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## Great Start to a New Year

This past OA weekend went along great. Friday started off a little rough but it smoothed out. We had a total of 206 people present, 68 ordeal candidates get inducted and 31 brotherhood conversions. There were 7 clans with 5 projects to accomplish which included re-staining the chapel, enlarging campsites, building/clearing trails and clearing the brush around bass pond. The member projects consisted of re-coating the pole shed roof and painting new benches for the dinning hall by the brotherhood candidates. In the family cabins two water heaters were replaced and a shower stall removed but unable to be replaced due to the wrong type replacement. At the pool two new waiting decks were started. Physical Arrangements ceremony site looked great as always and the ceremonies were great too. Ceremony Team did 5 ceremonies and all were great as usual. The resale for the weekend totaled \$1,108.35, for the banquet the total was \$1,146.50  
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and registration brought in \$1,126.00. The brotherhood committee is well on their way to accomplishing their goal this year beginning with 31 conversion. Many issues revolving around our lodge budget were discussed. We voted to adopt the Nanticoke lodge and pay for the new windows. Many other budget ideas were discussed and we decided to make a formal budget and present it at the June Weekend. Costumes will receive 100 dollars for purchasing proper storage containers. The First Year Arrowmen program was discussed and the lodge members saw fit that they had a right to vote on the new pilot program. The Chapter Achievement Program was discussed but the requirements were said to be to broad so it

### Upcoming Weekend

The next lodge weekend is June 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>. This will be a Ordeal weekend and also the Vigil Breakfast weekend. We will vote on the new officers and hold our annual business meeting.

Everybody has a say in the business meeting so come and voice your opinions. Also if you are an Ordeal member that has been in the OA for 10 months after induction then come out and help your lodge fulfill it's goal of 30% brotherhood conversion see page 2 for more details. There will be a budget discussion during this meeting of the lodge so come and help us decide how to spend and allocate your lodges budget. This weekend will be held at Rodney Scout Reservation. Hope to see you there.



*"The Order of the Arrow is a thing of the out of doors rather than the indoors. It was born in an island wilderness. It needs the sun and rain, the woods and the plains, the waters and the starlit sky."*

**-E. Urner Goodman**

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# Chiefly Speaking

## Brotherhood Report

We are well on our way! If we have two more weekends like this the April Weekend, my goal will be accomplished we will get the 30% conversion rate! We had a record breaking 31 people convert to Brotherhood this weekend! I would like to thank each and every one of them for their hard work and effort. They were a great group of arrowmen!

The weekend went well and with no problems. With the help of some distinguished Brotherhood and Vigil Arrowmen, all 31 candidates received their Brotherhood. I would like to thank all my testers and Nimats: Debbie Haley, Ned Hartman, Rich Walton, John Crocket, Jack Nichols and Tim Swanson. I would like to thank Larry Miller and Drew Atgard for their help. A very big thank you goes out to my Advisor, Ms. Ana Prosceno. And finally, I would like to thank all members of Nentego Lodge 20 for their never ending support and continual guidance.

We got a great start towards our goal, but we still have a long road to travel we can only get there with your help! PLEASE - Convert to brotherhood as soon as possible. Go within your troops and chapters and PROMOTE BROTHERHOOD. It is your duty and obligation to help raise the number of conversions. This has to be a lodge wide effort. We can break the record we set this weekend if everybody does their part to help. I believe that this Lodge is capable of achieving 30% conversions and now I ask you to prove it to me.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Pat McCloskey  
Brotherhood Chairmen

Want to convert Contact Pat at:

Phone: 1-302-292-0876

Email: SkMacSMH@aol.com

There is only one word that can describe the Spring Ordeal weekend and that is "Excellent." I am continuing to see improvements with every committee and chapter and that is something that everyone can be proud of. I want to point out some points where I saw superb initiative:

Ordeal - 56 of 68 new members filled out interest forms in places where they want to be active with the lodge.

Brotherhood - 32 Ordeal members have sealed their membership by converting to Brotherhood. We are well on our way to achieving our 30% goal.

## Announcement!!!

**What do the following words have in common?**

**Fancy, Grass, Traditional, Straight, and Old Style**

**Give up? They're all types of Native American Dance. Do you want to know why this is important? Because Nentego Lodge has a Dance Team now! Sign up with the Lodge Chief today if you are interested.**

**This Committee (Native American Events) is in need of a chairman and an adviser. Interested candidates should contact the Lodge Chief**

Virginia Chapter - The first chapter to achieve a 100% Brotherhood Conversion. Congratulations.

Cook Crew - Excellent food, as always!

I could list good things about all the committees and chapters but I may end up taking up too much space, so I'll save all my good comments until the June weekend.

Speaking of, I hope we have a good turnout like we did this past weekend. Come out and join us in service and fellowship. I will also be passing out the Chief's 20 at the Saturday night feast. Until then, the lodge will continue to work on being a better resource for the troops of Delmarva Council.

## Chapter Meeting Places:

Choptank Chapter:

Chief—Scott Cheesman

Meets—2nd Thursday @ 7:30

St. Marks Church

Peachblossom Rd

Easton, MD

Sussex Chapter

Meets—1st Tuesday @ 7:30

Wesley United Methodist Church

Georgetown, DE

Three Rivers Chapter

Meets—2nd Tuesday @ 7:00

William Penn High School

Freedom Trails

Meets—2nd Wednesday @ 7:00

Dupont's Barley Mill Plaza

Tri-County

Meets—Asbury United Methodist

church on second Thursday of every

month at 7:30pm. We have an after

meeting social at TCBY every meet-

ing.

Chapter Chief James Valentine

# April Weekend

## Old Business

- Motion reopened to have a mandatory health form amended for the form to be a class 1 health
- Discussed the minimal requirements of national for oa weekend amended motion seconded and carried
- Table motion reopened to have a Native American Dance Team amended to be completely separate from costumes and Ceremonies and take care of its own costumes amendment seconded and approved.
- Proposal to transfer money from Laptop purchase to Adopting Nanticoke Lodge and refund henson for the windows with the \$1200 dollars for The laptop carried
- Motion made for the lodge to take additional \$800 to finish paying for the windows Carried
- Motion to close old business carried

## New Business

- See Attached for the first motion that carried
- Motion made to have a patch to fund the adopting of building and to have one patch to help pay for the Nanticoke lodge. Withdraw
- Formal budget will be made
- Proposal for the lodge to buy fabric so that Chapters can make costumes and chapters will be taking care of there own costumes after made Amendment carried
- Motion made to purchase radio's for the essential personnel for OA weekend amendment made to table until june and research possibilities carried
- Motion to buy adequate storage containers for costumes and to make a bigger costume carried
- Motion made to purchase wooden nickels for NOAC for \$600 for 6000 carried
- Motion made for designs to be submitted for first year arrowmen award and what needs to be accompanied with it Carried
- Motion made after discussion on the first year arrowmen to vote on it and make it a pilot program carried
- Motion made for the review of chapter achievement program and chapter chiefs will sit down with secretary and lodge chief and the program will be hammered out at June weekend.
- Nominations for lodge officers
- Motion to close new business carried

## Banquet

### Matters Discussed

- Second Vote to change Publications to Communications Carried
- No motion to change costumes to regalia and diad
- Rediscussed the tabled motion to buy a Lodge Laptop to hold the membership information
- Motion made to allocate maximum of \$1500 to purchase laptop Carried
- Motion made to a second delegate NOAC patch with gold mylark border Carried
- Guest Speaker Northeast Region Chief Brian Favat



## OA Wilderness

### Voyage

#### ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The National Order of the Arrow is offering you an opportunity to join Arrowmen from across the country in cheerful service and the formation of lasting brotherhood on the pristine US/Canadian Boundary Waters. Under the direction of the United States Forest Service, experienced Charles L.

Sommers staff members with strong Order of the Arrow backgrounds will lead participants on a two week voyage into the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCAW).

The program is a fourteen-day experience inspired by the traditions of the French and Canadian Voyageurs who ventured the northern wilderness during the 1700-1800's. Traveling thousands of miles by water and portage, these Voyageurs were hired to haul

goods and furs to trade with Native Americans and Europeans. In the spirit of these adventurers, Arrowmen will embark on a voyage that is two-fold. One-half of the OA Northern Tier Wilderness Voyage focuses on portage trail and campsite maintenance within the Boundary Waters. The remaining expedition is spent on a canoeing adventure that is planned and chosen by the participants in the pro-

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# The Nendawen's First Editorial/Speak-out

Written by: Lodge Member at Large

Let me start off by saying that I heard through email before the April weekend that there was going to be a no walk-ins policy and that it would start in June. I understood that somebody had questioned the ability to do it without vote and it was revoked. Now I would like to talk about walk-ins. Working class families that are busy with everyday lives sometimes forgot to send the paper work in. There are people that are members of the lodge that don't know until the last minute whether they will be able to attend due to family obligations or work schedules. Members that don't get their Nendawen and can't send the paper work in. Yes, the Nendawen is now online but how do you expect people that have never gotten their Nendawen to know about the website. Let me explain

why it shouldn't, walk-ins pay their money just like everybody else, in fact they pay an additional \$5 dollars. Let's look at the April weekend; we had 43 walk-ins multiplied by \$5 dollars equal's \$215 dollars additional money. Yes I realize that is bothersome to have to go out and buy more food but we've been dealing with walk-ins for how long. It didn't seem to be a problem, but all of a sudden there seems to be this attitude from the cook crew that if there is not enough food, walk-ins should be the ones to suffer. Yes I was a walk in this past weekend. Also, they gave out food tickets at the April weekend and if you didn't have one well sorry go to the end of the line. So if you forgot your ticket back in Ashquash or one of those sites all the way back near the water, well you had to

go to the end of the line. Walk-ins paid their extra \$5 dollars but they did not receive tickets. They were automatically put at the end of the line. Youth and adults that are new and come to a weekend and get treated like this are likely not to come back. When ordeal members attend the new members orientation they were told that there was no ranks in the order and everybody was equal yet the ranks that are forming are not Ordeal, Brotherhood and Vigil, but simply were you a walk-in or not. If anyone has an opinion one way or another, please reply to Kmbse@bcctv.com. I think a no walk-in policy will hurt not help weekend attendance.

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gram. In other words, each crew plans their own voyage! However, the program is not simply portage trail work, camping, and canoeing. The OA Northern Tier Wilderness Voyage is ultimately a journey that challenges Scouts mentally, physically, and spiritually.

Portage trail work is tough and serious. The worksite experience is full of long, strenuous days requiring a great deal of physical effort. Participants are expected to work with great diligence as the tasks being accomplished are designed to benefit generations of Scouts and non-Scouts in the Boundary Waters Wilderness. In addition to mastering portage trail maintenance techniques, Scouts will strengthen their leadership skills, learn advanced wilderness and low-impact camping skills, learn wilderness safety techniques, participate in many motiva-

tional activities, and receive special OA instruction. The project's mission is to maintain, reinforce, and intensify the purpose of the Order of the Arrow through Scout camping traditions. Camping enhances and builds stronger programs and people. Participants are expected to use their experience to benefit their troop, chapter, lodge, and council programs.

## **OA Trail Crew** ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Order of the Arrow is offering you an opportunity to join other Arrowmen in cheerful service and the formation of lasting brotherhood on the trails of Philmont Scout Ranch. Under the direction of the Philmont Conservation Department, experienced Philmont staff members with strong Order of the Arrow backgrounds will lead participants on the

two week trail crew and trek.

The program is a fourteen day experience. The first week focuses on trail construction and maintenance under the guidance of Philmont trail crew foremen. The second week is a seven day backpacking trek that is designed by the participants. The program is not simply building trail and hiking though, the OA Trail Crew is ultimately a journey that challenges Scouts mentally, physically, and spiritually.

Trail building is tough. The worksite experience is full of long, strenuous days requiring a great deal of physical effort. Participants are expected to work with great diligence as the trail that is being built is designed to last over 75 years and protect the beautiful landscape of Philmont Scout Ranch. Other than trail building techniques, Scouts will strengthen their leadership skills, learn advanced wilderness and

## Advisors Minute

I would like to welcome all of the new members who took their Ordeal last Ordeal week-end. A BIG thank you to the Ordeal members who sealed their membership by obtaining Brotherhood. It has been quite a few years since we had over 30 to take brotherhood on any given weekend. I encourage all eligible brothers to convert to Brotherhood Honor this year. My goal for the past 5 years was to obtain Honor lodge and this has been our biggest stumbling block. Help us obtain Honor lodge this year. If you need help or have questions, contact the Brotherhood-master, Lodge Chief, or their Advisors. Together we can do it.

At the June weekend, the lodge will hold its annual meeting on Sunday morning. Also elections will be held for the

lodge and chapters. I would like to see the voting members stay. This is your Lodge.

Get involved and get active. Each one of you can make your chapter the best in our lodge. Speaking of chapters, there is a position available to youth members. The OA troop rep is a troop leadership position that can be used for the Star, Life and Eagle ranks. Check with your Scoutmaster for the requirements and forms.

The OA offers all of extras, Philmont and Northern Tier Trail crews, NOAC's, Jambo Staffs. Contact the SRN for more info. Your help is also needed for troop election, camp promotions, and other activities in the Council that we can

make a presence.

This will be my last article as the Lodge Adviser. I will be stepping down at the end of the annual meeting. Bill Boston will be taking over the reigns at that time. One of my last things that I need to do is to get chapters to volunteer for a project on each of the weekends. As the Adviser, I am usually the last one to leave camp.

At Henson, this means that I end up cleaning the comfort stations. I need at least one if not two chapters these. Now that we have these at Rodney, I am asking chapters to volunteer to clean these. I do not want to have the first function of the new adviser to clean the comfort stations.

In service

Bob Weyl

## A Final Note or So from Bob Weyl

In July 1997, I was in the process of getting ready to leave for the National Jumbo when I received a call about taking the position of Lodge Adviser. During Staff week, two of my staff members, Lodge Adviser Jim Strawberry and Jim Taylor both from Klahican Lodge in N.C. talked me into taking the position. I would also like to thank those in our lodge who suggested my name to take over from Taz. When I took my Ordeal in 1972, I never expected to one day be the Lodge Adviser. I have not regretted my choice.

During the past 5 years, I had the pleasure to work with some great officers. Big thanks go out to my past chiefs, Gary Peterson, James Massey, Danny Newberry, Dan Young and

Drew Algard. I learned from them and I hope that I was able to pass along a few things. Also I need to thank my Staff Advisers, Brian Karch and Kevin Les Callette, without the help from them, I would have been lost.

The backbone of the lodge is the committee chairman's, chapter chiefs, and the elected executive officers and their advisers. Your service and dedication has made my job 100% easier. I knew that I did not have to worry about doing the jobs, they were being handled.

To list everybody would take pages so I just want to say a BIG THANK YOU.

The one goal that I set for myself, that I was unable to obtain was Honor lodge. I am asking your help in assisting our youth officers and Bill

Boston, my replacement, to obtain honor lodge in 2002.

Since my Ordeal in 1972, I have committee chairman positions and have been an adviser to many different committees. I am not going anywhere. I will still be active in the lodge, council and National events ie NOAC and Jambo.

As I have always stated, This is your lodge. Get Active and Get Involved and support our officers.

**In Service,  
Bob Weyl**

## Health and Safety Update **New Requirement**

Greetings fellow Arrowmen, I would just like to make a brief announcement regarding one of the motions past at the April Lodge Executive Meeting at Henson. As of now, all Arrowmen participating on a Lodge weekend are required to have on file with the Health & Safety Committee a completed and up-to-date BSA Class 1 Medical Form. This new motion was past so that the Lodge would be following the BSA Guide to Safe Scouting. The Class 1 Medical Form is designed for

camping trips not exceeding 72 hours and will be required to be up-dated every two years. The Class 1 is the basic medical form which does **NOT** need a doctor's signature to be complete. Class 1s should be obtainable through the council service centers, troop Outdoor Activities Chairman, and via the internet. Collection for the Class 1s will begin at the June Rodney weekend, but will not be mandatory to stay. But by the October weekend at Henson, all Arrowmen wishing to

stay for the weekend are required to have a Health form turned in to Health & Safety. If anyone has any questions about this issue, please feel free to contact me via e-mail at [MIKEM075@aol.com](mailto:MIKEM075@aol.com). Thank you

Yours in Brotherhood  
Michael Meredith  
Health & Safety Chair  
Nentego Lodge 20



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**Member Registration Form**  
(Ordeal Candidates **MUST** use Candidate's form)  
**Order of the Arrow**  
**Boy Scouts of America**

**Summer Weekend—June 7, 8, 9, 2002**      **Rodney Scout Reservation**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Honor: **O**   **B**   **V**  
Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

If your address, telephone number or any medical cautions previously noted have changed in any way, send those changes with this registration form. (Change of address must include Zip +4.)

I understand that neither Nentego Lodge 20, its officers, members or advisers nor the Del-Mar-Va Council, Inc. are responsible for any items lost or stolen at Lodge functions. Valuables should be safeguarded or left at home.

Signature of member \_\_\_\_\_ /\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

If the member is under 18 years of age, parent or guardian **must** give permission for the youth to attend and to participate in the planned activities. Please sign below:

I, the undersigned, hereby give \_\_\_\_\_ (Youth's First Name)  
permission to attend the Spring/Summer Weekend at Rodney Scout Reservation,  
and to participate in any and all planned activities. I have read and understand the  
statement concerning valuables. In the event that I cannot be reached in the case of  
an emergency, I hereby give the adult leaders in charge and/or an attending physi-  
cian permission to provide the required medical attention.

\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Parent/Guardian) \_\_\_\_\_ (Date)

Enclose: \_\_\_\_\_ \$12.00 I'll be there  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$22.00 I'll be taking my Brotherhood. (On Date \_\_\_\_\_)  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$ 1.00 Weekend fee for working (trained) (Elangomat)  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$ 5.00 EXTRA for Vigil Member Breakfast. (June 8)  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$ 25.00 for Conclave

Send to: Del-Mar-Va Council, Inc. Acct # Spring 900075  
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**No later than May 28, 2002 or late fee will be added**