



## **NE-1A SECTION CONCLAVE: “MY LIFE, MY VISION” CAMP ROOSEVELT, EAST EDDINGTON, ME 11-13 JUNE 2010**

The 2010 Conclave, in East Eddington, Maine, gathered together Brothers from the six lodges which constitute Section NE-1A. Nearly 60 Brothers from Passaconaway Lodge joined groups from Moswetuset Lodge (Boston Minuteman Council), Chippanyonk Lodge (Knox Trail Council), Nanepashemet Lodge (Yankee Clipper Council), and Madockawanda Lodge (Pine Tree Council) to attend the section conclave. Pamola (Katahdin Area Council) was the service lodge for the event and bent over backwards to ensure every one had a great time.

The presence of Passaconaway was impressive. The Section Chief, Brendan Bertagnol; Past Section Chief, Jeff St. Cyr; Conclave Vice Chief for Shows, Cameron Eide; and the Section Staff Advise, Jack Gaylord are all members of Passaconaway Lodge. The Section Adviser, Scott Valcourt, is a former member of Passaconaway Lodge. With nearly sixty brothers in attendance, we were one of the largest delegations in camp.

After setting up our camp sites, we gathered at the Council Ring to listen to music and then watch the opening show which gave us the chance to reflect on the theme of the conclave: My Life. My Vision. We were urged to take stock of who we are, formulate a vision for the future, and examine how we could work to achieve the realization of that vision. This serious thinking made everyone hungry, so we retired to the new dining hall for a well stocked cracker barrel.

Saturday morning we were treated to a great breakfast to begin the day. (Actually, Vigil Honor members had already kicked off the day with a re-dedication ceremony followed by doughnuts.) Then off to a wide variety of training. There was training for Brothers new to the OA, how to become a Brotherhood member, “Dancing for Dummies”, how to enhance ceremonies, how to drum, and team building exercises. They even taught adults how to communicate with youth. All that fun and effective training made us hungry, so we ate hamburgers and hot dogs cooked to order on the outdoor grill.

That afternoon we enjoyed many of Camp Roosevelt’s facilities including the waterfront, COPE, and shooting sports. An Army National Guard Blackhawk helicopter was available for inspection. Competitions were held for ultimate Frisbee, volleyball, OA Jeopardy, and pie eating. The Passaconaway Pre-Ordeal Ceremony team won their contest demonstrating a great improvement from the year before. The competitions concluded with the running of the Healy Cup. This is a relay race which consists of multiple legs of varying skills. On this afternoon the course was made up of a run, followed up with a canoe trip down the lake, to a kayak going across the lake and back, followed by a brief swim, culminating in another run. Although our final standing was not as high as we would have liked, our team never gave up or stopped trying. Their fine effort was applauded by a crowd from all the lodges present who stood at the finish line. The competitions, especially the pie eating, made everyone hungry, so we went to the dining hall for a Chicken Cordon Bleu dinner.

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## CHIEFLY SPEAKING

Hello Brothers,

Now that Conclave 2010 is officially behind us, we now begin the massive undertaking of planning Conclave 2011. In case you have not heard already, Passaconaway Lodge will be hosting this Conclave, and as a result is responsible for planning as well as providing service throughout the weekend. Fortunately, Brett Branscombe has graciously volunteered to serve as our Conclave coordinator. If you have any desire to assist in the Conclave process—either in planning, or during the weekend of, please do not hesitate to contact me.

That being said, for those of you who were unable to make the lovely four hour drive into the depths of Northern Maine, you missed an excellent weekend of fun and fellowship. This was one of the best conclaves the Section has put on in quite some time, and we owe a great deal of gratitude to all of those who were involved. Let's try to make ours even better!

As I was told by the Pamola Lodge Chief Chris Francis, following my election to the position of Section Secretary, let us reflect on the words given to us during our ordeal, "Those who chose you, need you." These simple words are why we are here as an organization. The people

who elect us into the order want us to join so that we may make our own units even better. I hope that everyone who went to conclave will be able to take the trainings that they attended, and use them to make our lodge, our chapters, and our units better than they already are.

I would like to thank the lodge for re-electing me as your chief for the next coming year. It has been an absolute joy and honor to serve you, and I hope that I can improve on my mistakes and shortcomings, and continue our improvement. If you ever have any interest in joining our Lodge Executive Board, there are some positions which are still open—if you are interested, once again, feel free to ask.

With summer fast approaching, and the end of the school year closing in quickly, let us remember our identity as arrowmen and scouts. Let us never forget the standards which we chose to live up by. I truly hope that I don't have to read about any of my lodge members in the newspaper police logs for doing something reckless and contradictory to the purpose of Scouting. That being said, please enjoy your summer, be safe, wear seatbelts, and most importantly go out and have fun. To all of the seniors who graduated, my most sincere congratulations, and please maintain contacts in the lodge.

Remember, we are running a service corps at the Council Airshow from August 28 to 29. We have also committed to a PowWow on July 10-11, as well as Brotherhood conversions weeks three and seven at Hidden Valley. Let us never forget the promises we make!

Once again, enjoy your summers. If you see me at Hidden Valley, please say hello. If I do not see you, then I will see you back at the Valley in September.

Until then, yours in humble service,

**Cameron Eide**

Lodge Chief

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ALL TIMES ARE UNUSUAL.



## BITS AND PIECES: NEWS YOU NEED TO KNOW

### BOSTON-PORTSMOUTH AIR SHOW SERVICE CORPS

Passaconaway Lodge will provide a service corps for the Air Show which takes place August 28th and 29th at Pease. Supporting that effort, there will be an OA encampment as well. A registration form with more details will be posted on the Passaconaway website by July 9th..

### THE PASSACONAWAY LODGE TRADING POST

by Paula and Rich Marden, Trading Post Advisers

The OA Trading Post is open during the three major OA weekends including the Spring and Fall Fellowship and the Fall Conference. The Trading Post is not a business per se, but rather an opportunity for Lodge members to have access to Passaconaway attire and OA accessories. Our clothing line includes fleece jackets, vests and pullovers, performance T-shirts (long and short sleeved), cotton T-shirts (long and short sleeved), sweatshirts and pants, golf shirts, hats and flannel pants. In addition, we do carry some items from the National Catalog including OA devices, key chains, bolo ties, hand books, sashes (if you have lost yours) and other odds and ends. We also have a large selection of Lodge and HCSR patches both old and new. We accept cash and checks made out to "Passaconaway Lodge DWC", but we do NOT take credit cards (remember...we are not a "real" business). We look forward to serving you this September.

The Trading Post is run by volunteers, and we are currently looking for a youth to chair the position.

### LODGE CONFERENCE 2010

Anyone who's been to any Passaconaway Lodge Conference will tell you what a fantastic time it is: questions answered, new ways to get involved, friendly competition, and fellowship with great friends. All that and more is in store for Conference 2010, October 15 - 17 at Hidden Valley.

Brothers who did their ordeal this spring or who do it in September can attend the Lodge Conference for free. Don't miss out on a great weekend of learning and laughter,

A registration form for the Lodge Conference will be posted on line later this summer. Keep an eye out for it! Hope to see you all there!

**OPERATIONS UPDATE 10-6** dated June 2010 is now available at: <http://www.oe-bsa.org/annnc/opup/opup-10-06.pdf>

### WHO TO MAKE CHECKS TO

From now on, all checks must be payable to:

**Passaconaway Lodge DWC**

Thank you for your understanding!

### 2010 Jamboree Flaps Available

Passaconaway Lodge Flaps for the 2010 National Jamboree are available. Download a form from our website to purchase these and the Jamboree Shoulder Patches and back patch for Daniel Webster Council.



## PASSACONAWAY LEADERSHIP

LODGE CHIEF - CAMERON EIDE

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VICE CHIEF - DAVID EDSCORN

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## Fellow Arrowmen Provide Over 1200 Service Hours

At the Spring Fellowship meeting, May 14-16, Arrowmen of Passaconaway Lodge spent over 1200 hours in service to the Griswold Scout Reservation. Arrowmen did service ranging from wood splitting, stacking and loading trucks, to landscaping the Bell and Buley shower houses. Two Ordeal clans played race to the center on the Mountain Man Road at Camp Bell where they cut brush on the road to widen it for this year. Two other clans did grading work on the new latrines at Squamscott and Penacook campsites, and the Brotherhood clan spent the morning dismantling the old Penacook Latrine, which is now a campsite safety shelter. The adult ordeal clan walked the main camp road with the biggest noise maker we have at camp, a large chipper, and made short work of the debris left by the logging crews. We had a human monkey swinging in the lone pine tree at the family cabins making sure no dead branches would damage our cabins. A day of arduous toil was had by all for the benefit of our summer campers and visitors (yourselves). What better of way to make sure you had a great night's sleep here at GSR under the stars.

I hope to see all of the new ordeal members and those familiar faces at the Fall Fellowship weekend in September where I will have a new set of projects for that day of arduous toil, or better yet, this summer when you can enjoy the Griswold Scout Reservation and relive your day's experience and tell fellow Scouts and Scouters, "I made that happen." Thanks for your hard work, and I hope to see you this summer and in September.

### Craig Nowell

Griswold Scout Reservation  
Head Ranger/ Reservation Properties Manager

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### NE-1A SECTION CONCLAVE (Cont. from page 1)

The after dinner program was the highlight of Cameron Eide's work. Not only did we get an in depth and sometimes light hearted look at the importance of having a vision for one's life, but we were able to see the vision of other participants which had been recorded that afternoon by the "Vision Cam." Our inspiration made us hungry, so we returned to the dining hall to eat as much ice cream as we could.

The next morning, after breakfast we attended the Conclave Business Meeting to elect officers for the next year. Freddy Gross, the Western Region Chief, had the duty of informing all participants of the duties for each elected position. He walked among the attendees and kept them spell-bound as he read to them. "Once upon a time, there was a section chief. He woke up one morning and found that his duties were ...." "And he lived happily ever after." The elections were highly contested, and at the end of the elections, Cameron Eide was elected Secretary of Section NE-1A.

With the elections over, everyone was very hungry, but since the dining hall was closed, the Brothers began their long trips home. But wait! Next year's conclave prom-

ises to be even better, much better! Next June the section will gather at Hidden Valley Scout Camp! Passaconaway will be the host lodge, and there will be lots to do. Keep the weekend of 10-12 June 2011 open, keep your eye on the Totem, attend every chapter meeting, and be part of the greatest conclave ever!!



**Passaconaway Lodge at Flag Ceremony at the NE-1A Conclave in front of the new dining facility.**



# THE TROOP/TEAM REPRESENTATIVE AND YOUR UNIT

By Ed Ursus

Does anyone remind you that your OA dues need to be paid? Is there someone in your troop letting you know about each OA activity so that you get registered on time? Who talks to the Ordeal members in your troop about Brotherhood conversion? Does anyone remind you about chapter meetings? If the answer to these questions is no one, chances are that you do not have a functioning Troop OA Representative.

The Order of the Arrow Troop Representative is a youth liaison serving between the local OA lodge or chapter and his unit. In his unit, he helps meet the needs of the unit and will serve as a communication and program link to Arrowmen, adult leaders, and Scouts who are not presently members of the Order. He will do this in a fashion that strengthens the mission of the lodge, purpose of the Order, and the mission of the Boy Scouts of America. By setting a good example, he will enhance the image of the Order as a service arm to his unit.

As a liaison between his unit and the chapter and lodge, he passes information in both directions. To the unit he provides the OA schedule to reduce or eliminate planning conflicts. He reminds OA members in his troop of all upcoming events and deadlines. He ensures that the lodge does not lose members solely because they forgot to pay their dues. He promotes chapter, lodge, section, and national events which increases participation while giving Brothers the opportunity to enjoy great events they might have otherwise missed. He will confirm the OA election date for his troop and make sure the troop is prepared.

All this sounds well and good for the OA, but how does the Troop OA Rep help his unit? Consider the words of E. Urner Goodman. "Let it be remembered that the Order of the Arrow was created to help the unit - to help it present its membership a better ideal of the inner qualities of the good Scout camper. Qualities of character, like cheerfulness and service are hard for a boy or a man to understand in the abstract. They come easier when seen in human life. Let us realize the significance of the Order in the unit - for the unit is our best hope in Scouting." While these words need to be remembered by all Brothers, the Troop OA Rep has a very special role.

In the first place the Troop OA Rep should be a Scout who is chosen, not to wear a patch in order to meet

a requirement, but rather as one who is a great representative of all the qualities embodied by our Brotherhood. Younger Scouts should be comfortable with the OA Rep so that they feel free to ask questions about the OA and learn from the answers. When a Scout gets elected, the OA Rep needs to ensure that trail to the Ordeal is not complicated by shortcomings outside the troop. If the candidate does not get a letter, a good OA Rep will ensure that the needed information is received in a timely manner. He will do everything possible to make sure the candidate is properly prepared for the entire Ordeal weekend. He will even remind him to bring along enough money to buy any uniform items he may need. In doing these things, he will make the new Ordeal member feel a sense of pride and accomplishment in a Scouting program.

The Troop OA Rep must always look for opportunities where the OA members can show that they serve the troop. Perhaps they will prepare a special dessert on a campout. Maybe they will cleanup after a troop super supper. The possibilities are endless, but it is important that the OA not be seen as an outside organization that conflicts with the troop's goals, but rather as an opportunity for Scouts to complement their troop experience.

There is an excellent resource for the OA Troop/Team Representative. The Troop/Team Representative Support Pack is a 29 page document and is available at: <http://www.oa-bsa.org/programs/ttr/ttrsupportpak.pdf>







## NATIVE AMERICAN EVENTS AND OUR LODGE

BY MRS. ANITA CREAGER

The season for our Dance and Ceremony teams putting on shows for this year is about over. Now the the time to learn and prepare for next year. Spend time this summer attending REAL PowWows, learning more steps and preparing some really COOL regalia.

We have a potential for a big show in December. The Manchester Monarchs are looking for us to do an dance performance during intermission around Christmas (no set date yet). We can only do this IF we have dancers with better skills and a variety of dances and regalia, suitable for an authentic performance. We have not yet agreed to this, and won't unless we get enough interest in doing the job right. We are representing the Native culture, and must do it right or not at all. We can use some of our college guys, who have past experience and regalia and some of the adults as well. We'll work on getting an authentic drumming group too. Our August, Sept. Oct. and Nov. dance practices will be aimed toward this, but participation in REAL PowWows during the summer and fall is also critical. We need roaches, bustles, mocassins, headdresses, fancy dance outfits, grass dance outfits, straight dance outfits etc.

Dance practices will begin in August, so stay tuned for dates. Be sure to let Josh and Anita know if you're as excited as we are.

So, here's a schedule of some things coming up with contact information. There are a lot more, but these are all good ones:

July 3-4 Mother Earth's Creations PowWow, Ossipee, NH 323-8181

July 10-11 Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum, Warner, NH 456-2600 (This is the one we were asked to do a concession stand- Scott Devoid is chairman)

July 17-18 NH Intertribal PowWow, Wells Beach, ME 539-5015

July 24-25 LIHA Learner's Weekend, Sanbornton, NH 413-250-4849 (Mrs. Creager is teaching)

July 31-Aug. 1 NH Intertribal Saco River PowWow, No. Conway 539-5015

Aug. 7-8 Honor the Animals PowWow, Gray, ME 207-324-9297

Aug. 14-15 Northeast Woodland PowWow, Deerfield, 674-9271

Sept. 3-5 LIHA Labor Day PowWow, Sanbornton, NH 934-5338 (OA teaches children's crafts)

Sept. 11-12 Parker's Maple Sugar Barn, Mason, 369-7498

Sept. 18-19 GLICA, Bedford, MA 978-677-7153

Aug. 1-6, 2011 is Indian Summer, an OA Native American event in Ridgecrest, NC. This is comparable to a Native American NOAC.

For more information please contact Josh Pittendreigh at XXXXXXXXXXXX or Mrs. Creager : anitacreager58@comcast.net.



**“And they lived Happily ever after.”**  
**Freddy Gross, the Western Region Chief, explains the duties of the Section Chief at the recent NE-1A Conclave.**



### NEWS FROM THE CHAPTERS

Read about what your chapter is doing and get involved! Your chapters have some great activities planned for this year and want you to be a part of it. I encourage all of you, especially new members, to go to your next chapter meeting and experience the fun and brotherhood of the Order of the Arrow!

#### Arrowhead Chapter

Meetings held at the Nashua Presbyterian Church, 1010 West Hollis St. E-Board meetings are the 4th Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm at St. Joseph's Church, 777 West Hollis St.

**Time:** 7:00 - 8:30 pm

**Dates:** Third Wednesday of every month

The Arrowhead Chapter had 17 new youth and 3 new adult Ordeals at the Spring Meet. Also 3 new Brotherhood members. We also had 5 volunteers to be Elangomats, although only 3 were needed. We did a callout ceremony at the Spring Camporee. At the May Chapter meeting, we started working on the new Geocaching Merit Badge at our new meeting place. Ryan Naro is our new Chapter Chief, with Jason Knightly and Jake Nutting as Vice-Chiefs and Alex Dedousis as Secretary.

We had our first eboard with the new members, and planned next year's program, starting with our annual August 25th cookout at Greeley Park. Lots of other activities are in the loop: Cooking competition, Halloween Party, Soapbox derby race, Gingerbread wars, Roller skating, Merit badge work, service projects and OA related activities. We'll be hosting the OA Cafe at the Klondike Derby, and serving our Cub Scout packs with ceremonies and dance shows.

#### Wannalancit Chapter

Meetings held at the Franklin Middle School

**Time:** 7:00 pm

**Dates:** Usually every second Monday of the month.

#### Sunapee Chapter

Meetings held at the LDS Church on Route 4 in Lebanon

**Time:** 7:00 pm

**Dates:** Second Thursday.

#### Abnaki Chapter

Meetings are held at the True Memorial Baptist Church in Rochester

**Time:** 7:00 - 8:30 pm

**Dates:** Every second Thursday of the month.

#### Mt Monadnock Chapter

Meetings are held at the Crochet Mountain Rehabilitation Center in Greenfield.

**Time:** 7:00 - 9:00 pm

**Dates:** Every second Tuesday of the month.

#### Great Northern Chapter

Meetings are held at White Mountains Regional HS in Whitefield.

**Time:** 7:30 - 9:00 pm

**Dates:** Every second Tuesday of the month.

#### Massabesic Chapter

Meetings held at Camp Carpenter, Manchester

**Time:** 7:00 - 8:30 pm

**Dates:** Every second Wednesday of the month.

#### Historic Chapter

Meetings held at the Epping Middle School in Epping

**Time:** 7:30 - 9:00 pm

**Dates:** Second Tuesday of each month (except July).

#### Nutfield Chapter

Meetings held at the Armed Forces Reserve Center in Londonderry.

**Time:** 7:00 - 8:30 pm

**Dates:** Second Wednesday of each month (during Roundtable).



A special lodge flap for Dan Higham, a National Vice Chief who visited our lodge last year during the lodge conference.

# Looking Forward

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| <p><b>APRIL 2010</b></p> <p>16 Unit Election Forms due for Spring Fellowship Weekend<br/>16 Conclave Registration due<br/>30 Registration Forms Due for Spring Weekend</p> | <p><b>MAY 2010</b></p> <p>14-16 Spring Weekend (HVSC)<br/>16 Lodge Business Meeting 10:00 am (CC); E-Board @ 11:00<br/>31 2009 Lodge Dues Due</p> | <p><b>JUNE 2010</b></p> <p>1 Lodge Dues Late<br/>11-13 Section Conclave, Camp Roosevelt, Eddington, ME</p>   | <p><b>JULY 2010</b></p> <p>16 Unit Election Forms due for Fall Fellowship Weekend<br/>17 Service Corps (HVSC)<br/>24 Depart for National Jamboree<br/>26 National Jamboree starts</p> |
| <p><b>AUGUST 2010</b></p> <p>4 National Jamboree ends<br/>5 Jamboree Contingent returns<br/>27 Registration Forms Due for Fall Weekend</p>                                 | <p><b>SEPTEMBER 2010</b></p> <p>10-12 Fall Weekend (HVSC)<br/>12 Lodge Business Meeting 10:00 am (HVSC)<br/>E-Board Meeting 11:00 am (HVSC)</p>   | <p><b>OCTOBER 2010</b></p> <p>1 Registration due for Lodge Conference<br/>15-17 Lodge Conference (HVSC)<br/>17 E-Board Meeting 10:00 am (HVSC)</p>     | <p><b>NOVEMBER 2010</b></p> <p>20 Service Corps (CC)</p>  |
| <p><b>DECEMBER 2010</b></p> <p>Lodge Banquet<br/>31 Lodge Charter Renewal Deadline<br/>31 Registration due for Fun Weekend</p> <p><b>HAPPY HOLIDAYS!</b></p>               | <p><b>JANUARY 2011</b></p> <p>14-16 Fun Weekend (HVSC)<br/>15 Service Corps (HVSC)<br/>16 E-Board Meeting 10:00 am (HVSC)</p>                     | <p><b>FEBRUARY 2011</b></p> <p>4 Quality Lodge Seminar Registration Deadline<br/>6-12 Boy Scout Week<br/>19 Quality Lodge Seminar, Portsmouth 9:30</p> | <p><b>MARCH 2011</b></p> <p>19 Service Corps (CC)<br/>20 Vigil Nominating 9:30 am &amp; E-Board 1:00 pm at Jewett Training Center, (CC)</p>   |

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