

TURTLE SOUP

MADOCKAWANDA LODGE PINE TREE COUNCIL

LODGE NOW HAS 7 CHAPTERS

FROM THE CHIEF

Greetings to all Arrowmen:

I would like to express my thanks for your effort in coming to our Lodge meeting, and I also want to make sure that what we passed there will be put into effect by all chapters in the coming year.

This is our Lodge so let's make it the best one.

All chapters must remember to have your monthly meeting, and I want to stress the importance of the Lodge Camporee in Augusta.

This Camporee will be a success if you want to make it so. Being our sesquicentennial year for our state, we plan to have the Governor there.

Remember UNITY is the theme of our camporee

Yours in brotherhood,

John O'Connor
Lodge Chief

LODGE OFFICERS

Chief John O'Connor
Vice Chief Charles Wilson
Secretary Mike Peters
Treasurer Paul Belanger

O.A. Executive Meeting

January 29, 1970
2:30 P.M. Scout Service Center, Portland

IMPORTANT: All Lodge Officers, Chapter Chiefs and Chapter Committee Chairmen should attend.

DOWN EAST CHAPTER

Downeast meets at the K of C Hall in Thomaston on the 2nd Saturday of every month. The meetings start at 2:30 P.M. The next three are - January 10, 1970, February 14, 1970, March 14, 1970. The new chief is Peter Nicoll and the vice-chief is Ken Hodgdon.

GET WITH THE ACTION.....!

The Lodge now has seven active committees - to an active member of the Lodge you must join one of them. You can read all about it in your OA Handbook, with one alteration - we have no financial committee, but a publications committee instead. Some specific things each committee ought to start planning for are:

Service Committee - Local area service projects, including holiday good turns, hospital help, neighborhood cleanups, etc. On the Council level, this committee becomes responsible for the Camp Work Parties, held in June and September at both council camps.

Activities Committee - plan activities at meetings, Lodge Camporee, Lodge or Chapter banquets, etc.

Unit Elections - attend the training course in March; then run an OA election in every eligible unit in your district. If they don't call you, then you call them.

Ceremonial - ceremonial teams for summer camp, work on props and ceremonial ring; DANCE TEAM in every district.

Membership - assists Lodge Treasurer in keeping up-to-date records; keeps track of active and inactive members in your district; notifies those eligible for Brotherhood.

Camp Promotion - attend training session in March, then bring camping info to every troop in your district; promote troop camping, both at Council camps and outside.

Publications - become reporters and news-gatherers for your district; assist in getting out the Turtle Soup 4 times a year. Gets news of your activities into the local papers. Now's the time to choose your committee, choose your projects, within your own chapter and GET WITH THE ACTION at your Chapter's next monthly meeting!

Frank Maguire

PAY YOUR DUES

Attention Brothers:

As you well know if you attended the last lodge meeting, the dues for the year of 1970 are due between January 1 and January 31. If dues are not paid within this interval, you will be put in the inactive file. Please be prompt! Send your dues to: Paul Belanger

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LODGE RULES - Revision 1969

Section I NAME AND AFFILIATION OF THE LODGE

1. The name of this Lodge of the Order of the Arrow shall be Madockawanda Lodge #271 W.W.W.
2. The purpose of this Lodge shall be in accordance with the statements of purpose set forth in the Order of the Arrow Handbook and in the Orientation Booklet.
3. This Lodge shall be affiliated with the Pine Tree Council, B.S.A., and shall be under the administrative authority of its Scout Executive.
4. This Lodge shall be divided into as many chapters as there are executive operating districts of the Council.
5. The totem of this Lodge shall be the snapping turtle. The call shall be one clap followed by two claps, in imitation of that totem.
6. The standard set of colors for the Lodge neckerchief shall be red and white.
7. The possession of the Lodge pocket flap patch is restricted to members of this lodge.
8. The official Lodge pocket flap shall be worn only on the right pocket flap of the official Scout or Explorer uniform.
- 8a. The Lodge National Conference trading pocket flap patch shall be worn only by delegates for a period of one year following the conference.
9. The Order of the Arrow sash shall be worn only at Order of the Arrow functions.

Section II REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR ELECTION TO MEMBERSHIP

1. The requirements and procedures for election to membership shall be as stated in the official Order of the Arrow Handbook.
2. Procedures for the Administration of Unit Election:
 - a. 1) Elections will be held between April 1 and June 15 each year. Exceptions to this can be made by the Chapter Advisors only.
 - 2) Elections will be held in the Chapters by trained election teams appointed by the Chapter Advisor.
 - 3) Requests for elections must be made by the unit leader to the Chapter Advisor.
 - 4) Reports of elections must be submitted by the Advisors to the Lodge Secretary on or before June 20. A complete record of elections must be by the Chapter Advisors for reference.
 - 5) Candidates Letters, written by the Lodge Chief to include time, place, fees, equipment needed, Scoutmasters certification of first class, and other necessary information will be given to the candidate at the time of election. These letters must be presented when reporting to take the ordeal.
 - b. 1) An executive meeting, to instruct the Chapter Advisors of duties and responsibilities in conducting elections, will be held at the first of each year.
 - 2) In March, a letter will be sent to all unit leaders by the Lodge Chief, explaining the principles and purposes of the Order, and instructing them as to election procedures.
 - 3) In March, there will be a Lodge unit election training course, at which Order of the Arrow members will be instructed in Election procedures, thus becoming trained election team members.
3. There may be elected from each Chapter up to four (4) adults per year. These elections are to be held in the Executive Committee with the names of up to four men per Chapter placed before its members. Institutional Representatives are to be elected in the Chapter quota and not with the unit.
4. Any person, twenty-one or over, may be elected to the Order of the Arrow when his Scouting interests prove to be an asset to the Order. The eligibility of these candidates will be weighed by the Chapter Advisors. The election of such adults will be in accordance with Sec. II, Par. 3, of these rules.

Section III OFFICERS AND ADVISORS

1. The Officers of this Lodge shall be: The Lodge Chief, Vice Chief (s), elected in such a manner that each Council camp is represented; the Lodge Secretary; Lodge Treasurer; these officers are elected from the respective Chapters and must be under 21 years of age throughout their term of office.
 - 1a. Lodge chief and vice chief shall be responsible for all O.A. activities in their respective council camps.
2. The officers of each Chapter of the Lodge shall be: Chapter Chief, Chapter Vice Chief, Chapter Secretary. These are elected officers and must be under 21 years of age throughout their term of office.
3. The Lodge officers shall be elected at the Annual Meeting in the spring for a term of office from June 1 to May 31, or until such time as their successors be elected.
4. The Chapter officers shall be elected at a Chapter meeting in the spring, following Lodge election. The term of office shall be from the date of their election until the same date one year later or until their successors are elected.

5. The Lodge and Chapter Advisors shall be appointed by the Scout Executive.
6. No member of this Lodge shall hold more than one elected position in Lodge and/or Chapter at the same time.
7. The Executive Committee of this Lodge shall consist of all duly elected Lodge officers, Chapter Chiefs, Lodge Committee Chairman, all duly appointed Lodge and Chapter Advisors, the Immediate Past Lodge Chief and the Scout Executive or his representative. A quorum of this committee shall consist of at least four voting members under twenty-one years of age and at least two advisors. All business conducted at these meetings will be final with regard to Sec.X.
8. Arrangements shall be made by the Lodge Chief or the Executive Committee for a training session for all newly-elected Lodge and Chapter officers, before they take office.
9. The Lodge Chief may at any time appoint such committees as are necessary for the execution of the Lodge's affairs.
10. The Chapter Chiefs may at any time appoint such committees as are necessary for the execution of Chapter affairs.

Section IV LODGE ACTIVITIES

1. The Lodge will hold at least one meeting and at least two other activities annually.
2. The time and place of these activities must be set by action of the Executive Committee, at least one month prior to said activity.
3. Special activities of this Lodge may be called by the Executive Committee and notification and purpose of such must be given all active members through the Lodge newspaper.
4. The Executive Committee of this Lodge shall hold meetings every other month from September-May inclusive, and notice of such meetings must be sent to all members of said committee through the Lodge newspaper or by special notice.
5. Each meeting of the Lodge shall open with Obligation of the Order.
6. Members over 21 years of age are not allowed to vote.
7. The Lodge shall publish a newspaper four(4) times annually to be distributed to each Lodge member. The newspaper will be published the first day of March, June, September and December. The deadline for all entries shall be the 15th of the month prior to publication.
- 7a. All Lodge and Chapter communications shall be included in the newspaper and there will be no other publications.

Section V LODGE COMMITTEES

1. The Lodge will operate with the committee system, as described in the Order of the Arrow Handbook.
2. The operating committees shall be: Service Committee, Activities Committee, Unit Election Committee, Ceremonial Committee, Membership Committee, Camping Committee and Publications Committee responsible for the publication of the Lodge newspaper.

Section VI DUES

1. The induction fee of this Lodge shall be \$4.00, and shall include:
 - 1) Pin, silver on ribbon
 - 2) Membership Card
 - 3) Order of the Arrow sash
 - 4) First year's dues
 - 5) O.A. Handbook
 - 6) Flap Patch
 - 7) Order of the Arrow Information booklet
2. The dues of the Lodge shall be one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) per calendar year.
3. Dues are payable directly to the Lodge Treasurer.
4. The annual dues are due on January 1 of each calendar year and must be paid before January 31 of that year, or membership is to expire.
5. Inactive members may be restored to active status by paying one years back dues and the current year's dues.
6. All approved bills will be paid by the Council Office.
7. All Order of the Arrow funds shall be handled by the Pine Tree Council Office, and shall go through all normal accounting procedures used by the Council.

Section VII BROTHERHOOD MEMBERSHIP

1. The attainment of Brotherhood membership shall be in accordance with the latest edition of the Order of the Arrow Handbook.

Section VIII THE VIGIL HONOR

1. The attainment of the Vigil Honor shall be in accordance with the latest edition of the Order of the Arrow Handbook.

Section IX RITUALS

1. Ceremonies shall be conducted in accordance with the latest publications of the National Committee of the Order of the Arrow

Section X AMENDMENTS

1. These rules shall be subject to amendment at any regular or special meeting of the Lodge, provided such amendment has been presented in writing to the Executive Committee at least one month prior to such a meeting. A two-third vote of the voting members present at such a meeting is required.

ABNAKI CHAPTER

Abnaki meets at 1:30 P.M. at the K of C Hall in Norway. The hall is located on Tucker Street. The next three meetings are December 28, at this meeting we will discuss a dance team and camp promotion. The next meeting is January 11, 1970, at which the chapter banquet will be the main topic. At the February 8th meeting, more important topics will be raised.

The new officers are chief Bill Bealiveau, vice-chief Robert McInnis, treasurer Tim Achorball and secretary Richard Plourde. Abnaki also has two new out-of-state members - Ralph Bennett from Arlington, Massachusetts and David Jessich from the country of Lebanon. The lodge would like to welcome these two new members and hope they enjoy the new lodge and members they have met.

CASCO BAY CHAPTER

Reporter - Ed Romanoff
New Officers for 1969-1970 are:
Chief Ken Curry Secretary Bob Hasson
Vice Chief George Smyth

Projects:

November - "Operation Turkey" was a project to set up boxes in stores and collect cans of food for needy families in the Greater Portland area.

Proposed projects for the up-coming months are:
December - Toy drive for unfortunate children in the Greater Portland area.

January - Clothing drive, collected old clothes that people wouldnt use anymore and give them to the needy people. Since it's in the middle of winter, skates and sleds would do fine.

February - The idea of having a variety or talent show may turn out better than we think.

Bill Rodgers who has been our Chapter Advisor for a good number of years decided to "hang it up" and let someone younger to take his job. Four names have been given to Uncle Len Thompson for the replacement of Mr. Rodgers's office.

"School Night" was a big night for some boys. They had a chance to go to their schools that night with their parents and become scouts. November 20th was the night where a troop in the area put on skits and demonstrations. It showed many people the fun and progress in Scouting.

Meetings for the Casco Bay Chapter -
December 7th Meetings are held at Scout Headquarters, 125 Auburn Street
January 4th 2:00 P.M. every first Sunday of the
February 8th month. PLEASE ATTEND. We need you!
March 8th

QUABACOOK CHAPTER

Dear Brothers:

On November 9th, we held our annual lodge meeting where it was decided to adopt a new set of governing rules to make our lodge more efficient in its operation. This has created many new opportunities of leadership and service for all the members of the chapter.

A fine proposal was presented the the lodge by Kevin O'Connor, concerning the OA Camporee, which was voted to be held in Augusta, with Quabacook Chapter being the host. I'm also pleased to inform you that your chapter had the highest attendance at the lodge meeting.

Please make a note of the following meetings because this will be the only notice of them. The first meeting will be held December 14th from 2:00 to 4:00 P.M. at the K of C Hall, Spring Street. (There will be signs telling the directions of the K of C Hall, once you reach the city of Gardiner.) At this meeting we will have a guest speaker on The Early Indian Affairs of Maine. The third meeting will be held February 8th from 2:00 to 4:00 P.M. at the Congregational Church in Hallowell, Maine.

Chapter Chief
Curt Crosby

YORK CHAPTER

Past activities of York District include an outdoor meeting with the chief coming in by canoe from the river, setting up a district reporting team for the news media, and helping the Girl Scouts. Also, at the last District Camporee, we had a successful lighting of the Council fire Saturday night. We have purchased chemicals for this purpose, so if you need any help, don't fuss, call us!

At the last meeting we elected the following officers: Robert Ouellette - Chief, replacing Owen Lamb; Matt Coito - Vice Chief, replacing Robert Ouellette; and Richard Whitworth - Secretary replacing Matt Coito.

We will have District Meetings on the following dates:

1. December 7, 1969 - 1:30-4:00 P.M. at the Trinity Episcopal Church Parish Hall, Main Street, Saco. Bring your 25¢ for refreshments and bring your Indian costumes, etc., and exchange ideas.
2. January 11, 1970 - Same place, same time, same solicitation (bring your 25¢ for refreshments). Also, be sure to bring your Indian costumes. Topics to be discussed: Scout Week Window Display and plans for the West Point Trip. Parents are asked to attend this meeting. Slides will be shown of last year's West Point trip. Questions will be answered.
3. February 15, 1970 - Same place, same time, same solicitation. This month's meeting will be a social activity. This will be co-ed! We will invite the foreign exchange students from a local school.

York District congratulates all boys who became an Ordeal members in the OA last summer.