



# TURTLE SOUP



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## SPOT THE TURTLE

On every page of this issue of Turtle Soup (including this one) - there is a turtle silhouette somewhere. Can you find them ALL as you read through the pages? I mean hey, while you search you should check out all the new things coming to Madockawanda Lodge!



# ACT CONFERENCE

MATHIEU C - E19 SECTION SECRETARY



The 2025 Section E19 ACT Conference proved to be another incredible and groundbreaking event, bringing together 140 Arrowmen from across Eastern New England for a day of top tier trainings, fun and fellowship with all our brothers.



At ACT, Madockawanda Lodge had an amazing turnout, with 27 Arrowmen making up the largest contingent by lodge percentage but overall numbers!

CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU ALL AT NEF 2025!

## SPRING SERVICE DAYS

KEAGAN L - LODGE SERVICE CHAIR

On April 19th and May 10th, Scouters from across Pine Tree Council came to our lodge-sponsored service day at Camp Hinds to give their cheerful service back to their scouting community. During the service days, debris was cleared from campsites and trails, boats were moved, and Hinds was prepared for the summer camp season!







# SPRING FELLOWSHIP

GREGG H. - LODGE SECRETARY



Spring Fellowship was an absolutely incredible event, hosting 56 Arrowmen at Camp William Hinds who competed in a series of events during the day Saturday to win gold, silver, and bronze medals. Gathering in the council ring, Spring Fellowship opened with a fun skit put on by the lodge officers and advisers to set the mood of the weekend and get the event off to a fun start.



Youth were divided up into buddy pairs, and joined buddy pairs to create the nations represented by colored bandanas they would be representing in the Olympic Games. There were many fun competitions, like Pool Noodle Javelin, Water Balloon Shotput, Bear Crawl Relay, an “Anything-But-A-Baton” Relay, and a very competitive game of Gaga Ball.



Also throughout the weekend, we had a goosechase scavenger hunt which led Arrowmen all around camp on miscellaneous sidequests for points. Saturday evening, 5 Arrowmen sealed their membership within the Order of the Arrow by achieving Brotherhood membership!

By the end of the Olympic Games, 3<sup>rd</sup> place went to Purple, 2<sup>nd</sup> place went to Pink, and 1<sup>st</sup> place went to Black! Overall, Spring Fellowship was a great event, with many fun memories shared by all who came.

## - IMPORTANT NOTE -

*In order to attend any lodge event at any time, you must have your lodge dues paid to the current year (2025).*

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**PAY  
2025  
DUES**





# SPRING INDUCTION

JACOBI S. - LODGE VICE CHIEF

With the beginning of our 2025 induction season, Madockawanda Lodge invites you to join us for one of our most important events of the year — **SPRING INDUCTION!**

This weekend is a time of reaffirming our commitment to the ideals of brotherhood, cheerfulness, and service that connect us all in the OA, and is one of the most important experiences for new arrowmen when joining the Order of the Arrow.

From hands-on service projects that improve camp facilities in preparation of summer and solemn ceremonies, the Spring Induction is more than just a weekend — it's a chance to grow not only as individuals, but as a brotherhood.

Don't miss this opportunity to reconnect with brothers and support the lodge as we welcome the next generation of Arrowmen. Register online now and mark your calendars!



**JUN. 6 - 8, 2025**



**CAMP WILLIAM HINDS**  
146 Plains Rd, Raymond ME



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# NEW ENGLAND FELLOWSHIP

**JOSH N. - E19 SECTION CHIEF**

New England Fellowship brings together hundreds of Order of the Arrow members from Maine to Rhode Island and this year it's being hosted at Camp Squanto in Plymouth, Massachusetts.

Why should you attend? NEF is an incredible opportunity to learn from top trainers from across the section on a wide variety of topics, from Life Skills to Activation & Retention. In the afternoon, you will have the chance to see which lodge is the best in the race for the E19 Cup.

While all that's going on, we will have casual games, patch trading, ceremony evaluations, and more! To round out the weekend, we will have amazing evening shows, and don't forget the opportunity to meet the 2025 National Chief! We also have a silent and live auction, as well as our section trading post. Each evening will be capped by a festival, with games, food, and more time to strengthen the ties of our Order!

Come "Forge Your Legacy" with arrowmen from around New England, this is an event you won't want to miss! I look forward to seeing the MAD DOGS at NEF!!!



**JUNE 13 - 15, 2025**



**CAMP SQUANTO**

200 Cuttersfield Rd, Plymouth MA



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# ELECTION SEASON 2025

END OF SEASON REPORT *(circa May 1, 2025)*

## ABNAKI

**100% SCHEDULED**

**100% COMPLETED**

**100% POSTED**

**11 ELECTED  
YOUTH**

## CASCO BAY

**100% SCHEDULED**

**100% COMPLETED**

**100% POSTED**

**27 ELECTED  
YOUTH**

## K - VALLEY

**90% SCHEDULED**

**90% COMPLETED**

**85% POSTED**

**7 ELECTED  
YOUTH**

## YORK

**100% SCHEDULED**

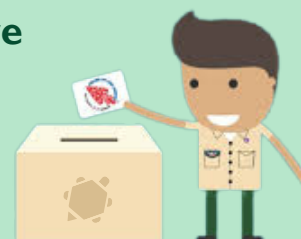
**100% COMPLETED**

**100% POSTED**

**18 ELECTED  
YOUTH**

**WE  
NEED  
YOU!**

The 2025 election season may have concluded, but now is no better time to bring together your chapter's election team for the 2026 season and train them!





# CHAPTER SPOTLIGHT

## ABNAKI CHAPTER

Abnaki Chapter has been doing some awesome things so far in 2025! At our last meeting we had an Easter themed game night where we played Mario Kart and ate some delicious Easter candy with some of the newly elected candidates in our chapter.

We are right at the end of election season and we ended our year with 9 troops visited, 5 declined and, 11 new candidates that we are excited to welcome into the Order of the Arrow.

Our next chapter event is on May 20th at 6:30 PM. We will be bowling at Just-In-Time Recreation in Lewiston. We love seeing our Arrowmen at our events and getting to engage with both new and old members of our lodge and chapter.

We hope to see you at our next event!



**CHIEF:** NATALIE P.  
**VICE CHIEF:** RYLAN B.  
**SECRETARY:** MATT I.







# COMMITTEE REPORTS

## GET INVOLVED

### ELANGOMAT

**COMMITTEE CHAIR - BRENDEN F.**

The Elangomat Committee has been busy recruiting Elangomats for our upcoming spring induction weekend and collecting contact info of members interested in serving at future ordeals. We have also been working with the Training Committee to provide elangomat training for all those in attendance at spring fellowship. We are still looking for more experienced Elangomats and new members interested in shadowing for the first time, so contact if interested!

### BROTHERHOOD

**COMMITTEE CHAIR - TORI W.**

So far this year we have had 14 arrowmen seal their membership into Madockawanda Lodge and the Order of the Arrow. An interest form will be sent out soon to gauge prospective Nimats in the future in addition to getting more people to complete their induction. We are always looking for more people to guide their brothers on their journey as a nimat!

### FINANCE

**COMMITTEE CHAIR - WILL R.**

The Finance Committee has been hard at work developing new products for our Arrowmen to enjoy. This includes our brand new lodge polo and new lodge lapel pins, in addition to this we have been selling Eastern Region bundles online successfully and have been looking into other ways we can improve our Arrowmen's experience with the lodge store. We have a lot in store for later this year so stay tuned for more product announcements!

### CAMPING PROMOS

**COMMITTEE CHAIR - SAM M.**

The Camping Promotions Committee has been working on the 'Turtle Treks', the lodge's where-to-go camping guide in addition to currently working on setting a time for our next meeting in order to catch up and plan future camping promotions.

## WANT TO JOIN A LODGE COMMITTEE?

Want to become an active member of the lodge? Have an idea you want to share or have your voice be heard? There is no better way to become involved in Madockawanda Lodge than to join a committee. Committees are what makes our lodge function throughout the year, and they are always open for recruitment.

You can contact all committee chairs at [committee@madockawanda.org](mailto:committee@madockawanda.org). The email will send to the lodge chief and their adviser, who will connect you with the right committee chair & adviser





# CHIEF'S REPORT

A MESSAGE FROM MATHIEU C.

**Brothers of Madockawanda Lodge!**

Now that the snow has melted away and we emerge from our chilly winter, it's time to think spring!

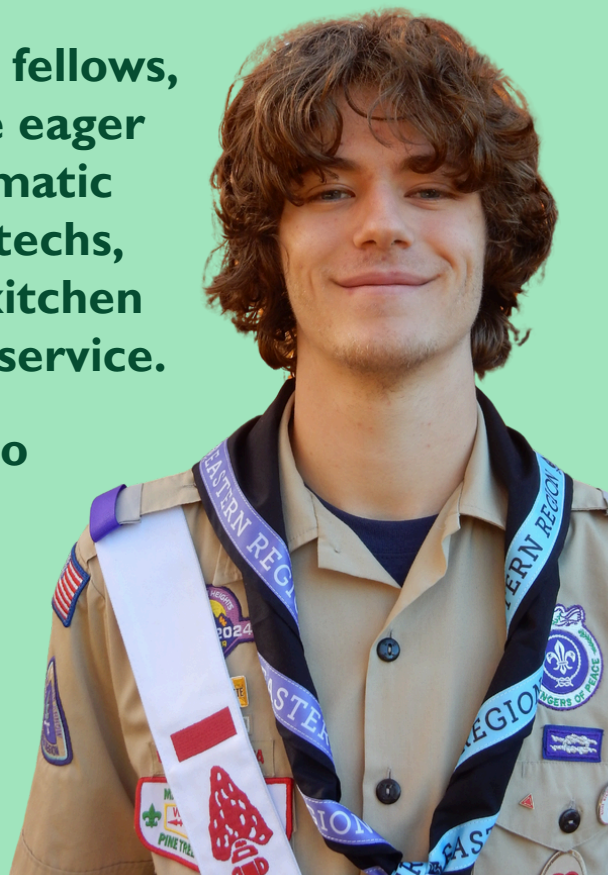
For many of us, winter can be a busy season with midterms, holiday excursions, and other activities, but now we get to celebrate the bonds of brotherhood all throughout spring! I can't wait to gather as a lodge once again for Spring Fellowship (which has yet to come as I write this), and our inductions.

Our inductions are something special to look forward to. I have not yet encountered an experience as impactful and unique as the Ordeal. To make these events, and ultimately our organization, important to our future members, it's in our hands.

So I call out to you, my friends and fellows, we need your help! We need those eager to guide crews as Elangomats, dramatic ceremonialists, crafty ceremonies techs, stalwart project leaders, flavorful kitchen staffers, and brothers to help with service.

Each one of you has what it takes to spring into action and make an impact on our lodge so I ask you, what will you do?

**Yours in Cheerfulness,  
Mathieu C. | Lodge Chief**





# CALENDAR

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**WINTER FELLOWSHIP: FEB 7-9**

**ACT CONFERENCE: MAR.**

**SERVICE DAY: APR. 19**

**SPRING FELLOWSHIP: MAY 2-4**

**SPRING INDUCTION: JUN 6-8**

**NEF 2025: JUNE 13-15**

**OA DAYS: JULY 2025**

**SUMMER INDUCTION: AUG. 15-17**

**FALL INDUCTION: SEP. 19-21**

**FALL FELLOWSHIP: OCT. 24-26**

**BANQUET 2025: DEC. 6**

