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YOUR SERVICE NEEDED AT UPCOMING NE-1A CONCLAVE

Every year, around 300 Arrowmen from all across northeast New England gather for a weekend of fun, fellowship, training and competition. The Section Conclave, which runs from Friday evening to Sunday morning, is the largest Order of the Arrow event outside of a National OA Conference and third biggest inter-council event in all of Boy Scouting. The location of the Conclave changes every year so that the individual lodges can showcase their summer camps and provide a varied program. This year the conclave will take place at our own Hidden Valley Scout Camp.

Who will be there? Brothers from lodges in Katahdin Area Council and Pine Tree Council in Maine, Boston Minuteman, Yankee Clipper, and Knox Trail Councils in Massachusetts, and our own Daniel Webster Council. These are the councils whose lodges make up Section NE 1-A. The conclave is a great place to meet and have fun with fellow arrowmen from all over our section.

The 2011 Section Conclave will feature inter-lodge competitions, training, evening opening and theme shows, recreational activities such as swimming and rifle shooting, pow-wows and more. We will need Brothers to compete in Ultimate Frisbee, Volleyball, and OA Trivia. Can you run, ride, or canoe fast? Your talents are needed for the Healy Cup Team. There will be a patch auction and an opportunity to do some trading. Besides games, competitions, and **great food**, you will have a chance to attend sessions on many different subjects, similarly to our Lodge Conference.

There is something for everyone, whether you are a new Ordeal member, hold a position in your Chapter or in the Lodge, or are interested in a particular area such as ceremonies, dance, web pages, etc. Attend the 2011 Conclave. You'll be glad you did!

"THOSE WHO CHOSE YOU NEED YOU."

JUNE 10-12, 2011

**HIDDEN VALLEY SCOUT CAMP
GILMANTON IRON WORKS, NH**

GETTING INVOLVED

Passaconaway Lodge is the Service Lodge for the 2011 Section NE-1A Conclave! That's right: from June 10th-12th, Arrowmen from all over the Section (6 lodges from Maine, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire) will convene at Hidden Valley for the best conclave since 2004. The theme of this year's conclave is "Those Who Chose You Need You." To make this event successful, we need YOU to step up and assist with preparation.

Preparation will occur on several dates. The Spring Fellowship Weekend is taking place at Camp Carpenter this year, but a contingent of Arrowmen will travel to Hidden Valley during the weekend to provide service to the camp and begin preparations. Final preparations for the conclave will occur on June 4th during the staff work day at Hidden Valley. During the conclave itself, Passaconaway will require a service corps of **100 Arrowmen** to assist during the weekend. But these events do not provide enough time to fully prepare the camp.

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YOUR COMMITTEES: HOW TO GET INVOLVED

What lodge committee are you on? If you can't answer this question, now is the time to figure it out. At the 2010 Lodge Conference, it was stressed that all members of the Lodge should be part of a committee. The committees of our Lodge are responsible for all of its operations. From the website and Totem, to weekends and banquets, to service projects and our annual budget, every aspect of our Lodge is coordinated by our youth committees. If these committees don't have membership, then all of the operations they are responsible for are thrown onto one chairman, or as is more often the case, one adult adviser.

At the Executive Board meeting following the 2010 conference, the Lodge's committees were consolidated into the nine operational committees listed below. Please look at them, decide which committee you would like to be part of and then send the Lodge Secretary an email at wewells2@gmail.com. Your commitment will strengthen our Lodge and its program. If you've ever said that something should be done differently or if you've ever had a really cool

idea for our lodge, this is your chance to make it happen. Chapter Chiefs should make sure that their chapter has at least one representative in each committee. (You can even form parallel committees in your own chapter!)

If you are interested in chairing a vacant committee, contact your Lodge Chief, Cameron Eide, at cameron.p.eide@gmail.com. If you are an adult who would like to advise a vacant committee, contact the Lodge Adviser, Mr. Leavitt, at goodscout@comcast.net.

Please support your lodge!

THE COMMITTEES OF OUR LODGE

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Plans an annual conference to build members' leadership and job-specific skills; coordinates continued leadership training throughout the year based on current lodge needs. Supports lodge and chapter leadership as well as the "Chapters Of Our Lodge" (COOL) program.

- Adviser: Vacant
- Chairman: Vacant

CAMP PROMOTION

Develops plans for camping promotion in consultation with the council camping committee; develops promotional helps such as "Where To Go Camping" booklets, visual aids, color slides, movies and videos of camping activities.

- Adviser: David Walker
- Chairman: Vacant

SERVICE

Suggests a yearly schedule of service projects, gets lodge approval, makes complete plans for getting the work done and works with camp rangers for camp service projects.

- Adviser: Vacant
- Chairman: Vacant

WILL WELCH FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

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**ACTIVITIES**

Develops plans for two or three membership meeting activities for the Lodge each year, is responsible for carrying them out and works with other committees to accomplish goals of weekends.

- Adviser: Vacant
- Chairman: Vacant

INDUCTION ENRICHMENT

Plans and administers Ordeals, recruits and trains Elangomats and Nimats, administers the Brotherhood ceremony, and conducts new member orientation. This committee works closely with Native American Affairs to carry out ceremonies.

- Adviser: Vacant
- Chairman: Joel Bates

NATIVE AMERICAN AFFAIRS

Recruits and trains ceremonial and dance teams, instructs members on appropriate regalia, supports conducting lodge and unit ceremonies and dances.

- Adviser: Anita Creager & Paul Messier
- Chairman: Nate Blair

BUDGET

Draws up annual budget based on administrative and program needs, obtains information from the council service center and issues regular reports and is responsible for the financial status of the lodge. Oversees fundraising such as the trading post.

- Adviser: Kerry Molin
- Chairman: Vacant

MEMBERSHIP

Coordinates chapter dues and membership drives, helps lodge meet membership quotas for Quality Lodge, sends letters to Ordeal members eligible for Brotherhood membership, supports chapters in unit elections, and helps with Vigil nominations and other awards. Helps chapters coordinate Troop Representative program.

- Adviser: Vacant
- Chairman: Vacant

PUBLICATIONS

Prepares lodge newsletters like The Totem, develops and maintains lodge websites, supports chapter communication, promotes participation in OA events and activities, communicates information from other committees to lodge membership.

- Adviser: Doug Aykroyd
- Chairman: Vacant

***WE NEVER FAIL WHEN WE TRY
TO DO OUR DUTY; WE ALWAYS
FAIL WHEN WE NEGLECT TO
DO IT.***

– BP



Brothers Rob Crowe, David Edscorn, and Steve Kouropolous collaborate during a Mt Monadnock Chapter regalia-making party

**PASSACONAWAY LODGE: YOUR
LEADERSHIP**

LODGE CHIEF - CAMERON EIDE

VICE CHIEF - BRETT BRANSCOMBE

VICE CHIEF - DAVID EDSCORN

SECRETARY - WILL WELCH

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WHAT'S GOING ON IN PASSACONAWAY? YOUR CHAPTER NEWS

ABNAKI CHAPTER is having another exciting winter season. After bringing a big delegation to Fun Weekend, Abnaki went camping on frozen Lake Winnepesaukee. The chapter plans to do some great Cheerful Service this spring starting with their "adopt-a-spot" in a local community. Abnaki meets every 2nd Thursday of the month at True Memorial Baptist Church in Rochester.

HISTORIC CHAPTER took on a rock climbing party as part of their fellowship activities in the past few months. They meet every second Tuesday of the month at Exeter's LDS church.

MT MONADNOCK CHAPTER just finished a successful Klondike food booth and is moving on to elections, Brotherhood ceremony, and Blue and Golds. A regalia-making party is coming soon. They meet every second Tuesday of the month at the LDS church on the Peterborough/Greenfield line.

ARROWHEAD CHAPTER wintered over from bobbing for apples at Halloween to having a blast at Fun Weekend. They meet at the Nashua Presbyterian Church (in the woods) in Nashua at 7:00 PM Wednesdays.

NUTFIELD CHAPTER just completed its elections training, and is ramping up for elections and camp promo season. Nutfield meets the second Wednesday of every month at the Londonderry Armed Forces Reserve Center.

WANT YOUR CHAPTER NEWS TO BE IN THE NEXT TOTEM? SEND AN EMAIL TO totem220@gmail.com AND KEEP US UPDATED!

WE WANT TO HEAR:

What do you think about the OA and Facebook? Is it a helpful tool for communication? Or do its risks outweigh its benefits for the Lodge and her Chapters? Send your Letters to the Editor to totem220@gmail.com

FAREWELL TO A BROTHER

David W. Brown, a Vigil member from Hudson, passed away on Dec. 12, 2010 after a long illness. Most of Dave's adult life was spent in Scouting, having served as Scoutmaster of Troop 252 and on the District Committee as Camping Chairman. He received the St. George emblem, the District Award of Merit, Silver Beaver and Scoutmaster Award of Merit. Dave entered the Order of the Arrow as an Ordeal member as a youth in 1948, completing his Brotherhood in 1992 and was chosen for the Vigil Honor in 1995. He was the Arrowhead Chapter advisor from 1996-2003.

There were over 30 Brothers, Scouts and Scouters present at his wake, including Troop 252. The Arrowhead Chapter conducted the "Broken Arrow" ceremony to honor Dave for all his years of cheerful service and served as an honor guard during the funeral service.

BROTHERHOOD FOR ALL AT FUN WEEKEND

Despite some hair-pulling organizational issues, Passaconaway's 2011 Winter Fun Weekend went off successfully. Though the Easter Seals Lodge lost heat and way too many people missed ice cream, Cheerful Fellowship was had by all. Activities included the ubiquitous board games and ski trip, as well as ice fishing on Eileen and snowshoeing on the reservation. Scout spirit (and a helpful repairman) got the furnace working again for Saturday night. Disappointingly, only a few youth showed up to the E-Board meeting on Sunday morning, according to Anita Creager.

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To ensure that we have a fantastic conclave, **chapters will need to schedule work days** at Hidden Valley before June 4th to provide needed service to the camp. To schedule a work day or work weekend, contact lead ranger Craig Nowell at Craig.Nowell@scouting.org. If your chapter hasn't discussed plans for a workday yet, bring it up at your next chapter meeting! If you have any questions, contact Conclave Coordinator Brett Branscombe at ccoordinator@ne1a.org. Help our lodge put on a fantastic conclave!

-- Will Welch



SUMMITCORPS 2011

You heard all about ArrowCorps 5. You saw the slideshow. You heard the stories. You talked to Brothers who came back from life-changing cheerful service all over the country after summer '08. Would you believe that ArrowCorps is back?

It's called SummitCorps: The New River Experience. Instead of taking place at five separate National Forests like ArrowCorps, 2011's SummitCorps will gather Arrowmen from all over the country in one place. The Summit: Bechtel Family Scout Reservation, the newest BSA High Adventure base and future home of National Jamborees, was unveiled for the BSA's centennial last year, and construction is well underway. The Order of the Arrow will be serving their fellow Scouts and the National Parks system with SummitCorps, during which 2,000 Arrowmen will come to the New River Gorge National River outside the Summit Reservation to participate in a huge trail-building project for hiking and biking. The project is based on balancing conservation and preservation, making the land enjoyable for all while preserving its natural beauty.

SummitCorps will take place in four one-week sessions in July, starting the 3rd, 10th, 17th, and 24th. Registration starts April 1st and must be completed by May 31st. If you're interested in joining the Passaconaway Lodge contingent, act quickly! There are only 8 spots available for every lodge. You can also sign up as staff or as part of the InstructorCorps to help the National Committee run the event smoothly.

To learn more about this opportunity to serve others, meet new people, learn great skills, and be in the outdoors, visit event.oa-bsa.org. If you are interested in signing up, contact Mr. Leavitt at goodscout@comcast.net.

--Ethan Beihl

BROTHERS! THOSE WHO WRITE YOUR NEWSLETTER NEED YOU!

It's very difficult to get *The Totem* out on time. This issue is months late, and everyone in the Lodge is to blame. If we want to run effectively and provide Cheerful Service to all, we must communicate effectively. *The Totem* is our first step. The Publication Committee is currently almost non-existent, and without the help of Lodge Secretary Will Welch and Adviser Mr. Aykroyd this issue would never have gotten out.

So if you want to make sure that *The Totem* always gets useful information out on time, consider helping out yourself. The Publication Committee needs at least one member from every chapter to get us Chapter News for every issue and to help write articles.

You don't even need to be a regular contributor! If you are interested in a subject, an event, or an issue, write an article and send it in to be published. We welcome all submissions.

Thank you!

Yours in Brotherhood,
Ethan Beihl, Editor (ebeihl@gmail.com)
Doug Aykroyd, Adviser (oakscouter@comcast.net)

SEND SUBMISSIONS TO totem220@gmail.com by
May 8th

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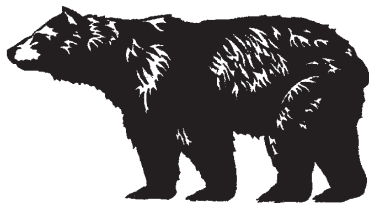
Looking Forward

<p>JANUARY 2011</p> <p>14-16 Fun Weekend (HVSC) 15 Service Corps (HVSC) 16 E-Board Meeting 10:00 am (HVSC)</p>	<p>FEBRUARY 2011</p> <p>4 Quality Lodge Seminar Registration Deadline 6-12 Boy Scout Week 19 Quality Lodge Seminar, Portsmouth 9:30</p>	<p>MARCH 2011</p> <p>19 Service Corps (CC) 20 Vigil Nominating 9:30 am & E-Board 1:00 pm at Jewett Training Center, (CC)</p>	<p>APRIL 2011</p> <p>10 Section Conclave Money Due 15 Unit Elections Forms Due for Spring Weekend</p>
<p>MAY 2011</p> <p>6 Reg. deadline for Spring Wknd. 20-22 Spring Fellowship Wknd. (CC) 22 Biz Mtg 10 AM, E-Board 11 (CC) 23 Indian Summer Final Payment Due 31 2011-2012 Dues due!</p>	<p>JUNE 2011</p> <p>10-12 NE-1A Section Conclave (HVSC) Enjoy Summer Camp!</p>	<p>JULY 2011</p> <p>3-30 SummitCorps Sessions 1-4 15 Unit Elections Forms Due for Fall Weekend 16 Service Corps (HVSC)</p>	<p>AUGUST 2011</p> <p>1-6 Indian Summer, Ridgecrest, NC 28 Reg. deadline, Fall Fellowship Weekend</p>
<p>SEPTEMBER 2011</p> <p>9-11 Fall Fellowship Weekend (HVSC) 11 Lodge Business Meeting, 10:00 AM (HVSC) 30 Registration deadline for Lodge Conference</p>	<p>OCTOBER 2011</p> <p>14-16 Lodge Conference (HVSC) 16 Lodge E-Board Meeting, 10AM (HVSC)</p>	<p>NOVEMBER 2011</p> <p>21 Service Corps (CC)</p>	<p>DECEMBER 2011</p> <p>Happy Holidays!</p>

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