Where:
**Alfond Youth Center,
Waterville Maine**

Directions:
From South:
Merge onto I-295 N toward FALMOUTH (Portions toll).
I-295 N becomes I-95 N (Portions toll).
Take the MAIN ST. / ME-104 exit- EXIT 130- toward
WATERVILLE.
Turn RIGHT onto MAIN ST / ME-104 / UPPER MAIN ST.
Turn RIGHT onto BOUTELLE AVE.
Turn LEFT onto NORTH ST.
End at 126 North St: Alfond Youth Center



**Class 1 Medical
form required for
event.
Please bring with
you at
registration.**

Come join us for FUN,
FELLOWSHIP, and SHARING
OF IDEAS with our fellow
brothers from across Section
NE-1A. There will be
discussions on Lodge
Ceremonies and American
Indian Dancing and Drumming.
For fun there will be swimming,
climbing wall, movies to watch
as well as a full out pow-wow
Saturday night so bring your
dancing moccasins! Also we will
have **GOOD FOOD**.
COME AND JOIN US FOR
FUN AND FELLOWSHIP!!

Questions: Please contact: **Paul Froman**

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Name: _____ Age: _____ Phone: _____

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Address: _____ Email will be used to send out notices

City, State Zip: _____ on class's and event updates.

Dietary Restrictions: _____

(If you are registering more than one person please attach all information to this form.)

Number Attending: _____ X \$25.00


TOTAL _____




Clip and mail payment to address above

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS JANUARY 1st!



The National committee of the Order met in 1957 and clarified the adult voting in the Lodge. "Members of the Order of the Arrow over 21 should have no vote in any decisions of the lodge." 



Recharter standards for lodges were discussed throughout the 60's but the current Quality Lodge petition program had its roots in 1968 when the National Committee established certain standards for lodges that would evolve into the National Standard Lodge program in 1968. From that point forward, lodges had to meet certain requirements for recharter. 



To give you an idea on how much NOAC has grown over the years, at the 1940 national meeting, there were 615 members from 64 lodges that were in attendance, up from 448 members and 43 lodges just two years prior. In 2007, over 8,000 members attended NOAC! 🐢



The Order of the Arrow national trust fund has provided scholarships for those youth interested in a career in professional Scouting, and has also made a major commitment to the National Scouting Museum in Irving, Texas by assisting in the preservation of the history and memorabilia of Scouting and the Order. 🐢



Bylaw Amendments Voted on at Annual Meeting

Revised Election Season Approved but Proposal to Modify Lodge Name Fails to Pass

By Dennis Namin, K-Valley Chapter

At the Lodge Annual Meeting held on Sunday morning at the LLD, membership was presented with three proposed amendments to the bylaws, with two of the three being approved by lodge membership. Probably the most important amendment put to vote was a proposal to change the election season dates, which have been recently locked in between February 1st through May 1st. The proposal was to change the election period and to increase it by opening the election period between January 1st through April 15th. (Section II Article 2). Under this proposal, chapters are to be given an additional two weeks of election and unit visitation time, but must have results in approximately two weeks earlier in the Spring. This proposed amendment was approved by the membership and will go into effect in 2008. Chapter election teams can now begin scheduling elections in January. Another proposal that was approved can be classified as a "paperwork reduction" amendment to current Ordeal procedures. Lodge membership approved an amendment to the bylaws that eliminates the requirement that Ordeal candidates must present a form to be admitted to their Ordeal. This amendment allows the Lodge to save on paper by sending out a single, combined form that they do not have to bring with them. And finally, a third proposal that would have changed the official name of the Lodge from "Madockawanda Lodge #271 W.W.W." to "Madockawanda Lodge", in order to comply with recently suggested naming guidelines from National was defeated by the membership. In addition, a \$19,975.00 Lodge operating expense budget was submitted at the Annual Meeting and approved for the 2008 lodge year. Revenues for 2008 are projected to be \$20,125.00. 🐢

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I am an (circle one): Ordeal Brotherhood Vigil
Indicate amount paid: \$10.00 2007 Dues \$ _____

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Here's your chance to register for the next Big lodge trip....Tetons or Bust!

ArrowCorps5 Coupon # 1 - Deposit - \$100.00 - Due 1/1/2008



Name: _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____
 Address: _____ City: _____
 State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone: _____ - _____
 E-Mail: _____ Troop: _____ Chapter: _____

Deposit Payment holds a contingent slot with the Lodge. However, full payments required to confirm your space. Once your space is confirmed, no refunds can be made.

ArrowCorps5 Coupon # 2 - Deposit - \$200.00 - Due 2/1/2008



Name: _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____
 Address: _____ City: _____
 State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone: _____ - _____
 E-Mail: _____ Troop: _____ Chapter: _____

Deposit Payment holds a contingent slot with the Lodge. However, full payments required to confirm your space. Once your space is confirmed, no refunds can be made.

ArrowCorps5 Coupon # 3 - Deposit \$200.00 - Due 3/1/2008



Name: _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____
 Address: _____ City: _____
 State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone: _____ - _____
 E-Mail: _____ Troop: _____ Chapter: _____

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ArrowCorps5 Coupon # 4 - FINAL PAMENT \$ TBD - 4/15/2008



Name: _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____
 Address: _____ City: _____
 State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone: _____ - _____
 E-Mail: _____ Troop: _____ Chapter: _____

This payment should not be made unless you have received notice that you have been reserved a space with the Lodge. Remember, once your space is confirmed, no refunds can be made.

Don't forget to attend the ArrowCorps5 Planning meeting to be held at the January 5, 2008 Lodge Executive Committee meeting at the Council Service Center in Portland. All AC5 coupons should be mailed to: Pine Tree Council - BSA, 131 Johnson Road, Portland, ME 04102



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Madockawanda Lodge would like to welcome Anthony "Tony" Rogers to the position of Pine Tree Scout Executive effective September 1, 2007. Rogers replaces JT Dabbs who accepted a new position as Scout Executive in Austin Texas in July. Rogers began his professional Scouting career in 1984 and last served as Scout Executive of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Council in Moosic, PA. We hope to see Tony at an upcoming lodge function, and we'd like to welcome to the State of Maine.

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Lodge Calendar

End 2007 to Winter 2008 Update

- Dec 1 - Lodge Annual Family Banquet - Downeast
- Dec 15 - Lodge Recharter Due at National Office
- Jan 1 - Unit Election Season Begins** (note new date)
- Jan 5 - LEC Meeting - Council Office
- Jan 5 - ArrowCorps5 Meeting - Council Office
- Jan 18-20 - AIA Fellowship Weekend - Waterville
- Feb 16 - Quality Lodge Summit - Portsmouth NH

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