



Paugasset Lodge

March 2010 Newsletter



New Officers

A heartfelt thank you goes out to last year's officers, especially Will Schmitt, Past Lodge Chief, and congratulations to this year's newly elected officers. Here they are:

Chris Wilson- Lodge Chief

Doug Demaine- Vice Chief of Administration

Matt Frovarp- Vice Chief of Membership

Matt Scinto- Vice Chief of Publications

Chuck Stankye III- Vice Chief of Ceremonies

Alex Plourde- Secretary

John Rosa- Treasurer

2010 Quality Lodge Summit

Last month, Section NE-2A conducted its Quality Lodge Summit in Lennox, MA. The annual gathering of the Lodges in NE-2A, focused on helping achieve Quality Lodge. In addition, emphasis was placed on implementing the OA's national strategic plan, entitled "Living the Legacy." The entire day was filled with training sessions of all kinds, taught by expert trainers from around the region, focusing on a wide range of topics including, membership, Scoutreach, Council relations, summer camp involvement, etc. This year, the following people from our Lodge attended:

1. Chris Wilson
2. Doug Demaine
3. Chuck Stankye III
4. Tom Wilson
5. Don Demaine

Cub Scout Christmas Campfire

One of the National OA Strategic Goals is cheerful service to Cub Scouts. On December 7th, OA Brothers conducted a Christmas campfire at the pavilion in Osbournedale State Park. The event was attended by numerous Cub Scouts and Leaders from around Housatonic Council. Scouts enjoyed Christmas carols, hot chocolate, baked goods, capped by a visit by Santa driving on top of a Derby Fire truck. Special Thanks to everyone that made this possible.

2010 Section NE-2A Conclave

“A Journey Through Time”

Each year, Arrowmen from eight Lodges of Section NE-2A gather for the annual Section Conclave – a weekend of Training, fellowship and fun!

At the Conclave, you will find a wide variety of activities, events, and training sessions throughout the weekend. Beginning Friday night with an opening how and carnival, and ending Saturday with the Annual Section Business Meeting, you will enjoy a weekend packed with exciting opportunities!

The 2009 Section Conclave will be held from June 11-13, 2010 at Camp Sequassen in New Hartford, CT, three exits north of the exit for Camp Strang. This year's Sevice Lodge is Owaneco of the Connecticut Yankee Council. More details at: <http://www.ne-2a.org/index.php?p=conclave>

Lodge Leadership Development (LLD)

Our Lodge will be hosting our own Leadership Seminar April 10th at the Council Office. Any Arrowman can attend, from a newly inducted Ordeal member to a Vigil Honor Member. Learn Skills that will help you in Scouting, the OA, and everyday life. Anyone who is interested in running for office next year is STRONGLY recommended to go. More information to come. For a promotional video on LLDs goto: <http://lld.oa-bsa.org>

Fellowship Weekend

Our Lodge Fellowship Weekend is coming up (April 16-18 on the Council Calendar). This is a weekend that consists of only fun events. Usually this takes place at Camp Strang, but we are currently looking into places around here, to get more participation. If you have any ideas, such as a lock-in at the Shelton community center, bowling, lazertag, etc., please feel free to e-mail Chris Wilson at: Paugassett553@att.net

Jamboree Lodge Flap:

Due to the Jamboree coming up, we asked that people going to it submit designs to the Executive Board. We received none from the Jamboree troops. Two however, were submitted by Chris Wilson. One of which (below) was chosen.



The following is the policy that was also voted on by the Executive Board:

Three types of patches will be made, one with a gold border and lettering, another with a silver border and lettering, and the last one will have a bronze border and lettering.

The Order of The Arrow Executive Board Members and OA representatives attending the Jamboree, will receive 2 Jamboree patches with a silver border and lettering, and 2 with a gold border and lettering. This special patch is not to dignify rank, but to show the hard work of the board. They can do with them what they choose, but will not be able to receive any more. We encourage them not to trade.

The General Order of The Arrow members attending the Jamboree, will receive 2 Jamboree patches with a gold border and lettering. They can do with them what they choose, but will not be able to receive any more. We encourage them not to trade.

The patch with a bronze border will be considered a trader patch. It will be available for preorder exclusively to the people attending Jamboree. The Lodge will make extras for purchase by any Arrowman regardless of attending the Jamboree, after the it has ended. A limit will be set.

From the Chief:

I'd like to once again thank Mr. Frovarp for his three years of service to Paugasset Lodge as Advisor. As many of you know, he has stepped down and Capt. Wilson has taken his place. Thank you Mr. Frovarp, for your dedication and many hours of service you gave to our lodge.

Chris Wilson

From the Advisor:

I'll keep this short. This past year Paugasset Lodge had many successes! Unfortunately, we, "Your Lodge" did not obtain Quality Lodge from National because we did not demonstrate positive membership growth and Brotherhood Conversion. Let's get our numbers up and earn Quality Lodge for 2010.

1. Pay your dues
2. If you are an Ordeal member, become a Brotherhood member. The process is easy and the recognition seals your membership in the OA.

Last but not least, the success of our Lodge depends on your participation. Get involved! You only get back what you're willing to put in. Make it happen.

CAPT. Wilson