



The Eagle Pipe

Positive Growth!

Our June Summer Conclave had its largest attendance ever with 106 candidates and members participating. The 66 candidates and 40 members helped prepare the camp for National Camp School which started on June 9th. Thirty other arrowmen supported the Cole Canoe Base Mix Fix by doing heavy projects such as latrine and pavilion construction. Mr. Gus Chutorash, the Council Camping Director, commented several times on how impressed he and his staff were with the number of projects the lodge completed that weekend.

Thanks to the Spring and Summer Ordeals, the lodge has achieved positive growth for the year 2007, with an outstanding 1,278 members! And we show no signs of our growth slowing with the fast-approaching Fall Conclave that always has good attendance. We also have a rich lode of eligible Brotherhood candidates among the hundreds of Ordeal members and you can help.

There are over 390 arrowmen “eligible” for Brotherhood conversion. Please check around your troop to see if there are any Ordeal members with white border lodge flaps needing to participate in a Brotherhood conversion ceremony



Chapter	Total Members	Ordeal	Brotherhood	Vigil Honor
Achowalogen	19	6	7	6
Council	24	2	6	16
Lowanue Kuwe	316	185	112	19
Mahican	389	144	204	41
Wapaneu	173	77	78	18
Wsigau	357	183	146	28
Lodge Total	1,278	597	553	128

(including yourself). Please have them contact their Chapter Chief and see our calendar for ceremony dates. We need 30% (at least 128 more) of those eligible members converted to achieve Quality Lodge! We can’t do it without you!

Ordeal Members: Seal Your Membership!

After 10 months as an Ordeal member and fulfilling several requirements, you should seal your membership in the Order of the Arrow by participating in a Brotherhood conversion ceremony. These ceremonies are done at lodge events held at Cole Canoe Base and D-Bar-A Scout Ranch. Some chapters conduct “in-town” ceremonies, so please check with your chapter officers and advisers. Better yet, just join other lodge members at one of the camp ceremonies and bring several of your eligible friends too.

The next camp Brotherhood conversion ceremony is on Tuesday, July 3rd immediately following the Trail to Eagle Ice Cream Social at 10:00 pm at D-Bar-A Scout Ranch. Visit the “Forms” section of our website (www.migisi.org) and download the “Brotherhood Requirements and Registration” packet. The cost is \$15 and that covers your Brotherhood sash and lodge flap. Come join the fun - we are there to help you seal your membership in the OA.

Chapter Reports

Achowalogen

The Achowalogen Chapter will be hosting the Fall Fellowship this year and we are well into planning this huge event; but we have a lot of work to do. We are also planning some upcoming unit elections.

Our chapter meetings are held on the second Monday of the month, at 7:00 p.m. at the Council building in downtown Detroit. If you are interested, please attend. Our next meeting will be held August 13th.

Everybody in the Lodge is invited to attend our meetings.
~Leo LeBron V

Lowanue Kuwe

Lowanue Kuwe Chapter serves the Northridge and North Trails Districts. This year, they will be hosting the Annual dinner. Look for more info in the next Pipe!

Mahican

Mahican chapter continues to work on improving our ceremonies and dance teams. Arrowmen from Mahican represented Migisi Opawgan at Section Conclave in dance and ceremonies, where Pawel Jarosz earned Honors in traditional dance.

As always, we are actively working on unit elections and brotherhood conversions. We will have in-town brotherhood ceremonies after chapter meetings this fall to help achieve our brotherhood conversion goal.

Any Arrowmen interested in

helping Mahican by chairing History, Training, or Camping Promotions can email me at mahicanchief@gmail.com.

Mahican meets on the third Thursday of the month, which is generally the night after the Lodge Exec meeting, at the First United Methodist Church in Dearborn.

~Ethan Morlock

Wapaneu

Wapaneu continues working towards it's goal of Honor Chapter, but we need your help. We need Ordeal members who have been in the Order for at least 10 months to seal their membership; that means ALL of you that had your Ordeal in 2006 or earlier and have not yet sealed your membership in the Order by becoming Brotherhood members. To make it easier for you to become a Brotherhood member in our Order, the chapter will be hosting an in-town Brotherhood ceremony after the August 6th chapter meeting. Forms and a map will be posted on the Migisi Opawgan website (www.migisi.org). "Forms" and a study guide can be found in the Forms section, a map to the location via the calendar entry. Members are encouraged to prepay through the Council office so that we can get an accurate count of the number of sashes and pocket flaps needed. Be sure to write "Wapaneu August Meeting" for the Brotherhood location on your paperwork. Remember, we have an annual goal in terms of percentage of Broth-

erhood conversions within the chapter and the more Ordeal members that do not elect to seal their membership by becoming Brotherhood make it that much harder for the youth of the chapter to earn Honor status. Additional in-town ceremonies will be scheduled if needed and a unit can also request for the O-A to hold a ceremony after one of their meetings if there are enough Ordeal members willing to seal their membership.

~Wapaneu Chapter

Wsigau

Wsigau has been fairly busy in these past months. We are currently focusing on brotherhood conversions, but this does not mean that unit elections are on the back burner. We still are receiving a steady flow of unit visit requests which we happily entertain. Currently we have contacted all of our units and held elections with 17. I would like to congratulate Kyle Rosiek for taking on the job of Chief of Native American affairs, a new position in the chapter in which Kyle will head up dance and ceremonies.

As always we like to see a lot of members at our chapter meetings. The last chapter meeting was great. All the officers and several new members showed up and had great ideas to contribute. Keep up the great work.

~Paul Jouney



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Adviser's Five

This year is shaping up to be another banner year for your lodge. We have great youth leaders in many of our key positions at the Lodge and Chapter levels – and, it shows with their enthusiasm. I am particularly pleased to see new and younger arrowmen getting involved with leadership positions. Pawel Jarosz has stepped up to take the Lodge Treasurer position and David Fry has joined the Brotherhood committee. Sean Range has moved over to the Service Chairman position and his Camping Promotions position was backfilled by Charlie Bertram. Nicholas Popp is taking the Communications Chair position for Andrej Walilko whose studies are taking him out of the country and Daniel Ghastin is our new Training Committee Chair taking over for Joe Kulwicki. As these young leaders, and others to come, dive into their assignments, I am asking our senior youth leaders and adult advisers to provide encouragement and positive direction. They are our future leaders and will take our lodge to new heights in the future. Have a great summer and be sure to let us know about your summer adventures.

~Joe Retzbach

Fall Conclave Needs Your Help!

The Lodge leadership decision to split the registration into members and candidates has some areas needing improvement. The Membership Committee is asking the youth of our lodge to give us a helping hand. Our registration needs two youth from each chapter to man the registration stations at the Fall Conclave. It may require you to miss the pre-ordeal ceremony, and you will not be able to be an Elangomat, but this would be an evening of cheerful service and a great help to the lodge. If you are willing to take on the job, please let your Chapter Chief know before the end of August.

Changing Hats

We have a few new chairmen on the Lodge Executive Committee (LEC). Starting with the Lodge leadership, Pawel Jarosz will be the new Treasurer. Shaun Range has moved to Service Committee and Charlie Bertram will be taking over for Camping Promotions. Daniel Ghastin is the new Training chairman and David Fry will join the Brotherhood team. Nicholas Popp will be soon taking over as Communications Chairman. These positions are very important in helping the Lodge run smooth and effectively.

If you would like to consider becoming a Committee Chairman or a member of the Lodge Leadership Committee (LLC) next year, please feel free to talk to myself, your Chapter Chief, or anyone else on the LLC or Lodge Executive Committee.

~David Genevich

Vigil News

On behalf of the Lodge Vigil Honor Committee, we would like to say thank you to all the members that submitted nominations to be considered for this year's Vigil Class. The committee received nominations for many qualified arrowmen from all five chapters, totaling nearly seventy in all. Your time and efforts for this are greatly appreciated!

The Lodge Vigil Selection Committee met on June 10th to discuss and vote for this year's nominees. Each chapter had the opportunity to send a youth representative to vote on behalf of their chapter. Lodge Vice-Chief of Activities, Andrew Curtuss, was also present to represent the Lodge level officers. The committee's selection results will be announced with a public Call Out ceremony at the Saturday dinner of the Fall Conclave.

We would also like to thank Lodge Executive Vice-Chief David Genevich for chairing this important meeting.

Finally, Vigil members, please mark your calendars for the upcoming Vigil Breakfast on October 27th, 2007 at D-A. Cost and times will be announced in upcoming issues of the Eagle Pipe. Information can also be found on the lodge website as it becomes available. This is the once a year opportunity for the Vigil Honor members of our lodge to celebrate the induction of the new Vigil class and share in some great fellowship.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Lodge Vigil Chairman, Chris Szybisty or Lodge Vigil Adviser, Mike Bien. Email links are provided at the lodge website. www.migisi.org

~Chris Szybisty

It Starts at the Top

A reminder to every lodge and chapter officer, "it starts at the top" with you and how you represent our lodge. You set the example and standard by which Migisi Opawgan is measured. It starts with proper and complete uniforms, using positive language, being there to assist without being asked to do cheerful service. Encourage your fellow arrowmen to represent the great lodge of Migisi Opawgan in a manner that says we are special and different from other lodges – look at us and ask us! We're Migisi!

Migisi Opawgan — Lodge Calendar

Date	Event	Location
July 3, 2007	Trail to Eagle Ice Cream Social (9pm) and Brotherhood ceremony 10 pm	D-Bar-A Scout Ranch, Metamora
August 8 2007,	Brotherhood ceremony following Wapaneu Chapter meeting 8:30 pm	Spindler Park, Eastpointe, MI
August 15, 2007	Lodge Executive Committee Meeting	First United Methodist, Dearborn
September 14-16, 2007	Fall Conclave (Ordeal)	D-Bar-A Scout Ranch, Metamora
September 15, 2007	Brotherhood ceremony 7:15 pm meeting	D-Bar-A Scout Ranch, Metamora
September 29, 2007	Brotherhood ceremony 4:00 pm	Sunset District Camporee, Kensington Metro Park Group Camp, Milford, MI
October 26-28, 2007	Fall Fellowship, Vigil Honor Breakfast, Lodge Officer Elections	D-Bar-A Scout Ranch, Metamora

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- Hanson Lee, Lowanue Kuwe Chapter Serving North Trails & Northridge Districts 248-952-5413	- Mark Elias, Wapaneu Chapter Serving Lakeshore and Michigami Districts 586-776-8364
	- Chuck Cheek, Wsigau Chapter Serving Sunset District 734-981-2455



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