



The Eagle Pipe

The end of the year...

Whew! Another great year of the Eagle Pipe is coming to a close as you read these articles. I must say it has been fun, challenging, and most importantly, rewarding. I'm very thankful for my helpful adviser, Mr. Joe Kelly, he has been more than crucial in completing the eagle pipe as scheduled. If this sounds a little like a speech, you may be right. I will be turning 21 this November, and therefore I cannot continue as a chairman in the lodge. Heartbreaking, I know. Never fear, as a skilled replacement is in the works. Anyways, on to business.

If your e-mail is out of date, you can update it online at www.migisi.org. Simply go to Webtools and click on Member Update. You can also fiddle with your physical address and telephone number here. We would love to know your new e-mail to keep you up to date, so please remember to let us know if you change it!

Trade-O-Ree

Migisi Opawgan lodge 162, along with the Detroit Area Council, BSA and the Camp Staff Alumni Association are proud to sponsor the 12th Annual Detroit-Great Lakes Scout Trade-O-Ree and Memorabilia show.

The Show will be held on Friday November 9th and 10th at the Livonia Mall. Hours are from 5pm to 11pm on Friday and from 8am to 4pm on Saturday. The Livonia Mall is located at 29514 Seven Mile Rd, Livonia, MI, on the North-West corner of Middlebelt and Seven Mile roads.

Arrowmen will be needed on Thursday evening (6:30 pm) November 8th to help set up the exhibit tables and chairs. They are also needed during show times to help direct guests and man some of the registration tables and exhibits. Like last year, our lodge will be hosting an exhibit with 162 memorabilia and resale items. We will need addi-

tional arrowmen on-site Saturday afternoon starting around 2:00 pm to wrap up the show.

Admission is FREE for this event and all are welcome to attend. If you are a collector or Trader and wish to reserve a table, please contact Mr. Ed Basar, TOR Chairman at 248-669-9787 or e-mail: detroittradeoree@twmi.rr.com. More information can also be found on the council website at www.dacbsa.org.

Hope to see you at the Trade-O-Ree!

Ordeal Members: Seal Your Membership!

Has it been more than 10 months since your Ordeal? If so, it's time to seal your membership in the Order of the Arrow with a Brotherhood Conversion. Visit www.migisi.org for dates of In-Town Brotherhood Ceremonies near you, or join us at Fall Conclave for the Brotherhood Meeting/Ceremony at 6:30 p.m. on September 15 at D-A Scout Ranch. Also, you can find Brotherhood Conversion and Event Registration paperwork in the Forms section of www.migisi.org.

We're halfway to our goal of 30% brotherhood conversions, but there's still a long way to go! We need 67 more brotherhood conversions to attain quality lodge this year, so if you know anyone in

your troop that needs a conversion, refer them to the website to find a ceremony near them, or have them register for the fall conclave. Every effort helps!

~Migisi Brotherhood Committee

Chapter	Actual	Conv.
Achowalogen	0	0%
Council	0	0%
Lowanue Kuwe	9	6.7%
Mahican	22	19.8%
Wapaneu	15	22.3%
Wsigau	24	18.32%
Lodge Total	70	15.3%

Chapter Reports

Achowalogen

The Achowalogen Chapter will be hosting the Fall Fellowship this year. One important change to the Fall Fellowship this year is that you now must bring a mess kit. We are wrapping up the planning of this huge event, but we have a lot of work to do. We are also planning some upcoming Unit Elections, and in town brotherhood conversions.

Our chapter meetings are held on every second Monday of the month, at 7:00 p.m. at the council building in Downtown Detroit. If you are interested, please attend. If you want to come, it would be appreciated, and encouraged. 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. The chapter is hosting the annual dinner on Wed. December 5 at the Troy Marriot Hotel compliments of Tyler Coleman. Watch for further information. The chapter has an active ceremonies and dance team. This summer the team performed at Cole Canoe Base and at D-A for Trail of the Eagle camp participants. Chapter members will participate in three days of service and in the Fall Ordeal. Because Chapter Chief Andrew Corwell resigned, Assistant Chief John Suarez has

taken over his duties. Lowanue Kuwe meets on the 4th Thursday of the month at St. John's United Methodist Church in Royal Oak at 7:30pm.

~John Suarez

Mahican

Mahican continues to strive to meet our goals for quality chapter. As such, we will be having a in-town brotherhood ceremony after each chapter meeting starting with our September meeting. If you are an Ordeal member of Mahican who has been an Arrowman for at least 10 months, I strongly urge you to print a brotherhood form from www.migisi.org and attend our next chapter meeting.

Any Arrowmen interested in helping Mahican by chairing History, Training, Extended Elangomat, or Camping Promotions can email me at mahican-chief@gmail.com. Also, anyone interested in doing their Brotherhood ceremony after a meeting should send me a note so we can get a headcount.

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

~Ethan Morlock

Wapaneu

Wapaneu recently held an in-town Brotherhood conversion ceremony. Three members sealed their membership following an excellent picnic hosted by the chapter. A big thanks goes out to all the chapters that

helped pull together and make the ceremony outstanding. We would also like to recognize the new members of our ceremonies team who stepped up and gave a stellar performance.

Wapaneu meets at 7:30 PM on the second Wednesday of every month, except July and December, at Kelly Middle School, 24701 Kelly Rd. in Eastpointe. Feel free to stop by!

~Wapaneu Chapter

Wsigau

Wsigau has had a quite summer. We are currently working on our Brotherhood Conversion. We will be holding a in-town on September 29th at Sunset Fall Camporee at Kensington Park. We had one election at Cole this summer and one scout was elected. Wsigau had brothers working at Trail to Eagle, Cole, and D-A this summer. Good job done by all. We are also contacting Ordeal members to attend the fall conclave.

~Wsigau Chapter

Recognition

Remember, it's never too early to turn in nominations and forms for any of the lodge awards. Harold Oatley, Russel Neynaber, Robert Rutherford, Extended Elangomat, Leadership, and Service Award forms can be turned in to Mr. Ken Mills or Troy Kerchen. The deadline is November 1st, so don't delay!



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For up-to-the-minute news, check out www.migisi.org — the official Migisi Opawgan website.

Service

The Service Committee has been quite active lately and will continue to be that way for a few more weeks. We would like to thank all those who came out to help at Summer Conclave. The work the brothers do is truly wonderful and allows our camps to be as nice as possible, and for this we cannot thank you enough. In the near future we have the Fall Conclave. Any help with this event would be greatly appreciated and a great service to your council and community. We are always in need of hand and garden tools for the conclaves. The donations made in the past have really made conclaves more productive and a little easier for those working. So, we would like to thank you for your past and future donations you have and will have made with your time and tools.

Please don't forget that the service books at D-Bar-A Scout Ranch are located in the admin building, the shop, and the museum. If your chapter does service at the ranch, please don't forget to sign in everyone so we can record those hours. I would also like to let everyone know that we have surpassed our goal for 3 hours of service per member for quality lodge by a rather large

sum! We encourage you to keep up all the amazing work!

ArrowCorps5

"ArrowCorps5" (pronounced arrow corps five) will be the largest service project ever undertaken by the Boy Scouts of America – and, it's coming next summer to five national parks across the country. Yes, that's five sites; five weeks; and, five thousand participants. You can participate at one or all five locations if you wish. Our lodge has been asked to send at least 30 arrowmen to one or more of the national parks. An ArrowCorps5 flyer is enclosed with this newsletter providing high-level event details. Be sure to read it over and visit the National OA website www.oa-bsa.org where you can find even more details on this exciting, once in a lifetime event.

Training

The Lodge Leadership Development (LLD) 2007 will happen on November 17 at 8:30 in the Dauch Scout Center. Attendance is required of all elected lodge officials, and 75% attendance is mandatory for the Quality Lodge status. Elected officials



include advisers and chapter chiefs, as well as committee chairmen and lodge officials. Of course, anyone is welcome to attend and have fun at the games and team building activities, listen to our guest speaker, eat a great lunch, and learn from all the exciting courses taught by our own arrowmen. See you November 17th!

Vigil Honor

The Vigil Honor Committee would like to thank all arrowmen who attended the June 12 selection meeting at the First United Methodist Church of Dearborn. The committee would especially like to thank those youth arrowmen who represented their respective chapters at the meeting and Lodge Executive Vice Chief David "Superman" Genevich who chaired the meeting. A call-out ceremony will be held during Saturday dinner at the Fall Ordeal to announce those brothers selected to receive the Vigil Honor. A breakfast will be served in their honor Sunday morning at the Fall Fellowship in October. All Vigil Honor members of the lodge are invited to attend. Please visit www.migisi.org for registration and up-to-the-minute information on the Vigil Honor Committee.

Adviser's Five

to this night takes a lot of work.

The Vigil Honor selection committee, with a youth representative from each Chapter, conducted a selection meeting in June where the service record of each nomination was reviewed. I commend this year's committee for their professionalism.

The OA Handbook says of the Vigil Honor: "It is a mark of distinction and recognition reserved for those Arrowmen who, by reason of exceptional service, personal effort, and unselfish interest, have made distinguished contributions beyond the immediate responsibilities of their position or office, to one or more of the following: their lodge, the Order of the Arrow, Scouting, or their Scout camp."

Please read it again; but this time read it very s-l-o-w-l-y and think about the meaning of each word – especially the descriptive multi-syllable words. Congratulations to this year's class of Vigil Honor candidates!

~Joe Retzbach

Lodge Key 3 Attend NCLS

Our lodge's Key 3 leadership and two executive committee members attended the leadership track of the 2007 National Conservation and Leadership Summit (NCLS) at Indiana University in late July. Brotherhood Adviser, Corey Curtiss, attended the conservation event track. During NCLS, our leaders were introduced to the OA 2008-2012 Strategic Plan and 2008 Arrow-Corp5 program with the National Park Service.



Our NCLS delegates

OA 2008-2012 Strategic Plan

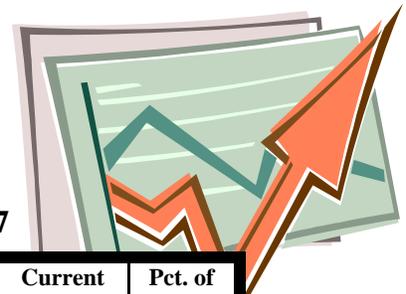
Introduced at the National Conservation and Leadership Conference (NCLS) at Indiana University, the new strategic plan, called "Living the Legacy," is the OA's "blueprint for service to Scouting" according to Mr. Brad Haddock, Chairman of the National OA Committee. "Our new plan complements and supports the BSA's strategic initiatives, acknowledges our heritage of service, and is the result of the most comprehensive development effort in the history of the Order of the Arrow."

Our Vision – "As Scouting's National Honor Society and as an integral part of every council, our service, activities, adventures, and training for youth and adults will be models of quality leadership development and programming that enrich the lives of our members and help extend Scouting to America's youth."

There are four key pillars to the strategy: 1) Serve and support Scouting; 2) Develop leaders of character; 3) Promote outdoor adventure; and, 4) Be an active, honored brotherhood. Specific actions supporting the pillars were discussed at all NCLS training sessions and event gatherings. A "Pathbook" helped NCLS participants identify how each training session aligned with the pillars.

Please visit the national OA website at www.oe-bsa.org and select the 2008-2012 Strategic

Plan link. There you can download a PDF file of the plan. It's easy reading and only nine booklet pages. If you have questions, please contact Jason Smith, Lodge Chief; Andrew Curtiss, Vice-Chief of Activities; or, Kyle Middleditch, Lodge Secretary. Mr. Morosky and Mr. Retzbach are also available.



Membership - Aug. 23, 2007

Chapter	2007 Yr End Goal	Current Mbrs	Pct. of Goal
Achowalogen	25	19	76.0%
Council	23	25	108%
Lowanue Kuwe	323	319	98.7%
Mahican	410	394	96.1%
Wapaneu	184	178	96.7%
Wsigau	346	359	103%
Lodge Total	1,312	1,294	98.6%

Twelve Migisi arrowmen attend 2007 World Jamboree

Twelve arrowmen from Migisi Opawgan Lodge attended the 100th anniversary of Scouting at this summer's 2007 World Jamboree; which was held at Chelmsford, England. Our participating arrowmen are: Spencer Johnson (Lowanue Kuwe); Don Ray (Wsigau); Andrew Tomlinson (Lowanue Kuwe); Griffin Dennis (Lowanue Kuwe); Benjamin Oz-talay (Lowanue Kuwe); Lew Schlanbusch (Lowanue Kuwe); Benjamin Standing (Lowanue Kuwe); Bryan Freebourg (Lowanue Kuwe); Steve McGrath (Wapaneu); Hanson Lee (Lowanue Kuwe); Jake Winfield (Wapaneu); and, Gus Schlanbusch (Lowanue Kuwe).



Central Region — Michigan — Troop 317

High adventure programs for OA

“Camping Promotions Committee” Are you ready for some high adventure in 2008? If you cannot attend ArrowCorp5, perhaps one of these three OA high adventure treks is for you. The Order of the Arrow Trail Crew program is one of the best ways to experience Scouting's premier high adventure base, Philmont Scout Ranch. For two weeks, participants see and experience all that Philmont has to offer and much more. The Trail Crew event cost for 2008 is only \$150. If you are into canoeing, the Order of the Arrow Wilderness Voyage program is an experience like no other. For two weeks, you will join together with Arrowmen from around the country and experience all that the Bound-



ary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness in northern Minnesota has to offer. The 2008 event cost for Wilderness Voyage is \$125. Florida Sea Base's OA Ocean Adventurer is 13 days long and includes a new type of service to the Atlantic Ocean. Participants will complete PADI SCUBA certification, as well as interact with undersea wildlife like no other Scouts do. The event cost for OAOA is \$500.

If you are an arrowman, these are leadership building experiences you will cherish for the rest of your life that include meeting many new friends from around the country. Visit the national OA website at www.oa-bsa.org and select the High Adventure link. We already have arrowmen signing up for these 2008 treks. Campership funds may be available



from the lodge and OA Section to help with the event fee.

Lodge officer elections at Fall Fellowship

Lodge officer elections will be held at the Fall Fellowship dinner on Saturday, October 24th. Nominations for Lodge Chief, Executive Vice-Chief, Vice-Chief of Activities, Secretary and Treasurer will be accepted at the September and October Lodge Executive Committee meetings. They will also be accepted at the Fall Ordeal in September and at the Fall Fellowship dinner. If you are interested in one of these positions, please review the position responsibilities that can be found at our website www.migisi.org. Select “Resources” on the left side of the Home Page; then “Rules and Procedures”; and, finally “Officers” to read the responsibilities.



Migisi Opawgan — Lodge Calendar

Date	Event	Location
September 14-16, 2007	Fall Conclave (Ordeal) and Brotherhood Conversion Ceremony	D-Bar-A Scout Ranch, Metamora
September 29, 2007	Brotherhood Conversion Ceremony at Sunset District Camporee—4 pm	Kensington Metro Park Organizational Campground, Milford, MI
October 26-28, 2007	Fall Fellowship, Vigil Honor Breakfast, Lodge Officer Elections, Brotherhood Conversion Ceremony	D-Bar-A Scout Ranch, Metamora
November 3, 2007	University of Scouting	Lamphere High School, Madison Heights
November 9-10, 2007	Great Lakes Trade-O-Ree	Livonia Mall, Livonia
November 17, 2007	Lodge Leadership Development	Dauch Scout Center, Detroit
December 7, 2007	Lodge Annual Dinner Banquet	To Be Determined



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