

A Word from the Lodge Advisor

Brothers



It is now February and a lot has been happening in the lodge. In case you have not heard, Jim Binz is no longer our Staff Advisor. I would like to thank him for his efforts on our behalf and wish him well in his future endeavors. Stu Schnettler who has been associated with our council's Venture program and has been a member of our lodge for several years is our new Staff Advisor, please join me in wishing him success in his new position and the support of our membership in every way possible.

I would also like to thank the almost 40 members of the lodge who volunteered their time at the Readyman Training held on February 6th. It was a great way to introduce almost 125 Webelos to the Order of the Arrow and our traditions of cheerful service to others.

This last weekend, we held our annual fellowship weekend at Camp Stonehaven and a good time was had by all. The highlight of the weekend was our tradition of announcing the recipients of this year's Founders Awards. I would like to congratulate our Vice Chief of Service Dan Tornow and the Advisor to our lodge's Nominations Committee Dirk Norwich for being chosen to receive this very special honor. I hope you can join us at the Lodge Banquet on March 7th when they will be presented with their awards.

As you all know March is always a busy time for our members, We have been asked to help set up for University of Scouting on Friday March 5th at Hamburg High School and we will be manning a information table during the event on March 6th to promote our lodge. If you are available on either day, please consider coming out and supporting the Council and the Lodge.

March 7th is our annual Lodge banquet at Bowmansville Fire Hall. Doors open at 5:00

pm and Dinner will be at 6:00 pm. You can register at the council office or online through the G.N.F.C website.

March 20th is our 2010 Broomball Tournament at Nichols school, everyone is welcome, if you are unable to play, please consider coming out to cheer on your favorite team and enjoy pizza and pop with your lodge brothers. Last year we had almost 100 people attend and it was a great time for everyone.

Last but not least is the 100th Anniversary Camporall being held at Old Fort Niagara on May 14-16. The lodge has been asked to provide a service corps to assist at this event. Applications are being accepted from anyone wishing to be considered for a spot on the service corp. Any lodge member who wishes to participate can submit an application for consideration. Keeping in mind that a scout's first responsibility is to his unit, the Lodge Executive Committee has established criteria for member selection, among them are that all youth applying for the service corps must have their unit leaders written permission. In addition the lodge will not accept any youth who are holding key leadership positions (i.e.; Senior Patrol Leader, Crew President Etc) in their unit at the time of the event.

If you need further information on these upcoming events or and O.A. related topic, please feel free to contact any member of the lodge executive committee or stop in at one of our events and we will do whatever we can to answer your questions.

Yours in the Brotherhood

Jerry Sullivan II

Lodge Advisor

HO-DE-NO-SAU-NEE LODGE #159
 GREATER NIAGARA FRONTIER COUNCIL #380

Longhouse Messenger

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- ⇒ Our next newsletter is going to be on a new format, giving the newsletter a new and fresh look
- ⇒ Don't forget to schedule your troop's unit elections

A Word from the Vice-Chief of Service

Brothers,

I would like to take this chance to talk about the upcoming service opportunities. First I would like to thank those that were at the last tote wash at Mckesson Drugs. Even with the low turnout we did well. I would like to plead with those who have not been to a tote wash lately, or have never been to a tote wash to please come out and help support our lodge with our primary fundraiser. Portions of these two tote washes will help to offset costs for this year's Section Conclave and up coming NOAC's. Next I would like to talk to you

about the service corps at the camperall. You can get an application online, at University of Scouting, at the Lodge banquet, and at Scout Headquarters. We will be accepting only non key position youth and adults. Remember your primary responsibility is to your troops, so if you are an Senior Patrol Leader or Scoutmaster please do not apply. We could be helping out in VIP escort and in Midway with the setup and takedown of booths and other needed tasks to help in the smooth operation of the event. Lastly I want to mention the Induction weekends. Elections are underway now. If

your troops haven't already signed up for an election please do so. Then please come out and help us set up camp for the summer. It is excellent opportunity to fulfill the service (Witahemui) part of our brotherhood (Wimachtendienk). As you can see our lodge is full of service, and please come out and help us shine.

Your Vice Chief of Service

Dan Tornow

A Word from the Seneca Chapter Advisor

Arrowmen of the Seneca Chapter

It is a new year. Winter is almost over and the OA election season is in full swing. If you haven't already scheduled your troops OA election now is the time to do it. All OA elections have to be conclude by April 30th, so if your troop has eligible candidates, please contact me as soon as possible. You can contact me at phquinn@msn.com

So, don't wait until the last minute!

The Spring Ordeal Weekend dates are:

June 4th – 6th at Stone Haven (Falling Waters Chapter)

June 18th -20th at Scout Haven (Seneca Chapter)

June 18th -20th at SSR (Onondaga Chapter)

Do you remember your Ordeal? Do you remember that sense of accomplishment you got from toiling with your fellow candidates? Would you like to do it again? Now is your chance to do all again as an Elangomat. What is an Elangomat? Elangomat means friend. It is your chance to work with new Ordeal candidates, make new friendships, to act as a mentor and guide the Candidates through the Ordeal. As an Elangomat it will also be your assignment to stay in touch with the New Ordeals, and guide them down the road to Brotherhood. To Show the new Ordeals there is so much more to the OA than work weekends, There is BROOMBALL!.

Broomball is March 20th and it is not to late to sign up, as a team or come as an

individual player and be assigned to a team. But to play to you have be a dues paying member for 2010 or an Ordeal candidate. If you did not pay your dues in 2009 or in any of the previous years, don't worry about it. Just pay your dues (\$10) for 2010 at registration.

If your not going to Broomball, stop by the OA table at the University of Scouting and pay your dues there of send them into Council.

Remember Seneca Chapter meetings are every third Wednesday of the month at the Southgate Plaza Community Room and don't forget we have a special guest speaker at every meeting. In the months to come we are hosting Dan McCartan, to discuss the upcoming Camporall and an FBI agent will be join us to discuss careers opportunities with the FBI.

Speaking of the Camporall, May14th - 16th at Fort Niagara State park, the OA is looking for members to join the OA service crew. If your Troop or Crew is not attending, and you want to attend, now is your chance to attend as a member of Staff. Applications are available at council or from your Lodge and Chapter Advisors.

April 10th is our next scheduled tote wash fund raiser. Details are available our website at www.oalodge159.org Those who have never been to a tote wash, or have been to tote washes in the past are asked to come and help raise money for the Lodge. The money will be used for camp improvements and to defer the cost of attending Sectional NE3A and National events.

I hope to see you all at the upcoming OA events.

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Pat Quinn

Seneca Chapter Advisor

Would You Like To Write An Article For the Newsletter?

If you are at all interested, please feel free to contact me, Sean Jones, by email at sjones159@verizon.net. The Longhouse Messenger is not just for the Lodge Officers to write an article, it is for anyone. I, as well as everyone else in the Lodge, would be interested in what you have to say. So, if you would like to send in an article to be published in our newsletter, send it to my email address above by November 18th. There is a lot of room in the newsletter, as you can see, for your words of wisdom, news about something going on in lodge, or just anything that you would like to let every lodge member know.

WWW,

Sean Jones

Communications Chairperson



A Word from the Seneca Chapter Chief

Brothers,

As the Seneca chapter chief I would like to thank all of you for making this year a joy for me. We have been very successful and I hope our chapter will continue this trend for many years to come. It is now that I make my plea to you the members of the Seneca chapter; please have all OA members, you know, to pay their dues. As a part of quality lodge this is an important part of the OA. I would also like to have each of the troops in Erie shores and southern hills to have an election. You can help by spreading the word and getting your own troops involved. My final request is that anyone who wishes to give back to their chapter should think about becoming part of the elongomat program. This program will entail you "retaking" your ordeal but from the point of view of a guide rather than the candidate. Anyone interested should email me and I will pass your name

on to Terry Ulrich, our elongomat chairman, so that you can give back this summer at the work weekend or at the fall weekend.

Thanks For a Great Year

WWW,

Ian Shick

Seneca Chapter Chief

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**COMING SOON TO OUR LODGE
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**LOOK FOR EMAIL BLASTS OR ON THE
LODGE WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION**



A Word from the Onondaga Chapter Chief

Hello my brothers;

It has been a couple moons and suns since we have last met.

We need to recruit more ceremonial members and current members need to see me for new ideas I have in mind.

If you do not know if you want to be on the ceremonial team, come out any way we say “no” to no one and say “welcome to

our circle to everyone” the ceremonial team also needs behind the scenes guys too. What that means is that you be like stage crew.

Our ceremonial meeting grounds will be held the first Sunday of every month at 669 Erie street, Lancaster from 7- 8:30 (it is a white house)

Well my brothers I must leave you now I hope to see you all at St. Peter and Paul’s Church in Depew. From 7-8:30

Yours in Wimachtendiennk

Peter Raichel (smiles)

Onondaga Chapter Chief

A Word from the Vice-Chief of Program

Hello Brothers,

We have just wrapped up the Winter Fellowship, summer in winter and had a great time. I would like to give a thank you to troop 93 for joining us Saturday night for OA Jeopardy and a Movie. We also had Lodge bowling which was fun. We also went to The COC in January and got a lot of planning done for the Section Conclave. Upcoming is the lodge Dinner (March 7) where I have enjoyed planning for our event. We look forward to University of Scouting (March 6) as some members of the OA will have training Sessions. We Also have broomball on March 20th you must have your dues paid in order to play broomball. As a reminder remember to pay your 2010 dues it is an essential require-

ment to help earn quality lodge and if you eligible for brotherhood please convert it is essential requirement for quality lodge. I would like to say thank you to all of my brothers so far for a successful year! I really glad I had all of you behind me. If you ever want to know how to get involved please contact me at mikehynes@roadrunner.com and 716-633-8248.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Michael C. Hynes

2009-2010 Ho De No Sau Nee lodge # 159
Vice Chief of Program

Up and Coming Dates

3/1 Lodge Executive Committee @ CSC 7 PM

3/6 University Of Scouting @ Hamburg High School

3/7 Lodge Banquet @ Bowmansville Fire Hall @ 6PM

3/20 Broomball @ Nichols School 7PM

4/5 Lodge Executive Committee @ CSC 7PM

4/10 Tote Wash @ McKesson Drugs 9AM to 3PM

4/30 Unit Election Season Ends, Schedule your now

5/3 Lodge Executive Committee @ CSC 7PM

5/14 to 5/16 100 Anniversary Camperall/OA Service Corp

5/27 Service Evening @ CSC

SSR - Schoellkopf Scout Reservation, STH - Camp Stonehaven, SCH - Camp Scouthaven, CSC - Council Service Center,
LEC - Lodge Executive Committee

Have You Scheduled Your Unit Election Yet?

ELECTION SEASON IS UPON US!

For those who don't know me I am Chris Swagler and I belong to troop 630 on Grand Island. I am a life scout and am very close to my Eagle. I also am the Vice- Chief of service for Falling waters, and your Vice- Chief of Elections for the lodge. Just wanted to remind the members of the lodge to go back to your troops and ask your scout masters if you can have an election for the OA. If you have already had your election I urge you to encourage your friends to become a part of OA. If you have any questions you can call me at 870-6840 cell or (716)-773-8056 home. Or you can e-mail me at cswags@verizon.net.

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Chris Swagler

Vice - Chief of Elections



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A Word From The Onondaga Chapter Advisor

Friends,

Another winter is almost finished and spring is around the corner and as I write Broomball is just a StoneHaven throw away. Please remember if you plan on attending please make sure your dues are up to date. Close to 100 members attended last year and I challenge you to put us over that number this year. It is you who have made this event one of the most anticipated events on the Lodge calendar. Please check the up coming dates for more information

on what is in store over the next couple of months. I want to personally extend my best wishes to this years Founder's award recipients Dan Tornow and Onondaga's own Dirk Norwich. These two individuals truly exemplify what the Order is all about and in the words from the old Teddy Roosevelt Chapter, Bully Good!

Until next time, we'll see you at camp.

WWW,
Larry Jones

2009 Broomball Champions Troop 616



Fun Times With The OA

