



2010
Volume 8

Ho-De-No-Sau-Nee Lodge #159
Greater Niagara Frontier council #380



Longhouse Messenger

Inside this issue:

<i>A Word From The Lodge Chief</i>	1
<i>A Word From The Falling Waters Chief</i>	1
<i>A Word From The Falling Waters Advisor</i>	2
<i>Upcoming Dates</i>	3
<i>A Word From the Advisor of Training</i>	3
<i>A Word From the Vice-Chief of Program</i>	3

A Word From The Lodge Chief

Hello Fellow Arrowmen,

We have had a productive fall I hope that we are able to carry the enthusiasm through out the winter months. I'm proud that were able to complete the 2010 Quality Lodge. I would like to thank all of those who help make it possible to obtain it for another year.

Brothers, the time is now to begin to schedule troop elections. The earlier the elections are scheduled the

more that were able to due, this in turn allows for the brotherhood to become stronger. If you would like to schedule the troop elections please contact your chapter chief or me.

Any one who is in good standing and would like to become more involved in the chapter or the lodge. You are encouraged to come attend your chapter meetings come to a camping with us, remember this is a youth ran organization.

Without any input from you we unable to plan out how the lodge is going to run or the different things you would like to see in the lodge. If anyone has any questions please contact me at FMFBRIGGS@MSN.com.

WWW,

Frederick Briggs
Lodge Chief

A Word From The Falling Waters Chapter-Chief

Greetings Brothers,

I hope everyone had good Thanksgiving holiday. Many fun and exciting programs are planed for this December. That includes the LEC meeting on the 6th of December at council, lodge bowling on the 10th at Thruway Lanes, Elections training on December 13th at the Council Service Center, and the Falling Waters Chapter Meeting on the 14th at the Gander Mountain store on Youngs St. in Tonawanda at 7pm, the **Winter Fellowship at Camp Stonehaven** February 18-20 2011, OA Broomball March 18 (location TBD), and Legacy 11 next summer. We are trying to create a theme at each meeting and will have use of the archery range or access to other

store training that we haven't had in the past. Our goal is to see more people have some fun at these meetings. Bring a fellow OA member. We would like to see more youth at the LEC, there were almost no youth at the last meeting.

Even if you aren't part of the LEC please come out and come to the meeting to learn about all of the things this lodge has to offer and what we are doing and when. We are still looking for a youth and adult to run our Chapter Trading Post during Chapter meetings and Chapter events. If you are interested please contact me or Mr. Militello ASAP. Hopefully by next Friday we will have an answer about the service grant for Stonehaven. I'd like to thank

everybody that has helped with this process. If you have any questions regarding anything about the lodge or the chapter, please feel free to email me at cswags@verizon.net or come to our chapter meetings, they are a blast.

Yours in Scouting,

Chris Swagler
Falling Waters Chapter Chief

Special points of interest:

- You can buy lodge flaps at all lodge events
- 2011 is here! Don't forget to talk to your chapter chief about scheduling your troop elections!
- Happy Holidays!

A Word From The Advisor of Falling Waters



Greetings Brothers,

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving holiday and rekindled those meaningful family connections. With the end of the calendar year fastly approaching and Christmas a few weeks away I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the talented youth in our chapter that have stepped forward and made a difference for us this year. Without you we wouldn't be where we are today. I also cannot forget all of the adults who have supported us this year in all of the chapter functions from driving your son to a chapter meeting to running a major chapter event, without you and your support we couldn't do what we have fun doing, cheerful service to others.

As I look forward I see a couple of opportunities to get together and unwind and have some fun. The 1st is the Lodge Bowling night scheduled for December 10 @ Thruway Lanes, The next is the Vigil Breakfast on December 18 @ St. Patrick's Church and this will be my first so if you're a vigil member I hope to see you there. Coming in January 14-16 is the Polaris Klondike Derby @ Camp Stonehaven and we have been asked to perform the Opening Flag

ceremony for this always fun event. February brings us to our Fellowship weekend on the 18-20 at Camp Stonehaven. Then there is the always competitive Broomball tournament March 19, so start thinking now on getting your team together it's sure to be a fun time.

We will be having Elections Training for all those interested in learning more about the proper way to conduct a unit election and we are looking for more youth to help out in this very important OA function. The training will be held December 13th from 6:30PM – 9:00PM. I hope to see many of you there and thank you in advance for your vested interest in helping the Lodge grow.

Speaking of elections, it's not too early to start planning now for your Troop's OA election for 2011. Submit your requested date and time and we'll be more than happy to come out and conduct your election. All this information can be found on the G.N.F.C. website on the Order of the Arrow page.

If you know of a Unit or you yourself would like a representative from the Falling Waters Chapter to come out and give a camp promotion, contact me at the below email

or phone number and we'll get a team out to your unit.

Our monthly Chapter Meetings are now being held at Gander Mountain on Youngs Rd in Tonawanda and we will announce what each month's program will be prior to each meeting. The meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of each month from now until June 14 which will be our last meeting for the summer.

We are still looking for a youth to run our Chapter Trading Post during Chapter meetings and Chapter events. If you are interested please contact me ASAP.

Talk with your fellow brothers and come out and give us a try. I look forward to seeing many of you at our next Chapter meeting on December 14th @ 7PM. Feel free to discuss with me your thoughts or ideas for the chapter anytime. If you have any questions about any of the events, open chapter positions or the Chapter in general, please feel free to contact me at emilitello@roadrunner.com or by phone (716) 625-4216. We are the brotherhood of honor campers.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Eric Militello (Tuney)
Falling Waters Chapter
Advisor

A Word From The Lodge Advisor



Brothers

The year is coming to an end and thanks to all of you, we have achieved Quality Lodge again for 2010. Now is the time to reflect upon what we have accomplished as a Brotherhood of Cheerful Service and look forward the future. The holidays are upon us and we have a chance to celebrate the season with our family and friends. Please

make a special effort to be with those who matter to you and let them know that you are there for them.

The lodge has two holiday activities planned, our bowling party at Thruway Lanes on December 10th and the annual Vigil Honor Breakfast on December 18th. If you need more info on these events, please check the lodge or council websites. It's not too

late to sign up for either or both of them but don't delay.

Again, thanks to everyone who is supporting the lodge and its activities and especially to the members of the Lodge Executive Committee for their hard work and dedication to the principles of the O.A.

Have a happy holiday season and stay safe.

Jerry Sullivan II
Lodge Advisor.

December 2010

Schedule of Events

- December 10th: Lodge Bowling
- December 18th: Vigil Breakfast
- February 18 - 20th: Winter Fellowship Weekend @ STH
- March 19th: Lodge Broomball
- LEC Meetings are the first Monday of every month, not including September and the Summer months

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1)	2)	1)	2) ON Meeting	3)	4)
5)	6) LEC @ CSC	7)	8)	9)	10) Lodge Bowling	11)
12)	13)	14) FW Meeting	15) SN Meeting	16)	17)	18) Vigil Breakfast
19)	20)	21)	22)	23)	24)	25)
26)	27)	28)	29)	30)	31)	

SSR - Schoellkopf Scout Reservation, STH - Camp Stonehaven, SCH - Camp Scouthaven, CSC - Council Service Center, LEC - Lodge Executive Committee, FW - Falling Waters Chapter, ON - Onondaga Chapter, SN - Seneca Chapter

A Word From The Advisor of Training

OA Election Training Update:

I would like to welcome Jim Prowse as our new Training Chairperson!

We have upcoming training on Monday, December 13th at the Council Service Center from 6:30 PM to 9 PM

Youth Members, please let Jim Prowse or myself know if you want to help refresh the Lodge on the right way

to promote, schedule and put on Lodge Elections, or teach new members. All our welcome! We can always use new faces to help with the

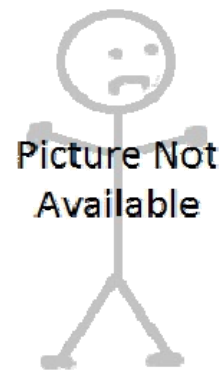
Elections. We want to continue to grow our Lodge.

Look for more information at an upcoming LEC or in the Long House Messenger.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Mrs. Wojcinski

roberta@esmenterprises.com



A Word From The Vice-Chief of Program

Brothers,

First off I would like to say thank you to everyone who made the summer fellowship possible, you were all a lot of help. And thank you to everyone who attended the Fellowship I got nothing but great reviews. As far as

upcoming events, We have Lodge Bowling Dec 10th at Thruway Lanes on Waldon Ave, between Harlem and the Galleria. The early bird is 17\$ until Dec 3, Dec 4-10 it is 20\$ per person and all walk ins are 22\$. Non-bowlers are 6\$. I encourage everyone to attend lodge bowling, it will

be lots of fun. Keep an eye out for upcoming news on the Winter fellowship at Camp Stonehaven and Lodge Broom Ball.

WWW,

Brandon Minicucci





One In Brotherhood

Fax: (716) 891-4008

Phone: (716) 891-4073

Buffalo, NY 14225

2860 Genesee

GNFC-OA

GREATER NIAGARA FRONTIER COUNCIL #380

HO-DE-NO-SAU-NEE LODGE #159



Officers and Advisors

LODGE CHIEF

Fred Briggs

ONONDAGA CHAPTER-CHIEF

Vacant

ONONDAGA ADVISORS

Larry Jones / Mike Raichel

LODGE SECRETARY

Ian Shick

FALLING WATERS CHAPTER-CHIEF

Chris Swagler

FALLING WATERS ADVISORS

Eric Militello

Scott Swagler / Jackie Minicucci

LODGE TREASURER

Vacant

SENECA CHAPTER-CHIEF

Vacant

SENECA ADVISORS

Patrick Quinn

LODGE VICE-CHIEF PROGRAM

Brandon Minicucci

LODGE ADVISOR

Jerry Sullivan II

Ron Macleod / Mike Maue

LODGE VICE-CHIEF SERVICE

Dan Quinn

STAFF ADVISOR

Herb Schmidt

LODGE TREASURER ADVISORS

Ed Grzywna / Bill Cuccard

ADVISOR OF PROGRAM

Scott Swagler

ADVISOR OF SERVICE

Rick Tornow