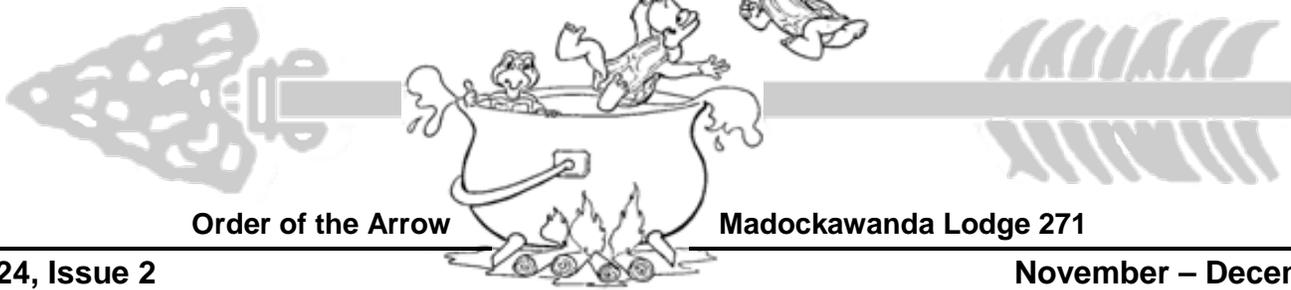


TURTLE SOUP



Order of the Arrow

Madockawanda Lodge 271

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Meet the 2018 Madockawanda Lodge Officers!



The 2018 Lodge Officers with 2017 OA National Chief Forrester Gertin; from left, Treasurer Nick Huber, Lodge Chief Misha Littlefield, Gertin, Secretary Greg Morse, Vice Chief Nivek Boostedt

Greg Morse, Lodge Secretary

On Sunday, October 29, 2017, Brothers gathered at the Messer Training Center at Camp Hinds for the Madockawanda Lodge Annual Business Meeting.

Members representing all four chapters had the tasks of approving the 2018 lodge budget, and electing the 2018 lodge officers.

Frank Maguire, past lodge adviser, led a rousing song to get everyone in the Scouting spirit, and provided a brief history of the training center's Memorial Room.

Updates were provided on the outrigger project at Camp Hinds, the upcoming lodge banquet, and the planning for the lodge's 75th

anniversary in 2019.

The 2018 lodge budget was unanimously approved, in addition, members also approved combining the Ceremonies and Drum/Dance Committees.

The highlight of the meeting was the election of the 2018 lodge officers! Misha Littlefield of K-Valley Chapter was elected Lodge Chief. Joining him will be Nivek Boostedt of K-Valley Chapter as Vice Chief, Greg Morse of Casco Bay Chapter as Secretary and Nick Huber of K-Valley Chapter as Treasurer.

They are excited to serve the lodge and looking forward to what 2018 will bring!

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Did you Know?

The very first National Order of the Arrow Conference was held at Indiana University in 1948! IU has hosted more NOACs than any other site!



National Order of the Arrow Conference



Ethan Bald, NOAC Chairman

Are you looking to experience one of the BEST events that Scouting has to offer? Then sign-up today to be a part of Madockawanda's contingent to the 2018 National Order of the Arrow Conference!

NOAC will be held July 30- August 4, 2018 at Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana. Arrowmen will participate in a six-day conference which includes top notch training sessions, cool recreational opportunities, evening shows full of theatrics and special effects, and exciting programs. The trip will also include a visit to Chicago for sightseeing and activities!

Space is limited to 15 youth and 5 adults, so act now to reserve your spot by sending in the application (available at madockawanda.org) and your \$100 deposit. Estimated cost for the trip is \$1,400.

Welcome & Congratulations!

Misha Littlefield, K-Valley Chief

It was a busy induction season! This year at events in the spring, summer and fall, the lodge inducted 98 Scouts and adults into the Order, and 39 brothers became Brotherhood members.

As a part of their inductions, these brothers provided service to Camp Hinds by building outriggers and a new campsite, and Camp Bomazeen by taking down camp, as well as general up-keep at both camps!

Welcome to our newest brothers and congratulations to all! We look forward to seeing you at chapter and lodge events in 2018!



Paying your OA Dues is Easier than Ever!

Greg Morse, Lodge Secretary

Greetings fellow Arrowmen! It's time again to renew your membership in the OA by paying your annual lodge dues. It's the first step in getting and staying involved in the Lodge!

By paying your \$15 annual dues, you are entitled to wear your OA sash and pocket flap, and help fund the lodge's operations, such as Turtle Soup and other mailings, service project supplies and more.

This year, Madockawanda has implemented an online payment option! Simply scan the QR code below, or visit the lodge website at madockawanda.org to be directed to the payment website!



Of course, you can still pay your dues by mailing your payment, (coupon on page 7) to the Pine Tree Council office!



Camp Hinds 90th Anniversary Celebration

Lodge provides service at milestone event

Jeremy McCormick, Casco Bay

On June 24th, Camp William Hinds celebrated its 90th anniversary. The days events included the Council Recognition Banquet, honoring Silver Beaver recipients, and the Youth Recognition Banquet, honoring new Eagle Scouts. Both events were held in the new Dining Hall, and Arrowmen provided the honor guard for both events.

In the evening, everyone gathered for the 90th Anniversary campfire, where among other old favorites, members of Madockawanda performed the Death of Hiawatha song.



Madockawanda Lodge has earned 7 Service Awards since 1999

For 1999 service, under Lodge Chief Matt Dubois

For 2005 service, under Lodge Chief Dan Warner

For 2007 service, under Lodge Chief Aaron Wiggan

For 2008 service, under Lodge Chief Caleb Frederick

For 2009 service, under Lodge Chief Nate Smith

For 2011 service, under Lodge Chief Jeff Molina

For 2012 service, under Lodge Chief Jared Bolduc

From the Chief

Hello my fellow Arrowmen,

As we wrap up this year, I believe we should take a moment to reflect. Reflect on this past year and the things we have accomplished. Now things were not always easy, but through the ties of brotherhood and cheerful service we successfully completed inducting our new brothers and helping those looking to seal their membership in the Order. Together we have grown as a lodge and grown closer as brothers.

With that, there are things that can be improved upon. A major part of accomplishing irksome tasks is communication. I believe that we as a lodge can improve our ability to communicate with one another. The more communication we have, the more efficiently things will get done.

As I look to the future, I see the lodge continuing to grow and come closer together as a lodge. To my fellow officers, thank you for a momentous year of service towards the brotherhood. To my fellow arrowmen, continue to serve in cheerfulness with your brothers. To next year's officers, lead Madockawanda Lodge into the new year with brotherhood and cheerfulness

Yours in the Brotherhood

Garrett Smith
2017 Lodge Chief





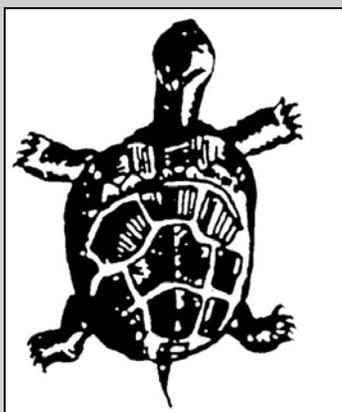
Did You Know?

Order of the Arrow Founder E. Urner Goodman is the first Vigil Honor member.

While Goodman felt the first Vigil Honor should be for a youth who achieved an outstanding accomplishment or performed a heroic deed, the men that selected Goodman were confident in their selection. Goodman himself later recognized the importance of his selection to keep the first vigil.

In August of 1915, E. Urner Goodman kept his vigil on a rocky outcrop overlooking Treasure Island at a place called the "Devil's Tea Table".

The name Nuwingi, "The Willing" was given to Goodman by the camp staff because in their opinion he was the most outstanding camper of the 1915 season and deserved this recognition.



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Vigil Honor Class 2017

Greg Morse, Lodge Secretary



Congratulations to the Vigil Honor Class of 2017! From left to right: Owen Maguire, Garrett Smith, James Loft, Dalton McElfresh, Edward Cockburn, Charles Matthews, Peyton Latham, Larry Latham, Dylan Latham, Chris Bernier.

Why New England Fellowship is Great And why you should really go!

Peter Cusack, Lodge Vice Chief

Hello Madockawanda Lodge! This past June, the section hosted their annual weekend to get to know other lodges. Instead of calling it Conclave, they called it New England Fellowship.

The section wanted to take a different approach to appeal to more people. They started a new way of trainings called think tanks. One that stood out to me was how the Order of the Arrow has lost membership and what we could do to improve it.

The events didn't disappoint. You could have gone to the waterfront, shooting range, trade

patches or even gone to the Ultimate Frisbee tournament.

Madockawanda and Pamola lodge came together to create the "Maine Alliance" in the Ultimate Frisbee contest. Even though we didn't win we enjoyed the fellowship with other people.

A new tradition that has now formed at NEF is talking about each lodges legends. It started last year when our lodge presented the legend at Camp Hinds.

All the Arrowmen enjoyed their time and wish it could have been longer.



How to be in a Ceremony

Have you ever wanted to be like the guys who completed your induction ceremony? The Arrowmen who do ceremonies really made me wonder what it takes to be a ceremonialist when I first completed my Ordeal. Being honest with all of you Brothers, ceremonies is some of the most fun I've had in the Order. I very much enjoy the entire process from pre-Ordeal on Friday night to the Brotherhood ceremony on Saturday of an induction weekend.

The most rewarding part about the ceremonies team is not even the seemingly endless cases of moxie but the satisfaction of presenting those you know, those you completed an election for, or even those you know with the honor of their very own sash. The ability to consider each and every Arrowman's eye and say to yourself that you left a lasting impression on them and that they will come back and serve alongside you in this great and honored Order that we all so very much cherish.

I'm not asking you, Johnny Arrowman, to become a ceremonies legend but at least contact the ceremonies chair today and see how you can help. Help comes in script parts to site tech's or simply just a stage hand setting up and breaking down. What are you waiting for? Ceremonies needs your help today!



The ceremonies of the Wimachtendienk and later the Order of the Arrow were written down and passed around so that there was similarity of the rituals in all Lodges.

But did you know that there is no written record of the earliest ceremony in any form?

The 1915 ritual that took place on each Friday night of camp at Treasure Island does not exist.

There is even disagreement about the content of that ceremony among those who were there and witnessed it!

The first written ceremony that exists is the private ceremony used in the city after camp that eventually became the Second Degree.

Dr. William Hinkle wrote that ceremony and the known copy available has hand written corrections over the typing. This copy dates to circa 1918.

The written Ordeal Ceremony first appeared in 1921 with the formation of the Grand Lodge.





Mark Your Calendar!

Abnaki Chapter Meetings

Second Tuesday of the Month

7:30p.m. - 8:30pm

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 545 Maple Hill Rd, Auburn, ME 04210

Casco Bay Chapter Meetings

First Wednesday of the Month

7:00p.m. - 8:30p.m.

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 755 River Rd, Windham, ME 04062

K-Valley Chapter Meetings

Second Wednesday of the Month

7:00p.m. - 8:30p.m.

Pleasant Street United Methodist Church, 61 Pleasant St, Waterville, ME 04901

York Chapter Meetings

First Thursday of the Month

7:00p.m. - 8:30p.m.

Sanford High School, 52 Sanford High School Blvd, Sanford, ME 04073

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Yours in Wimachtendienk...

Abnaki Chapter

Abnaki chapter is looking forward to serving our district and the lodge in the upcoming year. We have made plans to more effectively carry out unit elections and crossovers, as well as rising meeting attendance.

-Jeffrey Quick, Chapter Chief

Casco Bay Chapter

Casco Bay had a great turnout at our last chapter meeting. We have begun election training for the upcoming season. We also have implemented live streaming our chapter meeting so those who are away could still see what is happening.

-Tyler Brackett, Chapter Chief

Kennebec Valley

We are hard at work preparing for the Lodge Banquet and have completed new chapter officer elections and look forward to the upcoming year!

-Nick Huber, Chapter Chief

York Chapter

York has started our year off with a great turnout at our first two meetings. We are having some rough patches but are working to fix our problems.

-Ethan Bald, Chapter Chief

Service with a Hashtag! #ChooseOA

#ChooseOA brings us back to why we chose to be part of this brotherhood.

It's different for every Arrowman, which goes to show the many benefits of involvement.

We're all here for a reason, and #ChooseOA is about sharing that reason with parents, Scoutmasters, professionals, younger Scouts, and Cub Scouts.

Why Do You #ChooseOA ?

Winter Fellowship 2018

What is a fantastic way to keep warm this winter? Joining your fellow Arrowmen for a weekend of fellowship at Camp Hinds from January 19-21, 2018!

There will be great trainings such as learning to drum and dance! We will also be implementing the new Extended Elangomat program! What is this? Come and find out!

Also, each chapter will venture on a fellowship hike along with a capture the flag competition!

Join us for a trip around the world with all the meals being a different theme! You can be a part of this for only \$20.

Keep an eye out for registration information coming out soon!



Have You Paid Your 2018 Dues?

Be an active member in Madockawanda Lodge by paying your dues

It's one of the single most important things you can do as a member of the lodge - pay your dues annually! Not only does paying your dues keep you as an active member, it grants you the ability to wear the lodge flap and OA sash with pride (*non active members are not entitled to wear the flap or sash*), receive issues of the Turtle Soup, help finance lodge service projects, chapter activities and much, much more! **Use one of the dues forms below for yourself, and cut out the other for a Scout or Scouter in your troop or district!**



Cut out the form to the right and mail it with your 2018 dues payment to Pine Tree Council.

2018 Membership cards can be picked up at your chapter meeting.

Save a stamp and pay online!



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Madockawanda Lodge 271

Send your 2018 dues payment (made payable to Pine Tree Council) to:
C/O Lodge Treasurer, Pine Tree Council, BSA
146 Plains Road, Raymond, ME 04071

(Please Print Clearly)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ DOB: _____

E-Mail: _____

Chapter: Abnaki Casco-Bay Kennebec-Valley York

Unit#: _____ BSA Membership ID#: _____

Special Skills: _____ Honor: Ordeal Brotherhood Vigil

BSA Membership information must be furnished. You must be currently registered in Scouting, to be a member of the Order of the Arrow.

Indicate amount paid: _____ \$15.00

I would like to donate to the Lodge Service Projects Fund:

Indicate amount donated: _____ \$5.00 _____ \$50.00 _____ Other: \$ _____

TOTAL PAYMENT ENCLOSED \$ _____



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WE NEED YOU!

Why is so much emphasis placed on paying dues each year?

Dues are important because the revenue from dues accounts for MOST of the lodge income each year. The income from other events goes right back into the event itself.

Your dues pays for your fee to national, your mailing of Turtle Soup, event publications and registrations, as well as helping fund lodge service projects and some chapter activities.

Without dues revenue the lodge wouldn't function, it couldn't pay for its operations costs.

We encourage all members to pay their dues annually, without them we would not have such a great lodge as we do today!

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Lodge Calendar

- January 1- Unit Election Season Begins!
- January 19-21- Winter Fellowship
- January 21- Lodge Executive Committee Mtg
- February 17- Lodge Excellence Summit

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