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Passaconaway Lodge #220

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Lodge Conference - Morning Edition

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GREETINGS FROM THE LODGE CHIEF

Welcome to the 2012 Passaconaway Lodge Conference, as the present and future leaders of your chapters, I hope that you will take this opportunity to learn as much as you can to bring back to your chapters. Whether you chose to learn about running elections, how to run some exciting and useful games to bring back to your troops, or about American Indian Dancing to help strengthen your dance and ceremony teams. Whatever you chose to learn this weekend I hope you put forth the effort to gather ideas to bring back to your chapters.

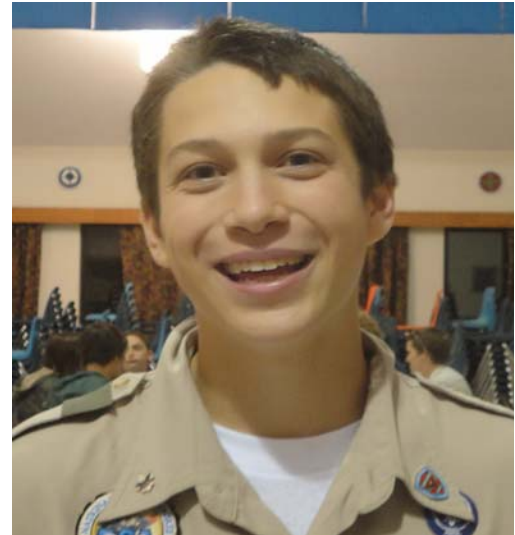
This weekend we hope to provide you with the knowledge and ideas to make things happen, but that is only half of the equation. Without action, nothing will happen, Ideas+Action=Change, there are many awesome things that you can do as chapter and as a lodge, but without your dedication and action, none of it can happen.

In a few months we will be evaluating our goals as a lodge for the Journey to Excellence Program, and we will have the chance to set our goals for the coming year and will have two choices, we can set goals for yourself which we have met before, and which we know we can meet again, or we can challenge ourselves and work to grow as a lodge and strive to meet our mission of becoming "an integral part of the council." I hope that when the time comes we will do our best to set goals which will help us to grow, the choice is yours.

Yours in Service,

Brett Branscombe

Passaconaway Lodge Chief



GREETINGS FROM THE CONFERENCE CHAIRMAN

My Fellow Arrowmen,

Good morning and welcome to the 2012 Passaconaway Lodge Conference. This weekend you will learn, have fun and enjoy the ties of Brotherhood. This conference is a chance for you as an individual and a scout by going to classes that focus on your Scouting career. In the afternoon we will shift gears and have evermore fun by furthering the ties of Brotherhood. We will start with the Chapter Fair, which has been moved to 2pm. After the Chapter Fair we will have events like a dance competition and pow wow, ultimate Frisbee, volleyball, and flag football.

This weekend is sure to be a fun filled and exciting weekend.

Yours in service,

Justin Stoffolano

Conference Chairman

CHIEFLY SPEAKING

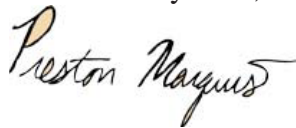
Brothers,

The Order of the Arrow is coming off of an incredibly exciting summer season. This July over 7,000 of our brothers gathered for a week of engaging training, thrilling activities, and meaningful shows. Truly, the 2012 National Order of the Arrow Conference was an unbridled success. In addition to the aforementioned features, Arrowmen also had the opportunity to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Eagle Scout Award, all while exploring the conference theme “United, we leave a legacy.”

As we move into the fall, now is the time for each of us to look towards the future and what it holds for the legacy of our Order. Next year’s national Scout jamboree is one such example. At the 2013 National Scout Jamboree, the Order of the Arrow will field the largest program commitment in its history. Over 700 Arrowmen will be part of our Project 2013 corps, which will consist of our traditional staff areas such as the OA Service Corps and Indian Village, while also featuring new opportunities for service. I would encourage anyone who is interested in being part of our groundbreaking operation at the Summit to check out www.event.oa-bsa.org for more information.

Of course, we also have the ability to leave great legacies right in our backyard. In preparation for our own 100th anniversary in 2015, we need lodges to be the tip of our spear. Service to the council, camp, and community will play a pivotal role in enhancing the image of the Order at the local level, which in turn helps move us forward as a national organization.

Thanks for all you do,



Preston Marquis
2012 National Vice Chief



I would like to announce that on Saturday night the National Vice Chief, Preston Marquis will address to us live via Skype and will be open to answering those “burning questions”.

Chapter Notes

Arrowhead:

February 27th the Arrowhead Chapter will be going to SkyVenture NH in Nashua, NH for indoor skydiving. The Arrowhead Chapter would like to invite you to come with us for indoor skydiving. We have two groups of twelve (12) reserved and you must arrive by 6:15pm on Wednesday with the actual “jump” starting at 7 to 7:30pm. The cost will be approximately \$32 and you will need to RSVP by February 17 with money. It will be fun. If you would like to come please contact Anita Creager at anitacreager58@comcast.net, and your Chapter advisor because they will collect the money.

Mt Monadnock:

There are 8 new members, and new chapter officers:

Chief – Derek Rust

Vice Chief – Tim Batty and Nick Brovillette

Secretary – Eric Rothwell

There are also some upcoming events: we are having a movie night for Halloween, and other chapters are welcome. The movie night will be at a fully rented theater. The district Roundtable is on the second Tuesday of every month from 7 pm to 8:30 pm.

Wannalancit :

Recently, the Wannalancit Chapter has held its elections for chapter officers. We elected three new officers; Vice Chief of Events, Vice Chief of Elections,

and Chapter Secretary. For most of last season we ran with just a Chapter Chief. As a chapter we have planned and completed a fun meeting. The chapter officers have organized Chapter Executive Council meetings twice so far and will continue to use the program to develop the Chapter and run it more effectively. Our Chapter Chief has created a new troop elections program in which we have divided the Chapter into four divisions to better hold election and simplify the process. Each division caters to one region of the district for this year. Each leadership officer is in charge of the division. The chapter officers will delegate Chapter members to hold elections, and will oversee that all elections in their division are completed. We still meet at Winnisquam Regional High School at 7pm in the cafeteria every second Monday of the month at Roundtable, with second meetings being scheduled towards the end of the month.

Historic:

At the October Historic Chapter meeting we planned for the lodge conference, including the Chapter’s booth for the Fair. The Historic Chapter meets every second Tuesday of the month from 7:30pm to 9pm at Roundtable.

Abnaki:

The Abnaki news is safely stowed at their campsite. Sweet dreams...

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YOUR DAILY SUDOKU

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FROM THE EDITOR



What draws me to the Lodge Passaconaway Conference every year? Is it the food, the friends or the patches? Is it the activities, the service or the training? The truth is all of these things draw me to the lodge conference every year. I look forward to spending a weekend in mid October with my brothers doing activities and helping the camp. I also look forward to just taking the weekend off from the busy school year with all the homework and tests, and camp with lodge members. The Lodge Conference is truly a great campout to go on.

Thomas Dumont

Editor

ANSWER TO TODAY'S SUDOKU

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THE SACO IN SEPTEMBER

You just paddled thirteen miles, and you are pulling up on a beach in the middle of Maine. You hear there is six more miles to go. Your knees are burned, your ankles are blistering. Are you the survivor of a terrible boat shipwreck? Nope. You are on a mid-September canoe trip. The sun is blazing, you just caught your yellow perch, and life's great. This is just what some of the Scouts in Troop 177 experienced on their canoe trip on the Saco River in Maine from Fryeburg to Brownfield, starting at Swan's Falls, and camping at Walker's Falls Campground about 16 miles through their trip. The conditions were excellent, and the river was deep enough for swimming, but they didn't have time to go. The fishing was good, and there were some pickerel and bass scattered in the river. The timing was great, as there were few others on the river, and even fewer people who made the trip any less comfortable. In total, it was a great trip, and all Scouts and Scouters had a blast, and it was well worth the long car ride there.

Brian Coffen
Historic Chapter



SPORTS HEADLINES

The San Francisco Giants stayed alive last night, beating the St. Louis Cardinal 5-0. Barry Zito dominated the Cardinals into the 8th inning. The Giants scored first in the 4th inning pushing across 4 runs. St. Louis leads the series 3 games to 2.



Weather Report for October 20, 2012, Gilmanton Iron Works, NH

Today will have a 30% chance of precipitation, and a high temperature of 68 degrees Fahrenheit. Tonight will be party cloudy with an estimated temperature of 41 degrees Fahrenheit. **Which obviously means: to drink lots of water.**

