



The Post

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New Lodge Officers

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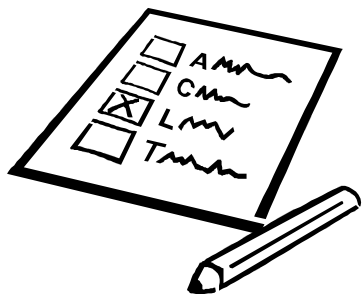
Coy Nesslein-Vice Chief of Program, Ken Bellows - Lodge Treasurer, Kevin Wright - Lodge Chief, Zack Renner - Lodge Sectary, Marcus Allis - Executive Vice Chief.

UNIT ELECTIONS

Please Call or Email Kevin Wright To Schedule
Your Unit Election !

570 801 1468 or kvn.wright@gmail.com

We Would Like To Complete All Elections By
The End Of April.



Quality Chapter



The lodge is starting a Quality Chapter Program.
The Requirement are as follows:

- A. In order for a Chapter to receive Quality Chapter status they must increase their number of members at a chapter meeting by 1/3 at least 5 months out of the Lodge year.
- B. 50% of active members that attend Chapter meetings must participate in at least 50% of Lodge fundraisers.
- C. 50% of active members that attend Chapter meetings must participate in 50% of the yearly ordeals.
- D. One member must participate in the Elongomat program.
- E. A Chapter reaching Quality Chapter status will receive a patch (a new one every 2 years) and \$50 to be used at their Chapter meetings.

Check out the Lodge website at
<http://tkaendod.fiverivers.org>

Words from the Chief

By Kevin Wright

I'm looking forward to a very good year as the new Lodge Chief. The Lodge Executive Committee has some very lofty goals that we hope and expect to achieve with your help this year. At the Annual Lodge Banquet we voted to completely revamp the bylaws which streamlined the officers, cutting down the number of vice chiefs to two. The other big change was to incorporate the newly designed quality chapter program (details above) as a motivation for chapters to be more active. I would like to see all of the chapters in the lodge achieve Quality



this year and become much more active and give a more functional service to the troops and the council. I would also like to have additional Elangomats who are more dedicated to pursuing each Ordeal member and helping them achieve brotherhood, that way they can become active and useful members of the lodge. I think that with everyone's help this year will be great!

Yours in WWW,
Kevin Wright Lodge Chief

Ordeals

By Kevin Wright



Soon the flowers will be blooming and the robins will be out which can only mean one thing... it's getting close to Ordeal season! The first ordeal is the 4th-6th of May at Camp Brule and the second will be June 15th-17th at Camp Gorton. There will be lodge meetings following both of these events on Sunday

right at the camp. We hope to have a fully trained ceremony team that is ready to give the candidates the most memorable and meaningful Ordeal ceremony possible. As we all know this is essential in getting members excited and keeping them active after they've gone through their Ordeal. Also for those of you

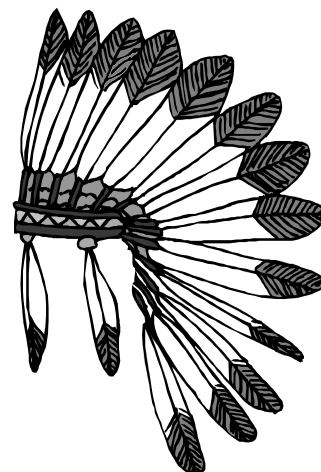
who are Ordeal members this is your chance to become full fledged Brotherhood members and seal your commitment to the Order of the Arrow. Email Kevin Wright if you are planning on attending the Ordeal. Hope to see all of you there!

Conclave this year is at Camp Merz and is June 1-3rd. Email Kevin Wright for more info!

New Ceremony Team

*** JOIN NOW***

In an effort to raise the quality of ceremonies within the lodge it was motioned and passed to create a ceremonies team under the tutelage of John Laidlaw. The members who volunteered for the team at the February 2nd meeting were Kevin Wright, Andrew Murdock, Ken Bellows, Bryan Smith, Nathan Coolbaugh, Coy Nesselin, and Zach Renner. At the mall show the next day two more Arrowmen volunteered, a recent Ordeal member named Dinesh Ramasamy, and Brotherhood member Brian Wolfe. More volunteers are needed. If you have questions contact Mr. Laidlaw at John.Laidlaw@Earthlink.net.



Spring into Scouting

Andrew Murdock

I need your help at "Spring into Scouting." Spring into Scouting when Webleos and first year Boy Scouts come to Camp Gorton and learn basic camping skills. In order for the young Scouts to learn we need trainers. If you are skilled in knife and axe safety, fire building, knot tying, or general camping I want you to come help at Spring into Scouting. This year it will be March 31st from 8:30 am till 4:30 pm at Camp Gorton. The event is free for all Arrowmen who come and help. Remember to bring your Class "A" uniform and a class "B" for the activities. I hope to see everyone March 31st at Spring into Scouting.

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Calendar

March 2007

1 – Tioga Chapter Meeting @ Williamson High School – 7PM
4 – SAGAMORE @ Corning Revere Store, Corning, NY – 2PM
8 – Seneca Chapter Meeting @ 1st Presbyterian Church, Horseheads – 7PM
8 – Winningus Chapter Meeting @ Towanda Elementary – 7PM
12 – Wakanda Chapter Meeting @ Hornell First Baptist – 7PM
31 – Spring into Scouting @ Camp Gorton – 9AM – 5PM

April 2007

5 – Tioga Chapter Meeting @ Williamson High School – 7PM
12 – Seneca Chapter Meeting @ 1st Presbyterian Church, Horseheads –
12 – Winningus Chapter Meeting @ Towanda Elementary – 7PM
15 – SAGAMORE @ Corning Revere Store, Corning, NY – 2PM

May 2007

3 – Tioga Chapter Meeting @ Williamson High School – 7PM
4 – 5 – Spring Ordeal & Brotherhood Workday @ Camp Brule',
SAGAMORE to follow on Sunday
10 – Seneca Chapter Meeting @ 1st Presbyterian Church, Horseheads –
10 – Winningus Chapter Meeting @ Towanda Elementary – 7PM
14 – Wakanda Chapter Meeting @ Hornell First Baptist – 7PM



WE HAVE MOVED!

Due to circumstances out of our control all
Lodge Sagamores (meetings) have now been moved to the

Williamson Road District Office

114 Pine Street, Suite 203

Corning, NY 14830

<http://tkaendod.fiverivers.org/tkaendod/directions.htm>

2007 TKäen DōD Lodge Dues Form

Name: Last _____, First _____, MI _____

Email Address: _____

Post Newsletter (Check One):

Receive by **Mail** Only Receive by **Email** Only Receive by *both Mail and Email*

Dues

I am paying my dues **after** December 30th, 2006 --> **\$12**

I would like to be on the following Committees:

- Camp Promotions**
- Unit Elections**
- Finance**
- Ceremonies**
- Activities**
- Publications**
- Membership**



Lodge Dues

Total Enclosed: _____

If paying by check, please make payable to: **Five Rivers Council**
Bring or Send Payment to the Arnot Mall Store:

Five Rivers Council
ATTN: OA Lodge Dues
3300 Chambers Road, Suite 5190
Horseheads, NY 14845-5190

Fill Out Below this Line if Information has changed, otherwise detach above section and return!

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Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Home Phone: (_____) _____ - _____ **Troop:** _____

Chapter (Check One):

- Winningus** (Andaste District)
- Seneca** (Indian Waters District)
- Tioga** (Williamson Road District)
- Wakanda** (Thunderbird District)



2007 Spring Ordeal Weekend Registration Sheet



(Circle One)

Spring Ordeal @ Camp Brule – May 4 – 6, 2007
Or
Spring Ordeal @ Camp Gorton – June 15 – 17, 2007

First Name

Last Name

Home Phone #

Honor (Ordeal, Bro., Vigil)

Chapter

Email Address for Confirmation (if available)

Cost of the Weekend: \$12

Cost includes: Food for Weekend, Camp Facilities Usages

Any member who has been Ordeal honor for more than 10 months is eligible for Brotherhood Conversion at no extra charge (only the \$12 for the weekend)

Check here if you want to go through your Brotherhood!

If paying by check, please write "OA Spring Ordeal" on Memo line and make payable to:

Five Rivers Council

Bring or Send Payment to the Arnot Mall Store:

Five Rivers Council

Attn: OA Spring Ordeal

3300 Chambers Road, Suite 5190

Horseheads, NY 14845-5190

Sign-Up Deadlines

Sunday, April 29th for Spring Ordeal @ Camp Brule

Sunday, June 10th for Spring Ordeal @ Camp Gorton