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A Word From The Lodge Advisor

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Special points of interest:

- You can buy lodge flaps at all lodge events
- Order of the Arrow day is every Tuesday at Schoellkopf Scout Reservation
- We hope you have a wonderful summer

It's Almost Summer. June is upon us and our year is almost half over and because of all of you it's been a good year so far. Our election season went well, the induction weekend at Stonehaven saw almost 80 people in attendance when we inducted 28 new members and had 17 brothers seal their membership in the OA.

As of June 1st we are ahead of last years numbers on our journey toward positive growth. If you haven't paid your dues yet, please do it soon so we can achieve our goal of 850 members for 2011. We also have two more induction weekends coming up in June where you can seal your membership in the Order by converting to Brotherhood. If you are one of the 200 people who are brotherhood eligible, please consider coming out to camp and helping the lodge.

Now for the rest of the news. The section is realigning again, we are going back to two sections as we were in the past. Our new section will still be called NE3A and will include the councils in Batavia, Rochester, Syracuse, Horseheads and us. The section also voted to move our annual conclave back to June so mark your calendars for June 2012.

The lodge is sending 8 members to Summit Corps this summer. Under the leadership of Larry Jones, 4 adults & 4 youth members will visit the Bechtel Summit in July and assist with trail building and maintenance at the new High Adventure Scout Camp which will be the permanent home of the National Jamboree starting in 2013.

Tuesdays will be OA day at SSR, please bring your sash to camp and join us for an ice cream social. The lodge trading post will be there along with registration information for all of our upcoming events.

We are now accepting reservations for NOAC 2012. The lodge is hoping to send a large contingent to Michigan State. Registration info is on the lodge website, check it out and join us.

Our summer fellowship weekend and vigil induction is scheduled for August 24-26 at SSR. The activities committee is planning a great event, put it on your schedule and join us for this fun event.

Last and not least, is Legacy 11. This is a chance for all of the members of Greater Niagara Frontier Council to join together in a public service event at various sites

around WNY. The lodge is handling Parking & Security. If you are interested in attending, please contact our lodge chief for further information.

Remember, the OA is not all work it's FUN too. Join us at one of our events and see.

Have a safe summer,
Jerry

A Word From The Lodge Chief

Greetings Brothers,

It's that time of the year again! The sun is out and we're all on summer vacation but our work is far from over. We have a very busy summer and need as much help as we can get, as per usual. So without further delay, let's get it going. I also hope everyone had a successful Troop election. I encourage that everyone elected takes full advantage of the very important and special opportunities of the Ordeal Weekends. For those that did not complete their Ordeal on this past at Stonehaven week-

end, you have the great chance to help out at one of the other camps. There are many of you that have participated in your Ordeals and have been active in your Troop for 10 or more months, now are the time to take that extra step and seal your bond in brotherhood by completing your brotherhood ceremony.

This summer we have some very fun activities planned for our lodge. We have our annual summer fellowship, which is always a blast. This year the theme is

Baseball and it will be held at Camp Schoellkopf. The weekend dates are August 26-28. The Section Conclave is August 19-21 at Camp Gorton in Dundee NY. I would like to see everyone at either weekend they both are a lot of fun and all around a good time.

Yours in Scouting,
Fred Briggs
Lodge Chief
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A Word From The Seneca Chapter-Chief

Members of the Seneca Chapter,

First off, I would like to thank you all for an amazing time in the Order of the Arrow. I also want to thank you all for helping me out while I get used to my new position as Chapter-Chief, and for all your help within the chapter. One problem is that we are at a shortage of members on the chapter board. We only have two or three of the available positions filled. So if you know of anyone that would like to be on the board, or if you would like to see a specific

person on the board, please email me with their name and I will run it by my advisors. Any suggestions would be most appreciated. I also wanted to send out a couple reminders on upcoming dates within the Order:

- Seneca work weekend: June 17-19
- The next Tote Wash: July 9th
- NE3A Section Conclave: August 19-21
- Ho De No Sau Nee Fellowship weekend: August 26-28

- Early sign-up fees are now being collected for NOAC 2012. Registration is \$100 and will be deducted from your cost. Registration is on a first come first serve basis.

Thank you again and please email me if you have any questions or concerns.

WWW,
James Dolan
dolanj69@yahoo.com

A Word From The Onondaga Chapter-Chief

Hello I am David Krull.

I am the new Onondaga chapter chief and I thought that I would tell you a little about myself. I am a life scout and currently working on my Eagle scout rank, I am also the SPL of troop 468 in Lancaster. I am

the Vice chief of conclave for the lodge and I am also on the ceremonial team. Away from scouts I run track and cross-country for my school. I will learn a lot from being chapter chief and hopefully become a better leader because of it. If I

can be of help to any of the youth or adults in Onondaga please feel free to contact me .

WWW
David Krull
Onondaga Chapter Chief

A Word From The Vice Chief of Service

Since the beginning of the year to date the Lodge has had about 1000 hours.

The work weekend at Stone Haven accomplished a lot that needed to be done.

In keeping with regards to work weekends Scout Haven and

Schoellkopf weekends are almost here, but there is still time to sign up for them and get the camps ready for use. 8 people showed up for service at Council headquarters.

The more people come to the service weekend the more of a

positive impact we can make on camps.

WWW
Frank Sillence

A Word From The Advisor of Seneca

My brothers in the Seneca Chapter,

As you may have heard, a search is underway to find a new Seneca Chapter Advisor. Due to the travel requirements of my current job, I am stepping down as your Advisor. It has been a real honor serving as your Advisor, for these last two years. I want to James Dolan, your Seneca Chapter Chief, for working with me these last 6 months. I know James will continue to grow into his position and become a great chapter chief. To all the youth and adults who have helped with the elections, the kitchen crew, camp promotions, work weekends and ceremonial team, I thank you for making Seneca Chapter great. As you these words, please keep Dan Berger and his family in

your thoughts and prayers, with the passing of his beloved daughter Molly. Dan, I personally want to express my deepest sympathies.

Remember to sign up for the upcoming OA events this summer:

- Seneca Work weekend and Ordeal Induction/ Brotherhood Conversion Weekend: June 17 - 19
 - Tote Wash : July 9 (to help reduce the cost of attending NOAC and other OA events)
 - NE3A Conclave at Camp Gorton: August 19 - 21
 - Ho De No Sau Nee Fellowship and Vigil Induction weekend: August 26 - 28
- NOAC 2012: early sign up fees

are being collected now. The fee of \$100 is being collected and that will be deducted from your final cost of attending NOAC 2012 @ Michigan State University. If you've never attended NOAC now is the time to sign up.

Remember the OA is a youth run organization, and we adults are only here to provide guidance. To the youth of Ho De No Sau Nee, I call upon you to step forward and ensure that our Lodge continues to grow, serve our community and be the premier lodge in NE3A.

WWW,
Pat Quinn
Seneca Chapter member of
Ho De No Sau Nee Lodge 159

A Word From The Advisor of Onondaga

Hello all,

As chapter advisor I'd like to welcome David Krull Jr. who was elected Chapter Chief for Onondaga at the Lodge Banquet. I know David is getting geared up for the job. David is his troop's SPL and is also a member of Onondaga's Ceremony Team. If you are out at one of the many Lodge or Council functions make sure you say hello

to David so he can start making his circle of friends that much larger.

I hope that you had the opportunity to enjoy one of the many fun events that the lodge held over the winter season. If you couldn't make it to any or just didn't find out in time, make sure you start planning now because time flies and soon we will be starting the fall scouting season all

over again. If you want more information on upcoming outings you can contact any of the Lodge officers and advisors as well as checking out the Lodge website at www.oalodge159.org.

Until our paths cross again,
See you at camp!

Yours in Brotherhood,
Larry Jones

A Word From The Advisor of Falling Waters

Hello Falling Waters OA Brothers,

Well we've just completed our spring work weekend with some very nice work being performed at Camp Stonehaven. Thank you everyone for showing up and helping out. It really makes a difference. We had 28 new members complete their Ordeal, congratulations and welcome to the best organization in Boy Scouts. We also had 18 members seal their membership in the Order by completing their Brotherhood conversion, congratulation to you also. Without your commitment we wouldn't be the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service.

An update on the lean-to project; We currently have the Bill of Materials and Drawings for the Lean-To's and Shelter available if you would like to see them. The project has been approved by the Council Properties Committee and we are almost to the point of settling on the final location in camp to start the ground-

breaking of this project. We are asking for everyone's help in the Chapter as well as the Lodge in this endeavor. Right now we are looking for donations, both in materials and money. We would like to begin as soon as possible so anything you can do to help will be greatly appreciated. We believe this will be a multi stage project and think we can complete it in 1-2 years. If you are interested in helping or would like further information please contact Chris Swagler or myself.

Upcoming Lodge events are as follows; Onondaga & Seneca Ordeal weekend June 17 – 19, Section Conclave Aug 19 – 21 at Camp Gorton, and Summer Fellowship Aug 26 – 28.

Remember, it is never too late to pay your 2011 Lodge dues, but the earlier the better. The cost is still \$10 and if you have missed paying your dues in the past, you only need to pay this year's dues to re-establish your paid membership status.

Our monthly Chapter Meetings are held at Gander Mountain on Youngs Rd in Tonawanda. The meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of each month from now until June 14 which will be our last meeting for the summer.

Talk with your fellow brothers and come out to one of our meetings or a fun event and I can promise you, you won't be disappointed. 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 or our Chapter Chief Chris Swagler at cwags@verizon.net.

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

A Word From The OA Food Service Advisor

The policy of the Boy Scouts of America should follow the principles of Leave No trace camping when we get together for a service week-end, fun event, or any OA function when we are out at a scout camp.

Due to the rising cost of paper products, supplies and such the OA food Teams are trying to come up with alternative ways to serve meals. If dishes and plates are available at a Scout camp we try to use them. We recycle what we can and it makes good sense for us

good stewards of our materials and to use and reuse what we can.

On OA weekends scouts use cups for drinking. They take a cup, have a drink and then throw it away. Then they take another cup instead of reusing the first one or bringing one from home. I do believe that at all troop events that mess kits, silverware and cups are required for the week-end camping trips.

I am asking the Lodge Chapter Chief's to try and instruct all members and can-

didates to bring a cup to camp. The Seneca Chapter is looking into the possibility of getting cups that the members can buy and have at camp at the OA Weekends.

The importance of hand washing cannot be over-emphasized before meals. Germs and dirt go together, and proper hand washing and the use of a hand sanitizer is recommended, especially at meals.

The Food service teams can always use extra help on the service week-ends. If you

have a desire to serve your fellow man, the kitchen is a great place to do it. See any of the food team members in your chapter and I bet they will be glad for the extra help.

WWW
John P. Pankow

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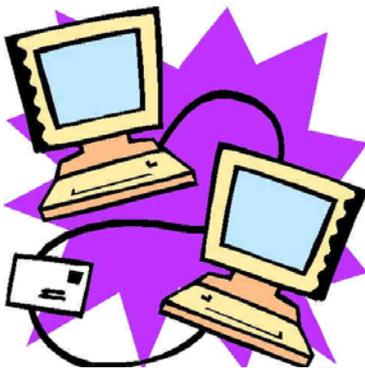
Schedule of Events

- June 17 - 19: Ordeal Weekend @ SSR + SCH
- July 9: Tote Wash @ McKesson Drug, 8am - 3pm
- August 19 - 21: Section NE - 3A @ Camp Gorton
- 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) ON Meeting	3)	4)
5)	6) LEC @ CSC	7)	8)	9)	10)	11)
12)	13)	14) FW Meeting	15)	16)	17) Ordeal Weekend @ SSR + SCH	18)
19)	20)	21)	22)	23)	24)	25)
26)	27)	28)	29)	30)		

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 Communications Chairman



Fellow arrowmen,

For those who do not know, I am Sean Jones, the communications chairman for the lodge. As the communications chairman, I am responsible for putting out this fine publication for the lodge. However, this newsletter is only great if people write articles for it. As you can see, there are a few articles here, but there could always be more. The average newsletter has at least two more pages full of articles, so you should be considering what you would like to write

for the next newsletter.

I can understand if you feel that writing an article is a very difficult task, but you can write one in just a few minutes if you have an idea on what you want to talk about. Sure, you can sit around for a few hours trying to come up with something that people would want to read, but you can write about almost anything. As long as your article is informative, it's fine with me.

Usually, I only receive articles from some of the lodge officers. Everyone in

the lodge is encouraged to submit articles for this newsletter.

If you have any articles that you would like to submit or if you have any questions for me, you may go ahead and send them to me at sij5183@gmail.com.

Yours in brotherhood,
Sean Jones
Communications Chairman



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