

This issue of Turtle Soup is dedicated to Rémy Pettengill and Luc Caron. Until we meet again.

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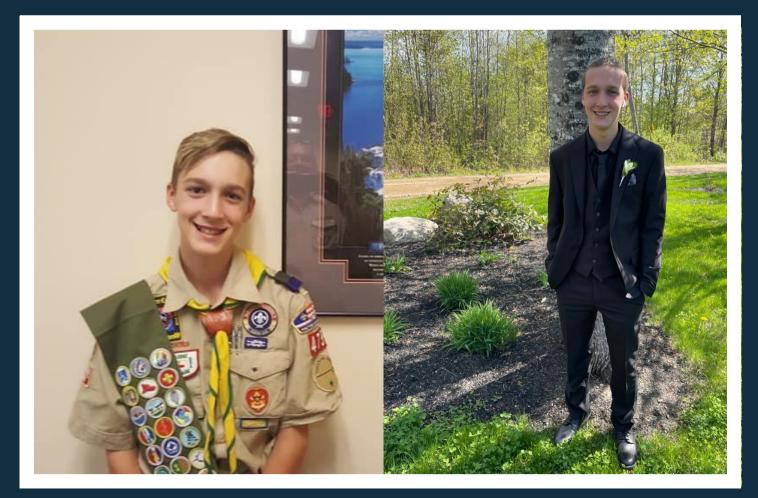
REMEMBERING RÉMY PETTENGILL

Brothers,

This month we lost one of our own. Rémy Pettengill passed away on January 7th. Rémy was a Brotherhood Honor member of Kennebec Valley chapter and was very involved with Camp Bomazeen, serving on Camp Bomazeen staff for several years. He had earned the rank of Eagle Scout in 2019 and is a member of Troop 479 in China. Some of Rémy's other proudest accomplishments included working at Pine Tree Camp, becoming both an American Red Cross Lifeguard and a BSA Lifeguard, assisting to coach his brother's middle school track team, working at Camp Bomazeen, and volunteering with China Masonic Lodge #45. He was a member of the Erskine Track Team and National Honor Society.

Rémy was also known for his love of crazy socks. In honor of Rémy, local businesses and community members along the central Maine area donated almost 7000 pairs of socks to local nonprofit organizations. Even though he is no longer with us, his spirit and love for others continues to make our community a better place.

A celebration of life was held a couple of weeks ago, and our lodge leadership is actively investigating ways to remember Rémy's contributions to the council and the community. He will be dearly missed.



REMEMBERING LUC CARON



On January 26th, longtime OA member Luc Caron passed away. He was a very active Scouter in Abnaki district and took up the mantles of Scoutmaster, Abnaki Program Chair, Abnaki Advancement Chair, and as Abnaki chapter adviser. He was inducted as a Vigil Honor member in 1981, and given the name Determined One.

Mr. Caron recently served as the chairman of the board of directors for the Troop 160 Memorial Scout Camp, an independent scouting organization that provided various camperships and services for those in need.

His care and gratitude for the Scouting program is one that we all look up to. A Celebration for Life in memory of Luc will be held on Monday, February 6, 2023 from 2-4 p.m. at Funeral Alternatives in Lewiston, Maine. Disney attire, suspenders, and/or flannels are strongly encouraged and in lieu of flowers, donations can be made via check to Troop 160 Memorial Scout Camp or through this link: https://www.paypal.com/donate?hosted_button_id=26PW896CTECW6

May he be at peace until we meet again.

2023 ELECTION SEASON REPORT

Scheduled: 40% Declined: 2 units Elected: 8 youth



Scheduled: 30% Declined: 3 units Elected: 3 youth



Scheduled: 39% Declined: 0 units Elected: 0 youth



Scheduled: 27% Declined: 2 units Elected: 2 youth



WE NEED YOU!

The time is now, reach out to your chapter officers to become part of the election team today. Elections teams play a crucial role in expanding our brotherhood.

INTRODUCING MESP

Zack Delile, Special Projects Committee Chair

Are your Life Scouts looking for labor to help complete their Eagle Scout Service Project? Madockawanda Lodge may be able to help by promoting the project to OA members in your area.

Today I introduce the Madockawanda Eagle Service Program (MESP). The goal of MESP is to support aspiring Eagle Scouts by introducing a communication framework to promote their service projects to Arrowmen in their local area. By filling out a Google form and providing necessary information, Madockawanda Lodge will reach out to promote any Eagle service project workday put on by a youth in Pine Tree Council. This system unfortunately can not be used to request donations for Eagle Projects, just labor.

Your Scout does not need to be a member of the OA - MESP can be used by ANY Life Scout in Pine Tree Council looking for assistance with carrying our their project.

Are you interested in using MESP today? <u>Start here</u>

INTERESTED IN A LEADERSHIP ROLE?

ACT is the event for you! ACT is a day event hosted by Section E-19. It is a great opportunity for young aspiring leaders to get premier training and interact with other lodges in their section. ACT is open to all Arrowmen. Sign up at <u>www.madockawanda.org</u>

JOIN A LODGE COMMITTEE! PLAY A ROLE IN THE FUTURE OF YOUR LODGE!

WHAT IS A LODGE COMMITTEE ?

Lodge committees are groups which focus on a specific aspect of lodge operation. They typically consist of a group of Arrowmen lead by a committee chair who is selected by the Lodge Chief. They work together to fulfill the duties assigned to the committee.

WHAT DO THEY DO?

Lodge committees play a crucial role in the operations of the lodge. Together as a committee they work on projects assigned by lodge leadership. Having multiple people working on one idea allows for a constructive and productive team that can successfully execute their duties.

HOW DO I JOIN

If you have an interest in joining a committee please fill out the form by scanning the QR code. The lodge leadership would love to see what you have to offer. The more people we have the the better. There is a committee for everyone!



Interested? Scan Now!



-2023 DUES -

To attend this and all events, make sure you pay your 2023 dues!

PAY DUES HERE

WINTER FELLOWSHIP 2023

Gavin H., Lodge Vice Chief

Brothers, Winter Fellowship is Just around the corner!!! Be prepared for fun winter-themed activities and trainings to help you get the year started! At the Camp Hinds Training Center, we will participate in a variety of programming that is sure to get you excited for what it means to be a part of the OA. Especially If you like sledding, a Sundae bar, and fun games then I couldn't think of anywhere better to spend February 10th-12th. And Yes, same as last year, this includes all of you newly elected candidates! So brothers, if you haven't already, go sign up on the lodge website!!



CHAPTER REPORTS



Abnaki Chapter meets the second Tuesday of every month and we would love to see a large attendance! Election season is in full swing and Abnaki Chapter has scheduled a couple unit elections and is excited to have a successful election season. We want to see Abnaki Chapter well represented at Winter Fellowship so if you haven't already, sign up!

Yours in Cheerful Service, Natalie P, Chapter Chief



The Casco Bay Chapter has had a successful start to the year with a schedule lined up and has scheduled seven of our unit elections with more to come. Unfourtunatly we we did not go sking, however, we are excited for some sledding in February!

Yours in Cheerful Service, Mattieu C, Chapter Chief



Our chapter has elected our new leadership team, and we're excited to get this New Year started off with a new incentives program to get troops to schedule early and give us momentum for the start of our unit election period as well as the rest of the year.

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Yours in Brotherhood, Lukas M, Chapter Chief



York chapter meets on the first Friday of each month at 8 Kennebunk Road in the Alfred Parish Church. Our new chapter officers are, Chapter Chief-Alex P, Chapter Vice- Kit A., Chapter Secretary Chris D. and Spirit Officer Hans B. We hope for high induction rates this year and ask that anyone in York chapter rsvps for unit elections. For events we plan to run a 'city' at the York Klondike Derby at Aquaboggan Waterpark, and hope to see a large turnout at winter fellowship this year.

Yours in Service, Alex P, Chapter Chief

National Events!

Cameron Dalton, National Events Chair

Want to make unforgettable memories? Want to make lifelong friends across the nation? Want to experience the fullness of what the OA has to offer? Take the next step and attend a national event!

This summer, the **National Jamboree** is being held at the Summit Bechtel Reserve. Jamboree is more than a destination. It's the **adventure** of a lifetime! National Jamboree is full of fun, friends, and fellowship with hands-on adventure that takes you places you never thought you'd go and challenge you to try things you never thought you could. This is the OA's 2023 program of emphasis with **Operation Arrow**. Operation Arrow is a fantastic opportunity for Arrowmen ages 16 and older to participate as a Jamboree Service Team (JST) staff member. Serving as a JST member is one of the most affordable ways to attend the Jamboree. Learn more at <u>oabsa.org/jamboree</u>!

If you are unable to attend Jambo, be sure to clear your calendar for **NOAC 2024**! It will take place from July 29th-August 3rd at the University of Colorado, Boulder. NOAC is a time of incredible fellowship with thousands of Arrowmen from across the country. If you want to be involved in planning our touring locations, designing contingent flaps and t-shirts, planning fundraisers, and developing promotions, scan this QR code to **join the National Events committee!**



CHIEF'S REPORT

Hello Madockawanda Lodge,

My name is Darryk Kelly, and I have the pleasure of serving as your 2023 Lodge Chief. In my time in the Order of the Arrow, I have also served as your Lodge Treasurer, 2020 Lodge Chief, 2021–2022 Section Chief, NOAC Shows CVC, and much more.

I am a Vigil Honor member and an Eagle Scout out of Troop 301 in York, ME. Most importantly, I hold the Order of the Arrow and Scouting in high regard as the most critical aspects of our culture and my own life.

Now that you know a little about me, I'd love to learn more about all of you! Sign up for our upcoming events or join a committee and introduce yourself; I can't wait to meet you and hear about what brought you to the best organization in the world!

Yours in Cheerful Service, Darryk Kelly

2023 LODGE EVENTS



Winter Fellowship | February 10th- 12th Spring Fellowship | April 28th- 30th Spring Induction | June 2nd- 4th New England Fellowship | June 9th- 11th Camp Hinds OA Days | July 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th Summer Induction | August 18th- 20th Fall Induction | September 22nd- 24th Fall Fellowship | October 27th- 29th Annual Family Banguet | December 2nd

SIGN UP FOR ALL EVENTS ON THE LODGE WEBSITE! <u>WWW.MADOCKAWANDA.ORG</u>